



# Sacred Heart PARISH

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## Sacred Heart Men's Club

### Spaghetti Fundraiser

Thursday, November 19

4:30-7:00 pm

Gathering Space

Adults \$6    Children \$3    5 and under eat free

Proceeds go to the Poor Clare's Monastery, Sauk Rapids

#### 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 Hatlestad, 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, November 16, Weekday**  
**8:00 am** -Word & Communion Service  
**Tuesday, November 17, Elizabeth of Hungary, religious**  
**6:00 pm** †Edward Schmitz  
**Wednesday, November 18, Weekday**  
**8:00 am** †Donald Fitzpatrick  
**3:30 pm** †Lyle Shiek (at Ridgeview Place)  
**Thursday, November 19, Weekday**  
**9:00 am** -Living & †Deceased Members of St. Monica's Society  
**2:00 pm** †LeRoy Kipka (at Good Shepherd)  
**Friday, November 20, Weekday**  
**8:00 am** -Joseph Jovanovich  
**Sunday Eucharist, November 21-22, Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ the King**  
**Saturday 5:00 pm** †William & Clara Lewandowski family  
**Sunday 8:00 am** -For the Parish  
**10:00 am** †Roger Schotl  
**6:00 pm** (at St. Mary's Cathedral)

## Readings for the Week of November 15

**Sunday:** Dn 12:1-3/Heb 10:11-14, 18/  
Mk 13:24-32  
**Monday:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/  
Lk 18:35-43  
**Tuesday:** 2 Mc 6:18-31/Lk 19:1-10  
**Wednesday:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Lk 19:11-28  
**Thursday:** 1 Mc 2:15-29/Lk 19:41-44  
**Friday:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/Lk 19:45-48  
**Saturday:** 1 Mc 6:1-13/Lk 20:27-40  
**Next Sunday:** Dn 7:13-14/Rv 1:5-8/Jn 18:33b-37

## Turkey Cards



As we have done in the past, Sacred Heart is again collecting Coborn's turkey cards (both full and partially stamped) or Coborn's receipts to donate to Catholic Charities. Please drop in the collection basket or bring to the Parish Office. Thank you!!

## Eternal Rest



Eternal Rest Grant Unto  
**DI ANNE SAUER**  
who was called home to be with our Heavenly Father. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers.

**Mark your calendar!!** St. Monica's Society will be having their annual Bake & Craft Sale on December 5 and 6 in the Gathering Space. Any donation of baked goods or craft items will be appreciated. There will also be a quilt raffle associated with the bake sale.

## "Stewardship as a way of life"



As Christian stewards, we receive God's gifts gratefully, cultivate them responsibly, share them in loving justice with others, and return them with increase to the Lord.  
**Stewardship: A Disciple's Response**

## Talent, Time & Treasure

The readings today speak of the end of the world and the coming of the kingdom. The bishops' pastoral on stewardship says clearly that "that 'life to come' is in continuity with this present life through the human goods, the worthy human purposes, which people foster now." May our good stewardship help us to be numbered among the chosen on the last day!

"Moreover, it is required in stewards, to be found faithful to one's gifts. (1 Corinthians 4:1-2)

## Income for the week ending November 8, 2009

Adult Collection.....	26,569.35
Children/Youth .....	48.54
Loose Collection.....	421.50
Improvements .....	1,245.00
Friends in Need.....	25.00
Holy Days.....	207.00
Campaign for Human Development .....	10.00

**Stewardship of Treasure Appeal:** Thank you to all who returned their Treasure Response Card and Automatic Giving Form. Your financial commitment to our parish enables Sacred Heart to carry on its ministries. If you have not returned your response card or giving form, you may drop them off at the office or place in the collection basket.

We are asked to serve and glorify God with whatever gifts we have received. Reflect on "The Parable of the Talents"  
(Matthew 25:14-30)

## Grieving During the Holidays

A program designed for those experiencing loss (however recent) will be held today, November 15, from 2-4 pm at Sacred Heart. Jim Otremba, a licensed Christian counselor, will discuss grieving, self-care, and finding hope in God's promise of new life. A time of fellowship with dessert and coffee will follow. No RSVP is necessary; all are welcome.

