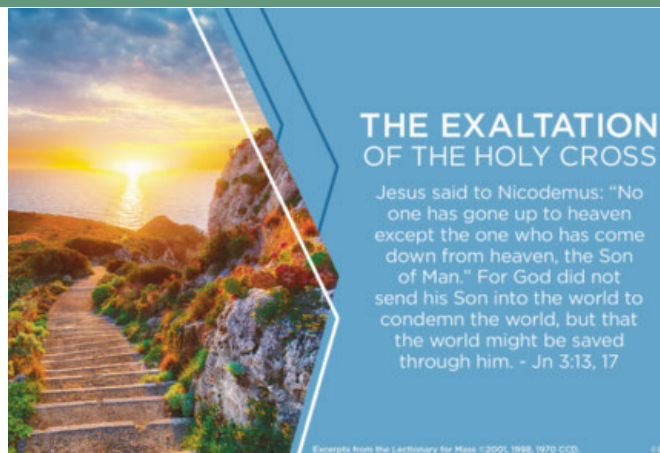




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PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, September 15
Our Lady of Sorrows

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** – Word and Communion
8:30am **Annunciation** + Jeff Rajkowski

Tuesday, September 16
SS. Cornelius & Cyprian

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** + Terry Barrett
5:30pm **Sacred Heart** + Mike Notsch
5:30pm **St. Stephen** + Tom Hlebain

Wednesday, September 17
St. Robert Bellarmine

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + Henry Duane & Maxine Popp
8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** + Dick Fiereck

Thursday, September 18

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** + Anthony Grauman
8:00am **St. Stephen** + Jeffrey Vossen
8:30am **Annunciation** + Susan Brenny

Friday, September 19

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + Patricia Jones
8:30am **St. Francis Xavier** + Tom Bearson

Saturday, September 20
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

4:00pm **St. Francis Xavier** + Darrel & Daniel Lewellyn
5:00pm **Sacred Heart** + Ken Malikowski
7:00pm **St. Stephen** + Ivan Fiedler

Sunday, September 21
25th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:15am ***Annunciation** + Gene & Millie Gruber
9:00am ***Sacred Heart** + Dennis Gapinski
9:30am ***St. Francis Xavier** + for the people
10:00am **St. Stephen** + Jason Clarence Trobec

*Livestreamed Masses

Reconciliation

Saturday:

3:00pm St. Francis Xavier
3:30pm Sacred Heart
6:15pm St. Stephen

Sunday:

7:40am Annunciation

Adoration

First Thursday at St. Stephen 8:30am–4pm

Second and Fourth

Tuesday at St. Francis Xavier 4–7pm

First Friday at Sacred Heart 8:30am–11am

Pastoral Needs

Please contact your parish office for Anointing of the Sick, Home Bound Communion, Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests, Marriage and Baptism Preparation.

Daily Readings

Monday: 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Tuesday: 1 Tm 3:1-13/Ps 101:1b-2ab, 2cd-3ab, 5, 6/Lk 7:11-17

Wednesday: 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 7:31-35

Thursday: 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10/Lk 7:36-50

Friday: 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

Saturday: 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5/Lk 8:4-15

Next Sunday: Am 8:4-7/Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8 (see 1a, 7b)/1 Tm 2:1-8/Lk 16:1-13 or 16:10-13

Ministry & Life Perspectives



Exaltation of the Cross – September 14

This year, the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross falls on Sunday. In the sorrows, violence, and challenges to hope that touch our lives so deeply, our faith turns our eyes to the profound mystery that Jesus embraced all human sin and suffering in the redeeming sacrifice of Calvary.

Historically, the feast commemorates the finding of the true Cross around the year 326 on that hill outside of Jerusalem by St. Helena, the mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine. In the second century, under the Emperor Hadrian, the top of Mount Calvary was leveled and a temple to the pagan goddess Venus was built; he also cut away and leveled the hillside where Jesus' tomb stood and built a temple to the pagan god Jupiter Capitolinus. Then, about the year 326, the temple of Jupiter Capitolinus was demolished, and the workers began to excavate the area. They discovered the remains of the tomb that was reported to be that of our Lord Jesus. They built a new shrine over the tomb, which has been modified over the centuries, but today stands in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher in Jerusalem. Helena found several crosses, but the remains of only one of them proved to have the power to heal a woman with a terminal illness.

