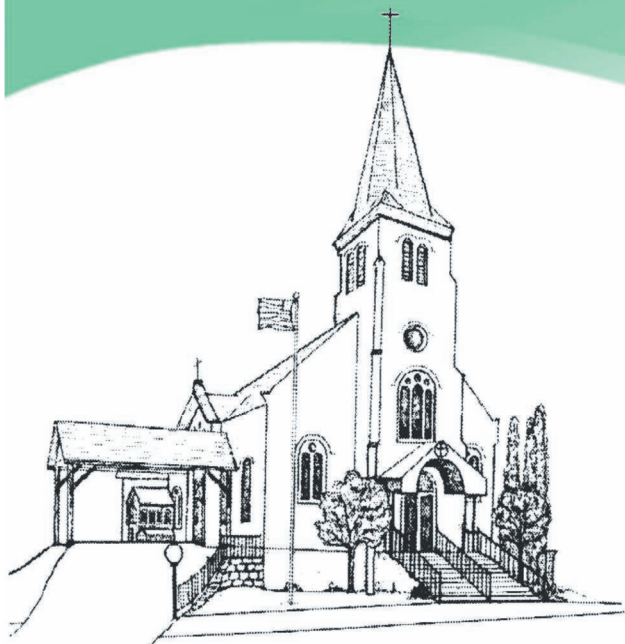


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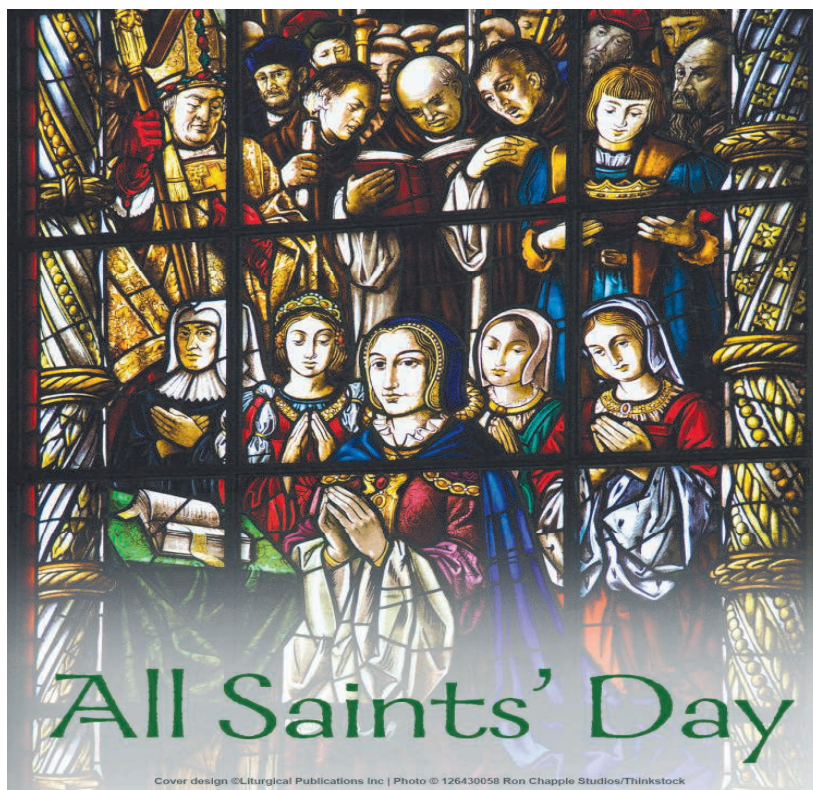
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Liturgy of the Eucharist

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 30, 2016

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

On the Seasons of Life

As I walked back to the rectory from my North Branch parish office, the leafless maple and oak trees struck me. A few days earlier the leaves were still on the trees, however, after the rain and thunderstorms earlier in the week, most of the colorful leaves had fallen. The starkness of the trees reveal the reality this fall; autumn marks the end of the growing season, and this is quickly showing through the typical changes in the landscape. Seeing the desolate scenery resonated with an aspect of my own life.

Like this past summer, my life flourished amidst the renovation at Saint Gregory the Great, particularly in the worship space and among the parish office staff and volunteers. Of the latter, the parish office was staffed by one paid employee (Kyle Yerges) and predominantly three volunteers, this had been the case since January. For six months, I enjoyed a routine each week that worked out. However, knowing that in August there would be a large change at Saint Gregory with Kyle leaving to go to college at Minnesota State University, Mankato, I was preparing myself, at least I thought I had.

As most of the parishioners know, the renovations began at Saint Gregory on June 13. Looking back, it was unrealistic to think all the remodeling would be done by the end of July. This became obvious about two weeks into the construction, so the completion date was moved back to the middle of August. The new finishing date was determined to correspond with the last days of Kyle's employment at the parish. Not only was Kyle in the office one day a week, but he was also my "right hand man" during the entire capital improvement project; he knew, and was aware of, all that was going on as much as I did, if not more. I could turn to Kyle at any time and know that a question would be answered or a problem resolved. Having someone I trusted working very close to me while we were remodeling was among the many things I enjoyed last summer.

