May 22, 2022 6th Sunday of Easter



6th SUNDAY OF EASTER

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." - Jn 14:27

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PASTORAL SERVICES

Parish Office for more

information.

Monday May 23 Easter Weekday Tuesday May 24 Easter Weekday Wednesday May 25 St. Bede the Venerable Thursday May 26 St. Philip Neri Friday May 27 St. Augustine of Canterbury Saturday May 28 7 th Sunday of Easter	8:00 amSt. Francis Xavier8:30 amAnnunciation8:00 amSt. Francis Xavier5:30 pmSt. Stephen5:30 pmSacred Heart8:00 amSacred Heart8:00 amSt. Francis Xavier8:00 amSacred Heart8:00 amSacred Heart5:00 pmSt. Francis Xavier5:00 pmSt. Francis Xavier	Word & Communion † Harry & Bridget Skaja, Scott Pekarek † Jim Gonsior † Harvey Legatt † Mari Louis † Patty Vadies † Lynn & Gene Borgert † Alfred Sobiech † Linda Ley Thanksgiving † Norbert & Nancy Motzko Safe Travels for St. Johns Boys Choir † David Gaida For the People of the Parishes	Reconciliation Saturdays 3:30 pm Sacred Heart 4:00 pm St. Francis Xavier 7:50 pm St. Stephen Sunday 7:40 am Annunciation Anointing of the Sick Home Bound Communion Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests, Marriage and Baptism Preparation If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.
Sunday May 29 7th Sunday of Easter	7:00 pmSt. Stephen8:15 amAnnunciation9:00 am*Sacred Heart9:30 am*St. Francis Xavier10:00 amSt. Stephen	For the People of the Parishes † Jerry Molitor † Loretta & Andrew Plafcan † Donard J. Kunesh † Ivan Fiedler	Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact your

*Livestreamed Mass

DAILY READINGS

- Monday: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26—16:4a
- Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20 Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23 /Lk 24:46-53
- Friday: Acts 18:9-18/ /Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn Saturday: Acts 18:23-28/ Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/ Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 [6]/Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10: 19-23/Lk 24:46-53

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



From Safari.....

Do you love me? We hear in the gospel, that whoever loves Jesus will keep his word. We keep his word when we love unconditionally without judging. We are all equal in God's eyes. Neither slave nor master holds the advantage. We know that this is not the case

in our world. We have divisions of all kinds. We are divided by race and ethnicity. We are divided by wealth. We are divided by education. We are divided by politics both within and outside of the church. These differences have often led to conflict and even war. There are hostile encounters at public meetings. There have been over 200 mass shootings this year. (A mass shooting is defined here as killing or injuring at least four people.) The war in Ukraine has been in the news for weeks and the sad fact is that there are other armed conflicts taking place in the world today.

A troubled world cries out for help. Our One in Christ Communities cannot resolve most of these issues in this world. However, we can bring peace to our spheres of influence. Peace is the gift that is meant to be shared. What is peace?

Here is a reflection by Mary K. Whitacre. "Peace is a complicated word with many interpretations. Beauty pageant contestants offer generic desires for world peace. We deploy our well-equipped military around the world as peacekeepers. Some people passionately fight for uncontrolled gun ownership, which they believe will ensure peace.

Perhaps we are looking for peace in the wrong place. Jesus urges, "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid." His words refocus us to the question, "What needs to happen in our hearts so that we can find peace?" In contrast to today's uneasy balance of power, Jesus modeled an authentic peace, which is far beyond what the world can offer. It is a peace that begins and ends in love.

Tensions in families are often unavoidable. However, which is more likely to bring reassuring healing to this friction — anger and revenge, or compassion and forgiveness? Turbulence in the markets can leave us greedily scrambling for an economic advantage, or we can humbly trust God to provide for our needs.

We can become hardened to the strangers waiting at our borders, sleeping under our bridges, or languishing in our jails. Or the strangers can become our brothers and sisters, as we can extend

a warm embrace, a helping hand and a patient concern. In the end, we can allow the world's anxieties to empty our hearts, or we can open them to the fullness of love.

(Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

What does it look like to be transformed by the peace of Christ? It could simply mean looking directly at a cashier and smiling; accepting that there is often more than one right answer, or even conceding your preferred answer. It could mean patiently listening to Grandma repeating the same stories in an endless loop; refraining from political bullying and looking for realistic compromise; anonymously mowing your overwhelmed neighbor's yard rather than complaining; or sacrificing what is best for you in the interest of the greatest common good."

(May 2019, Celebration, p.24, The National Catholic Reporter Publishing Company, Kansas City, MO.)

