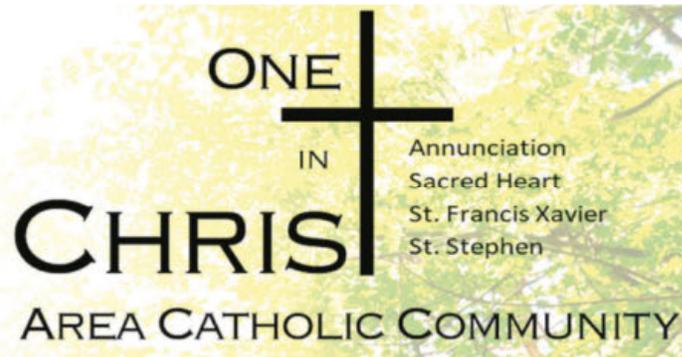
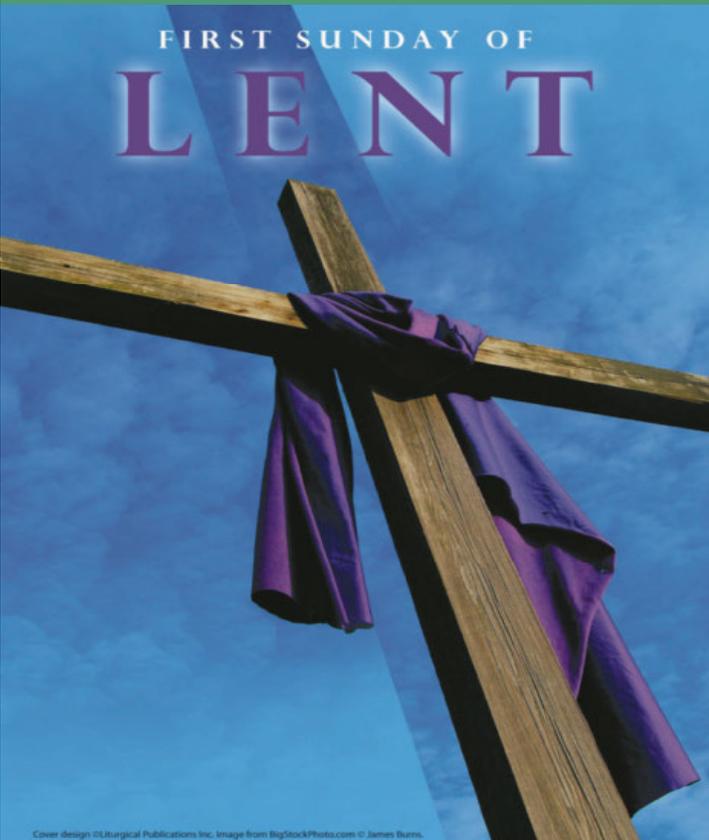


March 6, 2022
1st Sunday in Lent



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MASS TIMES

Monday March 7	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	Word & Communion
<i>Sts. Perpetua & Felicity</i>	8:30 am	Annunciation	† Kathy Janson
Tuesday March 8	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Eric Wochnick
<i>St. John of God</i>	5:30 pm	St. Stephen	† Craig Danzl
	5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	† Norb & Nancy Motzko
Wednesday March 9	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† John Vouk
<i>St. Francis of Rome</i>	8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier	Int. Monica Swanson
Thursday March 10	8:00 am	St. Stephen	† Harvey Legatt
<i>Weekday</i>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Luella Menke
	8:30 am	Annunciation	Conversions
Friday March 11	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Joyce Loidolt
<i>Weekday</i>	8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier	For the People of the Parishes
Saturday March 12	5:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier	† Ren Pearson
<i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	5:00 pm	Sacred Heart	For the People of the Parishes
	7:00 pm	St. Stephen	† Bernard & Olivia Omann
Sunday March 13	8:15 am	Annunciation	† Dan Slimmer
<i>2nd Sunday of Lent</i>	9:00 am	*Sacred Heart	† Gary Thorsten
	9:30 am	*St. Francis Xavier	† Gene Bidinger
	10:00 am	St. Stephen	† Joseph Schumer

*Livestreamed Mass

PASTORAL SERVICES

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.

Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact your Parish Office for more information.