The Cross is the quintessential Christian symbol; but for us, what then is the Cross of Christ? It can stand for many things in our lives; but one of them is that is the very specific, concrete means that the Son of God used to offer the sacrifice of perfect and redeeming love. The Father's will that all should be saved and come to know the truth came down to this: two particular pieces of wood, on a certain Friday afternoon, on a specific hill outside Jerusalem, where Jesus would lay down his life for his friends, and die out of love for us. It is fairly easy for us to have good intentions about our own obedience and love for God, but when it becomes so specific, it can become difficult for us to surrender: to say, here and now, I will not repeat this gossip, I will write this check to charity, I will spend these 15 minutes in prayer, I will not watch that show – all out of love for God and the will to help others. With such a high bar, we will often fail; but the redeeming love of Jesus revealed on the Cross will never fail.

Masses of Healing and Remembrance for Those Who Have Died by Suicide --Weekend of September 27-28

In conjunction with Bishop Neary and all the parishes of the diocese, we mark the last weekend in September as Suicide Healing and Remembrance Weekend. We will pray for all affected by loss of loved ones through suicide and for all who work with those troubled by suicidal thoughts and mental health struggles. We recognize the profound and often complicated grief that accompanies such a loss

Ministry & Life Perspectives (cont.)

and the pressures and various factors of mental health that can lead individuals to taking their own lives. This Mass will be a sacred space for prayer, remembrance and the sharing of hope. As part of this observance, we will:

- hear a brief recorded message from Bishop Neary before Mass begins
- have a Book of Remembrance near the sanctuary, next to the Easter candle, for people to enter the names of those who have died through suicide at any place or time
- have an opportunity for those who wish to come forward after the homily and light a candle in memory of a loved one who has died through suicide
- have printed resources available for suicide healing and mental health ministry

Jubilee Year of Hope Pilgrimage

All are welcome to join us on September 27 for a day of local pilgrimage to several of our diocesan Jubilee Year of Mercy sites. We will be leaving from Sacred Heart via tour bus at 10 a.m. The day will include prayerful visits to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Sauk Centre, St. Benedict's Monastery in St. Joseph, the Grasshopper Chapel in Cold Spring, and the Poor Clare Monastery in Sauk Rapids. We will return to Sacred Heart in time for the 5:00 p.m. Mass. Lunch is provided.

More than a tour or outing, a pilgrimage is a sacred journey, undertaken with prayer and a desire to encounter God's presence. Participants are asked to prepare in prayer and consider some specific intention for this day, making it a sacrificial gift of charity and through it, meeting the mercy of God and the hope that comes to us in Christ's love.

ACC Pastoral Leadership

Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblach 320-251-8115, ext 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
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Deacon	Steve Pareja 320-761-2503
Pastoral Associate	Sandee Kremers 320-252-1363, ext 403 skremers@stfrancissartell.org

ONE IN CHRIST AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

NEWS AND EVENTS

Marriage Banns



II James Wollak & Lisa Barthel

Funeral Blessings

Remember in your prayers the family of Curt Harren , who passed away on August 21 and Beverly Pierskalla who passed away on August 23 from St. Francis.



Eternal Rest grant unto them Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

ACC Events

Wednesday Bible Study. Would you like to explore the Bible but don't know where to start? Come join our OIC Bible Study group on Wednesday mornings at 9 AM. We will be starting with Genesis on Sep 24th. All are welcome! Contact Gerry (320) 420-9050 to sign up or if you have questions. Let him know by the 1st week of September so booklets can be ordered.

St. Stephen Bible Study. We meet Sunday evenings at 7:00 pm in the church hall. We are beginning a new study:

Lectio: Peter – The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the “rock” upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us. Our first session is September 28 and there are 10 Sessions in this study. Cost for the study guide is \$25. To register, call the St. Stephen Church office at 320-251-1520. Please register by September 14 so books can be ordered. Questions? Call Julie at 320-248-6823

The Chosen Watch Party. We will begin Season 3 of The Chosen on Friday, October 3rd. Our evening will start with a light supper and then we will watch and discuss. 6:30-8pm at Sacred Heart. The season will run October 3-November 21. All are welcome, you do not need to have attended Season 1 and 2. Register by September 28 by calling Jill at the Sacred Heart office, 320-251-8115 or texting Kathy at 320-309-1759.

The Chosen Season 5

Join us for Season 5 of The Chosen. Starting Monday, October 6 in Xavier Hall at 8:30am - 10:00am. Coffee and snacks provided. All are welcome!

Card Group 500 & Cribbage Thursday, September 25 from 1-3 pm in Xavier Hall. Bring your own drink & a snack to share if you would like.



