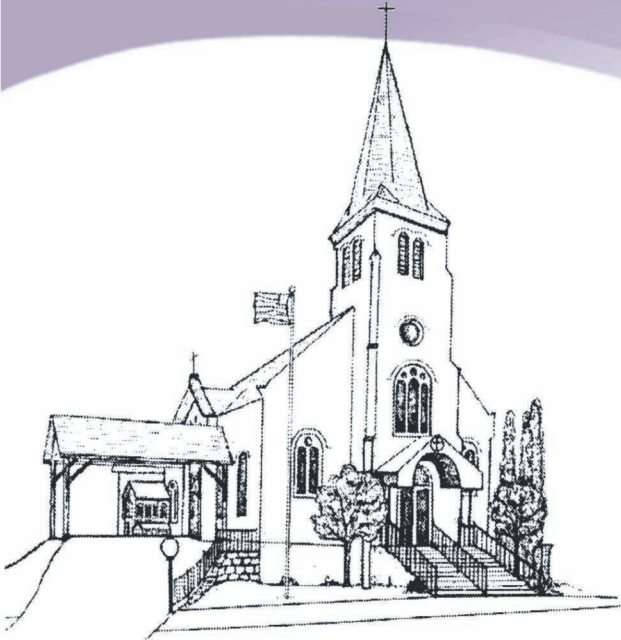


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29th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"A widow in that town used to come to him and say, 'Render a just decision for me against my adversary.'" - Lk 18:3

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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 16, 2016

Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

On Gardening and Fall

Last spring, I was so prepared and eager for summer, much more than in the past few years. This is mainly since during the past two previous summers, I wasn't able to do too much or enjoy the heat of the season for a few reasons. In my opinion, this summer was one of the most pleasurable summers we have had in a long time; it was warm, but not hot, and I welcomed the plentiful rainfall. Many hours were spent outside in the gazebo or sitting in a lawn chair under my pear tree as I read, wrote, prayed, and watched birds, rabbits, and squirrels fly or run around. Also, I experienced another so-so vegetable garden this year. The flower gardens were beautiful, and produced an abundance of colorful flowers

Yes, my vegetable garden produced so-so, with better potatoes, strawberries, and green beans this year. On the other hand, there were very few peas, radishes, or lettuce. I was able to harvest green peppers, cucumbers, tomatoes, and onions, but not in abundance, for they ripened about as fast as I could eat them. The carrots and beets didn't grow all that large. The green, yellow, and red onions grew like they always do, not too big or too small; however, it would be nice if they could grow to the size you find at the farmer's market. Overall, my garden this year wasn't as plush and green as my past gardens have been; those that I grew before coming to North Branch. Even though I am not quite pleased with the harvest, I am grateful for the things I was able to eat out of my garden. Maybe next year with continual persistence, along with some black dirt and compost added to the garden, it will be healthier.

Having spent a copious amount of time outside, either under the pear tree or in the gazebo, I feel satisfied with this past summer. As a matter of fact, I am ready for Fall. And what a Fall we have been having! As I am writing this article, we are supposedly coming to the end of a long stretch of picture perfect days and nights. We couldn't ask for a much better fall with these sunny skies, light breezes, and ideal temperatures. Since it has been rather pleasant and warm, the flowers and other plants continue to grow, although slower, as the days become shorter and shorter.

It has been more difficult this year to prepare for winter, which actually is a good thing. By this time last year and the few years before, we had freezes in the middle of September, causing most of the flowering plants to die. However this year, not having a freeze or even a frost yet for that matter, it has been difficult wanting to prepare for winter. Yet we know that the cold and snowy season will arrive sooner or later.

In the meantime, I have been thoroughly enjoying taking in the sun, enjoying the roses, the sunflowers, the milkweed, and all the other plants still alive and doing well. The trees, too, are stunning with their fall colors. Yes indeed I have relished this summer and now fall, and I wait for the change of landscape that will be upon us in the coming weeks- but I am in no hurry to see the first snowflake...

Have a good fall week, Father Shane

World Mission Sunday October 22/23, 2016-

World Mission Sunday is the day the entire world celebrates their missionary spirit by offering what they can for the worldwide Body of Christ. This is an appeal of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith which supports our brothers and sisters in over 1,150 mission dioceses worldwide. This year's theme, "**Mercy...to the Ends of the Earth**," reflects on mission as a corporal and spiritual work that goes to the margins of the earth to serve the poor and disenfranchised, as highlighted by the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska. Please be as generous as you able.

Anointing of the Sick

On Tuesday, November 8 there will be an Anointing of the Sick at 11:00 a.m. at St. Gregory the Great. Another anointing will take place at the 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesday, November 19 at Sacred Heart. Please join us as this Sacrament is administered to all those needing spiritual and/or physical strength. This rite is intended to convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit.



All Saints' Day, Tuesday, November 1.

The Solemnity of All Saints is on Tuesday, November 1 and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows:

October 31 at 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart

November 1 at 9:00 a.m. at Saint Gregory the Great

November 1 at 9:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

November 1 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Gregory the Great.

The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. All you holy men and women, pray for us!

Christmas Eve Dinner

This year I have decided to take a break and spend the whole holiday season with my family. I am looking for a family or two to take over the dinner for me this year. If you are interested please contact Marsha Marcussen @ 651.252.8325. Thank you.

PotLuck

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



UPCOMING LITURGICAL

Saturday, October 22, 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Rick Drevecky
 Communion: Jeanne Kay, Mary Stenger
 Gifts: Drevecky Family
 Ushers: Ken Opatz, Al Petschl
 Server: Brodrick Larson

Sunday, October 23, 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Sue Roth, Jeremy Albright
 Communion: Dave Prickett, Elsie Moore, Jean Peno
 Gifts: Moore Family
 Ushers: Ron Peltier, Bill Peno, Craig Peterson,
 Dennis Kaufmann
 Servers: Maggie Roth



Mass Intentions

We still have numerous Mass Intentions open for this year's calendar. Thank you.

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Arlene Greenhagen
Jim Kirchberg	Bill Sempel	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Bev Hurley	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Judie Peltier	Abby Larson
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Nick Cieminski	Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson
Lenny Oswald	Kathy Gamache	Betty Erickson

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

FAITH FORMATION

We are looking for **Prayer Partners** for our year one Confirmation students. Prayer partners commit to praying for a student for a period of two years until he/she is confirmed in the spring of 2018. If you can help in this important ministry, please sign up on the sheet provided in the back of the church.

There will **NOT** be any class on **Oct. 19** during MEA week.

Mary Ann Lunseth has passed away peacefully on October 13, 2016. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend her funeral. Visitation is at 10:00 a.m. followed by the funeral mass at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 18th, 2016 at Sacred Heart Church.

In Loving Memory



The month of October is dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Since the prayers of the Rosary come from such excellent sources — from Our Lord Himself, from inspired Scripture, and from the Church — it is not surprising that the Rosary is so dear to our Blessed Mother and so powerful with heaven. October is the perfect month to get started with the daily Rosary devotion. And for those of you who are already in this beautiful habit, it is the perfect month for you to share this devotion with others.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

10/12/2016

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Fall Festival.....	102.00
Food shelf	220.00
Beise Memorials	680.00
Fr. Andy	250.00
Schlangen family.....	20.00

Total \$ 3742.48

Thank you for your generosity.

Mass Schedule

Wednesday, October 19

Fr. Shane	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
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Saturday, October 22

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

Sunday, October 23

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

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