August 29, 2021 22nd Sunday in Ordina<u>ry Time</u>



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"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:15

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 62001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

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Annunciation Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Annunciation

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St. Francis Xavier Word & Communion Monday August 30 8 am 8:30am † Dan Slimmer Weekday Annunciation St. Francis Xavier Int. Max Villeneuve **Tuesday** August 31 8 am + Clarence Justin Weekday 5:30 pm St. Stephen 5:30 pm Sacred Heart † Leon Koshenina Wednesday Sept 1 Sacred Heart † Dean Gill 8 am 8 am St. Francis Xavier † Isaiah Moorefield Weekday Thursday Sept 2 8 am St. Francis Xavier † Pauline Meyers Weekday 8 am St. Stephen † Ivan Fiedler Betty Zwilling Cichon 8:30 am Annunciation t Friday Sept 3 Sacred Heart Keehr Family 8 am ÷ 8 am † Rose Pearson St. Gregory the Great St. Francis Xavier Saturday Sept 4 Sacred Heart † Dennis & Jean Templin 5 pm The 23rd Sunday in 5 pm St. Francis Xavier + Mike Schulte & Family Ordinary Time 7 pm St. Stephen For the People of the Parishes Sept 5 For the People of the Parishes Sunday 8:15 am Annunciation The 23rd Sunday in 9 am *Sacred Heart † Karen Kuklok *St. Francis Xavier 9:30 am † Lee & Theresa Schulte Ordinary Time 10:00 am St. Stephen † In Thanksgiving for Family & Friends

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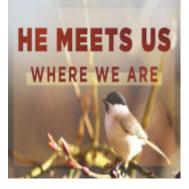
PASTORAL SERVICES

Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:30 pm Sacred Heart 4 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.



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.

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



From safari.....

After several years of watching his wife cut off the end of the ham before baking it, he finally asked her why. She responded that her mother always cut off the end of the ham, and that was the way it was supposed to be.

Not accepting "the way it was supposed to be," the husband called his mother-in-law and asked why she cut off the end of the ham before baking. The response was that her mother cut off the end of the ham.

More curious than ever, the husband called grandma and asked her why she cut off the end of the ham. The answer was that she had a small pan, and that was the only way to get the ham to fit.

Today's Gospel invites us to examine ritual behavior. Ritual patterns enable us to enter more deeply into an event because we don't have to devote much mental energy to figure out what is next. The ritual pattern of the Mass helps us enter profoundly into the mystery of God's love for us, as we can listen closely to the word of God spoken and in the silence of our hearts.

Yet, ritual action can become more important than the message the ritual is meant to express. "You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition," Jesus complains to the scribes and Pharisees.

I have heard many a comment on over attachment to human tradition by other priests and liturgists. They will speak about the liturgical police, who are ready to report a deviation from the rubrics. On the other hand, they encounter the chant, "we've never done it that way before."

This over attachment to traditional ways of acting or speaking, can reveal an attachment to personal comfort and an unwillingness to be stretched spiritually. Even as priest, I need to be aware of letting my personal comfort of ritual block other practices that can add meaning to the liturgy for others and of God speaking to my heart.

While well intentioned, the commenter seeking liturgical correctness, can miss God speaking in their heart and the full praise that God is due. The gospel reminds us that ritual can guide us in holiness, but authentic holiness comes from within. Believers cannot remain true in holiness if we allow our piety to devolve into empty external ritual. To guard against this emptiness, we require a daily reconnection with God, with the truth of the word, and with others, whose needs, struggles and sorrows should keep us honest in our striving for wholeness and holiness.

How is God stretching your heart?

Have a blessed week, Fr. Ron.

DAILY READINGS

- Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
- **Tuesday:** 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
- Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/ Lk 4:38-44
- **Thursday:** Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
- Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
- Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
- Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers the family of Alva Bigley who passed away on August 8, from Sacred Heart.

Eternal Rest grant unto her.



LEADERSHIP





ACC Pastoral Leadership

Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblach
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STEWARDSHIP

Stewardship as a lifestyle - Formation is one of 4 pillars of Stewardship Jude 1.20-21 But you, beloved, build yourselves up in your most holy faith; pray in the holy Spirit. Keep yourselves in

the love of God and wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. **How it works for me:** My conversations with my kids often brings up frustrations and worries typical to friends, future goals, and present conflicts. These verses in the book of Jude are basically what I continue to say even though 'my kids' are now parents.

"God loves you. Pray about everything. Watch and wait for Jesus. Live a life knowing it leads to eternal life with God. - love mom"

BAPTISMS

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

Aubree Willa Studniski, daughter of Adam & Jolene, baptized at St. Stephen.



