

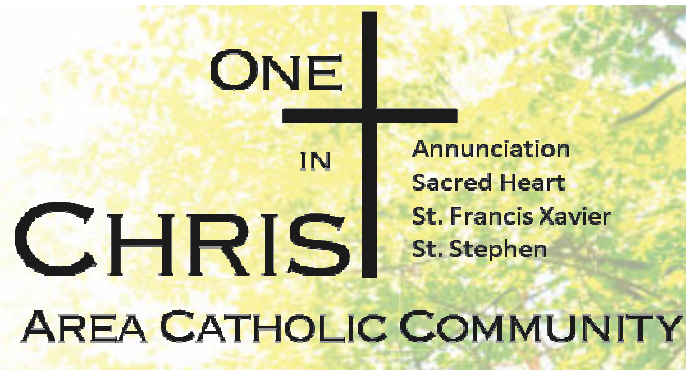
May 2, 2021  
5th Sunday of Easter



**5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER**

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower. He takes away every branch in me that does not bear fruit, and everyone that does he prunes so that it bears more fruit." - Jn 15:1-2

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**Annunciation**

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320-252-1729 • oneinchristacc.org

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

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219 2nd Street N, PO Box 150 • Sartell, MN 56377  
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**St. Stephen**

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

**MASS TIMES**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 3</b>	8 am	St. Francis Xavier	Word & Communion
		8:30 am	*Annunciation	† Henry Levendowski
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>May 4</b>	8 am	St. Francis Xavier	Int. LaVonne Villeneuve Family
<i>Weekday</i>		5:30 pm	St. Stephen	† Larry Rudolph
		5:30 pm	*Sacred Heart	† Ken Malikowski
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>May 5</b>	8 am	*Sacred Heart	Intentions of the Kuefler Family
<i>Cinco de Mayo</i>		8 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Jerome & Pat Langer
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>May 6</b>	8 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Dennis Frensko
<i>National Day of Prayer</i>		8 am	St. Stephen	† Susie & Carl Kowitz
		8:30 am	*Annunciation	† Mathew Beck
<b>Friday</b>	<b>May 7</b>	8 am	*Sacred Heart	† Lisa Novak
<i>First Friday</i>		8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Leo & Janis Weber
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>May 8</b>	5 pm	*Sacred Heart	† Dave Massman
<i>Weekday</i>		5 pm	St. Francis Xavier	For the People of the Parishes
		7 pm	St. Stephen	† Donald Vouk
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>May 9</b>	8:30 am	*Annunciation	† Audrey Posch
<i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>		9 am	*Sacred Heart	For the People of the Parishes
<i>Mother's Day</i>		9:30 am	*St. Francis Xavier	† Angie Maus
		10:30 am	St. Stephen	† Stephen Roscoe

**PASTORAL SERVICES**

**Reconciliation**

**Saturdays** 3:30 pm Sacred Heart  
4 pm St. Francis Xavier  
7:50 pm St. Stephen  
**Sunday** 7:50 am Annunciation

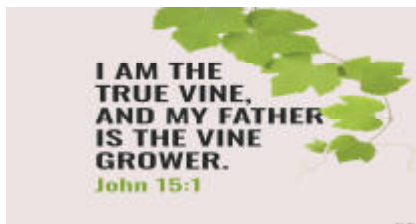
**Anointing of the Sick**

**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.



\*Livestreamed Masses

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

## MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



### May: The Month of Mary

Along with October, the month of May is commemorated in the Church in honor of Mary. She is Joseph's wife and Jesus's mom. She is Elizabeth's cousin, Joachim and Anne's daughter, John the Apostle's dear friend. She knows the worries of a mother whose child was lost for a time; the daily work of caring for a home and family; the friendship

of neighbors; the sorrow of one whose spouse had died. She knows the supreme sadness of seeing her Son also die, and the possibilities of grace beyond what any of us can know in this life – for she is full of grace, the very life of God not only spiritually but made flesh in her womb. She knows you, and she loves you.

