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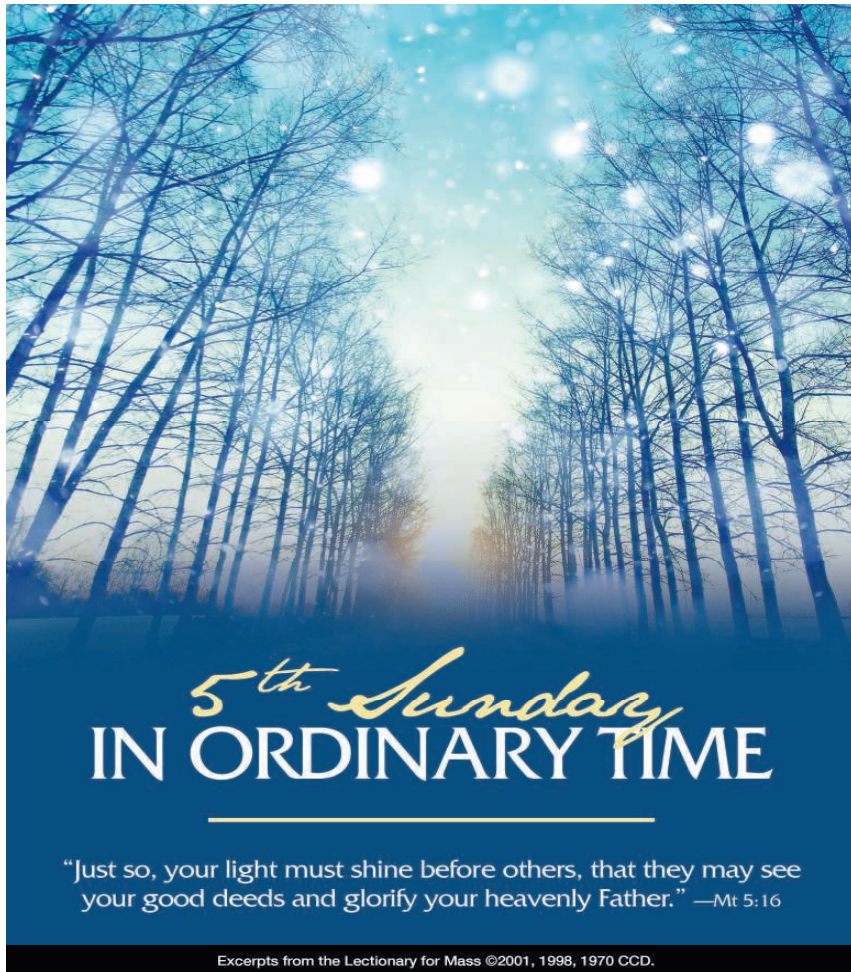
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5th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see
your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." —Mt 5:16

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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

Adoration has been suspended until further notice due to the weather.

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

February 5, 2017

Introducing Saint Bakhita—Feast Day February 8



Saint Josephine Bakhita had humble beginnings as a slave in the Sudan in Africa. She was born around the year 1869, and her father was the brother of the village chief. She was raised in a loving family with three brothers and three sisters. Sometime at about the age of eight (around February 1877), she was kidnapped by a group of Arab slave traders who had kidnapped her older sister two years before. She was forced to walk barefoot approximately 600 miles to El Obeid, and had been sold and bought twice before her arrival. During the next twelve years, she was resold and

eventually given away. During these traumatic years she actually forgot her own name and took the name Bakhita (Arabic for lucky) given to her by the slavers. She was also forcibly converted to Islam.

During these years of slavery she was terribly mistreated and abused by her owners. This included beatings and daily whipping. She was also marked with tattooing and scarification. The scarification was done forcibly when white flour was spread on her skin and patterns drawn into the flour. Then a razor was used to cut these patterns deeply into her skin; the wounds were filled with salt to ensure permanent scarring. She had a total of 114 intricate patterns cut into her breasts, belly and right arm.

Political changes in the Sudan forced an end to the slave trade. The slave owners left the country taking some of their slaves with them. Over the next few years Bakhita was moved to several locations, eventually being sold to an Italian government official who treated her in a loving and cordial manner. Over the following years she was relocated several more times and ended up in a small village near Venice Italy in March 1885. She was still considered a slave and worked as a nanny for her owner's daughter.

On November 29, 1888 Bakhita and her owner's daughter were left in the custody of the Canossian Sisters in Venice. When her owner returned to take them, Bakhita refused to go with. The superior of the institute complained to the Italian authorities who ruled that Bakhita could no longer be kept as a slave. She was finally in control of her own destiny. She remained with the Canossians and on January 9, 1890 was baptized with the name of Josephine Margaret. On the same day she was also confirmed and received Holy Communion from the Archbishop who later became Pope Pius X.

In December 1893 Josephine Bakhita entered the novitiate of the Canossian Sisters and on December 8, 1896 she took her vows. In 1902 she was assigned to the Canossian convent at Schio in Italy where she spent the rest of her life. Her only time away was spent visiting other Canossian communities in Italy, talking about her experiences and helping to prepare young sisters for work in Africa - "her mind was always on God and her heart in Africa." During her 42 years in Schio, Josephine Bakhita was employed as the cook, sacristan and door keeper. Her gentleness, calming voice, and ever-present smile became well known and locals still refer to her as "little brown sister" or "black mother".