Isabel Rose Hoffman, daughter of

Joseph & Tiffany, baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

Van Michael Fenstad, son of Michael & Andrea, baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

Jameson Gregory Wood, Son of Justin & Mikayla, baptized at Sacred Heart.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

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Michael Kampa & Alison Lightfield (SS)

A Stewardship Story . . . let's think about stewardship in the terms of "how do I spend the time, talents and treasures God has gifted to me?" At Sacred Heart the set-up for the parish festival began on Monday morning. The youth group leadership team was able to reach out to the youth that they have worked with in the past to request help. There were 28 students at the church on a Monday morning at 9am to work. A number of adult leaders were also there. The festival workers were all VERY pleased with the turnout from the youth. A worker from an outside company that was doing work at the church on Monday and Tuesday went out of his way to ask questions about what was going on and what we did to get so many youth involved. Thank you to those youth who gave of their time and efforts that day. Thank you to the adults who practiced stewardship of their time and talents for this event as well as leaders for the youth throughout the year. That Monday a heavy workload was made light when there were many people sharing their time and talents.

(we invite you to submit a story of stewardship for future publication)







Stewardship and

Evangelization Making parish life connections more meaningful This is an opportunity to enhance parish life.

Please Join Us

Pastoral council, staff, and finance council members, educators, parish leaders, anyone with a curiosity or interest to take part.

Purpose

To build a common understanding for what stewardship and evangelization truly mean in our lives as disciples of Christ, and together as One in Christ Area Catholic Community.

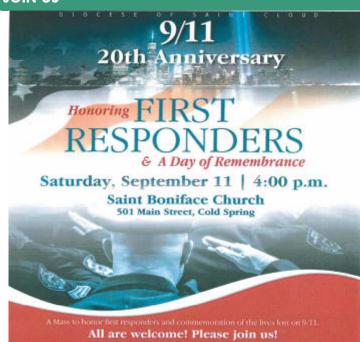
Keynote Speakers

Fr. Ron Weyrens & Fr. Tom Knoblach



Sunday. September 12 | 1-4 PM Sacred Heart Parish Sauk Rapids. MN

Call your parish office to RSVP by Sunday, Sept. 5th Please bring an item to donate to our local food shelf



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, August 22nd,	2021
Adult Sunday	\$1,675.50
Visitor	\$90.00
Youth	\$7.75
Picnic	\$1.00
Assumption	\$25.00
Fall Festival	\$285.00
Votive Candles.	\$7.25
Funeral Lunch.	\$20.00
Funeral	\$40.00
Building Fund	\$5.00
Total Income	

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00*

Sunday 8:15am Mass Schedule

Sun. September 5th, 2021 Lector: Jenessa Strande

Eucharist: Anita Montag, Jason Zwilling, Amy Krajsa

Ushers: Peter Ackerman, Jenny Zwilling, Chuck



Wocken and Clarice Lyon. Happy Birthday: Laurel Voigt, Ryan

Rajkowski, Paul Fitch, Milo Keeville, Riley Nellis, Natalie Schubert, Ethan Hibbens, Colten Rothstein, Joshua Kuehn, Jane Thell, Keith Rothstein.

Thank You Mass & picnic in the ballpark was a great gathering of our community and parish family. We welcomed 5 of our newest members! We are so grateful to all who came early to help set up for Mass. We also appreciate the bakers and meal servers, auction donations, and food pantry donations. Thank you everyone!

Poster contest winners: Clarice Lyon

Hat decoration winners: Chuck Wocken, and Clara Knettel Food donations are on their way to Foley and Rice pantries. As always, a big thank you to our Pastoral Council, who pulls this together each year!

Prayer Line is easy and available. Call Maureen Athman at 320-252-7650 or Lucy Palmer at 320-393-2538. "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." Matthew 7.7-8

Relief for Haiti Collection: There will be an extra collection taken on Sun. Sept. 12th for the people of Haiti in the aftermath of the recent earthquake and Tropical Storm Grace.

Other News

Quilt Bingo: TODAY, Sun., Aug. 29th at 6:30pm at Sts. Peter & Paul's Parish Center, Richmond, MN. Doors open at 5pm, Food available. Must be 18 to play, no checks please.