Young Adults

Praise Night

Another year of Praise Nights begins on Thursday, September 25th from 6-7 PM at Christ Church Newman Center in St. Cloud. Nights generally include various prayer experiences, music and Reconciliation. This is a great opportunity for young families to come pray and enjoy fellowship with others. This is a collaborative effort between the All Called to Christ Catholic Community and the One in Christ Catholic Community.

Young Adult Mass and Meal

Mass and a Meal will be on Saturday, September 27th starting with 4 PM Mass at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. Great way to hang out with old friends along with meeting some new ones.

*Everyone is responsible for their own meal.

Young Life WyldLife

Friday Night Party

Join us for the first Friday Night Party at the St. Cloud YMCA from 7-8:30 PM.! All middle school friends are invited.

Donations

If you'd like to make a donation to our Wyldlife Area for either club supplies or for camp, please contact Jason via phone or email. We sincerely appreciate your contribution in our efforts making sure middle schoolers are known, loved and cared for.

Follow Us on Social Media

Be sure to go like our page on Facebook: Granite City Wyldlife
Follow Us on Instagram: gcwyldlife

Committee Members Needed

Are you a go-getter? Are you good at planning and visioning? Perhaps you are good at fundraising - if you answered yes to at least one of these questions, we need you on the Granite City Wyldlife committee. Contact Melissa Fox ASAP. Meeting date coming soon.

Lincoln Center

Volunteers needed for a 90 minute shift at Lincoln Center each night. Those who are living on the streets are offered a bag of food each evening at LC to carry them through the next day. If you have never spent time at LC, this is a great opportunity. You can sign up by going to www.homelesshelpinghomeless.org and clicking on Volunteer and Sign Up. Contact Molly Weyrens with questions. stfrancissjcc@gmail.com Thanks for considering!



News and Events From Around the Diocese



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son." John 3:16

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus came to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven. These four points are known as the "kerygma" – the first proclamation of the Gospel. This core message is the basis of our Catholic faith. How do you live this out in your daily life?



Our diocese recognizes the need to accompany those experiencing mental health challenges, along with their families and loved ones. The Mental Health Ministry provides compassionate presence, spiritual support, and practical resources while fostering greater awareness. An 11-member diocesan team is helping form ministries of presence within our ACCs so that no one walks this journey alone. To learn more, please visit: <https://youtu.be/TDs-TL2FKGM>.

The annual **Fall Conference of the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women** will be held Saturday, September 20, 2025 at the Church of St. Benedict, 212 1st Street SW, Avon, MN from 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Registration of \$20 payable to St. Cloud DCCW due by September 10 and mail to Sue Burg, 39006 Co. Road #151, Avon, MN 56310; \$25 after 9/10 or at the door.

DCCW Leadership Training There will be mentoring/leadership training on September 24, from 1-3pm at St. Michael's Church, 1036 County Road #4, St. Cloud. This is open to ALL past, present, future and recycled parish and deanery Christian Mother/Women officers. This is sponsored by the St. Cloud DCCW at no charge. However, registration is requested to Sheri Streasick at (320) 805-0010 or dccw.vp@gmail.com.

Evening for Life Saturday, October 4, 2025. Freeport Event Center, Freeport, MN 5:30 Social Hour, 6:30 Banquet and Program. Registration Required by September 19 by calling 320-351-4025 or using the QR code. Keynote Speaker is Gianna Jessen, Abortion Survivor. Sponsored by Options for Women, Pregnancy Resource Center.



"Save the date for the **Daughters in Christ Women's Retreat!** This retreat is hosted by the One in Christ Area Catholic Community at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, October 25th from 9:00am to 4:30pm. Come join us for a day of reflection, prayer, and hospitality. There will be a keynote speaker and three breakout sessions all themed with gospel passages that highlight women. In the middle of the day, there will be an opportunity for various prayer options. Breakfast hospitality and lunch will be provided. This event is open to all women ages 16 and older." Please email Brittany with any questions @ brittanylprigge@gmail.com

St. Stephen

Fr Ron Weyrens, Pastor

Contact: Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Hours: 8am-1:30pm
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066

NEW Email: director.ststephenfaith@gmail.com

Financial Offering for September 6 & 7

Adult envelopes	\$ 1,566.00
Adult online giving August 30-Sept 5	751.00
Plate	337.00
Children	1.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,655.00

Ushers:

Sept 20: David Pogatchnik, Dan Warzecha, Karen Skaj

Sept 21: Matt Nienaber, Tim Rudser, Ralph Barhorst

Parish Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 16, at 7pm in the Parish Hall.

