

Celebrating & Sharing God's Love

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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WEEKDAY/WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday-Suspended

Sunday 9:00 am

Wednesday 9:00 am

ADORATION

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am

Mass until Noon

RECONCILIATION

After mass on every Wednesday of
the month or by appointment.

PASTOR

Fr. Matt Shireman

DEACON

Kevin Downie

ASSISTING PRIEST

Fr. Chuck Brambilla

Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald

Fr. Bob Nygaard

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

8:00 am. - 12:00 pm.

PARISH OFFICE

Admin Asst: Marsha Marcussen

Bookkeeper/ Music: Steve Yurick

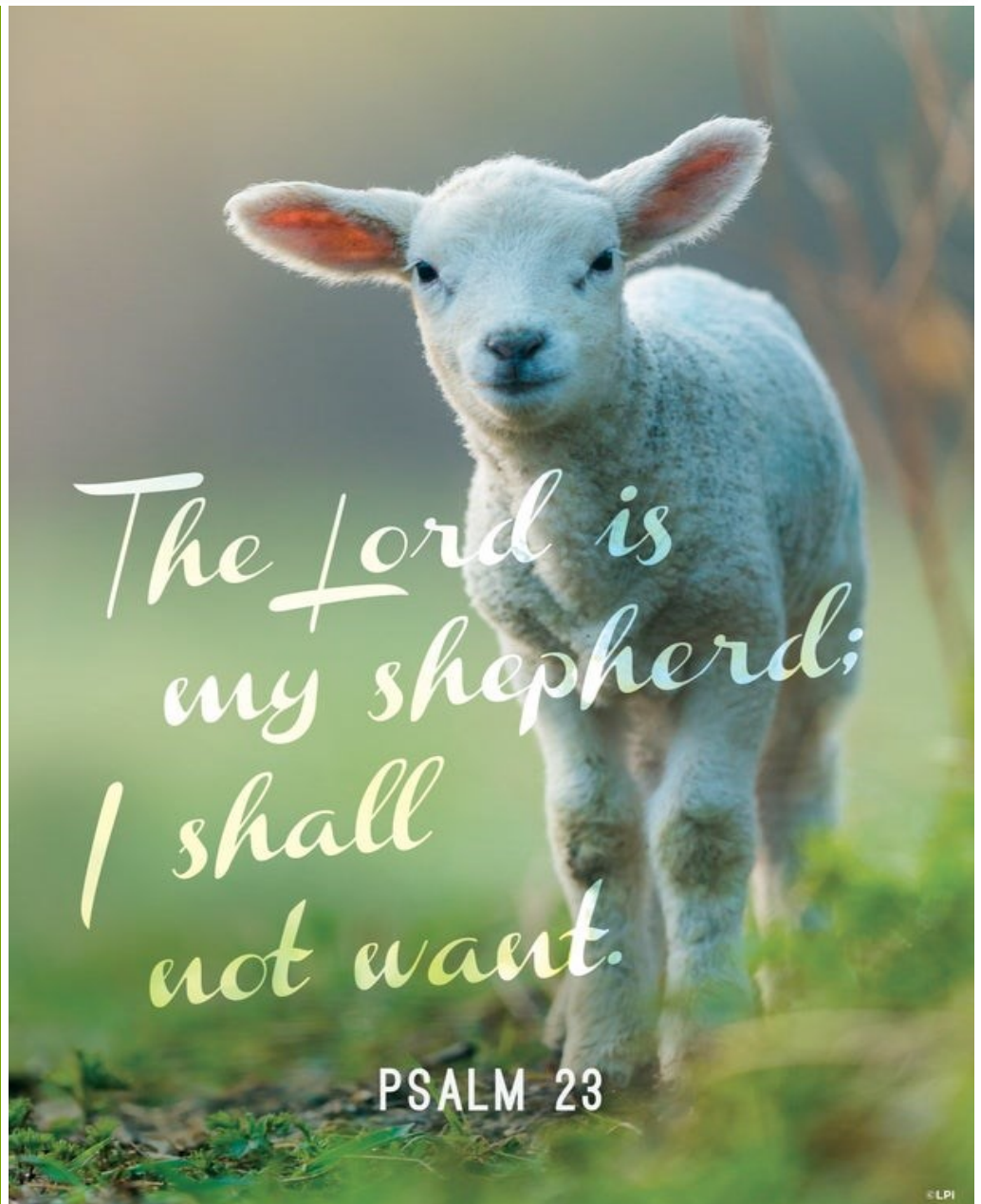
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FAITH FORMATION

