



Sacred Heart PARISH

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Journey in Faith



Ordinary Time

Becoming a Disciple

Guest Speaker:
David Fremo



Sunday, Jan. 10th
Meal Begins: 11:15am
Learning Session: Noon-2:00pm

Wednesday, Jan. 13th
Meal Begins: 5:15pm
Learning Session: 6:00-8:00pm

Thursday, Jan. 14th
Meal Begins: 5:00pm
Learning Session: 5:30-7:30pm*
*Note time change

Childcare is available with advance registration.

Meal: Chicken noodle soup and chicken sandwiches (PB&J sandwiches available)

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

8:00 a.m. — 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday
(The Parish Office is closed on Holy Days of Obligation)

PARISH STAFF

Located at Church 251-8115

Father Ronald Weyrens, Pastor (Ext. *812)
Joan Krause, Director of Faith Formation (Ext. *818)
JoAnn Mo, Secretary (Ext. *814)
Maureen Otremba, Pastoral Minister (Ext. *817)
Beth Plumski, Co-Director of Music/Liturgy (Ext. *822)
Sarah Woeste, Co-Director of Music/Liturgy (Ext. *816)
Robert Zawacki, Business Manager (Ext. *811)

Gerry Kittok, Confirmation (251-2872, Ext. 8)
Patrick Flynn, Youth Minister (293-7988)

Located at School 251-2854

Erin Hattestad, School Principal
Julie Schmid, School Office
Jim Storms, Maintenance
David Walker, Custodian

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday ----- 5:00 p.m.
Sunday ----- 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.
10:00 a.m. Mass interpreted for hearing impaired
Weekdays ----- Variable; see inside of bulletin for details
Holy Days ----- consult bulletin

BAPTISMS

Pre-Baptism classes, 1st Thursday every other month at
7:00 p.m. in the church (pre-registration requested).

WEDDINGS

Please contact the Parish Office at least six months in
advance.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the office to set up an appointment for registering.

RECONCILIATION

Saturday—3:30 p.m. (other times by appointment)

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, SAUK RAPIDS

Mass Intentions

Monday, January 11, Weekday
8:00 am -Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, January 12, Weekday
6:00 pm †Esther Prom
 †Janice Clausen

Wednesday, January 13, Hilary, bishop & dr.
8:00 am †Norbert Winkelman

Thursday, January 14, Weekday
9:00 am †Jonathan Sanchez
2:00 pm †Delphine Czech (at Good Shepherd)

Friday, January 15, Weekday
8:00 am -Living & †Deceased members of St. Monica's Society

Saturday, January 16, Weekday
2:00 pm -Wedding: Jason Frieler & Kelli Niess

Sunday Eucharist, January 16/17, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 5:00 pm †Frank Lewandowski, Jr., Melvin & Frances Eskelson

Sunday 8:00 am -For the Parish
10:00 am †Mildred Weeres
 †Michael & Anna Lock
6:00 pm (at St. Mary's Cathedral)

Readings for the Week of January 10

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or 40:1-5, 9-11/
 Acts 10:34-38

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

Eternal Rest



**NORBERT NOTCH,
 VERENE TIMMERS
 AND
 MELISSA MATTHIES**

were called home to be with our Heavenly Father. Please keep their family and friends in your prayers.

Do you Twitter? Does Facebook scare you off? Are you bewildered by ever-changing media choices?

Then "Media Madness" is for you! Join us for a three-evening speaker series about the effects and potential of media here at Sacred Heart Church. Sunday, Jan. 24: "Facebook, MySpace, and Twitter, Oh My!" with Karen Meinz; Monday, Jan. 25: "Growing Up Online" with Ginny Duschner and Scott Frieler; Thursday, Jan 31: "Media Magic" with Tim Welch. All sessions run from 7-8:30 p.m. For more details, consult the kiosk in the Gathering Space for flyers.

Bringing Home the Word



Weekly reflections to help you reflect on your week, deepen your connection to the Word, and live out your faith.

Baptism of the Lord: Where have you recognized God present this past week? How have you been Christ for others? What does your Baptism mean to you? How will you prepare the way of the Lord?