Whenever we share love, it is multiplied in our hearts, our lives and the world. We can create an atmosphere for enduring peace to thrive in our home, our school, our workplace, and our community. The gift of peace we have been given so that others can know and grow in peace. Where and how are you being called to share your love and promote the peace of Christ in your sphere of influence today?

Continued blessings on your Easter days!

Fr. Ron



LEADERSHIP





ACC Pastoral Leadership

Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblach 320-251-8115, Ext. 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
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STEWARDSHIP AND EVANGELIZATION



For whom will I pray this week? Prayer: the second pillar of stewardship

BANNS OF MARRIAGE



Samantha Kaeter and Devon Jahnke Mayhew Lake

Kenneth Broviak & Kathleen Corbin Sacred Heart

BAPTISMS

We welcome the following children baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:



Ruby Jane Janson, daughter of Ryan & Sarah, baptized at Sacred Heart.

REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers the families of Bernice Goulet, who passed away on May 7, 2022 and Jeanette Henkemeyer, who passed away on May 8, 2022 from Sacred Heart.



Remember in your prayers the family of Robert "Bob" Bidinger who passed away May 13, 2022 from St. Francis Xavier.

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

MONUMENTAL VBS

Planning for VBS is underway and this year our One in Christ Catholic Parishes are teaming up and offering not one but **TWO** choices of VBS sessions at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell! Join us for this **Monumental** week



for a choice of an evening track, June 19 - 23 (6:00 -8:30 PM) OR in the morning, June 20 - 24 (9:00 -Noon). VBS is for students ages 4 to grade 5. Cost for VBS is \$35 per student. Register now to guarantee your spot!

Payment and forms are available online at: <u>oneinchristacc.org/vbs</u>. All checks should be made out to: St. Francis Xavier.

All paperwork can be turned into your home parish office. If you have questions, please contact your parish office.

VBS Volunteers

While we are excited for this **Monumental** step in our ACC, there is a **HUGE** need for volunteers to make VBS happen for all of our families and young people. Volunteers who are in grade 6 and up (young adults / adults) are welcome and appreciated to help with crews, stations, etc. Form to volunteer can be found at: <u>oneinchristacc.org/vbs</u> **All volunteers who have students attending VBS** have their tuition waived.



Fun, Food & Fund Day "Take Jesus Home" June 16, 2022 Saint Mary's Parish 755 Kraft Drive Melrose, MN 56352 HANDICAPPED ACCESSIBLE

\$15 EARLY REGISTRATION \$20 LATE/AT THE DOOR

For Information Call: Caroline Jacobs, 320-267-2878 Arleen Roelike, 320-282-9941 <u>stclouddccw@gmail.com</u> See Website: stclouddccw.org 8:30 AM, Registration Morning Refreshments

9:30 AM, Nathan Newman Music Silent Auction begins

11:00 AM, Mass

NOON, Lunch Special Diet? Call Ahead

1 PM, Father Derek Wiechmann "NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL"

1 PM, Silent Auction Ends

Closing Prayer Winners announced Take Home Treat

Sponsored by Saint Cloud DCCW Hosted by West Central Deanery Make Checks to: **St Cloud DCCW**

Send <u>Registration</u> to: Lora Knafla 11719 16th Avenue NW Rice, MN 56367 320-393-2701 Lorakaa1@batmail.com

YOUNG ADULT NIGHT AT THE ROX GAME

Join us for a night out with other young adults and young families at the St. Cloud Rox game on Friday, June 3rd. Game starts at 7:05 pm, get your tickets for \$12 at: <u>oneinchristacc.org/youngadults</u>. Contact Jason Prigge by Thursday May 19th, if you are interested!

YOUNG ADULT WEBSITE UPDATES

We have updated our website! You can find all of the latest information now at: <u>oneinchristacc.org/</u> <u>youngadults</u> - New Magnets coming soon!

YOUNG ADULT GROUPME



Want the latest information and messages? Join our GroupMe by scanning the QR Code:

YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Thursday June 2nd at St. Stephen from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Come join for casual conversations and breaking open the Word. We are on Mark 7 & 8. You don't need to have come previous weeks. Just bring your Bible!

GIRLS, GOD & GOOD TIMES

Girls, God and Good Times, 3G, is a Benedictine summer camp, offered by the Sisters at Saint Benedict's Monastery. It will be offered June 20-22 for girls currently in 4th - 5th grade and July 25-27 for girls currently in grades 6th - 12th. It's an opportunity to grow in faith, make new friends, spend time with Sisters and have fun! For more information and to register visit: <u>https://sbm.osb.org/</u> <u>ministries/3g-camp/</u>



Have you read The Central Minnesota Catholic magazine? Do you follow the Diocese of St. Cloud on Facebook, YouTube, Twitter and Instagram? Have you visited the diocesan website for resources? All of these communication tools that inform us of the latest Catholic news are supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Keep the news coming by contributing at <u>www.stcdio.org/</u> <u>annualappeal</u>.