Faith Formation: Teachers are needed for grades 7 and 9. Please consider sharing your faith with the youth of our parish. Contact Danna Gasperlin at 251-5066 or email to her NEW email above.

Upcoming dates for Faith Formation: September 17 - Grade 10

Confirmation Information Night at 6:30 in the Parish Hall.

September 24-Open House Registration for ALL grades, 4:00-7:00, in the church annex. Grade 11 Confirmation class will meet in the Parish Hall with Fr. Ron at 6:30pm.

New Ministry Schedule: The next schedule for October 4-January 4 will be put together this week. If you know you are not going to be available on certain weekends, Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve, please contact the parish office by **Monday**. The only changes for this schedule are: Christmas Eve at 4:00pm and New Year Eve at 5:25pm.

Red Cross Blood Drive will be held in St. Stephen Parish Hall on Monday, September 29, from 12:00-6:00pm. There are multiple ways to sign-up to give blood: go online at redcrossblood.org, on the sign-up sheets at the back of church or call the parish office.



Cemetery Flowers: With fall approaching it is time to start removing ALL flowers and decorations from the cemetery. Flowers attached to the top of gravestones or in the vase holders must be removed by October 1. After October 1, any flowers and decorations remaining in the cemetery will be removed and disposed of.

Well n Fit Exercise Class - All level of fitness welcome!

A fun social time for everyone, while maintaining strength with chair, low impact cardio, and balance exercises.

Classes are Wednesdays & Fridays.

9:00-10:00 AM in the Parish Hall



Holdingford Helping Hands Outreach-Senior Dining-Everyone invited. Wednesdays at Trobec's in St. Stephen. Meal served at noon followed by cards (500). Suggested meal donation is \$6.00.
St. Stephen AA and AL-ANON Meetings: 103 Main St E.
Tuesdays 7pm-Steps and Traditions meeting (aka 12X12)
Wednesdays 5:30pm-AL-Anon/AA Mixed meeting
Wednesdays 7pm-AA Big Book meeting
Saturdays 8pm-AA meeting

Sacred Heart

Fr Tom Knoblach, Pastor

Contact: Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114

parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

Financial Offering

Financial offerings not available at time of publishing.

Stewardship

Children's Liturgy of the Word CLOW begins this Sunday, September 14th at the 9 AM Mass and will be offered every week for friends in PreK-3rd Grade. We have some amazing leaders but we also need helpers in the room to make CLOW possible, contact Jason Prigge if you are interested or have any questions!

Kids Choir is starting up! All kids in 2nd grade and older are welcome to join! We will be singing and playing bells again this year. . .No experience necessary! We sing about once per month, and rehearse on Wednesdays from 5:30-6:25, with a meal served beforehand at 5pm on nights when there is also Faith Formation in the building. Our first rehearsal is September 10th . Contact Jill K. for information.jkiffmeyer@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

Men's Group took some time off this past summer and we will begin again on Monday, September 15th at 5pm. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. Please contact Den Joe with questions.

Volunteers needed: We are in need of a **Homebound Communion** Minister. You would serve about once a month. We are also seeking individuals to help take blood pressures after mass. This takes place on the third weekend of the month. We try to rotate volunteers.

The **Social Concerns Committee** will be meeting on the 4th Tuesday of the Month at 6:30pm. During our meeting this September 23rd we will be looking at our goals for this upcoming year. Please contact Den Joe with questions

Prayer Requests

Please add Shirley Bennett, Jeanne Eveslage, Dan Fladung, Mike Janku, Kathy Kampa and Jayne Wruck to your prayers. If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put in the prayer corner, please call 320-251-8115.

Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain. Please call 320-492-9361 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.



Youth Ministry

Grounded Youth Ministry September theme: Grounded in Positivity

- **Sun. September 14th** (Grades 9-12) | 5-7 PM
 - Dinner: Pasta Bar
- **Wed. September 24th** (Grades 6-8) | 6:30-8:30 PM
- **Sun. September 28th** (Grades 9-12) | 5-7 PM

Flourish Bible Study Bible Study for grades 9-12 will meet again on Sunday, September 21st at 10:15 AM! Things to look forward to: friends, conversations, coffee bar and diving into God's Word. If you have any questions or would like to help, please contact Jason Prigge!