"Stewardship as a way of life"

Talent, Time & Treasure

Income for the week ending December 28, 2009

Adult Collection.....	15,683.31
Children/Youth	87.25
Loose Collection.....	464.86
Improvements	500.00
Friends in Need.....	528.00
Holy Days.....	20.00
Religious Retirement	175.00
Christmas.....	36,938.33

Income for the week ending January 3, 2010

Adult Collection.....	18,689.31
Children/Youth	44.77
Loose Collection.....	682.01
Improvements	385.00
Friends in Need.....	107.00
Christmas	2,170.00
Holy Days	2,234.00

ACTUAL REVENUE and EXPENSE September 2009

Adult Giving	\$ 81,288
Children/Youth Giving	249
Parish Festival.....	227
Educ. Endow. Realized Income	378
Educ. Endow. Change in FMV Unreal.	62,985
Improvement Gifts.....	3,580
Memorial/Honor Designated Gifts	2,907
Diocesan and Other Collections.....	0
Parish Ministry Revenue.....	96,200
Interest/Dividend Income	648
Total Gifts/Revenue	248,462
Unreal. Income (Endow. FMV Increase)	(62,985)
Operating Revenue	185,477
Parish Ministry Operating Expense	165,208
Revenue less Operating Expenses	20,269
Non-Operating Exp. (Depreciation, other)	(15,267)
Excess (Deficit)	5,002

Are You Moving Away or Have an Address Change?

Please call the Parish Office at 251-8115 with your changes to help us keep our records current and our mailing costs down. Thank you!

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

A Message from Father Ron

From Safari: Are your Christmas decorations still up? Been listening to Christmas Carols? While secular society put away Christmas days ago, the Christmas Season ends today on the Liturgical Calendar. Tomorrow, Ordinary Time begins.

During part of our history, Epiphany celebrated three events: the arrival of the magi, the baptism of Christ, and the wedding feast at Cana. The arrival of the magi revealed Christ as the savior of all people. The wedding feast at Cana, Jesus first miracle in the Gospel of John, revealed Christ as Son of Man and Son of God. At his baptism, Christ was revealed as God's servant.

Baptism is a sacrament that is misunderstood. For many, baptism is simply the rite to remove original sin from the souls of babies. In fact, some may recall limbo (not the dance) as the place where infants went if they were not baptized. Baptism is really an adult commitment to live by the values of the Gospel and to carry on the work of Christ.

If baptism is an adult commitment, why baptize infants? Baptizing infants brings them into a Christian Lifestyle. Listen carefully to the charge given to parents at baptism --- you are accepting the responsibility of training your child in the practice of the faith; it will be your duty to bring your child up to keep God's commandments as Christ taught us, by loving God and our neighbor. Through the words and example of parents and the community children are formed so that they may ultimately accept for themselves the faith in which they have been baptized.

Sandra DeGidio writes, "Baptism happens not only to the individual, but also to Christ's body, the Church. That's why the rite insists that we celebrate Baptism in the Christian assembly ... It is the community, after all, who is welcoming the new members, journeying with them, providing models for them, supporting and nourishing them. (*Catholic Update 1989, St. Anthony Messenger Press.*)

This Sunday, 4pm, at St. Mary's Cathedral, you are invited to come and experience Lectio Divinia. Briefly, Lectio Divinia, an ancient prayer practiced by all Christians at one time, is a slow, contemplative praying of the Scriptures which enables the Bible, the Word of God, to become a means of union with God. This ancient practice has been kept alive in the Christian monastic tradition, and is one of the precious treasures of Benedictine monastics and oblates. Together with the Liturgy and daily manual labor, time set aside in a special way for lectio divina enables us to discover in our daily life an underlying spiritual rhythm. Within this rhythm we discover an increasing ability to offer more of ourselves and our relationships to the Father, and to accept the embrace that God is continuously extending to us in the person of his Son Jesus Christ.

Have a peace filled week!

Ron

Labels for Education

A Reminder: Please save Labels for Education for Sacred Heart School. **NOTE: we need the bar code or UPC code and little person beside it on Campbell products (no front labels).** (Campbell's, Franco-American, Swanson, Prego, V8, Pace, Pepperidge Farm UPC symbols, Kemp's & Land-O-Lakes milk and juice caps, Box Tops for Education, Food Club UPC codes). Place them in the kiosk in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, please call Rita at 251-3952. Thank you. **Sorry, but we can no longer accept Cub receipts due to the sale of Cub Foods.**

Music & Liturgy



Bell Ringers: We are looking for people to ring handbells at each of the Masses during the weekend of February 6 & 7. If you are interested in participating at either the 5pm, 8am, or 10am Masses, please contact Beth.

Christmas decorations will be removed today (Sunday, January 10) at 2:00 pm. Many hands are needed with tree removal and cleaning up the pine needles.

Low gluten altar breads are now available at Sacred Heart. These hosts contain 0.01% gluten content which is safe for most people suffering from celiac disease. If you would like to receive one of these hosts please see Fr. Ron before Mass. For more information about the hosts contact Sarah.