Her last years were marked by pain and sickness but she retained her cheerfulness. Josephine Bakhita died at 8:10 PM on February 8, 1947. In 2000 she was declared a Saint by the Catholic Church. Saint Josephine Bakhita, Pray for us!

By Bob Rawson, Guest Writer

PARISH NEWS

Youth Mass

The next Youth Mass is on February 12. There will also be a collecting of food and money donations for the Rush City Food Shelf. Fellowship and refreshments will follow downstairs after mass. Also, everyone is invited to join us after fellowship for some family fun. We will be meeting at Chucker's for bowling. Everyone is welcome. Cost is \$5.00 per person. Any questions, please contact Sue Roth 651-238-1797.

Women of the Parish

CCW will be participating again with the annual Progressive Dinner for "A Place for You" held at three local churches. The dinner is Friday evening April 28, 2017 with an Italian theme. Funds raised benefit the homeless shelter in Pine City. Sacred Heart will host the dessert part of the dinner, approximately at 8pm. Workers will be needed in the morning and evening. If you can help call Elaine Robinson at 358-3223. A meeting is being held on February 9th at 6:30pm, First Lutheran church, to plan this event. CCW will be selling tickets as well.

Thank You!

Tom and Shirley Solorz want to THANK everyone for all your prayers and thoughtful cards during his stay at Grace Pointe and the on going prayers as well. It is very appreciated by them both.

2017 Second Collections

For your information, following is a listing of the second/special collections scheduled for this year. There may be others for a mission or natural disaster that are presently unknown. We will announce all second collections a week or two ahead of their scheduled dates. Thank you in advance for your continued support of these global and local needs.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Collection</u>
Feb. 26	Funding our Sacred Justice & Prison Ministry
March 1—April 16	CRS Rice bowl—Turn in at Easter
March 25-26	Global Solidarity Sunday
April 14	Holy Land Collection
April 29-30	Catholic Home Missions Appeal
June 10-11	Annual Missionary Appeal
July 1-2	Peter's Pence Collection for the Holy Father
October 21-22	World Mission Sunday
November 18-19	Catholic Campaign for Human Develop
December 9-10	Retirement fund for Religious

Volunteers Needed

Two parishioners are needed to serve on the Finance Council. The Council meets every three months and a few times before the start of each fiscal year for budget preparation.

Three parishioners are needed to be money counters. One would serve on a once a month schedule and two would be as substitutes to count on an as needed basis. Money is counted on Tuesday mornings.

If you are interested in either or both of these positions please contact the office.

SAVE THE DATE! MARCH 8!

Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio (Dr. Italy) presenting at St. Gregory the Great. This talk asks the simple question, "what can we do to get more out of Mass?" With humorous stories and practical examples, Dr. Italy discloses how to unlock the in the power of Christ's presence despite the distractions that often get way. Those who attend this talk will never experience the Mass in quite the same way again! www.dritaly.com



LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, February 11 4:00 p.m.

Lector: Wayne Herberg
Communion: Mary Stenger,
Ginny Thorn
Gifts: Theil Family
Ushers: Derrick Murphy,
Kevin Murphy
Servers: Alexis Murphy

Sunday, February 12 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Youth
Communion: Liz Herberg*,
Jean Peno, Mary Pat
Hestbeck
Gifts: Peno Family
Ushers: Craig Peterson, Ted
Stathes, Tim Morris
Servers: Elena Herberg, Isabelle Harer

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 1/31/2017

Plate	221.00
Envelopes (52).....	1516.00
Energy Needs.....	160.00
Initial Offerings.....	20.00
Total.....	\$1917.00

Thank you for your generosity
in supporting our parish!

CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

Chaplet of Divine Mercy Holy Cards are available for you to pick up in the back of church. This devotion is an excellent way to learn more about the mercy of God, learn to trust in Jesus, and live your life as merciful to others, as Christ is merciful to you.

MASS INTENTIONS



February 8
February 11
February 12

Mary Ann Lunseth †
The Sick at our Parish
Parishioners

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 8

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, February 11

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, February 12

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

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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

Please Note:

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration until further notice due to the weather.

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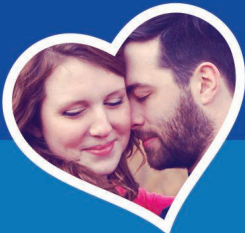
Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
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Bill Peno	Arlene Greenhagen	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Bev Hurley	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Judie Peltier	Abby Larson
Heidi Blatz	Eileen Kost	Betty Erickson
David Gaul	Jim Noon	Rose Peloquin
Cecilia Shinler	Nick Cieminski	Colleen Najewski
Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson	Lenny Anderson
Cathy Gamache	Gerald Mollberg	Tom Solorz
Ariel Thull-Rulfzen		

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

**"Loving God, we ask that you enfold in your
tender compassionate care all those in our
community whose hearts are breaking and
whose worries consume them."**

STILL NEEDED

We are still in need of a housekeeper for St. Gregory the Great rectory. At this point, since we have had no applicants for the housekeeper/cook position, we are looking for someone for one day per week. If interested, please contact the parish office.

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