



# Sacred Heart PARISH

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## Journey in Faith



Join in preparing for Advent  
by attending

## Advent: The Messiah is Coming!

At The Church

Sunday, Nov. 1st  
11:30am - 2:00pm

Wednesday, Nov. 4th  
5:30 - 8:00pm

Thursday, Nov. 5th  
5:30 - 8:00pm

Childcare is available with advance registration.  
Sessions begin with a meal. Learning sessions begin at noon and 6pm.

Meal: sloppy joes, pickles, chips, apples, dessert and PB&J.

### 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, October 26, Weekday**

8:00 am -Word & Communion Service

**Tuesday, October 27, Weekday**

8:00 am †Alex & Johanna Knapek

**Wednesday, October 28, Simon & Jude, apost.**

6:00 pm †LeRoy Kipka

**Thursday, October 29, Weekday**

9:00 am †Magdalene Henz (Anniv)

2:00 pm †Madeline Gohman (at Good Shep.)

**Friday, October 30, Weekday**

8:00 am †Bernard Janson

**Saturday, October 31, Weekday**

2:00 pm -Wedding: Brian Rudolph & Jessica  
Loehr

**Sunday Eucharist, October 31-November 1, All  
Saints Day**

**Saturday 5:00 pm** †Theresa Tschida

†Robert Malikowski

**Sunday 8:00 am** †Sonny Kedrowski (Ann.)

†Dennis Crusier

**10:00 am** †Aloys Midas

†Sylvester Endres &

James Nikolas

**6:00 pm** (at St. Mary's Cathedral)

### Readings for the Week of October 25

**Sunday:** Jer 31:7-9/Heb 5:1-6/Mk 10:46-52

**Monday:** Rom 8:12-17/Lk 13:10-17

**Tuesday:** Rom 8:18-25/Lk 13:18-21

**Wednesday:** Eph 2:19-22/Lk 6:12-16

**Thursday:** Rom 8:31b-39/Lk 13:31-35

**Friday:** Rom 9:1-5/Lk 14:1-6

**Saturday:** Rom 11:1-2a,11-12,25-29/Lk 14:1,7-11

**Next Sunday:** Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a

### Grieving During the Holidays

**Mark your Calendar!!!** Grieving During the Holidays: A program designed for those who are experiencing loss (however recent) will be held on Sunday, November 15 from 2-4 pm at Sacred Heart Church. 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 his presentation. No RSVP is necessary; all are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Maureen at 251-8115.

### Hospital Visits

Parishioners who enter the St. Cloud Hospital through the Emergency Room often do not show up on the parish list when our volunteers visit those who are in the hospital. Please let the Parish Office (251-8115) know if there is someone in the St. Cloud Hospital or at the VA Hospital that would like a visit.

### *"Stewardship as a way of life"*



Be the "Heart"  
of Sacred Heart!

*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

Today's psalm says, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy." Good stewards demonstrate by their living and giving that they understand God as the Source of all they are and have.

### ACTUAL REVENUE and EXPENSE JULY 2009

Adult Giving .....	\$ 80,149
Children/Youth Giving .....	293
Parish Festival.....	15,050
Education Endowment Gifts .....	275
Improvement Gifts.....	3,423
Memorial/Honor Designated Gifts .....	262
Diocesan and Other Collections.....	0
Parish Ministry Revenue.....	61,648
Interest/Dividend Income .....	345
Total Gifts/Fees .....	161,445
Parish Ministry Operating Expense .....	165,664
Revenue less Operating Expenses .....	(4,219)
Non-Operating Exp. (Depreciation, other).....	(15,267)
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>(19,486)</b>

### Web Site Updates

Did you know you can automatically receive updates as they are entered on the parish website? Visit our website, [www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org](http://www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org). At the bottom of the home page you will see the RSS Symbol (see symbol). Click on the symbol and subscribe to get automatic downloads of updated information.

### Diocese of Maracay Delegation

Welcome to Padre Jhakson Garcia to our parish. Padre Jhakson has been enjoying some of the happenings here in the metro since his arrival last Monday. This Wednesday our parish is hosting the farewell dinner for the Maracay Delegation. The evening will begin with Mass at 6pm, followed by dinner and conversation. Dinner will begin around 6:45pm. All are welcome.