DAILY READINGS

Monday:	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15 /Mt 25:31-46	Friday:	Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26
Tuesday:	Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15	Saturday:	Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 /Mt 5:43-48
Wednesday:	Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 /Lk 11:29-32	Sunday:	Gn 15:5-12, 17-18/Ps 27:1, 7-8, 8-9, 13-14/Phil 3:17—4:1 or 3:20—4:1/Lk 9:28b-36
Thursday:	Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12		

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



A Lent of Peace

As I write these words, the Russian invasion of Ukraine is in its first days. I pray that by the time you read them, a peaceful resolution has been found and justice, security, and relief has been restored. At the same time, the situation has been brewing for a long

time and a quick restoration of international order may not be so easily concluded.

Before Ukraine entered the headlines, the parishes of Sacred Heart and Annunciation were preparing for a Lent of Peace. The wounds and tensions of the past couple of years were on my mind when considering our need for peace, but the situation in Eastern Europe expands this desire for Lent to lead all of us to the peace only God can bring. While many of you have therefore seen this proposal, I share it here as our pursuit of prayer, service, and witness to peace takes on even greater importance.

At the Last Supper, as His suffering and death drew near, Jesus gave the gift of His own peace to His disciples, those He called "friends." In that moment of sorrow and uncertainty for the Apostles, Jesus gives them His peace. He continues to do so for us through the Holy Spirit.

As a gift, we must open ourselves to receive the peace of Christ. Below are a few suggestions for accepting this gift of peace in various areas of your life. In God's providence, our Lenten penance dedicated to peace can bear fruit beyond our imagining: as St. Paul reminds us, "*Eye has not seen, and ear has not heard, and it has not entered the human heart, what God has prepared for those who love Him*" (1 Corinthians 2:9).

Seek Peace with Technology

- set a specific limit to your time each day on devices not needed for work or family responsibilities
- avoid websites, Facebook pages, or other media that tempt to anger, lust, envy, suspicion, greed, or other faults
- delete texts, posts, emails, etc. that belittle, insult, or harm the reputation of another

Seek Peace with Family

- eat together as a family
- pray together as a family – even if you cannot be together physically, agree to pause for an Our Father or a Hail Mary at a set time wherever you are
- offer an apology where necessary, and accept apologies offered to you
- affirm and encourage each person in your family this week

Seek Peace with Neighbors

- send a hand-written card with prayers and best wishes to one or more people who live nearby
- drop off some baked goods or other treats for someone who lives alone
- return any items you may have borrowed from friends or neighbors
- make a charitable donation to a trusted organization that helps those in need, mindful of the Good Samaritan who helped his neighbor, though that person was a stranger

(Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

Seek Peace with Those in Your Daily Circle

- make a list of gratitude for what the people you encounter in your daily routines do for you
- as with family above, offer an apology where necessary, and accept apologies offered to you
- pray a Hail Mary for the person you see often in your routines that you admire the most, and one for the person that challenges you the most
- make a phone call or other contact you have been putting off

Seek Peace with the Past

- receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation
- where apologies are not possible to those who have hurt in the past, offer an anonymous donation to a worthy charity
- pray the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary and offer each decade for a particular loss or regret
- make a list of what painful experiences have taught you in life

Seek Peace with Anxieties

- spend five minutes a day working on deep breathing or use an app with breathing exercises and relaxation
- listen to music, draw, or pursue a hobby you enjoy
- journal your worries and fears or talk with a trusted friend as a way to surrender anxieties and release them from your mind

Seek Peace with God

- add five minutes to your prayer time each day of Holy Week
- spend at least fifteen minutes in prayer the evening of Holy Thursday in union with Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane
- come to the commemoration of the Passion of the Lord on Good Friday if possible, or read the Passion narrative from John's Gospel (John 18:1-19:42)|
- fast not only from a meal but entertainment and amusements on Good Friday
- join in the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday and/or the Easter Mass

This Lent, pray for and work for peace: consume less, pray more, bestow an act of mercy on another.

Fr. Tom

ACC Pastoral Leadership

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

Stewardship is about giving our all to God, and our finances are a big part of who we are. As we learn to trust God in all areas of our lives, including our finances, we become filled with a deep, unshakeable peace—the peace that only God can provide.

BREAKFAST BUFFET

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Time: 8:30am—12:30 p.m.



ALL YOU CARE TO EAT

*Ham and Sausage
Pancakes with Fruit Toppings
Scrambled Eggs, Hash Browns
Cinnamon and Caramel Rolls
Fruit and Beverages*



Sunday Mass
is at 10:30 a.m.

Adults.....\$ 10.00
Children 5-17.....\$ 5.00
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BOY SCOUTS

Escape the Great Indoors!

Did you know there is a Scout Troop for youth in 5th grade – high school? Troop 17 has many great activities full of camping, fishing, shooting sports, mountain biking; you name it the Scouts do it. Scouts also learn and practice leadership and do multiple service projects.

