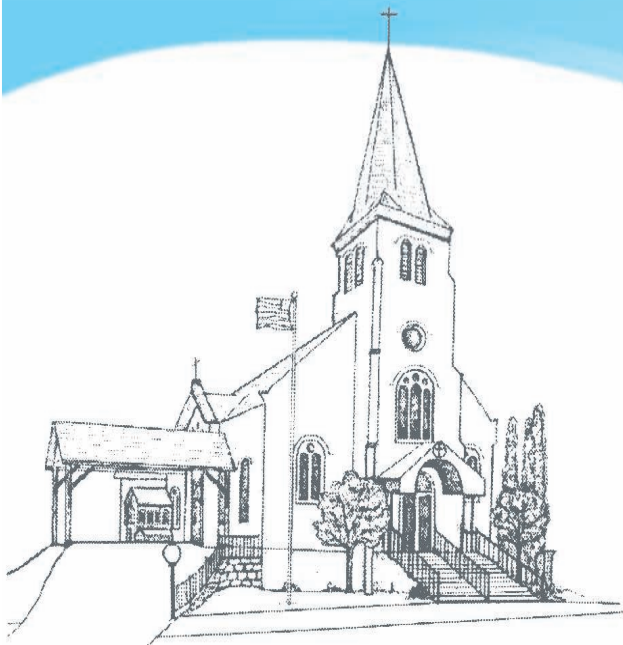


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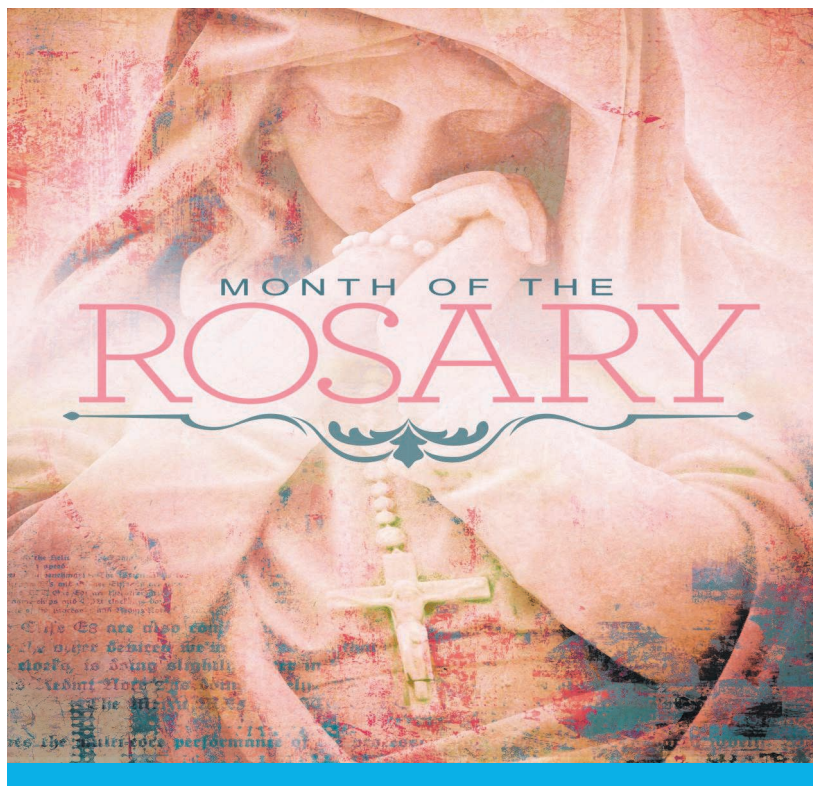
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Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am
First Friday of each month 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Wednesday 9:30 am - noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday of each month 8:30 am

First Saturday of each month 3:15 pm - 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

October 2, 2016

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

On Busyness and Rest

Several years ago, my mother was taking care of my nephews at their home in Montrose, CO. One of the boys, Keenan, was about ten years old. When mom asked him what he would like to do while his parents were away, he replied, "Nothing, I just want to stay home and play with my friends for once." Keenan went on to tell his grandmother that he wished that his parents would let them stay home and just do nothing, instead of always going somewhere, or taking vacations during school breaks.

Early this summer, a friend was taking care of her neighbor's children, ages 10 and 7, over one weekend. When my friend asked the ten year old what he would like to do, he said, just hang around at home and do nothing. Once again, these two kids are kept busy by their parents, almost going non-stop with countless sporting activities.

Another illustration of children wanting to have less action in their lives was revealed last Friday at the homecoming lock-in. Some of the students asked one of the chaperones if they could just talk or sit with their friends instead of watching a movie.

In all three circumstances, when given the opportunity, children would rather just "be" instead of do. We all need to kick off our shoes, lay back, and take time to rest; we need to just "be". As human beings, each of us needs to have quiet time to be reenergized. If we can't run a car on an empty tank of gasoline, what makes us believe that we can run ourselves on an empty tank? We are told time and again in the Gospels that Jesus himself took time to step back, rest, and pray.

