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Tai l g a t i n g P a r t y a n d M o v i e N i g h t !

NO COST!!!

*Go
Team !*

Date: Saturday, October 3

**Time: Tailgating with campfire
following the 5:00 Mass
Movie starts at 7:00 pm**

*Wear your
favorite
team
jersey*

Tailgate and enjoy a campfire. The parish will provide potato chips, paper plates, napkins, condiments and S'mores fixings. Bring beverages, hot dogs, buns, a roasting stick (or your own menu) and lawn chairs.

Now Playing...

“Facing the Giants”

This is the story of a struggling high school football coach and team. Follow the “Giants” as coach and team get back on track by praising God—win or lose.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART, SAUK RAPIDS

Mass Intentions

Monday, September 28, Wenceslaus, martyr

8:00 am -Word & Communion Service

Tuesday, September 29, Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, archangels

6:00 pm †Frank & Tillie Stockinger

Wednesday, September 30, Jerome, priest & doctor

8:00 am -Matt Harambasic

Thursday, October 1, Therese of the Child

Jesus, virgin & doctor

9:00 am †Genevieve Schueller (Anniv)

†LeRoy Kipka

2:00 pm †Delphine Czech (at GS Nurs. Home)

Friday, October 2, Guardian Angels

8:00 am †Gilbert Lemmerman

-Living Members of Bernie
Wesenberg

Saturday, October 3, Weekday

2:00 pm -Wedding: Bill Haselkamp & Sarah
Plafcan

**Sunday Eucharist, October 3-4, Twenty-Seventh
Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Saturday 5:00 pm †Theresa Tschida

Sunday 8:00 am -For the Parish

10:00 am †Alfred Reischl

†Eric Pflipsen

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

"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

St. James warns in today's second reading that those who hoard their wealth and live only for themselves will be condemned. But in the Gospel, Jesus assures us that all who give of themselves for His sake will be rewarded.

Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15)

I realized that evangelization is not just something done by someone else in a far off land. It isn't something that people on television do on Sunday morning. It is something that we do each day! How do we do it? In the way we live our lives. There is an inbred connection between stewardship and evangelization. A connection where, if we have the gift of faith, Stewardship calls us to proclaim it and to share it. Which is what evangelization is all about.

Archbishop Thomas J. Murphy

How am I passing on the faith to my loved ones and friends and neighbors?

How might I do this better?

How do I help and support Church efforts to spread the message of Jesus?

Readings for the Week of September 27

Sunday: Nm 11:25-29/Jas 5:1-6/Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Monday: Zec 8:1-8/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/
Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday: Neh 2:1-8/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Bar 1:15-22/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday: Bar 4:5-12, 27-29/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Gn 2:18-24/Heb 2:9-11/Mk 10:2-16 or
10:2-12

Eternal Rest



Eternal Rest Grant Unto

SYLVESTER BRDA

who was called home to be with our Heavenly Father. Please keep his family and friends in your prayers.

Marriage Banns



The following couples are preparing for marriage. Please keep them in your prayers.

III Gregory Blonigen & Dawn Mischler

II Michael Stangl & Jody Tretter

H1N1 Information

Reported cases of influenza (including cases of the H1N1 virus) are on the rise. To help limit the spread of influenza we encourage the following:

1. If you suspect you are sick, stay at home and do not attend Mass until you feel healthy. Missing Mass due to sickness is not sinful; it is prudent and shows a respect for your brothers and sisters.

2. During Mass, at the Sign of Peace, you may choose to simply say "Peace be with you," without offering your hand.

3. If you are not feeling well, do not receive from the cup at Mass.

4. Practice good hygiene: cover your cough; wash hands frequently with soap and water (scrub for at least 30 seconds); if you are feeling sick, do not come to places where you might infect others. (As a point of information, our Eucharistic Ministers will wash their hands prior to distributing communion.)

Church Cleaning

Fall church cleaning will be held on October 24th from 9:00-1:00. Lunch is served at 11:30 am. Come and go as you are able to help. Bring your own pail.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A Message from Father Ron

From Safari: Throughout the summer a family of Sandhill Cranes (Two adults and two children) could be seen on the church grounds. Usually the Sandhill Cranes would not come close to the church but in late summer they would often be looking in the windows of the church. Perhaps you saw them during one of the Masses you attended. I believe they are now on their way to Texas or other southern locations for the winter months.

The Sandhill Cranes were quite entertaining. The four would take turns hopping, spinning, vocalizing, and flapping wings. At some point one of them would lead them in flight to another location.

The Sandhill Cranes exhibit behavior that is common among wild life, the adults and young ones, learning about life together. Journey in Faith mirrors nature's interaction between old and young. As I shared in the homily last weekend, Journey in Faith is built on the premise that young and old are reflecting on, studying topic together. The insight of a child can bring an adult to a deeper revelation. Hearing the stories of the adults, youth discover that their struggles are part of being human.


Journey in Faith will be a great blessing for our parish. It will help all of us grow stronger in our faith and move us to make a difference in the lives of others. I encourage you to register either today or during the week. Our study this year will be on the Church Year.

Next Sunday, 1:00 pm, in our parking lot there will be a blessing of animals. Many people keep animals for food, work, companionship, or recreation. Concern for the well-being of animals is a sign of respect in a human person.

Have a peace filled week!

Ron

Baptism Preparation

 The next Baptism Preparation Class is scheduled for **Thursday, October 1** 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.