We think of the many needs of our world – the losses so many have suffered through COVID; the struggle for justice for people of every race and status; the casual ease with which our sisters and brothers in the human family can be treated with contempt, indifference, and even hatred; the broken friendships over politics, vaccines, masks, and social media; the sufferings of those who are sick; international tensions that carry the specter of persecution and war – this is but a sample of the matters that weigh on so many souls today.

In the face of these critical issues, invoking Mary's help might seem trivial or overly pious when so many needs press for concrete response. But that is only if we have an overly abstract view of Mary as some symbol or remnant of a past worldview, a mere figure out of history that no longer makes sense in today's world.

Nothing could be further from the truth. On a very specific Friday afternoon, beneath her Son's Cross, John tells us that Mary received her commission: "Behold, your mother." Just as Mary had accepted Gabriel's invitation to be the Mother of Jesus, trusting in God's Word, so she accepted this role with the same humble trust. And as she interceded for an embarrassed couple at their wedding one day in Cana, so she still prays for each of us in our needs, great and small, individual and communal.

Mary takes this role seriously, and so may we. Full of grace, she teaches us to look beyond what divides us – whether it be age, race, political preferences, ability or limitations, health or illness, our flawed past or our uncertain future – and remember that we are all members of one body in her Son. She models humility, patience, a prayerful spirit that does not shout or inflame but listens and calms.

Saint Luke tells us of Mary's own prayer life: "Mary kept all these things and reflected on them in her heart;" and when we pray the Rosary, meditate on the Scriptures, or simply invoke Mary's name, we join her in this reflection, seeking a deeper understanding of God's saving work and our own role in it.

As we honor Mary this May, please join me in asking Mary's intercession, that whatever peace she knew in her heart – even beneath the Cross of her Son – may visit our hearts as well. Try a family Rosary, or gather with neighbors to pray for her intercession. Place a statue or image of Mary in your home or your yard as a reminder of her place in your own pilgrimage of faith.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God, that we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

**Fr. Tom**

## DAILY READINGS

- Monday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]  
/Jn 14:6-14
- Tuesday:** Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11,  
12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a
- Wednesday:** Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab,  
4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8
- Thursday:** Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10  
[3]/Jn 15:9-11
- Friday:** Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12  
[10a]/Jn 15:12-17
- Saturday:** Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5  
/Jn 15:18-21
- Sunday:** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48  
/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10  
/Jn 15:9-17

## LEADERSHIP



### ACC Pastoral Leadership

<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Fr. Tom Knoblach</b> 320-251-8115, Ext. 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
<b>Pastor</b>	<b>Fr. Ron Weyrens</b> 320-252-1363, Ext.1101 (days) Ext. 1102 (night/weekends) rweyrens@stfrancissartell.org
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## INTERNATIONAL WORKERS DAY RALLY: FREEDOM, JUSTICE, AND SOLIDARITY FOR ALL



**IMMIGRATION REFORM FOR ALL  
ESSENTIAL WORKER RIGHTS  
STOP POLICE BRUTALITY**

**SATURDAY,  
MAY 1st  
@ 11 AM**  
WALK START @  
1300 W. ST GERMAIN ST.  
ST CLOUD MN 56301  
TO THE COURT HOUSE  
725 COURT HOUSE SQUARE,  
ST CLOUD MN 56303

**CLIMATE JUSTICE  
IMMIGRANTS RIGHTS**



## STEWARDSHIP



**How do people decide to volunteer their time and talents?**

Person 1 - "I'm too old. It's time for young blood to take over."

Person 2 - "If I am asked I might do it. It depends on my schedule. Maybe, if it is my turn."

Person 3 - "When someone asks, I just do it. When I grew up we were all expected to pitch in and do our part."

Person 4 - "I've been asking God to direct me. I've been looking for opportunities and talking to people who are close to me. I'm not there yet."

1 Peter 4.7b *whoever serves, let it be with the strength that God supplies, so that in all things God may be glorified.*

## EXPOSITION OF SACRED RELICS

### Sacred relics to be displayed at four churches

Companions of the Cross Father Carlos Martins will present "Exposition of Sacred Relics: Treasures of the Church" in four churches in the diocese in early May. He will bring approximately 150 relics for the display, including those of St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Thérèse of Lisieux, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas and St. Faustina Kowalska. Highlights of the exposition are one of the largest certified relics of the true cross and a piece of the veil of Our Lady.