ST. STEPHEN

<u>Contact:</u> Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Summer Hours: ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com M, W-F=8:30-12:30 Tue=1-5

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

<u> Financial Offerings - August 21 & 22</u>	
Adult Plate	\$ 1,916.00
Assumption	
TOTAL:\$	
Online Giving Aug 14-20 Weekly Adult offering needed to make budge	735.00
Weekly Adult offering needed to make budge	et: 2,800.00

Blood Pressure Checks this weekend Stop by the annex after Mass **Aug. 28 & 29** to visit and have your blood pressure taken.



Adoration: Please join us on Thursday, <u>Sept</u> 2, for Adoration after 8:00 AM Mass. Spend some quite, prayful time with Jesus. The church will be open until 4:00 PM.

Religious Ed dates:

Registration - Wednesday, Sept 8, 6:30 pm. All Grades. New Confirmation Student Meeting - Sept 15, 6:30 pm. Grade 10 in the Parish Hall <u>First Class</u> - Sept 22, Grades 1-4 & All Confirmation students

<u>First Class</u> - Sept 29, Grades 5-9 & All Confirmation students

<u>St. Stephen American Legion Auxiliary</u> will have a meeting at the Rusty Nail on Tuesday, September 7, at 7:30 pm.

Like Singing? Come. Like music? Come. Like having fun? Then definitely come! Choir season starts after Labor Day. Don't miss out! Call Joel (320-237-6273) or Shari (320-237-6272) for info.



Labor Day Festival News - 1 week to go

Raffle tickets Sell as many as you can. More tickets can be picked up from the parish office. **Grandma's Attic -** The shed behind the parish house will be open on Sunday's to drop off items. If you need to set up an alternate time to drop off items please call the office. No clothing or shoes can be accepted. **Stand Set Up time changed this year** will be

Saturday, Sept 4, at 4:00 pm. Food provided afterwards.

Cakes & Pies - Each family is asked to bring at least 2 cakes and 2 pies for the festival. Cake boxes and pie tins are available at church. The more cakes we have the longer the Calk Walk game can go on. Many pies are needed for the chicken dinner.

Potato peeling - will take place Sunday, Sept 5, at 8:00 AM. Bring your favorite peeler.

Helping Hands Outreach

<u>Senior Exercise class</u> is held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9:00-10:00.

<u>Senior Dining</u> - Join us every Wednesday at Trobec's Bar at noon followed by cards. Cost is \$6.00. <u>Monthly Lunch & Learn -</u> will be the **3rd Thursday of the month starting Sept. 16** at St. Stephen Parish Hall. Join us at 11:30 am for Social, 12:00 Noon meal, 12:30 pm speaker and then entertainment at 1:00 pm.

SACRED HEART PARISH

Contact: Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114 parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

Office Hours: Monday – Closed Tuesday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

Sunday Mass at Sacred Heart is livestreamed. Go to www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org and click on LIVESTREAM

FESTIVAL NEWS

Thank You!

The mission statement of Sacred Heart Parish reads: Striving to be a grateful parish following Christ by loving God, and loving our neighbors as ourselves through our words, deeds, and thoughts.

These are our ideals, and you make that striving visible in so many ways in your prayer, your kindness, your service in your families and our community.

The gratitude and love for God and the Lord's people was displayed with remarkable clarity in the 2021 Parish Festival. It was such a joy to see folks together again after all these COVID months.

It was not only the welcoming and smiling faces and the community we experienced together that day, but also the countless hours of preparation behind the scenes that make a powerful witness to living out these ideals.

As you know, among our ACC goals are stewardship, evangelization, and engaging our younger members in meaningful ways. All of these came alive this past week as

more than concepts, but a present and growing reality. Thanks to the many donors whose generosity blessed us. Thanks to those who volunteered their time, labor, and hospitality to be of service to one another. Thanks to Steve Hovanes and all the committee chairs who began months ago to bring all this

together. And thanks to all of you who supported Sacred Heart by your contributions and your presence to celebrate the life of the Spirit alive among us.

More information with financial results will be coming. As grateful as we are for those gifts that help us accomplish our mission throughout the year, we are grateful above all for your presence, for together, we make up part of the Body of Christ, devoted to loving God and our neighbors in words, deeds, and thoughts.

CHOIRS

Parish Choirs will be starting in September!

Mondays 6:15 Bell Choir Tuesdays 6:15 Vocal Choir

Wednesdays 5:30 Kid's Choir

Contact Sarah if you are new to our choirs.

FUNdamentals of Basic Theory for the choir and cantor will be offered at 7pm on Tuesdays in September. This is an online class offered through National Pastoral Musicians. We will meet in church for this class.