## Baptism Preparation



The next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for **Thursday, December 3** 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.

## THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### A Message from Father Ron

**From Safari:** Catholic Charities provides an important ministry in the St. Cloud Diocese. Most are familiar with the food shelf, clothing, and counseling services. But did you know they provide senior dining, services to teens, housing for those with disability, divorce support groups, foster grandparents, life transitions? For more information, visit their website -- [www.ccstcloud.org](http://www.ccstcloud.org)

Two weeks ago in the bulletin, an enclosed flyer described the mission of Catholic Charities and a donation envelope was included. Many of you also received similar information directly from Catholic Charities. Catholic Charities outreach depends on our financial and volunteer support. According to information from Catholic Charities, in 2007, 46 donors gave \$2,618.67, and last year 71 donors gave \$3,940.

I realize many requests for worthy causes come your way on a weekly, if not daily basis. If you have not donated to Catholic Charities please consider doing so. A contribution to Catholic Charities does make a difference in the lives of people in our area.

Dick Folger offers this insight on the gospel today, "Today's Gospel reading reminds us that there is an end time coming. We hear that the sun will darken, the moon will have no light to reflect and the stars will fall from heaven. The powers in space will be driven from their courses.

Today, doomsday prophets warn of a World War III with China in 2013. Middle East tensions are rising as more nuclear nations emerge. North Korea continues nuclear tests and ballistic missile launches. In this century alone we have experienced 9/11 and an economic collapse that has devastated our financial security. Sometimes these things seem like signs of the final catastrophe. But as Jesus says, no one knows when the end will come. And when it does, we need only rejoice! We have the assurance that "the Son of Man will appear, coming in the clouds with great power and glory." (*November 2009, Celebration, p.35, The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company, Kansas City, MO.*)

Have a peace filled week!

Ron

### Music Notes

**The Parish Children's Choir** will join the Sacred Heart School Children's Choir to sing at the 6:30pm Christmas Eve Mass. Rehearsals will begin on Wednesday, December 2 at 4:30pm in the Church. All 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to participate. Please contact Beth at the Parish Office if you are interested in joining, or if you have any questions.

The **Festival Choir** will be singing at the Christmas Eve Midnight Mass as well as the 9:30am Christmas Day Mass. If you are interested in participating in either of these Masses, we will begin rehearsals on Wednesday, December 2nd from 7:00-8:00pm. Please contact Beth with your interest or if you have any questions.

### Liturgy

**Book of Remembrance:** During the All Souls Mass candles were lit in memory of the parishioners who died during the past year. These candles are now located near the baptismal font and will be lit during weekend Masses throughout the month of November. Near the candles is the Book of Remembrance. You are welcome to add names of your deceased loved ones to the Book of Remembrance.

**Flag wavers are needed** for the Christ the King liturgies on the weekend of November 21 & 22. A sign-up sheet is in the sacristy.

**Liturgical Ministers** please check your e-mail and/or the Gathering Space for your new schedules.

Liturgical ministers are needed for the **Thanksgiving Day** 9am Mass. Sign up on the web terminal or in the sacristy to help.

**Liturgy of the Word for Children:** During the 10:00 Mass beginning this Advent a special liturgy of the Word will be held for Children. Children grades 1-6 will be dismissed after the opening prayer and will return during the preparation of the gifts. The children will hear the same scripture readings as the main assembly, but their readings have been adapted so that children may more easily understand the Word of God. Teen and adult helpers are needed. Please call the office if you would like to help.

**Lectors**, please pick up your new Workbooks in the Gathering Space.

**Homebound Eucharistic Minister meeting:** Thursday, December 3 at 6:30 pm at the church. This meeting is for those who bring communion to homes, apartments, Good Shepherd or Ridgeview Place. We will be taking some time to get to know the new ministers, review procedures, complete misconduct training (if not already done for 2010), and you will receive your 2010 schedules. Please call Sarah if you have any questions.

**Art & Environment committee** will meet on Saturday, November 28th at 9:00 am to prepare the church for Advent and to finalize Christmas plans.