Claire Kind

651-674-7382



Third Sunday of Lent

3-12-2023

Fourth Sunday of Lent

3-19-2023

PARISH INFO

Catholic Charities Food Distribution

The next food distribution of frozen meals for seniors 60 and older will be on Tuesday, March 21st from **11:00am-12:00 pm**. Meals are available in quantities of 10 and up to 30 per calendar month.



PERSISTENCE TO SUCCEED

Raul and Lillian have faced many challenges while trying to provide for their family and pursue their dreams in Guatemala. With support from Catholic Relief Services, they have been able to overcome these obstacles and grow their business while helping their community along the way. In what areas are you being challenged to serve others this lent. Be sure to pick up your CRS Rice Bowl at the back of the church, fill it during Lent, and support this great cause.

Global Solidarity Sunday

On the weekend of March 18/19, we observe Global Solidarity Sunday with the theme "I was blind and now I see" (Jn.9:25). This theme is an invitation for all to reach out, around the world, and let our light shine for those who still hunger and thirst for God's mercy, love and healing. This is especially needed today as one of the appeals, the Church in Central and Eastern Europe, is struggling from results of conflict. In addition, this appeal supports spiritual and material needs of three other global priorities of the U.S. Catholic Bishops: Africa, Latin America and humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services. Please be as generous as you are able and share God's light for your brothers and sisters around the world. Thank you.



BIBLE STUDY WITH FR. MATT

Join Fr. Matt and parishioners from both St. Gregory's and Sacred Heart for

Bible Study at its new time--Fridays from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. at the Romero House (6383 Maple St., North Branch). The group looks at the readings for the upcoming Sunday, so it is easy to just show-up when you are able to. The readings as well as coffee are provided. For more information or to get on the Bible Study Notes e-mail list (even if you can't make the Bible Study), contact Fr. Matt (fathermatt@stgregorynb.org).

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays at 7:00 pm
Confessions at 6:30pm

March 17 - Fr. Matt
March 24 - Dn. Kevin
March 31 - Fr. Matt

St. Patrick's Day Dispensation

A general dispensation has been granted by Archbishop Hebda from the obligation of abstinence from meat on Friday, March 17, 2023, the Memorial of Saint Patrick.



Those taking advantage of the dispensation, however, are exhorted to undertake a work of charity, an exercise of piety, or an act of comparable penance on some other occasion during the Third Week of Lent.

MASS INTENTIONS

Wednesday, March 15th

9:00 am † Tom Solorz

Sunday, March 19th

9:00 am † Joanne Walz

Wednesday, March 22nd

9:00 am † Kay Family

Sunday, March 26th

9:00 am † Bernie Knoss

Wednesday, March 29th

9:00 am † Charlie Brown

Weekly Celebrants

Wednesday, March 15th

9:00 am |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

Sunday, March 19th

9:00 am |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

9:00 am |St. Gregory| Fr. Fitzgerald/Dn Kevin

Wednesday, March 22nd

9:00 am |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

Friday, March 24th

Celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation
5:00 pm |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

Sunday, March 26th

9:00 am |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

9:30 am |St. Gregory| Fr. Fitzgerald/Dn. Kevin

Wednesday, March 29th

9:00 am |Sacred Heart| Fr. Matt

MASS AT SACRED HEART



Celebrate the Solemnity of the Annunciation--on Friday, March 24th at 5 p.m., Fr. Matt will celebrate an anticipatory Mass for the Annunciation at Sacred Heart Church. This Mass is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you or someone you know is in need of a prayer shawl please contact the office or feel free to take one from the rack in church. 320.358.4370

Shawls are provided by the CCW of Sacred Heart.



Friday's during Lent

Fish Fry's 4:30-6:30 PM

Dine-In & Take-out



Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Frandsen Ave & 4th St. Rush City, MN 320.358.4370
February 24TH THROUGH March 31st

ADULTS \$12 *KIDS 5-12 \$6 *KIDS 4 & UNDER FREE

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT





Heavenly Father, we Pray for...