Father Martins begins each exposition by teaching about the relics. Presentations will be at the following parishes:

- Wednesday, May 5, at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption Church in Eden Valley;
- Thursday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Gilman;
- Saturday, May 8, at 1 p.m. at St. Mary Church in Milaca; and
- Sunday, May 9, at 3 p.m. at St. Andrew Church in Elk River

Those who attend are invited to bring articles of devotion (such as rosaries or holy cards) and pictures of ill friends or family members, which they will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. For more information, visit

[www.treasuresofthechurch.com](http://www.treasuresofthechurch.com).

### Day of Service

**Saturday May 8, 9am to 12pm.** All are invited to help with yard raking and other outside projects to help parishioners in need prepare their yards/property for the beauty of spring. Please contact Dcn Joe or Philip if you would like to help serve God and others through this fun outreach event. Also if you are seeking support with outside spring raking and clean-up please contact Dcn Joe or Philip.



## BANNS OF MARRIAGE



- I Raul Garza III & Jennifer Dingmann
- II Blake Guggenberger & Emily Sufka
- II Alexis Ripley and John Bemboom.
- III Luke Carpenter & Carolyn Urbanski

## BAPTISMS

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

**Elijah Cole Nordmann**, son of Nathan & Veronica, baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

**Austin Michael Pilarski**, son of John & Ashlie, baptized at St. Stephen.

**Eva Bernadette Johnson**, daughter of Tyler & Kristine, baptized at Sacred Heart.

**Dawson Wilfred Roshia**, son of Derek & Mary baptized at Sacred Heart.



## REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the family of Bernard Pogatshnik who was buried in St. Stephen on April 26, and the family of Cynde Hammerel who passed away April 22 from Sacred Heart.

### The Day Will Come ...

... when COVID is a chapter in 21<sup>st</sup> century history; when Zoom and distance learning will be stories we tell to the next generation; when our gatherings and our singing are back in place. We are getting there, but we are not there yet.

On behalf of Fr. Ron, Fr. Tom, Fr. Doug, and our staffs and volunteers, we remind you that masks are still required in our churches and public places. Several people have told us directly that as they come back to church after many months, they do not feel safe or respected in their health concerns when others do not observe masking and social distancing. We do understand the small number who cannot mask due to underlying health conditions but still want to be present for Mass, First Communions, Confirmations, funerals, and other events; it is a courtesy and charity to care for them.

St. Paul tells us Jesus "*humbled Himself, becoming obedient to death, even death on a Cross*" (Philippians 2:8). In light of this, are you able to humble yourself, even to wear a mask?



### Movie Night Sunday, May 2nd, 6-8:30pm

at Sacred Heart Church (Parish Hall). Joseph of Nazareth: The Man Closest to Christ - The first feature film ever on the story of St.

Joseph, who was a carpenter, the husband of Mary, and the foster father of Jesus Christ. Scripture tells us that St. Joseph was a "just man" and that God gave him the most daunting task ever asked of a man—to be the husband of the woman who would give birth to the Messiah and the father and protector of this Holy Family. All are welcome to attend as we continue to celebrate the year of St. Joseph. Contact Deacon Joe with questions.

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH

**Contact:** Cindy Gans 320-252-1729  
annunciation@cloudnet.com

**Faith Formation:** Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941  
thekids@cloudnet.com

### FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

#### Income for Sunday, April 25th, 2021

Adult Sunday	\$2,868.11
Visitor	\$4.00
Youth	\$3.25
Votive Candles	\$9.00
Catholic Home Missions	\$140.00
Easter	\$100.00
Peter's Pence	\$25.00
Funeral Lunch	\$10.00
Building Fund	\$50.00
Total Income	\$3,209.36

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

### Sunday 8:30am Mass Schedule

#### Sunday, May 9th, 2021

**Lector:** Bob Rajkowski

**Eucharist:** Lori Popp

**Ushers:** Tim, Renee, Justin and Trista Thell

**Happy Birthday:** We pray for strength through God's grace; God's peace in times of stress; and that the Church alive in their home bears witness to God's love for all His people.