We all need to break from our busy lives. Many do just that, "rest," and in order to do that, other activities must be given up. In numerous situations, the way to get rest is to skip Sunday morning Mass in order to sleep. Often when I have asked, usually a teenager, why they were not at Mass, they answer in a somewhat guilty tone, "I wanted to sleep in." I then ask "Why weren't you at Mass on Saturday night?" they almost always respond that they had to work. I can empathize and understand why teens want to rest on Sunday morning, there is no other time in the week when they can step back from school, sports, and work. We need our rest!

However, resting on Sunday is not only directed at teens. We are all called by God to rest from activity on the seventh day, or Sunday. "So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because God rested from all the work that he had done in creation." (Genesis 2:2, 3) If God needed to rest, I think we need to as well, even more so. The ironic thing is that when we go to church on Sunday or Saturday, we will find true rest, which will energize us for the busy week we are all inclined to have.

Have a beautiful fall week, Father Shane

PARISH NEWS



Come join us after the 4 p.m. mass on **October 15th** for a Potluck and please bring a dish to share.

Church Sacristan Needed

We need a Sacristan for the 4pm Saturday masses if your interested please call the office for further details.

Know Your Faith

The bible study group has been postponed until October 13th.

Blessings of animals

Fr. Shane will bless all animals Sunday, October 2 at 1:00 p.m. Please gather in the parking lot by Fr. Shane's garden in North Branch.



Fr Andy returning

Fr. Andy from Zambia will be with us from October 5 to October 21. He will celebrate all Masses at Sacred Heart this coming weekend and all the Masses at St. Gregory the Great on the weekend of October 15/16. Welcome back Fr. Andy!

Luminary Bags

Bev Mollberg is selling luminary bags for the Relay for Life after mass, the bags cost \$10 each.

Pastoral Council Meeting

There is an upcoming Pastoral council meeting on Oct. 11 at 7 pm in the Parish house.

Finance Council Meeting

The Finance Council meeting will be held on Oct. 19th at 7pm at the Parish house.

Anointing of the sick is during mass on Oct. 19th.

October 7th is the **first Friday, Feast of our Lady of the Rosary**. Mass is at 9am and confessions at 8:30am.



UPCOMING LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, October 8, 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Kevin Smith
 Communion: Mary Petschl, Chuck Debevec
 Gifts: Herberg Family
 Ushers: Ken Optaz, Ted Stathes
 Servers: TJ Roth

Sunday, October 9, 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Youth
 Communion: Beth Churchsmith, Kristie Frazier, Scott Tryon
 Gifts: Youth
 Ushers: Rodney Swanson, Bill Peno, 2 Youths
 Servers: Connor Frazier



We have numerous Mass Intentions open for the up coming months. If you would like to have a Mass said please contact the Parish office. Thank you.

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Cecilia Shinler
Jim Kirchberg	Bill Sempel	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Bev Hurley	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Jean Peno	Abby Larson
Heidi Blatz	Mary Ann Lunseth	Betty Anderson
David Gaul	Eileen Kost	Cathy Gamache
Rose Peloquin	Nick Cieminski	Lenny Oswald
Colleen Najewski	Arlene Greenhagen	Joan Parkin
Jeff Carlson	Phyllis Swanson	Jim Noon

Please advise the office if any of these names can be removed.

FAITH FORMATION

Our first Youth Mass will be Sunday, October 9, at 9:00am. All Faith Formation students should attend. Mass will be followed by refreshments and fellowship in Wey Hall.

We will also be collecting food for the food shelf at our Youth Masses. Please bring food items or make a monetary donation for the food shelf. Envelopes for monetary donations will be provided.

Upcoming dates for Faith Formation:

Wednesday, Oct. 5	Class 6:30-8:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 5	6th Grade Rosary Presentation 7:15pm at St. Gregory's
Sunday, Oct 9	YOUTH MASS 9:00 AM
Wednesday, Oct. 12	Class 6:30-8:00 pm
Wednesday, Oct. 19	NO CLASS MEA

FINANCIAL UPDATE

9/27/2016

Plate	290.00
Envelopes	1075.00
Faith Formation.....	90.00
Building Maint.....	
Candle money.....	61.74
Cemetery lot sale	500.00
Louisiana Flood Victims.....	844.64
Fall Festival	250.00
Total	\$3111.38

Thank you for your generosity.



Wednesday, October 5

Fr. Shane	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
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Friday, October 7

Fr. Nygaard	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
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Saturday, October 8

Fr. Andy	Sacred Heart	4:00 pm
Fr. Shane	St. Gregory's	5:00 pm

Sunday, October 9

Fr. Chuck	St. Gregory's	8:30 am
Fr. Andy	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
Fr. Chuck	St. Gregory's	10:30 am

The Circle of Catholic Women

Invites you to join us for a **FREE** evening retreat to celebrate the Special Jubilee Year of Mercy.

Tuesday, October 4, 2016

6:00 pm– 9:00 pm

Sacred Heart Church Rush City

Inspired author and speaker Janae (Optaz) Bower who grew up attending Sacred Heart is honored to be sharing in this extraordinary Holy Year a retreat to draw you near to His most Sacred Heart. To register by October 1st, call the office 320.358-4370. For additional information contact Shelia at 32.358.3155.

A light dinner will be included with the program. We encourage you to come and bring a friend.

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