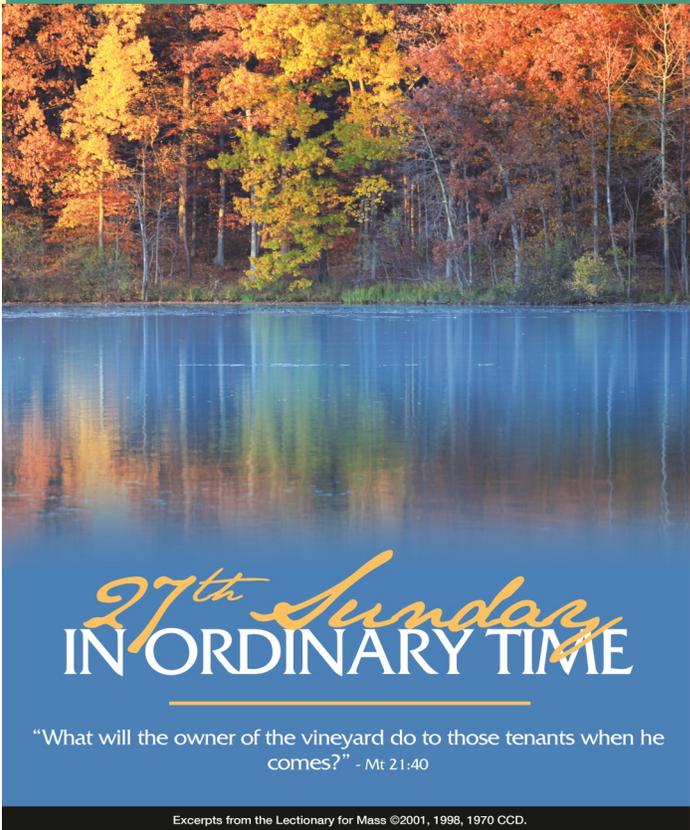


ONE  
IN  
CHRIS  
AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Annunciation  
Sacred Heart  
St. Francis Xavier  
St. Stephen

October 4, 2020  
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time



27<sup>th</sup> Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME

“What will the owner of the vineyard do to those tenants when he comes?” - Mt 21:40

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**Annunciation**

9965 Mayhew Lake Road NE • Sauk Rapids, MN 56379  
320-252-1729 • oneinchristacc.org

**Sacred Heart**

2875 10th Avenue NE • Sauk Rapids, MN 56379  
320-251-8115 • sacredheartsaukrapids.org

**St. Francis Xavier**

219 2nd Street N, PO Box 150 • Sartell, MN 56377  
320-252-1363 • stfrancissartell.org

**St. Stephen**

103 Central Avenue S • St. Stephen, MN 56375  
320-251-1520 • churchofststephen.org

MASS TIMES PASTORAL SERVICES

<b>Monday</b>	<b>Oct 5</b>	8 am 8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier Annunciation	Word & Communion End to Abortion
<i>Blessed Francis Xavier Seelos</i>				
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Oct 6</b>	5:30 pm 5:30 pm	St. Stephen *Sacred Heart	† Lorraine Spoden † Irene O'Rourke
<i>St. Bruno</i>				
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Oct 7</b>	8 am	*Sacred Heart	Special Intentions of the Joel Harambasic Family
<i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>				
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Oct 8</b>	8 am 8:30 am 7 pm	St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen Annunciation St. Stephen Confirmation	† Jean Lyon † Everett & Cheryl Nathe † Darrell & Barb Brenny † Deceased members of Selensky & Feitag families
<i>Weekday</i>				
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Oct 9</b>	8 am 8:30 am	*Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier	† Jim Burrett † Hayden Dingmann
<i>St. Denis</i>				
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Oct 10</b>	2 pm	Sacred Heart	Wedding Alex Schueller & Sarah Roehl
<i>Weekday</i>				
		5 pm 5 pm 7 pm	*Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen	† Rich Esselman † Deceased Roubal Family Members For the unchurched & fallen away
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Oct 11</b>	8:30 am 9 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	Annunciation *Sacred Heart *St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen	† Rosie Johnson For the People of the Parishes For the People of the Parishes † Linda Engebretson Vouk
<i>28th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>				
<b>*Livestreamed Masses</b>				

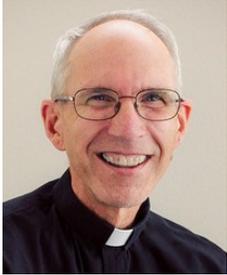
<b>Reconciliation</b>	
<b>Saturdays</b>	3:30 pm Sacred Heart 4 pm St. Francis Xavier 8 pm St. Stephen
<b>Sunday</b>	7:50 am Annunciation

**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.

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.

**Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by noon on Mondays. Thank you!**  
Please contact your Parish Office for more information.



It's hard to know where to begin, and not from lack of topics. There are the upcoming elections in a time of strong unrest and social division. Fulfill the privilege and responsibility to vote. Vote in accord with a well-formed Catholic conscience, which teaches us the appropriate hierarchy of goods, beginning with the right to life itself as the condition to enjoy all other rights and goods. Do not focus solely on the presidential race; elected officials at every level are being chosen. Engage in conversation with civility and charity. Has anyone ever been truly converted by shouting, belittling, intimidation, or violence?

There is the pandemic and the changes it has brought. How can we learn and grow from this unplanned experience? Rather than simply "back to normal," how can we become "better than ever?"

There is the good work going on with the "One In Christ" committees exploring being good stewards of God's gifts; evangelizing those we already count among our communities, those preparing for the sacraments; and those searching for God; and working to support our younger members in a time filled with uncertainty. To be "One In Christ" is not just a slogan, and not even just an ideal; it is the source of our strength.

There is St. Francis of Assisi, whose feast is today. His love for God's creation and his shining witness of simplicity and poverty inspire us who are so conditioned to acquire and consume.

As I pondered these themes, I kept coming back to a radio address by then-Fr. Joseph Ratzinger, a full fifty years ago. Key to the Church's message today is to communicate hope. Hope is not simple cheery optimism that "it'll all work out somehow." Hope is a theological virtue given to each in Baptism, an indwelling gift from God that assures us that while we will face many obstacles in life, God's grace and mercy will not fail us. Hope assures us that all things – even the conflicts and sorrows of history – are in the good and strong hands of God. Salvation is revealed precisely through the Cross of Jesus, leading to new life. We may not understand why; but trust carries us where human knowledge falls silent. Thus Fr. Ratzinger wrote:

*From the crisis of today the Church of tomorrow will emerge – a Church that has lost much. She will become small and will have to start afresh more or less from the beginning. She will no longer be able to inhabit many of the edifices she built in prosperity. As a small society, she will make much bigger demands on the initiative of her individual members. Undoubtedly she will discover new forms of ministry. But in all of the changes at which one might guess, the Church will find her essence afresh and with full conviction in that which was always at her center: faith in the triune God, in Jesus Christ, the Son of God made man, in the presence of the Spirit until the end of the world. In faith and prayer she will again recognize her true center ... our home, where we will find life and hope beyond death.*

**Fr. Tom**

DAILY READINGS

- Monday:** Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c [5]/Lk 10:25-37
- Tuesday:** Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15 [24b]/Lk 10:38-42
- Wednesday:** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4
- Thursday:** Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75 [68]/Lk 11:5-13
- Friday:** Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [5]/Lk 11:15-26
- Saturday:** Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [8a]/Lk 11:27-28
- Sunday:** Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

LEADERSHIP



ACC Pastoral Leadership

- Pastor** **Fr. Tom Knoblach**  
320-251-8115, Ext. 112  
pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
- Pastor** **Fr. Ron Weyrens**  
320-252-1363, Ext. 1101 (days)  
Ext. 1102 (night/weekends)  
rweyrens@stfrancissartell.org
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320-251-8115  
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drudolph@stfrancissartell.org

*An Introduction to the Thought of St. Thomas Aquinas: this six-session class will be held at Sacred Heart on Sunday evenings from October 11 through November 15, 6:30-8:00 p.m. Please call JoAnn at 251-8115 to register. There is no cost.*

## Adult but Not Confirmed?



Did you know that the sacrament of Confirmation is the completion of sacramental initiation into the Catholic Church that begins with Baptism and includes First Communion?