Clarence Kiffmeyer, Bonnie Popp, Brenda Roettger, Brent Ackerman, Tyler Nelson, Trista Thell, Alexis Britz, Mason Kaeter, Kole Robinson, Kaitlyn Adelman, Holly Janson, Lora Knafla, Jean Bemboom, Karen David.



#### Upcoming Events:

Sun. May 23rd 8:30am Graduation Sunday

Mon. May 31st Memorial Day Mass, 10:30am

**Thank you** to all of our catechists who give so generously of the time, talent and faith they share with our students each week. Your commitment to the students and to your faith is very much apparent and very much appreciated. Our catechists for the 2020-2021 school year were:

Brenda Carriveau (gr. 1)	Jenessa Strande (gr. 2)
Tracy Wollak (gr. 2)	Lisa Przybilla (gr. 3)
Margie Kahl (gr. 3)	Vicki Molitor (gr. 4)
Clarice Lyon (gr. 4)	Katie Lentner (gr. 5)
Nicole Robinson (gr. 6)	Laura Brenny (gr. 7)
Jennifer Bemboom (gr. 7)	JoAnn Marshall (gr. 8)
Nancy Gerads (gr. 9)	Lloyd Lyon (gr. 10-11)

And Shirley Scapanski our Religious Education Director.

## ST. STEPHEN

**Contact:** Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520  
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com

**Faith Formation:** Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066  
ststephenfaith@gmail.com

#### Financial Offerings—April 24 & 25

Adult	\$ 2,802.00
Plate	592.50
Children	2.00
Catholic Home Missions	305.00
Easter	20.00
Holy Thursday	5.00
Good Friday	5.00
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b>\$ 3,731.50</b>

Online Giving April 17-23..... 920.00  
Weekly Adult offering needed to make budget: 2,800.00

#### Welcome to the table of the Lord the

Communicants who received their first Holy Communion on May 2:

Quinton Christy

Brynn Fiedler

Blake Gross

Annabelle Jepperson

Andrew Koshiol

Emmett Lahr

Aiden Schmitz

Simon Treanor



**St. Stephen American Legion Auxiliary** will have a meeting at the Rusty Nail on Tuesday, May 4, at 7:30 pm.

**150th Anniversary** committee will meet Tuesday, May 4, at 6:15 in the Parish Hall. The **Parish Council** will join this meeting at 6:30 to discuss the 150th celebration on June 6.



**Adoration:** Thursday, May 6, after 8 am Mass until 4 pm. Everyone is invited to come spend some quiet time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.



As part of our 150th Anniversary we celebrated our Slovenian Heritage with The Singing Slovenes on April 24. During this celebration the Slovenian Flag was blessed then raised in the cemetery.

## SACRED HEART PARISH

Contact: JoAnn Mo — 320-251-8115, X114  
parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

**Office Hours:** Monday – Closed  
Tuesday and Thursday 8am-4pm  
Wednesday and Friday – 8:30am-4pm

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

## FIRST COMMUNION



Congratulations to those receiving First Communion April 24:  
Berkley Bovy, Lilah Holt, Evan Holt, Gavin Ribba, Briella Kent,  
Jaxson Skalicky, Evelyn Abraham and Lilyana Corcoran.



Congratulations to those receiving First Communion April 25:  
Brady Borash, Evan Cook, Nolan Fast, Allison Polack, Avery  
Jonas and Harrison Miller.

## ST. MONICA'S SOCIETY

St. Monica's Society will meet Tuesday,  
May 4th at 4pm.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

May 2; 10am—Mission Trip Gathering  
May 2; 6pm—Joseph of Nazareth Movie Night  
May 2; 7pm—Young Adult Bible Study  
May 3; 5pm—Men's Group  
May 4; 4pm—St. Monica's Meeting  
May 4; 6:30pm—Baptism Prep at Sacred Heart  
May 6; 5:45pm—Baby/Parent Group  
May 7; 8:30am—Eucharistic Adoration  
May 7; 11am—Rosary and Benediction  
May 8; 9am—Day of Service  
May 9; 10am—Mission Trip Gathering  
May 9; 7pm—Young Adult Bible Study