If you have a child or know someone that may be interested, encourage them to come checkout some of our meetings and meet the other Scouts. The Scouts meet most Sunday Afternoons from 4:00 – 5:30 at Sacred Heart Church. Please call or text Patrick Howard, Scoutmaster at 320-291-1130 for more info or questions.

Upcoming:

February and March: Automotive Maintenance
March: Winter Camp north of the Iron Range
April: Shooting Sports at Fort Ripley
May: Fishing and Bird Study at White Wither State Park
August: Week-long Summer Camp

3G, 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 25-27th 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:

<https://sbm.osb.org/ministries/3g-camp/>

THE GOSPEL OF JOHN

A Study of the Gospel of John

Join us this Lenten season for a six-part Bible study on the Gospel of John. The Gospel of John is perhaps the most "mystical," spiritually profound book in the New Testament. From the "bread of life" and "high priestly prayer" discourses of Jesus; to the raising of Lazarus and the powerful accounts of Jesus' resurrection appearances, there is a deep reservoir of material for study, meditation, and reflection. It will be a chance to deepen one's faith in Christ as the "Word made flesh" during this Lenten season.

We will meet every Monday at 6:00 pm, March 7 - April 11

at St. Anthony's Church Parish Center west wing.

We will be following a six-part audio series by Scott Hahn as a guide to our study and discussion. We will also make use of the Gospel of John commentary from Ignatius Press to facilitate our discussions. The only cost to the study is the purchase of the commentary (\$12.00); however, purchasing it is not strictly necessary. Bringing your own Bible is really all that is needed; or we can provide one for you at the study sessions. We hope you will be able to join us. Everyone is welcome! Email sapa@spiritandsaints.org, or call Lorne (320-469-0448) to sign-up for the study.

CROSIER FATHERS AND BROTHERS

JOIN US THIS

Lent

TAIZÉ PRAYER

Fridays March 4, 11 and 18 at 7 p.m.
Cathedral of St. Mary, St. Cloud

HEALING MASS

March 27 at 9:00 a.m.
National Shrine of St. Odilia, Onamia

SOLENN LENTEN VESPERS

Sundays during Lent at 5 p.m.
Crosier Priory Church, Onamia



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ALL ACC PARISHIONERS



The St. Monica Christian Women of Saint Francis Xavier parish will be hosting a speaker from the Central Minnesota Sexual Assault Center on Tuesday, March 15 at 6:30 PM in the Saint Francis Xavier Gathering Place. All parishioners from the ACC

parishes, men, women, and young people age 16 and older, are invited to attend.

Cassie Bauman from the CMSAC will give a general overview of their organization, what they do and what is happening right now as far as sex trafficking/sexual exploitation within the surrounding areas along with facts and statistics. Years ago, we heard of this type of activity happening in the BIG cities. Now it is happening right around us. Please mark your calendar and make plans to attend. There will be a Q&A session as well.



Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the appeal. As of February 21, the Appeal raised \$78,335 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 577 households. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.** Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

FOLLOWING JESUS TO THE CROSS

Join us for Our Lenten Journey- a night of reflection on following Jesus to the cross. Sunday, March 6th from 6:00-7:00pm at St. Francis Xavier with hospitality to follow. All are invited! Focus is on families with school-aged children. Presented by Mike and Katy Lentz from Central Minnesota TEC.

25 DAY LENTEN CHALLENGE

This series contains 25 short emails, each with a daily challenge to help you turn your focus to what is important this Lenten season. Go to the link below and then click the green "join" button on the top right hand corner of the page. Our lenten challenge will begin on Ash Wednesday. <https://StFrancisSartell.flocknote.com/25LentenChalleng>

REST IN PEACE

Remember in your prayers the family of Clifford Zirbes who passed away February 26 from St. Francis Xavier.

Also remember the family of John William Determan who passed away February 8 from Sacred Heart.

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



FISH FRY TIME

It's that time of year again....Fish Fry Time!! St. Katharine Drexel will be holding their Annual Fish Fry. It will be drive thru **ONLY!** The dates are Friday, March 18 and Friday, April 1 from 4-7. Tickets (valid for both dates) are available at the Sacred Heart Parish Office.



YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

Theology on Draft

Join us for Theology on Draft is this Thursday, March 10th at House of Pizza in Sartell from 6:00 - 8:00 pm. Our speaker this month is Patty Waletzko from St. Cloud State University. She will be speaking on Mental and Emotional well-being. You won't want to miss it! All young adults are welcome.