Then, August 16 arrived, which was Kyle's last day. We sadly said our good-byes, and I thanked him for being on staff for several years. Although I knew the day would come, it was not easy. One day, I talked, texted, and asked him questions knowing that I could. The next day, I could not ask him any questions about the capital improvements, not that he said I could not, but I felt like I needed to let go.

Henceforward on September 10 and 11, the parishioners of Saint Gregory and I moved back into our newly renewed worship space. I thought to myself, at last we are back into a beautifully transformed worship space, one that I have found tranquil to pray in. Not that the previous space was difficult to pray in, but I found the new worship space in its simple, eloquent atmosphere to be more conducive for praying. At the same time, I longed to experience the feeling I had during the first days I celebrated Mass in the previous space along with many parishioners who were once here, but have since moved on or died. It was at that moment I encountered an overwhelming feeling of loss, both with Kyle leaving, and in this different worship space. Thus, this fall I feel I have entered the winter of my life, but that is okay, for as the season of winter passes, newness and growth will soon take its place. I know that this period of my life, a little death, will bring about new life, a resurrection. My faith tells me so; therefore, I feel some comfort amidst my grief, knowing that in time new life will come.

Have a blessed week, Father Shane

PARISH NEWS

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.

Bulletin Announcements are to go to Barb at St. Gregory's until the office position has been filled here at Sacred Heart. Please send to info@stgregorynb.org. Thank you.

Finance Council Meeting is November 1 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish house.

Liturgical Ministries Retreat/Workshop

On Saturday, November 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. there will be a Retreat/Workshop for all parishioners serving at Sacred Heart or St. Gregory the Great as an Eucharistic Minister, Lector or Usher. Our time together will include: two talks on the Eucharist given by Fr. Shane, time to reflect on your ministry with fellow parishioners and a training session. Parishioners, old and new, from both parishes are welcome to become involved in our Liturgical Ministries. Call Fr. Shane at 651.674.4056 x 111 or email him at Shaneow02@aol.com if you are interested. We will conclude the retreat/workshop with a meal and fellowship.

UPCOMING LITURGICAL

Monday, Oct. 31, 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Rick Drevecky
 Communion: Chuck Debevec, Mary Petschl
 Gifts: Theil/Usher
 Ushers: Al Petschl, Dick Ordner
 Server: Alexis Murphy

Tuesday, November 1, 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Mary Jane Dahl
 Communion: Clarence Larson, Audrey Larson
 Gifts: Moore Family
 Ushers: Bill Peno, Dennis Kaufmann
 Servers:

Saturday, November 5, 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Jeremy Albright
 Communion: Bev Mollberg, Rick Kosloski
 Gifts: Petschl Family
 Ushers: Ken Opatz, Ted Stathes
 Servers: Brodrick Larson

Sunday, November 6, 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Judy Anderson, Dave Prickett
 Communion: Mary Pat Hestbeck, Elsie Moore, Jean Peno
 Gifts: Solorz Family
 Ushers: Ron Peltier, Don Belland, Joe Moore,
 Craig Peterson
 Servers: Alexis Ertz

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
Heidi Blatz	Eileen Kost	Betty Erickson
David Gaul	Jim Noon	Jeff Carlson
Rose Peloquin	Colleen Najews	Cecilia Shinler
Nick Cieminski	Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson
Lenny Oswald	Kathy Gamache	

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.

SACRED HEART OFFICE HELP NEEDED

Duties to include: provide receptionist and specific secretarial support, to serve the parish community, to provide office services to staff and parish members, to create weekly church bulletin, to extend hospitality to all callers and visitors. Hours are Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday from 8:00 a.m. to noon. For more information or to apply contact Steve Yurick in the Sacred Heart parish office at 320.358.4370 or Fr. Shane.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

10/12/2016

Plate	211.10
Envelopes	1476.00
Building Maint	100.00
Stipends	14.00
Food shelf	50.00
CCW	250.00
World Mission	409.75
EFT	490.00
Fall Festival	70.00
Luneth Memorials	225.00
Funeral Fund	441.60

Total

Thank you for your generosity.....\$3737.45

2016 Fall Festival Results:

Total Proceeds: \$12,834.18

Expenses: \$4,528.31

Net: \$8,305.87

Thanks again to all who participated with their time, talents, and donations. And a special thank you to Brenda Dahl and Julie Dosch for co-chairing this important fundraiser.

Mass Schedule

Monday, October 31

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Tuesday, November 1

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Wednesday, November 2

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Friday, November 4

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, November 5

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 5:00 pm

Sunday, November 6

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 8:30 am

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Fr. Shane St. Gregory's 10:30 am



Mass Intentions

November 6 Mary Ann Luneth †

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