### RCIA

Sessions will begin November 1, 7:00 pm, beginning in our Gathering Space. RCIA is for anyone who is seeking to join the Catholic Church or is seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation as an Adult. If you know of a candidate for RCIA, please have them contact Fr. Ron for more information at 251-8115.

## THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

### A Message from Father Ron

**From Safari:** Tonight (Sunday), 6:30pm, here at church is an important parish meeting. At this meeting proposals for Total Faith Formation will be presented, your questions about the proposals will be addressed, and you will be asked to weigh in on the proposals that best meet the needs of the metro area at this time.

I know some aspects of this plan have been unofficially shared and are stirring unrest and anger. First, you need to know that no decision has been made. Bishop Kinney will announce a decision sometime in late November or December. His decision will come after the input from the parish meetings. Bishop Kinney has not been part of the discussion but he is aware the discussion is taking place in the metro area.

Second, at the heart of this proposal for Total Faith Formation is an effort to improve and enhance how we as Catholics in the metro area pass on our faith. How do we engage in-active parishioners; bring more youth around the table of the Lord; actively reach out to the unchurched; form young and old in the faith? To achieve these goals it is best for us to work together, sharing our talents and resources.

Third, configuration of Catholic Schools is currently generating the most attention. The vision shared tonight (Sunday) proposes that parishes work together to ensure viable, vibrant, excellent schools. This will involve sacrifices and difficult, hard, and painful choices. We need to keep in mind: what is best for Catholic Education in the metro area?

Fourth, while the pastors of the area initiated this discussion in the Fall of 2008, a group of 75 have been meeting since last Fall. The group is comprised of pastors, principals, Religious Education/Faith Formation directors, Youth Ministers, and two non-staff representatives from each of the fifteen parishes. This group has wrestled with the topics. From these spirited sessions the proposals being presented tonight have arisen.

Fifth, I ask you to come to the meeting putting aside prejudice of the plan, listen to understand the proposals, ask questions of clarification, and after the meeting bring what you heard and your reaction to prayer.

Finally, I know not all will agree with the plan and that is to be expected. I also know that passionate discussion can become heated, so as we move forward from the parish meetings, let us each pledge to be respectful of each other by keeping our focus on the proposals and not questioning each other's character or motives. Come, Holy Spirit be our guide. Come, Holy Spirit give us wisdom. Come, Holy Spirit give us courage.

Ron

**Please patronize those companies which advertise on the back of our bulletin!!**

### Liturgy

**All Souls Day Mass of Remembrance will be on Monday, November 2, 2009, at 6:00 pm.** Mass includes a special time of remembrance for the members of our parish who have died this past year. Following Mass, weather permitting, we will travel to the parish cemetery.

**Liturgical Ministers** are needed to help with the All Souls Day Mass (Nov. 2, 6pm). Sign up in the sacristy or on the web terminal. If you need a username or password for the web terminal program please e-mail Sarah at swoeste@sacredheartsaukrapids.org.

**Anointing of the Sick** will take place during Masses on the weekend of November 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Cards



**Let's play cards!** Join us for 500 on Tuesday, October 27 at 1:00 pm in the Gathering Space. Everyone is welcome!

### School News



**SCRIP certificates** are available at the school. Order on Monday and receive your order by Thursday. Call the school office with questions.

**Conferences** will be held on October 27 and 29 from 4:00-8:00 pm.

**No school** on Friday, October 30.

### 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.

### Alternative Gift Market

Help is needed to provide baked goods for the 4th Annual Alternative Gift Market which is scheduled for Saturday, November 7 in the Gathering Space. Please drop off on Friday (November 6) from 5:00-7:00 pm or Saturday (November 7) from 8:30 am until noon.