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for week ending August 22, 2021

Adult Collection\$1	4,162.80
Children's Collection	\$11.50
Holy Days	\$125.00

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

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

You are invited as Sacred Heart offers another year of a lay-led Bible study on Wednesday mornings from 9am to 11am. Beginning September 8 with the Little Rock Scripture Study title, Parables of the Kingdom, the group will explore the Panorama of the Old Testament and Isaiah as well. Registration is required. Contact the Jen in the Parish Office for more information or to register.



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:

Constance Crane, Lorraine Curto, Gerry Feld, Joann Mick, Linda Midas, Patricia Olson, Nic Roering, Ron & Ruth Schommer and Mary 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 30; 5:45pm—Baby/Parent Group September 3; 8:30am—Eucharistic Adoration September 3; 11am—Rosary & Benediction

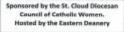
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH



"THE YEAR OF SAINT JOSEPH" 67" FALL CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 18, 2021

Saint John's Parish 621 Dewey Street Foley, MN 56329



For more information see: Website: <u>stclouddccw.org</u> Facebook: St. Cloud Diocessan Council of Catholic Women



8:30 AM Registration, Light Breakfast

9:15 AM Business Meeting Election of Officers

10:00 AM

Sister Elise Saggau, OSF "Saint Joseph: A Saint for our Times"

11:00 AM MASS Installation of Officers

Bishop Donald J Kettler and available priosts

Door Prizes



Presentation will be available on YouTube after the Conference. Freewill donations can be sent to Lora.

Coffee & Community



Please join us for 1st Wednesday Coffee & Rolls on Wednesday, September 1, after the 8 am Mass.

HOSPITALITY



Saturday, October 2 after 5:00 pm Mass Sunday, October 3 after 9:30 am Mass

Hospitality for all !! Please join us!

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget	\$19,230.77
Collected 08/15/2021	\$18,127.99
Excess (Deficit)	
YTD Collection Budget	\$153,846.16
YTD Collected	\$158.981.18
Excess (Deficit)	\$5,135.02

HEALTH & WELLNESS/BEFRIENDERS



Tuesday, September 14 – Health & Wellness Committee Meeting – 5:30 pm

Thursday, September 16 – BeFriender Meeting – 5:30 pm Meetings will be held in the

Gathering Space by the kitchen. Contact Sandee K with any questions. All are welcome! See you then!

FRANNY FLYER RUN

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 5K 10K TO BE HELD ON SEPT 18th.

- T shirt design: one person needed to work with vendor to design this year's T-shirt front and back
- 2 to 3 Volunteer Coordinators

If interested contact Nick Novak 320-249-2134 <u>nicknovakhomes@gmail.com</u>



Need a new adventure? Care to join a fun staff and make new friends? Come join us at SFX School! We are in need of a director for our Aftercare Program (after school child care). We are looking for an applicant who is a people person and enjoys working with elementary aged children. If you are ready to join our team, please call our school office @ 320.252.9940 for more information. Come join us!

As a matter of fact, we are also looking for Aftercare Assistants! This is an ideal job for college and high school students. We would need applicants to be available starting at 2:15 pm on school days. Once again, if you enjoy hanging out with children and would like to explore this opportunity, give us a call @ 320.252.9940. We would love to chat with you!



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 those lost to suicide • for peace in our world • for all pregnant women • for all those lost to COVID • for those dealing with cancer • for God's wisdom for our President and all world leaders • for Pope Francis, all Bishops, priests, deacons and religious • for a granddaughter who is having cancer surgery • for legal protection for unborn children • 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.



The ministries funded by the Bishop's Annual Appeal make a difference in the lives of so many others. It's your generosity — your hands — that makes this work possible, and it's the reason for this year's appeal theme: "Gifts Offered by Human Hands." Please prayerfully discern a gift to the Appeal and join others around the diocese in supporting this work. www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

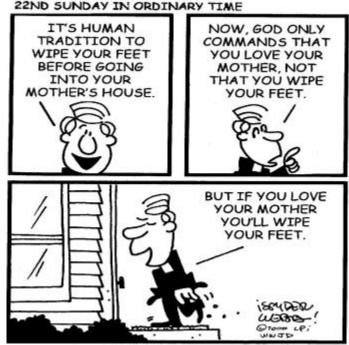


Congratulations to Deb & Joe Rudolph as they celebrate 50 years of marriage.

Today, surrounded by your family and friends, may you rejoice in the gift of your blessings.

SFX PARISH STAFF

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ADORATION

Adoration will be on Monday Sept 13 and 27 from 4-7pm. Thank you for spending time with Jesus.



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Parish Trustee Parish Trustee Pastoral Council Chair		320-250-0703 320-333-6002 320-266-1393
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