Food Shelf Helpers Needed

It's that time of year! Sacred Heart Parish helps out at the Food Shelf during the month of October. Help is needed on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am-6pm. The days are broken down into 3 hour shifts. If you are interested in volunteering your time, please contact Mary at 259-4503.

Journey In Faith...it is for everyone!

Music Notes



The **Parish Children's Choir** will be starting rehearsals in early November. This choir will be open to all 2nd – 6th graders. Please watch the bulletin and church website for more details. Any questions, please contact Beth at the Parish Office.

Eucharistic Adoration



Participate in **Eucharistic Adoration on Friday, October 2 (First Friday)** by spending time before the Blessed Sacrament in silent prayer from 6:30 until 11:30 a.m. Please pray for the needs and people of our parish.

Memorial—Honor Gifts

The Memorial and Honor Windows in the Tabernacle area will be pulled and additional names engraved. If you are interested in memorializing or honoring loved ones and having their names engraved, please contact the Parish Office by October 15.

Celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi
with a Blessing of Pets
Sunday, October 4th at 1:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church Parking Lot


Come and See

Sessions will begin in October for those who are interested in joining the Catholic Church (RCIA). Contact Fr. Ron for more information.

Thank You

Thank you to those who volunteered to repair and shingle the Janson House garages, did tree removal and prepared and served lunch and supper. Wow! It really shows how sharing of time and talent makes a difference. The parish is grateful and the roofs look great!!

Women's Book Club

The next meeting will be October 21 in the Hospitality Room from 6:30 to 9:00 pm. The book chosen for discussion is 'The Latehomecomer' a Hmong family memoir by Kao Kalia Yang. The author will also be speaking at St. Ben's on October 15th in the evening. For more information on the book club, please call Carol Kittok at 253-8566. All are welcome! 

Faith Formation



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION is taking place this week. Register after Masses this weekend, on Wednesday at 6:30pm, Thursday at 5:30pm, or Friday after 8:00am Mass at the Church. There will be a short presentation at the beginning of each registration session explaining details of the programs. Register for *Journey In Faith* as well as preparation for the sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Schedules for the various programs will be available. Check out the parish web site, www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org for answers to "Frequently Asked Questions" as well as registration and schedule details. Information is also available in the Gathering Space. If you have questions, contact Joan in the Parish Office.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to serve in various ways in our faith formation programs. Come to find out more about the many opportunities there are to share your gifts on Wednesday, October 7, 7:00 pm at the church. Students in grades 11 & 12 who have been confirmed, as well as adults are encouraged to attend. Refreshments will be served.

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 (Coborn's products). **Please turn in Cub Food receipts for July, August and September** (anything dated prior to July can no longer be accepted) **by October 2.** Place them in the kiosk in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, please call Rita at 251-3952. Thank you.

Starlite Ball

The second annual Starlite Ball is Saturday, October 24th at Territory Golf Course. This adult dinner and dance is an important fund raiser for Sacred Heart School. Tickets are \$50 per person. Tickets are available at the school office. **ALL ARE WELCOME.** For more information, contact the school office.



School News



Dates to remember:
 October 5 — Picture Day
 October 10 — Work-A-Thon
 October 15-16 — No School

Poor Clare Benefit Tea

The Annual Poor Clare Benefit Tea will be on Thursday, October 8 from 2:00-5:30 pm at the Bob & Laurie Strack Residence, 617 Scenic Drive South, Sartell. Proceeds are used to help defray fuel expenses at the Poor Clare Monastery in Sauk Rapids. Sacred Heart's St. Monica's Society will be assisting from 4:30-5:00 pm. Everyone is welcome, so please come and bring a friend!



Notes of Interest

Home Delivered Meals. Good Shepherd Community has a program that delivers meals to homebound residents of Sauk Rapids. If you or someone you know could use this service, please contact Jodi at 258-8655. Also, if you are interested in volunteering to deliver meals, please contact Jenny at 252-6525, extension 2124.

Central Minnesota TEC invites Youth (age 16+) and adults to participate in a TEC retreat this Fall. TEC weekend dates are Oct 16-18, Nov 7-9 and Nov 27-29. With more than 34,000 participants, CM TEC remains one of the most popular retreat programs in the nation. Visit www.cmtec.org for more information and an application. Don't delay – the number one comment we receive is, "This was one of the best experiences of my life. I wish I would have done this a lot sooner!"

St. Cloud Catholic Charities Widowed Persons dinner on Sunday, September 27 at Anton's in Waite Park. 4:00 social with dinner at 5pm.

The St. John's Boys' Choir presents Boys on Broadway featuring the St. John's Boy's Choir, the Jr. Varsity Choir and Alumni Choir. October 10 at 6pm and October 11 at 2pm at the Stephen B. Humphrey Auditorium at St. John's University. Call 363-2558 or 363-5777 for tickets.

St. Mary's Christian Mothers 11th Annual Pancake Breakfast, Quilt & Cash Raffle. October 4 from 9:00-12:30 at St. Mary's Church in Holdingford. Menu: pancakes, sausage, potatoes & beverages.

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

Alice Anderson, Katie Blenkush, Betty Froelich, John Gebhardt, Marvin Hagen, Chrissie Hill, Jeffrey Hinkemeyer, Eileen Jurek, Gannon McGrath, Dianne Sauer, John Schad, David Sikes, Barbara Thompson and for those who have received prayer blankets.