Erin Hestbeck Mielke
Sue Roth
Gerald Mollberg
Jim Thorn
Judy Strandmark
Grace Schwaab
Janet Yurick
Connie Blomquist
Carole Stenger
David Kirchberg
Kersten Farley
Kenneth Lundberg
Scott Stenger
Shirley Kirchberg

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you or a loved one are ill in any way and would like to have your name included in the Sunday Prayers of the Faithful, contact the Parish office. Also, any prayer request or needs can be written in our Parish Intercessory Book in the back of church at any time.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Are you or someone you know having surgery? Seriously ill or suffering in mind, body or spirit? Consider receiving the Sacrament of Anointing. This rite is intended to convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit. To set a time that works for you, please contact the parish office.

Mission Statement

Sacred Heart parish is a community of Catholic Christian believers, established by the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. We strive to grow in holiness through prayer, celebration of the Eucharist and other sacraments, and reflection on the scriptures. We work hard to build the kingdom of God through evangelization, catechesis and service for all.

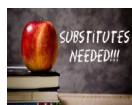
OFFERING MASS FOR YOUR LOVED ONES

You may have heard that the U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops (USCCB) is leading a Eucharistic Revival (eucharisticrevival.org) that will be centered on a National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis in July 2024. Although the focus in the Archdiocese (and here at the parish level) has been on the Archdiocesan Synod, we will be regularly reflecting upon what it means to be people who draw their strength from the Eucharist. At our parish, at the beginning of every Mass, you will hear a musician (or me at daily Mass) state the Mass intention that the priest is offering the Mass for. Church law requires a "Mass for the People" to be offered for every Sunday and Holy Day. The other Masses are ones that have been usually requested by parishioners. Strictly speaking, a requester does not need to offer any cash for the Mass intention as that gives the impression that someone is buying a sacrament, although common practice has been to list a suggested donation (\$10). Did you know that every person participating in Mass can offer the Mass for whomever they want? After the setting of the altar, there is a direction that the priest gives as everyone stands back up: "Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the almighty Father." We are each called to offer our lives on the altar. The priest has the assigned Mass intention but every person in the congregation (including kids!) can offer the Mass for whomever they choose. All you need to say to yourself is "I'm offering this Mass for my spouse...my fallen-away kid...my friend who has cancer...all the souls in Purgatory." Offering the Mass for a loved one is the best prayer and act of love that we can do. If the other person would be open to it, I would encourage you to share with them that you offered Mass for them. Kids can even write a little card to the person just listing things like the other person's name, their own name, the date, the parish, and a sentence about what specifically they wanted to pray for. The more we bring to Mass, the more we will get out of it. I pray that you will be able to see a little more clearly just how united we are when we are gathered around the altar.

Fr. Matt Shireman



YOUTH MINISTRY & FAITH FORMATION



KIC CATECHISTS

NEEDED There is a need for a 4th grade catechist and additional substitute catechists for the remainder of the Wednesday evening KIC program year. Volunteers excited to share their faith with our youth are encouraged to contact the Faith Formation office at 651-674-7382 if you can help and for further information.



SPRING BREAK Spring break is the week of March 12-18. No Sunday morning KIC classes on March 12 and no Wednesday evening KIC classes on March 15. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable spring break!

RECONCILIATION DURING WEDNESDAY KIC SESSION Disciples in grades 2 - 8 will have the opportunity to receive Reconciliation during the Wednesday evening KIC session on March 22.

PALM SUNDAY CLASS D.O.C students will be attending Palm Sunday Mass with class immediately following. Confirmation Candidates will be making St. Gregory shine as we prepare our parish for Holy Week. Lunch will be provided with class ending at 1pm.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

Youth in grades 9 through 12 from St. Gregory and Sacred Heart are invited to our next Youth Group on Sunday, March 19th at 6-7:30 p.m. at the Romero House (6383 Maple Street, North Branch). Pizza will be served at this meeting. Each month, we will focus on Friends, Faith, and Fun. The Youth Group will meet monthly, so mark your calendar for: 4/30, & 5/28. For more info contact Fr. Matt at the parish office or by email father-matt@stgregorynb.org.