CENTRAL MN CATHOLIC WORKER

Be part of the Central Minnesota Catholic Worker! Yes, we have a group in the area living out the work started by Dorothy Day in New York City in 1933. Sometimes it is referred to as the "Catholic Worker without walls" as we do not have a house, but carry out hospitality in various ways. We have helped to assist people who need furniture and food, and we are looking to start something called Laundry Love which would offer supplies and funds for people to do their laundry. There are also prayer and discussion times. If you would like to learn more about this there will be a meeting on Sunday, May 22 at 6 pm at the Church of St. Joseph in St. Joe. We will meet in Heritage Hall. Bring a dish or some kind of food to pass. Beverages will be provided. Come and help us see what might be possible! For more information please email <u>centralmncw@gmail.com</u> or call 320-316-3290.

JOIN US

The One in Christ Area Catholic Community (ACC) planning council is looking for new members. Some members of this council have been serving for the past 3 years and their terms will be ending in December. The ACC council, with representatives from all 4 parishes, works to collaborate in providing for the needs of all the parishes in order to re-energize parishioners so all parishes can thrive. Please consider serving on this council as a representative from your parish. Contact your pastor if you are interested. Check out our website, www.oneinchristacc.org for more information.

DIOCESAN TV MASS

Viewers in the St. Cloud Diocese can watch the Mass on KSTC-45 at 11 am each Sunday via cable, satellite or antenna (check your cable provider for channel number). Charter Communication airs the Mass on Channel 17.



ST. STEPHEN

<u>Contact:</u> Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor Office Hours: <u>M-F 2:00 - 6:00 pm</u> ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com <u>Faith Formation:</u> Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066 ststephenfaith@gmail.com

Financial Offerings - May 14 & 15

Adult\$	3,144.00
Plate	
Children	2.00
Online Giving May 7-13	310.00
Total: \$	3,571.00

Weekly Adult/Online needed for budget: 2,500.00



Poor Clares collection: On June 5 & 6, there will be baskets at the entrances of church to collect items for the Poor Clares. Items that we will be collecting include: stamps, envelopes, Kleenex, toiletries, cleaning supplies, canned vegetables, meatless soups, white thread, glue sticks, scotch tape and medicated cough drops. We will also accept monetary donations. The Sisters at Poor Clares Thank You for your generosity.

<u>Movie Basket Winners:</u> Dianne Blonigen, Sandy Paggen & Ralph Barhorst. Thank you to everyone who donated to the Carnation Sale. It was very much appreciated. Danna

St. Stephen Legion Memorial Day ceremonies:

St. Stephen cemetery <u>after</u> 8:30 service. Rolls & coffee to follow in Parish Hall. Ceremony at the Brockway cemetery will be at 10:30 am.

Well n Fit exercise classes Summer Hours

Wednesday & Friday mornings from <u>9:00-10:00</u> in the Parish Hall. Wednesday morning exercise class will be followed by a half hour Line Dancing class.

Helping Hands Outreach

<u>Senior Dining</u> - Every Wednesday at <u>Rusty Nail</u> at noon followed by cards. Cost is \$6.00 per meal. <u>Monthly Lunch & Learn -</u> will be June 16 starting with 11:30 social, followed by meal, speaker & entertainment in the Parish Hall. <u>Feet First Clinic -</u> Call Helping Hands to set up an appointment. 320-746-9960

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

Contact: Cindy Gans 320-252-1729 annunciation@cloudnet.com Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor Faith Formation: Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941 thekids@cloudnet.com

FINANCIAL OFFERNINGS

Income for Sunday, May 15th, 2022	
Adult Sunday \$2,080.25	5
Visitor\$43.10	
Youth\$7.00	
Building Fund\$20.00	
Total Income \$2,150.35	;

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00*

Mass Schedule

Sun May 29th, 2022, 8:15am Mass

Lector: Gene Poser Eucharist: Amy Krajsa Servers: Ava & Halle Krajsa Greeters: John & Karla Koenig Ushers: Renee & Tim Thell, Lawrence & Jane Thell



Happy Birthday: Kayla Beauchamp, Beth Brenny, Gene Poser, Ashley Thell, Tyker Boron, Andrew Roetger, Dave Scapanski, Mitchell Pflipsen, Andrew Reich, JoAnne Zimmer, Tony Brenny, Amy Krajsa, Bill Lidner, Michelle Kuehn, Tracy Wollak.