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

### Income for week ending April 25, 2021

Adult Collection .....	\$13,456.82
Children's Offering .....	\$18.00
Friends in Need .....	\$40.00
Holy Days .....	\$5.00
Easter .....	\$300.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$16,346

## ONLINE GIVING

Did you know that we have two options for automatic giving? You can submit an ACH form that will make your donation directly from the checking or savings account you choose, or you can use our online system to set up automatic giving on either your credit card or a bank account. Your regular gifts help us tremendously, especially as we head in to summer and "weekends at the cabin" season. Help us end the year on strong financial footing.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Plan to participate in Eucharistic Adoration on **Friday, May 7** by spending time before the Blessed Sacrament in silent prayer from 8:30am until 11am. At 11am, the rosary will be recited followed by Benediction. Please pray for the needs and people of our parish.

## HOLY HOUR FOR YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

As part of our observance for the Year of St. Joseph, we offered a series of Holy Hours at Sacred Heart with common and silent prayer and Benediction. Holy Hour will be concluding on May 7. All from our ACC and beyond are welcome.



## 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 Tuesday, May 4 at 6:30pm at Sacred Heart. Please contact the Sacred Heart Parish Office at 320-251-8115 to register.

## MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS

Flowers will be available Mother's Day weekend for a free will offering. Please support pro-life efforts by donating.

## 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 Forner, Joanne Mick, Randy Midas, Cynthia Schauland, and Mary Beth Sebas.

**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.



## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH



### *By This My Father is Glorified*

At times we may think that in the vastness of all that God created, we are small, so small that we as an individual might not have much value. What difference does it make whether I personally know God or not? What difference does it make that by my baptism I am one more disciple in the making? There have been so many people in the span of time, how can I possibly make a difference?

In John's Gospel read today, Jesus tells us that he is the true vine, his Father is the vine grower, and we are the branches. With this image he makes clear the message that we must remain connected to him if we are to have life and bear fruit. What fruit? What is the fruit we are to bear and why?

The fruit we bear is love. We are the living branches that continue to share love in this world by living as Jesus taught. Jesus modeled love of God and love of all God's people paving the way for us to live as God our Father desires.

We indeed make a difference in time, for God has chosen our time on this earth and through the love of family and friends, we are gifted the opportunity to grow strong in love and in faith. We bear fruit by continuing the legacy gifted to us by Jesus. Disconnect from Jesus and we will wither and die. Love is what nourishes us as living and growing branches. But why is it so important that we continue to grow strong in love and faith?

The purpose is this: That the Father be glorified! All for the honor and glory of God, for it is God who created us to be people of love. It is God who calls us to take the message of his Son to the world, that all who believe in Jesus might have eternal life. So, in our smallness, in a relative short period of time that we are on this earth, we are called to believe in Jesus, spread the Good News of his Resurrection and rejoice in the gift of our salvation and the salvation of all who believe. We are not insignificant – we

are a vital part of God's plan that all people might know him, love him, and serve him.



With joy and in faith,  
**Deb Rudolph**

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget .....	\$19,230.77
Collected 04/25/2021 .....	\$112,011.50
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>\$(7,219.27)</b>

YTD Collection Budget .....	\$826,923.08
YTD Collected .....	\$816,164.21
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>\$(10,758.87)</b>
Easter Offering YTD.....	\$29,669.00
Easter Budget.....	\$37,000.00

## ADORATION

Adoration will be on May 10th and 24th from 4-7pm. Thank you for spending time with Jesus.

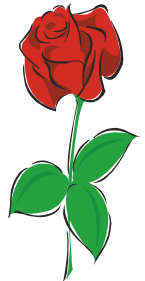


### Lost Keys?



We found keys to a Honda in the pocket of a jacket that was left in the church quite a long time ago. Call Adam in the parish office to claim.

Just a Reminder - Mother's Day is only one week away. The traditional "Mother's Day Roses" will be available after Masses on Mother's Day. Honor your mother with a rose or two and say "Thanks mom for life!" Proceeds will be given to local pro life agencies in the area.