Have you completed your sacramental initiation into the Church or is being confirmed still on your "bucket list"? Perhaps there were circumstances in your life that prevented you from being confirmed with your peers. If so, and

you desire Confirmation, you can be part of a group who will gather to study the sacraments and be prepared for Confirmation as an adult.

A few years ago, Bishop Kettler made available an opportunity for adults of our diocese who were not confirmed to prepare in their respective parishes and then attend a celebration of Confirmation of Adults at the Cathedral of St. Mary on the Eve of Pentecost each year. Our bishop presides at this very meaningful celebration of the sacrament.

Preparation for Confirmation may vary depending on the need of the candidate and will begin after the first of the year. Any adult in our *One in Christ* ACC who has not been confirmed is invited and welcomed to attend. The celebration at the Cathedral is tentatively scheduled for Saturday, May 22, 2021.

Please contact any one of our Pastors, Deacons or Pastoral Associate if you are interested. Contact numbers are on page 2.

We look forward with joy to welcoming adults to full sacramental initiation into our beloved Catholic Church!



Please remember to continue to pray for all those affected by illness, their caregivers and public officials working to keep us safe. **Please pray** • for Pope Francis, all Bishops, priests, deacons and religious • for legal protection for unborn children • for an end to COVID-19 • for the leaders of our country and the world • for all pregnant women • for all those with long term illness • for those mourning the loss of a loved one • for an end to violence • for those suffering from the wildfires • for all Parish Prayer Line requests and those who have recently received prayer blankets.

**Please visit your Parish website for those in your Parish needing prayers.**

## BAPTISMS



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

**Ralph Edward Donald Wilson**, son of Reece & Kenzie, baptized at St. Francis Xavier

**Maisy James Phillips**, daughter of Justin & Ashley, baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

**Lydia Rae Kath**, daughter of Jason & Rebecca, baptized at Sacred Heart.

## BANNS OF MARRIAGE

III Jordan Mouzolf & Samantha Peternell (ML)



## MARRIAGE BLESSINGS

Congratulations and many blessings to Nathaniel Neeser & Jessica Ackerman who were married on September 26 at Sacred Heart.

## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The K C Bishop Trobec Council #5276 will have the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Degree installation of new council members at 11:30 after 10:30 Mass on October 18th in St. Stephen. All good Catholic men interested in joining the largest Catholic Men's organization in the world may contact Allan Scherr at 223-5158 or Grand Knight Jerry Mehr at 293-5290. All Council members, family members and friends are welcome to attend.

## CREMATED REMAINS COLLECTION & BURIAL

Do you have cremated remains of a family member in your possession that you would like to have laid to rest in a sacred place? Proper burial helps us grieve and find closure while we show respect for the life and remains of our beloved dead. As a free service to our community and those who have died, the Church of St. Ann in Wadena, MN is collecting cremated remains of deceased members who have not yet been buried. On November 2, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. we will have a Memorial Mass for all the dead, with special prayers for the collected remains. A private burial of the collected remains will follow at Calvary Cemetery. Our church will absorb the cost of the burial, so this is free to you. Cremated remains must be more than 18 months past date of death, need not be Catholic or from the area, and must be accompanied with paperwork. For more information contact Barb at our church office 218-632-7309 or [bpiecek@saintanns.net](mailto:bpiecek@saintanns.net).

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH

**Contact:** Cindy Gans 320-252-1729  
annunciation@cloudnet.com  
Faith Formation: Shirley Scapanski  
320-259-4941 • thekids@cloudnet.com

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

<b>Income for</b>	<b>Sunday, September 27th</b>
Adult Sunday .....	\$1,925.00
Visitor .....	\$2.00
Youth .....	\$15.00
Votive Candles.....	\$3.00
Campaign for Human Dev.....	\$20.00
Total Income .....	\$1,965.00

\*Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget \$3,037.00

## SUNDAY 8:30 AM MASS

**Lectors:** Shirley Scapanski & Judy Kiffmeyer  
**Eucharist:** Lora Knafla  
**Ushers:** Randy & Julie Miller, Dan Bemboom and David Lentner



**Happy Birthday:** Tara Carlson, Shannon Nelson, Kelsey Lentner, Caroline Czech, Susan Villanueva, Karleen Gerads, Jerome Molitor, Carson Zwilling, Sandra Molitor, Brandon Popp, Fr. Thomas Skaja, Lynn Solt, Kevin Brand.