<u>Blessings & Best Wishes to this years</u> <u>Graduates</u>:

May God Bless them and be with them on their future journey in life:

This years High School Graduates are: Jayden Gerads Benetic Timothy Kruger Vince Anthony Scapanski Carter

Benett Kiffmeyer Vince Popp Carter Thell

<u>Congratulations to our Confirmation students</u>: who will receive the Holy Spirit through Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church, Sauk Rapids today at 2:00pm.



May they be strengthened in their Christian faith and renewed in their baptismal commitment.

Jacqualynn Jodephine Beauchamp Cailyn Elizabeth Fleck Morgan Ann Molitor Mitchell Lawrence Thell

Also a big Thank you to their sponsors: Renee Thell, Peggy Janson, Kim Dahler, Greg Thell and their Catechists: Jean Bemboom, Lloyd Lyon.

<u>Memorial Day Mass:</u> at 10:30am in the cemetery on Monday, May 30th.

<u>Pentecost</u> Is Sunday, June 5th, please wear red to Mass.

<u>Wedding Banns I</u> We are happy to announce that there is a promise of marriage between: Samantha Kaeter and Devon Jahnke



SACRED HEART PARISH

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

parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

Office Hours: Monday - Closed

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for the Week of May 15, 2022

Adult Collection	\$13,070.80
Children's Collection	
Easter	\$130.00
Peter's Pence	\$265.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$18,500

FESTIVAL NEWS

Our Country Store and Plant Stand is one of the best! You can get canned foods, beautiful plants and yummy treats! To make this stand successful we need 3-4 volunteers on Saturday to arrange the merchandise. On Sunday the stand runs from 10am-until things are sold out. On Sunday we are looking for a couple volunteers throughout the day to collect payment when people buy things from the Country Store and Plant Stand. Also, 3-4 volunteers to help take down the room when the festival is complete. If this is something that interests you, please email Vicky at <u>Vsanborn@sacredheartsaukrapids.org</u> and she will forward your information to Donna Larson who is the chairperson for this stand. Please keep an eye out later in the summer for items that are great to donate for this stand.

CEMETERY REGULATIONS

At the request of Fr. Rolfes and the Assumption Cemetery, please remember to check out the St. Cloud Diocese website to review regulations for flowers. Printed copies are also available in the office.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 22; 2pm—Confirmation
- May 23; 5:45pm—Baby/Parent Group
- May 25; 6:30pm—WNL (Senior Night) 7pm—Sacred Heart Men's Club
- May 26; 4:15pm—Discipleship Committee 7pm—Mother's Book Study
- May 28; 3:30pm—Reconciliation

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the following prayer list, please call 320-251-8115: August Laudenbach, Harvey Lay and Betty Turck.

Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain. Please call 320-492-9361, 320-252-3401 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

YOUTH GROUP NEEDS

Our Youth Group has a tradition of playing Nerf tag each year. If you have a gently used or brand new Nerf Dart Blaster, please contact Jason Prigge. We would certainly appreciate all of the help in ensuring that all of our young people are able to participate on Senior Night!

WNL

Our final WNL will be Wednesday May 27th from 6:30 - 9:00 pm at **Newman Center in St. Cloud.** We are offering car-pooling, please sign up by scanning the QR Code:



Congratulations!

The following young people are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation this weekend at Sacred Heart Church:

McKayla Balfanz	Madison Riedeman
Andrew Bemboom	Parker Rieland
Maycee Britz	Trista Rosa
Ben Brown	Ella Rueter
Brock Brown	Kenneth Scherr
Savanna Handeland	Mya Schibonski
Andrew Harren	Ashton Schulz
Taylor Heid	Mason Stuckey
Isaiah Jancik	Jack Theis
Marissa Kuklok	Jake Voth
Max Loesch	Hailey Weis
Keegan Patterson	

Confirmation Class of 2021–2022 Come Holy Spirit, Come!



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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget	\$19,230.77
Collected 05/15/2022	\$22,339.25
Excess (Deficit)	

YTD Collection Budget	\$730,774.26
YTD Collected	\$790,538.82
Excess (Deficit)	\$59,764.56

ADORATION

Adoration will be on May 23 from 4-7pm. Thank you for spending time with Jesus.



SARTELL LEGION MEMORIAL DAY

The Sartell American Legion Post 277 invites you to attend the 2022 Memorial Day Service being held at Veteran's Park on Riverside Avenue at 9:00 am on Monday, May 30.

Light refreshments will be served at the conclusion of the service. Seating is limited, so plan to bring a lawn chair.

HELP NEEDED



Help Needed on Saturday, June 4 for food prep & Sunday, June 5 for food prep and serving to honor Fr. Ron on his 40th Anniversary of Ordination Luncheon. Please contact Aggie at 320-252-1417 for

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER







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