Grounded Small Group Leaders Wanted Thinking ahead, we are in need of two small group leaders for our 5th grade friends. If you are interested or would like to learn more, please reach out to Jason to get set-up and trained.

Faith Formation

Help share the beauty of the Catholic faith with the next generation by helping as Faith Formation small group leader. Leaders are needed for both the elementary and middle school groups which meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Lesson plans will be provided along with additional support. If God is calling you to help out, contact Scott Frieler in the Faith Formation Office.

Festival

We know we just celebrated the best day of the summer! We also know that people who quilt need time to quilt! So we are looking for someone to donate a quilt for the 2026 festival quilt raffle. If you are interested please contact Vicki in the office.

Upcoming Events

- September 15; 5pm--Men's Group
6:15pm--Bells of the Heart Practice
7pm--KC Meeting
- September 16; 6pm--First Reconciliation Meeting
6:15pm--Adult Choir Rehearsal
7pm--Sacred Heart Men's Club
- September 17; 5:30pm--Kids' Choir Rehearsal
6:45pm--Peer Ministry Team Meeting
- September 18; 1pm-- Card Making
- September 20; 8:30am--Fall Confirmation Retreat @ ML
3:30pm--Reconciliation
6pm--Blood Pressure Checks
- September 21; 10am--Parent/Child Group
10am--Blood Pressure Checks
10:15am--First Reconciliation Meeting
7pm--9th Grade Session 1



Annunciation

Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

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Weekly Collection Budget

Due to the bulletin schedule, Financial Stewardship for Sunday, September 7th will be in next weeks bulletin.

Mass Schedule

Sun. September 21st, 2025

Lector: JoAnn Marshall and Jenessa Strande

Eucharist: Deacon(H), Brenda Carriveau(C), Lloyd Lyon(C)

Servers: Mariah Simmons and Gretchen Czech

Greeters: Dan Bemboom, Logan Simmons, Wyatt Montag

Ushers: Jeff Wollak, Randy & Julie Miller, Dan Bemboom



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Beau Albright, LeRoy Jarnot, Auggie Thene, Hazel Keeville, Amy Roettger, Mason Zwilling, Matthew Dietman, Riggs Erdmann-Wittowski, Sienna Spiczka, Renee Zeleny, Joyce Burski, Paul Nies, Rory Thompson.

Annunciation Church Social Gatherings next meeting will be Thursday, **October 2nd**—Octoberfest gathering. Will start with mass at 8:30am, coffee and treats after, followed by visiting/games and lunch at noon. All are welcome, including community and ACC members.

Volunteer Needed to do American Sign Language for Faith Formation Class. Wed's. from 6:30pm-7:30pm. Please call Karen.

ELEVATE Evening for Life Gala Thurs. Oct. 23rd at The Regency. 5:15 social hour, 6pm program begins. Tickets must be purchased by Oct. 10th, No tickets sold at the door, Evening/Formal attire appreciated. Call 320-252-4150 to Register. Tickets are \$50 each. Guest speaker Brandy Meeks.



THANK YOU It is that time of year again, Religious Education has started and we have a great bunch of teachers who volunteer their time and talent to teach the Catholic faith to our students. Please remember to thank them when you see them around.

First Grade:	Lisa Montag & Kari Schyma
Second Grade:	Jenessa Strande & Tracy Wollak
Third Grade:	Lisa Przybilla & Margie Kahl
Fourth Grade:	Jenny & Jason Zwilling
Fifth Grade:	Megan Herbst & Teresa Heck
Sixth & Seventh Grades:	Nicole Robinson & Laura Brenny
Eighth Grade:	Sarah Larson & Beth Brenny
Ninth Grade:	No students this year
Tenth & Eleventh Grade:	Jean Bemboom, Katie Lentner
Children's Liturgy:	Maureen Athman, Jenna Kaeter
Entertainment Team:	Corinne Lyon & Megan Gerads
Religious Education Coordinator:	Karen Handeland

Thank you all for your dedication and generosity.

St. Francis Xavier

Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

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Bev Wiehoff 320-492-0135

Karen Reinholz 320-260-6158

Prayer Line: Margaret Stang 320-249-9304

Weekly Collection Budget

Not available at publication

Adult Choir

SFX Adult Choir Inviting New Members

Please plan to join us (in the church) as we kick off the new season on Thursday, September 25 at 6:30pm.

All SATB singers in High School and up are invited.

The SFX Adult Choir leads the sung prayer at the 9:30am Sunday liturgies 2-3 times per month.

We hope you can come and join us!