Tables for Two



Ooh-la-la! Tables for Two Goes French! Join us for the Sixth Annual Tables for Two Dinner on Saturday, February 6 at 6:30 pm here at Sacred Heart Church. Designed as an intimate dining and sharing experience for married couples, Tables for Two features a five-course gourmet meal (this year's main entree is orange glazed Cornish game hens) during which spouses are invited to discuss (with each other only--no group sharing) questions about their marriage. Event is limited to 25 couples; tickets are \$45/couple, which includes drinks. Tickets are available in the Parish Office.

Baptism Preparation



The next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for **Thursday, February 4** at 7:00 pm at church. If you have not taken this class in the last three years, please plan on attending this 1 1/2 hour class prior to the birth of your child. Call the Parish Office at 251-8115 to register. Please plan accordingly. Please do not bring your children.

Faith Formation



JOURNEY IN FAITH GATHERINGS are this week. This month all adults and high school students will participate in a learning session presented by David Fremo. Children in grades K-8 will be in separate learning groups. Come and explore our call to become disciples of Jesus. The Wednesday session is very large. We encourage families to change from the Wednesday to the Thursday session, if possible. Contact Joan in the Parish Office to make changes.

Note: the time for the Thursday sessions has changed. Thursdays the learning session will be 5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

FIRST RECONCILIATION RETREATS are Saturdays, January 23rd and 30th, 9:00am – noon, at the church. If your child will be celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this year and you have not registered for one of the retreats, contact Joan at jkrause@sacredheartsaukrapids.org or 251-8115 (ext. *818).

Blood Pressure Checks

There will be free blood pressure checks in the Hospitality Room after all the Masses the weekend of January 16-17.



Cards



Join us for the next 500 card group meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2010 at 1:00pm in the Gathering Space. Everyone is welcome!

Youth Ministry Notes (from Patrick)



Castaway weekend!! An amazing weekend retreat for 9th – 12th grades March 12-14. Bring your friends and experience amazing music, great food, and an unforgettable time with 400 other youth from central Minnesota. Pick up registration material from the kiosk in the Gathering Space. The deadline for sending in your deposit is January 28th.



Spirit Mountain Ski/Snowboard trip on January 30th. Can you go straight down the hill without turning? Perfect! Then you can join us for a great day at Spirit Mtn. The cost is \$35 for your lift ticket and transportation. Bring your friends and hit the slopes with us (hopefully not with your face). Sign up forms are in the kiosk.

If you would like to keep updated about youth ministry stuff via email, send an email to me (Patrick Flynn) at pflynn@csbsju.edu or give me a call at 293-7988.

Notes of Interest

There are a number of empty containers in the kitchen (from weekend hospitality or Journey in Faith goodies) that have not yet been picked up. Please do so as soon as possible. Thanks!



Vespers for Life at Church of St. Anthony, St. Cloud at 4pm on January 17. All are invited to join in prayer for recognition of the dignity of life from conception to natural death and for the overturning of Roe vs. Wade. The service will include music, prayer, scripture and reflection. Please bring a baby item to be donated to Birthline, Inc.

Prayer Service for Life and March for Life on January 22 at the Cathedral of St. Paul. A bus will leave the Pastoral Center parking lot in St. Cloud at 8am and return at approximately 3pm. Please contact the Office of Marriage & Family at 252-4721 to register for the bus. A free-will offering will be accepted to offset transportation costs.

All you can eat breakfast at Holy Spirit Church St. Cloud on January 10. Serving from 8:30am-noon. Menu includes ham, sausage, pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, rolls and beverage. Adults: \$7; children 4-12 \$3 and under 4 eat free.

Central MN Chapter of National Federation of the Blind's Annual Spaghetti Dinner is at the St. Cloud Eagles Club on Friday, January 15 from 4:30 to 8pm. Adult tickets are \$6, ages 6-12 are \$2 and kids under 5 eat free.

Men's Club

The Men's Club will **not** have its regular meeting on January 19, but will have a short meeting before the Men's Club Social starting at 5:30pm on Sunday, January 31 at Sacred Heart School.

Roses for Life



Roses for Life: The Knights of Columbus will be handing out roses for life the weekend of January 16-17. Proceeds will go to local pro-life organizations.

Prayer Corner

Please call your Prayer Chain Requests (calling tree) to 251-8961 or 252-3401



If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the following prayer list, please call 251-8115

Brian Amberg, Rodger Bories, Denise Budde, Gerry Feld, Joyce Fleck, John Gebhardt, John Schad, Bev Schmidtbauer and for those who have received prayer blankets.