## FUTURE EVENTS

Sun. Oct. 4th 10:00am Auction  
Sun. Oct. 18th 2:00pm Confirmation at the St. Anthony's, St. Cloud.  
Mon. Oct. 26th 1:30-7pm Blood Mobile Shepherd of the Pines. Apt. only

## AUCTION

We have been cleaning house and will have an Auction TODAY, Sunday, Oct. 4th at 10:00am on the church grounds. There are many different items being sold, some church related and others more for household. We are asking that all items purchased must be paid for and removed the day of the Auction.



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## ST. STEPHEN PARISH

**Contact:** Carol Hellmann  
320-251-1520  
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com  
Office hours 2-6 pm  
Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin  
320-251-5066 • ststephenfaith@gmail.com

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

**Income for September 26 & 27, 2020**

Contributions ..... \$1,741.00

## 2020 CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

October 8, at St. Stephen at 7 pm

**St. Stephen**  
Evan Bromenschenkel  
Jordan Demark  
Adam Haffner  
Jonathan Jemming  
Douglas Kiffmeyer  
Matthew Kiffmeyer  
Conner Klocker  
Garrett Kostreba  
Madeline Kulus  
Nicholas Kulus  
Conner Mokhtary  
Dutch Nordby  
Nicole Paggen  
Samantha Paggen  
Tara Schleper

Thomas Smith  
Payton Spychala  
Alayna Tavale  
Derek Warner



Confirmation

### Our Lady of Mt Carmel

Emily Carlson  
Clare Kutzman  
Brianna Rudolph  
Samantha Skwira  
Aleah Stock  
Brea Worlie  
**St. Columbkille**  
Alex Notsch  
Britney Notsch  
Katelin Notsch  
Bryce Riesner  
Marrisa Voigt

## FAITH FORMATION

We are looking for a teacher, or co-teachers, to teach our 8th graders this coming year. Please contact Danna at 320-251-5066.

October 7: Grades 5-9 & Confirmation. Classes start at 6:30 pm.

### St. Stephen American Legion Auxiliary

There will be a meeting at Rusty Nail on October 6 at 7:30 pm.

### Parish Council Seeking Candidates

Three current members will have terms expiring in December. The Council acts as an advisory board and meets every two months. Terms are for three years. If interested in 'getting on board' and becoming a candidate, or if you wish to nominate someone, please call Betty Pogatshnik, at 252-6009 by November 17. All nominees will be contacted. Those in acceptance will have their names entered in the election process.

**Contact:** JoAnn Mo  
 320-251-8115, ext. 114  
 jmo@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

**Faith Formation:** Jen Haman  
 320-251-8115, ext. 117  
 jhaman@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

**ALL Masses at Sacred Heart are livestreamed.**  
 Go to [www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org](http://www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org) and click on **LIVESTREAM**

## BAPTISM PREP

Parents expecting the birth of a child, please call and register for a baptismal prep session; the earlier the better! The next session will be held on Monday, October 12 at 6:30 pm in Room D. To register, please contact the Parish Office at 320-251-8115.

## FIRST COMMUNION



Congratulations to the following first communicants who received the Eucharist for the first time on Sunday, September 27: Olivia Bettenberg, Ethan Blissenbach, Teagan Crusier, Caiden Jessen, Owen Kaschmitter, Camron Kubasek, Leon March-Feia, Riley Rosa, Raegan Schuchard, Gavin Teff and Lexton Wolf.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the following prayer list, please contact 320-251-8115. Gary Chaika, Dan Henry, Steve Meemken, Linda Midas, Michael Reinert, Pam Smoley, Norma Vouk and Grace Wolter.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- October 4; 1pm—Pet Blessing
- October 4; 3:30pm—Dioc. Praise & Worship in Parking Lot
- October 7; 7pm—High School Wednesday Night Live
- October 8; 6pm—Women’s Book Club
- October 11; 6:30pm—Thomas Aquinas Study Group
- October 12; 6:30pm—Baptism Prep