### PAA

Attention all 5th and 6th grade Sacred Heart Parish/School Students: PAA will offer basketball for boys and girls this winter. Practices will be determined based on coach availability and games are held on Saturdays at Cathedral High School. An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 18th in the school cafeteria. The girls' meeting is at 5:30pm and the boys' meeting is at 6:15pm. Please contact Michelle Voit at 240-8391 if you have any questions.

Sacred Heart is in need of a parish host/hostess for funeral lunches. Please call 251-8115 if you can help.

## Faith Formation

Journey in Faith



**ADVENT** is the first season in the Church's liturgical year. The focus in 2009-10 for our Journey In Faith is the liturgical year. The November JIF Gatherings explored Advent and ways to prepare to celebrate Advent this year as we anticipate the coming of the Messiah. **Take Home materials** to use during Advent to continue the learning and the conversation can be picked up from the table in the Gathering Space.

**THE PARENT MEETINGS** for First Reconciliation are either Sunday, November 15 or Monday, November 16 at 7:00pm at the church. This meeting is for parents only.

## Youth Ministry Notes (from Patrick)



**Journey in Faith** update: Our first JIF youth sessions went great! We had 180 sixth through twelfth graders attend who discussed the meaning of Advent, and particularly what it means to prepare for Christmas. A good time was had by all and I hope the holy season of Advent will be more meaningful for those were with us. The December Journey in Faith dates are the 13, 16 and 17.

**Just stop by** and hang out with us. No sign-up or joining is necessary. The next youth group gathering will be December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00-8:00 pm at the Church. If your actual name contains the letter 7, you will win a new car!!

**Concert!** Ya, that's right. We're going to a concert on Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup> in St. Paul. Steve Angrisano is the artist and he is excellent. Cost is \$8. Let me know if you want more information.

**E-mail:** If you would like to keep updated about youth ministry stuff via email, send an email to me (Patrick Flynn) at [pflynn@csbsju.edu](mailto:pflynn@csbsju.edu).

## Blood Pressure Checks

There will be free blood pressure checks in the Hospitality Room after all the Masses the weekend of November 21-22.



## Cub Receipts

Please begin turning in Cub receipts for October and November (anything dated prior to that can no longer be accepted). They can be placed in the kiosk in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, contact Rita at 251-3952.

Thank you to everyone who supported the Alternative Gift Market this year. Also thanks to the awesome volunteers! We raised over \$5,100 to donate to the various organizations.

## RCIA

The next RCIA session is November 15 at 7pm at the Janson House (yellow brick house next to our parking lot). RCIA is for those who are interested in joining the Catholic Church or are seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation as an adult. Contact Fr. Ron for more information.

## Men's Club

**The Men's Club** will meet on Tuesday, November 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room.

## Knights of Columbus

**The Knights of Columbus** will meet Monday, November 16 at 7:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. Congratulations to Steve Schlichting. He has been selected as the November Knight of the Month for the Sacred Heart Knights of Columbus. Thanks Steve for your dedication and help with the many projects of the council.

## Women's Book Club

The next meeting will be November 18 in the Hospitality Room from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. the book we are reading is *'My Antonia'* by Willa Cather. For more information on the book club, please call Carol Kittok at 253-8566. All are welcome!



## Ladies Craft Night

Join us for the next Ladies' Craft Night on Friday, November 20 from 6:00-10:00 p.m. in the Hospitality Room. Bring a craft project to work on. Questions, call Maureen at 255-9035.

## Catholic Aid Association

The Sacred Heart Catholic Aid Association will hold its annual Holiday Dinner on November 24 in the Gathering Space. Social will start at 6:00pm with dinner at 6:30pm. The meeting including election of officers will follow. All members are welcome and may bring a guest. Please RSVP by November 19 to Tom Schutz (253-0521) or Ken Schimmich (259-1190). We hope to see you there!

## Prayer Corner

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

Katie Blenkush, Sharon Brixius, Mary Ann Gerads, Jerry McCullough, Norbert Notch, John Schad, Janet Skillingstad, Reinhard Theis and for those who have received prayer blankets.