**All Souls Day  
Monday, November 2, 2009**

Mass at 6:00 pm

Following Mass, we will travel to the Sacred Heart Cemetery (weather permitting)

## Faith Formation



**JOIN THE JOURNEY IN FAITH!** Next week our first monthly intergenerational gatherings will take place. If you have not registered but plan to attend, please submit a completed registration form this week. If you registered for one day and need to attend a different day this month, please complete one of the November Gathering forms. For individuals who are not able to attend all of the monthly sessions, you may register for the November Gathering only. These forms can be found in the kiosk or on the Parish web site. Volunteers are needed in many areas to make this endeavor successful. Contact Joan for more information.

**PARENTS: pick up additional learning materials to use at home with your children in the Gathering Space.** Weekly materials for Preschool through grade 8 that focus on the Sunday scriptures, with stories that are current and activities that connect young people with our Catholic Church, are available. Contact Joan at 251-8115 (ext. \*818) or at [jkrause@sacredheartsaukrapids.org](mailto:jkrause@sacredheartsaukrapids.org) and sign up to receive these materials for the rest of this year.

## Youth Ministry Notes (from Patrick)



The next Sacred Heart Youth Group meeting will be on Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. at the church. Please come and check it out.

**On October 31<sup>st</sup> young people** from the parish will be Trick or Treating, but in a completely different way. We will be going door to door and collecting non-perishable food for the community food shelf. We will be placing a notice on the door of your home a few days ahead of time if we will be collecting in your neighborhood. Then in the late afternoon/evening of October 31<sup>st</sup> we will be collecting the food. Any high school students interested in helping are very welcome.

**Any 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grader interested** in attending the St. Cloud Diocesan Youth Rally on November 1<sup>st</sup> is welcome. Registration forms can be found at church or call the Parish Office at 251-8115 for more information.

## Did You Know?

Each month, Sacred Heart supports a variety of charitable organizations. Recently, we received this thank you note from the Latino Community of Centro Hispano in Waite Park: "To the faith community of Sacred Heart Parish of Sauk Rapids, we thank you for your faithful support of the ministry and community of Latinos in the St. Cloud area. We continue to pray for you all and may the Lord bless and keep you always. May He give you peace."

## Notes of Interest

**There are a number of empty containers** in the kitchen (from hospitality goodies) that have not yet been picked up. Please do so as soon as possible. Thank you!



**To all the ladies of the parish:** There will be a fall meeting of the St. Cloud Deanery on Tuesday, October 27 hosted by the ladies of St. Peter's church. The meeting will begin with rosary @ 6:40, Mass with Fr. Greg Lieser @ 7:00 followed by a light supper and a meeting. If you would like to bring a salad or dessert to share, that would be appreciated. Any questions, contact Irene Schmidt at 320-393-2472 or [schmidtir@jetup.net](mailto:schmidtir@jetup.net). See you on the 27th!

**All current 6<sup>th</sup> graders in area Catholic elementary schools** will be visiting Cathedral High School/John XXIII Middle School on Tuesday, October 27. Exploration Day will enable 6<sup>th</sup> graders to experience a day in the life of a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student at John XXIII Middle School. All St. Cloud area 6<sup>th</sup> graders are welcome. If interested please call Kathy Lahr at 257-2143.

**Immaculate Conception Church in Rice and Annunciation Church in Mayhew Lake** are sponsoring a Parish Mission November 1-5, 2009. Fr. Peter Schavitz, a Redemptorist, will preach the Mission. The Mission will begin on Sunday, November 1 at 7:00pm at Immaculate Conception Church, and will continue Monday through Thursday evenings at 7:00pm in Immaculate Conception Church. There will also be morning sessions, Monday through Wednesday, at 8:30am, including a Mass and sermon, at Annunciation Church in Mayhew Lake.

## Wanted

**A Pack and Play and A Changing Table** for use in the childcare area during parish events. We will provide childcare during the Journey In Faith Gatherings so parents are able to attend the sessions. Contact the Parish Office if you are able to donate childcare items.

## 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**

Ann Crane, Mary Ann Gerads, John Gebhardt, Pete Gregoire, Richard Henkemeyer, Wanda Kucala, Gregory Maleska, MaryKay Muehlbauer, Dianne Sauer, John Schad, Janet Skillingstad, Reinhard Theis, Wyatt Wieber and for those who have received prayer blankets.