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

### Income for week ending September 27, 2020

Adult Collection.....	\$14,260.67
Children’s Offering.....	\$0.71
Friends in Need.....	\$97.00
Improvements.....	\$10.00

## CONFIRMATION



Congratulations to the following who received the Sacrament of Confirmation on September 22: Allie Ackerman, Paige Adamski, Bradyn Balfanz, Brent Boos, Alex Decker, Cora Fladeboe, Abigail Kramer, Ali Kremer, Maya Line, Ryan Mastey, Maria Nathe, Nicholas Ortloff, Jaiden Parker, Isaiah Pesch, Kaelin Rainer, Kaety Rainer, Emily Schloe, Morgan Schreifels, Isaac Theis, Matthew Trapp, Hannah Van Horn, Jacob Vogel and Myles Willie.

## PET BLESSING



The blessing of pets will take place Sunday, October 4 at 1pm on the Sacred Heart Parish grounds. Bring your furry friends for a time of prayer and a blessing. Leashes and carriers are appreciated.

## ROSARY

The Rosary will be prayed before daily Mass on Wednesday's and Friday's at 7:30am and Tuesday's at 5pm.



## WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

The Women's Book Club will be meeting in Room D on Thursday, October 8 at 6pm. New members are always welcome. For more information or if you have any questions, contact Anita at 320-380-1120.



Free will offering sale of squash and pumpkins after Masses the weekend of October 10/11. Proceeds will help support youth group activities and other needs.

Steve Simones

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Collection Budget .....	\$19,230.77
Collected 9/27/2020.....	\$9,351.74
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>\$(9,879.03)</b>
YTD Collection Budget .....	\$250,000.00
YTD Collected .....	\$234,777.46
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>\$(15,222.54)</b>

ANNOUNCEMENT

The ANNUAL Poor Clare Benefit Tea scheduled for October has been cancelled due to the Corona Virus.

For over 70 years, women of the St. Cloud area parishes have hosted this event with the funds raised going to help defray the heating costs at the Monastery.

This event continues to be very important because the Sisters are dependent on the generosity of our community for their livelihood. In return their gratitude is evidenced by the spiritual impact they have had through their silent, prayerful presence in our community.

Because of the cancellation of the event, financial donations can be sent directly to the Poor Clare Monastery, 421 South 4th Street, Sauk Rapids, MN 56379  
Thank you.

FRANNY FLYER

Although we were not able to have our normal and customary 5K 10K 1 mile and 1K race this year because of Covid restrictions, we look forward to a full-blown race next September with all of the fanfare and excitement that is the Franny Flyer. See you next September 18, 2021 for the 11th annual Saint Francis Franny Flyer 5K 10K 1 Mile and 1K race!

Thanks, Nick Novak Race Director

Parish Council Seeking Candidates

SFX is seeking successors for two Council members. The Council acts as an advisory board and meets monthly, nine times a year (no meeting in December, July or August). Terms are for three years. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please call Adam Vonderahe at 320-252-1363 by October 14. All nominees will be contacted and invited to the meeting on October 22, after which they may discern their interest in joining the Council. Names will be drawn to determine the two successors.

PASTORAL MINISTRY



In our Reading from the New Testament this Sunday, St. Paul is writing to the people of Philippi in hopes of encouraging them and helping them to focus on what we know by faith to be good and what can bring us peace. The words shared are so appropriate for us in this current time of uncertainty during a world-wide pandemic, political, racial and social unrest and a deep need to be comforted. Hold these words in your heart this week:

*Brothers and sisters,  
Have no anxiety at all, but in everything,  
by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving  
make your requests known to God. Then  
the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will  
guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.  
Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is  
honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, what ever is  
lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence and  
if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these  
things. Keep on doing what you have learned and received  
and heard and seen in me. Then the God of peace will be  
with you. Philippians 4.6-9*

Here St. Paul encourages people to petition God, to ask for what they need that they might be strengthened by their faith in Jesus Christ. So too, we must pray – pray boldly asking God to guide us in right decisions that we might live together with all people in peace and harmony. As the world around us seems to spin out of control, we as Christians rely on God to be with us, strengthening our resolve to do all we can to uphold the life and dignity of every person. And we do so with grateful hearts knowing that God is indeed with us. By faith we are assured of God’s plan for our lives, even when we do not understand the difficulties we are facing. Let us put our trust totally in God and live as Jesus taught – loving God and one another. Surely God will see us through this time and from what we learn, new life will emerge.