Questions - contact Karen Dembowski (karensue6@msn.com)

40 Days For Life

Fall Campaign Opening Rally

St. Mary's Cathedral - 25 8th Ave S, Saint Cloud

12 PM - Daily Mass

1 PM - Speaker Ramona Trevino in the lower level *a light lunch and fellowship will be provided

Peaceful, Prayerful Vigil at Planned Parenthood

September 24-November 2, 2025

Pray with us in front of Planned Parenthood for an end to abortion. Please come join us—we need you! We are in need of volunteers to sign up for an hour time slot from 7 AM—7 PM Monday—Friday. On Saturdays we invite groups (KC, Youth, Families) to come pray at the site on their own or contact Judy Haag to provide a leader to orientate you to Vigil Praying. Sign up online or contact Judy @ judy4life@meltel.net.

Faith Formation

Faith Formation Group A – all Faith Formation families should be receiving your WELCOME letter this week. This letter will tell you which ROOTED Family Faith Formation Group you have been put in, the time you signed up for and the dates you will attend Faith Formation this year starting in October! Unfortunately GROUP A's beginning date is incorrect in the letter but is correct on the calendar. GROUP A will start Wednesday, OCTOBER 8. Contact Jennifer, Melissa or Sandee if you have not received a letter by next week. GROUP A starts Wednesday, October 8
GROUP B starts Wednesday, October 22
GROUP C starts Wednesday, October 29
We are very excited about this upcoming year! See you all in October.

Fall Festival

Get ready for some extra fun at our festival on Sunday, September 21st. There will be **FREE children's games** in the gym at the parish breakfast. This is an added attraction for families with younger children - elementary aged and younger. The **breakfast** will have pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, tri-taters, fruit, mini-donuts, and beverages. For those 21 and older there will be a cash bar with Bloody Mary's (and all kinds of fixings) and Mimosas. Join us for a great gathering with your parish family and guests from our community. Help is still needed in the kitchen and dining areas - please see sign-up sheets in the gathering place. There are two shifts. Help at one or the other (or both) or even part of a shift. From food prep to serving the breakfast to pouring coffee or juice to clearing tables, your help is appreciated. Added new this year, we are doing **BINGO** in the gathering place from 11:00am to 1:00pm. If you are here for the full 30 games, it is \$15.00 (or 50 cents a game using 10-punch cards). We have gift cards to businesses (Cold Stone, Partner's Pub, Scooters, 2nd Street Coffee House, Kwik Trip, Target, Walmart, Fleet Farm & more) and the value of prizes will be \$20.00 and up. Look for sign-up sheets in the gathering place. This is a great opportunity for Middle School and older youth and for families or for anyone who likes working with others. **Silent Auction bidding has begun!** Please join your fellow parishioners in supporting Frantoberfest. Scan the QR code to be directed to the auction. Happy Bidding!



Fall Festival Bakers

Attention ALL Bakers & Fall Harvesters!

The Fall Festival is fast approaching!! We are looking for donations of your yummy baked goods or fall canning harvest items for our festival's Bake Sale. Some suggested items: Cookies, cakes, bars, trail mixes, candy, soup mixes, homemade egg noodles etc. Please mark any item that may contain nuts! Canned goods are also good sellers - salsa, pickles, tomato juice etc.! All items should be covered with a clear plastic wrap for easy viewing! We will price the items for you so no need to worry about that! Items can be brought to the Gathering Place on Friday, September 19th between 3-7 p.m. and Saturday, September 20th from noon - 4:00 p.m.

Email with any questions:

Doris Lodermeier - Lodermeiers1003@gmail.com

Marlyce Plante - marlylou0814@gamil.com

Prayer Line & Homebound Ministers

Prayer line & Homebound Ministry Meeting

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

St. Francis Xavier - Gathering Space from 4:00-5:00pm

Whether you are currently serving in either of these ministries or are interested in these ministries please join us for our get together. If you have any questions please contact Sandee Kremers.

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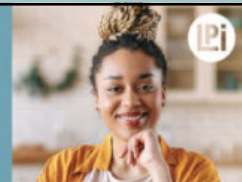
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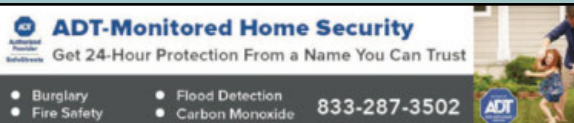
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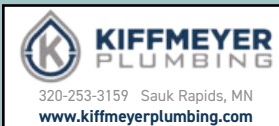
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