### Parish Council Seeking Candidates

St. Francis Xavier is seeking several successors for Council member seats. The Council acts as an advisory board and meets the 4th Thursday of the month, 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 or email [avonderahe@stfrancissartell.org](mailto:avonderahe@stfrancissartell.org). We will also have nomination forms in the pews the weekend of May 8-9. All nominees will be contacted and invited to the meeting on May 27, not the April meeting as previously noted.

## SFX SCHOOL NEWS

St. Francis Xavier Preschool is now enrolling new students for Fall of 2021! We are offering personal tours of our exceptional school. If you or someone you know is interested in faith-based education with academic excellence, please contact the school office at ([schooloffice@sfx61.org](mailto:schooloffice@sfx61.org)) or call 320-252-9940.



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 God’s wisdom for our President and all world leaders • for Pope Francis, all Bishops, priests, deacons and religious • for legal protection for unborn children • for peace in our world • for all pregnant women • for all those lost to COVID • for those seeking cancer treatment • 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.**



Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the appeal. As of April 19, the Appeal raised \$936,413 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 6,322 households. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.**

**Used Fish Fry Oil**

We have some oil leftover from the fish fry that we need to discard. Last year someone took it and used it for bear hunting. If you have a purpose for the oil and can use it, please call Adam in the parish office at 320-252-1363.

**Weekend Mass Schedule**

As more people have returned to in person Mass attendance, we have needed to set up chairs in the Gathering Place for overflow as the requirement of physical distancing remains in place. While we are aware of the overflow seating in the Gathering Place and realize it is not the most ideal situation, we decided to not add a second Sunday Mass at this time for various reasons. We expect by September and as people return from summer travel, we may get back to our two Sunday masses once again. In the meantime, we thank you for your patience and understanding, and welcome you back to in person Mass.

**SFX PARISH STAFF**

<b>Parish Office Hours Mon-Friday 8:00 am-Noon, 1:00 pm-4:30 pm</b>	
<b>Business Manager</b>	<b>Adam Vonderahe</b> 320-252-1363, Ext. 1105 avonderahe@stfrancissartell.org
<b>Parish Secretary</b>	<b>Becky Dingmann</b> 320-2521363, Ext. 1100 bdingmann @stfrancissartell.org
<b>Office Assistant</b>	<b>Jane Rennie</b> 320-252-1363, Ext. 1106 jrennie@stfrancissartell.org

**Chicago Mission Trip**

There are still openings for this wonderful mission experience taking place the week of July 17-23, 2021. Join us for this intergenerational mission as we collaborate in service and solidarity with three Hispanic parishes. Contact Deacon Joe or Philip if you would like to learn more about the amazing opportunity.

Hey there sports fans!! Ever thought that you had what it takes to play softball? Or just looking for something fun to do on Tuesday evenings? Well then, our softball team is looking for you!



If you are 16 or over and would like to find out more or join a great group of players that just enjoy some time together and friendly competition then you can call Deacon Terry at 320-253-2625. Anyone from our ACC can join us!

We play each and every Tuesday night from May-August at Whitney Park in Saint Cloud. Games are usually at either 6:05 or 7:10.

Please join us!!

**Times they are a changin'!**

It is with sadness I share that three of our parish staff are moving on to new adventures. Shelby Vaske, our Faith Formation Director for grades 1 – 5 is retiring, Deb Rudolph, our Pastoral Minister is retiring, and Adam Vonderahe our Business Manager, he and his family are moving to Ohio to be closer to family. Shelby and Deb are departing at the end of May and Adam will leave mid July. While I have only ministered with them for a year, I know they will be missed. Each of them has done a remarkable ministry here at St. Francis and have left the parish in a better place.

Melissa Fox is moving from her current position of Faith Formation Director for grades 6 – 11 and Youth Ministry to take on our Faith Formation Director position for grades 1 -5. Bonnie Van Heel is stepping down as SFX School Principal and returning to our second grade classroom. Heidi Schloe, one of our third grade teachers will be our SFXS Principal. Thank you to Melissa, Bonnie, and Heidi for ministry well done. May God bless them and us in their new ministry.

Job postings will be found on our website in the next couple of weeks. Please let others know of our open positions in Youth Ministry, Pastoral Ministry and Parish Administration.



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