Trusting in the Lord,  
Deb Rudolph



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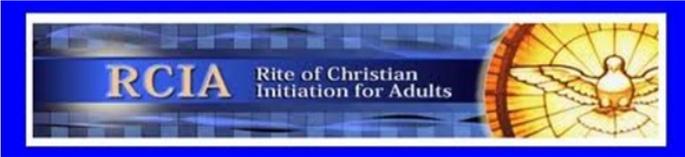
Steve Swenson from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of **October 12th**, securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

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Steve Swenson





## What is R.C.I.A.?

The **R**ite of **C**hristian **I**nitiation of **A**dults is the formal process of bringing adults into full membership in the Catholic Church.

**Who is R.C.I.A. for?** For adults who have not been baptized or were baptized in another Christian tradition and desire to explore becoming Catholic. In addition, there is a process for families and children.

**RCIA is a Parish Initiative** - All baptized members are called to evangelize; to invite others to come to know Jesus Christ. The parish community participates by modeling Christian living and praying for participants throughout the process.

Have you ever invited anyone to explore RCIA or to consider membership in the Catholic Church? Do you know of someone who might be interested? Or is it you?

**What is involved?** Weekly sessions of presentation, study and discussion of Church teaching, structure, Tradition, and sacramental preparation. This most often takes place Fall to Spring culminating in the celebration of the Easter Vigil.

**How does one get started?** You may call or meet in person with anyone of our Pastors, Deacons, Pastoral Associate or a parish contact listed below.

**Our One in Christ Area Catholic Community** is working together, sharing resources and instructors to serve those interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church.

For the next few weeks, names of interested persons will be gathered. Then a **“Meeting of Inquiry”** will provide time to gather (in-person or virtually) to pray, answer questions and provide information on how to begin RCIA.

**Interested or Have Questions?** Contact one of the following: Fr. Ron Weyrens, Fr. Tom Knoblach, Deacon Joe Kresky, Deacon Terry Jancik or Deb Rudolph – Numbers found on page 2. You may also contact:

Jessica Hommerding – St. Stephen – 320-255-0075

Shirley Scapanski – Annunciation – 320-259-4941

Tom Schutz – Sacred Heart – 320-290-3272



### Voting with our Christian values

Our emotions and values have been on a roller coaster lately so voters may want to get back to some normalcy. The COVID pandemic, the racial unrest, the loss of our job and income will influence our vote this November.

1. People who have COVID or are afraid of getting it have a right to adequate health care. However, this pandemic has shown us how inadequate our present health care system is. What presidential or state legislator running for office has the best plan that covers the most people?
2. Millions without a job are afraid of losing their home or are afraid of not having enough food for their family. Food and shelter are basic rights for all individuals. What candidate has the best plan to bring back jobs or to provide training for a new job that would provide adequate food and shelter to families?
3. The recent murders of black people has exposed the frustration minorities are feeling with our justice system. A fair trial and to be treated with respect is one of our basic rights. Pope Francis said, “We cannot tolerate or turn a blind eye to racism and exclusion in any form and yet claim to defend the sacredness of every human life.” How does my candidate plan to promote this?

Usually there is no one candidate that reflects all of these Christian values perfectly so we vote for the one who reflects these values most frequently or has committed to do so if elected. We pray for the Spirit to guide our vote and then we VOTE

SFX Social Concerns Committee



*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:  
where there is hatred, let me sow love ~Prayer of St. Francis*

This year's **Saints in Service Work-a-Thon** is Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 9-11:00 a.m. Staff, students, and parents of St. Francis Xavier Catholic School will volunteer their time and talent to assist senior residents, families in need and those with disabilities in the Sartell community.

Volunteers will rake leaves, clear gardens, pickup garbage, sweep sidewalks, stack firewood, or other small job for people who need the extra help for free. Check out this week's bulletin insert for information on how you can request a job or support the work-a-thon.

Blessings, **Bonnie Van Heel, Principal**