Young Adult Bible Study

Looking for a way to connect to your faith in a casual atmosphere? Look no further than our young adult group (18 - 39)! We'll meet on the first Thursday of each month at the various parishes within our ACC. Join us this Thursday at Annunciation in Mayhew Lake from 7:00 - 8:00 PM. All you need to do is bring a Bible (if you don't have one, we'll have some provided). Contact Jason Prigge if you have any questions!

TEC RETREAT FOR LENT



You Are Invited to Attend a TEC Retreat this Lent Sign up to participate in the March 12-14 or April 9-11 Central Minnesota Together Encountering Christ (TEC) retreat and pay just \$30. The regular price is \$95 – so this is quite the deal. Sign up today at cmtec.org and pay the \$30 deposit. We will take care of the rest. TEC is a three-day retreat for youth (age 16+) and adults. Described as one of the most relevant and life-changing retreats around, TEC promises to inspire and surprise. This encounter retreat is perfect for those searching, those needing direction and a little peace, and those looking to deepen their relationship with God. Come find out what 41,000 others have already experienced. www.cmtec.org today!

ST. STEPHEN

Contact: Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520

Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

Office Hours: M-F 2:00 - 6:00 pm

ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066

Financial Offerings - Feb. 26 & 27

Adult.....	\$ 1,614.00
Plate.....	128.00
Children.....	2.00
Online Giving: Feb 19-25.....	371.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,115.00

Weekly Adult/Online needed for budget: 2,500.00

Faith Formation Meals:

March 9 meal - Spaghetti with garlic toast

March 16 & 23 - Cold cuts on Hoagie bun & chips

March 30 - Tacos

The Vibrancy Committee will meet on Tuesday, March 8, at 6:15 in the annex.

Stations of the Cross: Join us every Friday evening at 6:30 pm during Lent.

Holdingsford Firefighters Relief Breakfast

March 13. **Take Out only.** 8 AM-12:30 pm

Holdingsford City Center. Free will donation.

The family of Rod Fischer would like to express our gratitude for the great outpouring of support with cards, phone calls, text messages, prayers, meals and snow plowing you have shown us. Please know that your generosity and thoughtfulness have touched us deeply.

Spring Bingo is Back!!

Mark your calendar. Sunday, March 20, at 1:00 PM in Parish Hall. Along with Bingo, we will be having a Book and Bake Sale.

***If you would like to donate to the Bake Sale, please bring donations to the Hall on Saturday, March 19, from 10 - 12 noon, or prior to the sale on Sunday. If these times do not work - please contact Danna at 251-5066 to make other arrangements.

Upcoming Events:

Mar 15 - Parish Council meeting 7:00 pm

Mar 27 - Blood pressure checks after Sunday mass

Apr 12 - Vibrancy meeting 6:15 pm

Prayer Line: If you or someone you know needs our prayers, please call the office to have your prayer request added to the Prayer Line.

Well n Fit exercise classes with Lorene Deford will be held on Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9:30-10:30 in the Parish Hall.

Helping Hands Outreach

Senior Dining - Every Wednesday at **Trobec's** at noon followed by cards. Cost is \$6.00 per meal.

Monthly Lunch & Learn - will be March 17 starting with 11:30 social, followed by meal, speaker & entertainment.

Feet First Clinic - 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 OFFERINGS

Income for Sunday, February 27th, 2022

Adult Sunday	\$1,660.00
Visitor	\$29.00
Youth	\$11.00
St. Cloud Visitor.....	\$35.00
Votive Candle	\$3.00
Initial Offering.....	\$5.00
Rent	\$750.00
Total Income	\$2,493.00

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00*

Mass Schedule

Sun March 13th, 2022, 8:15am Mass

Lector: Judy Kiffmeyer

Eucharist: Katie Lentner

Servers: Noah & Cole Lentner

Greeters: Chuck Wocken and Mason Zwilling

Ushers: Peter Ackerman, Jenny Zwilling, Chuck Wocken and Lora Knafila.



Happy Birthday: Kenley Jurek, Ashley Popp, Gavin Dahler, Jeffrey Kaeter, Devin Barnum, Rose Lubbesmeier, Sharon Popp, Melissa Thell, Joseph Zwilling, Todd Robinson, Dan Gerads, Loren Popp.

Religious Education:

Wed. March 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th at 6:30pm

March 16th: Reconciliation grades 3-11.

March 30th: Stations of the Cross

“Lord, teach us to pray” is the theme of this year’s annual Women’s Lenten Retreat to be held at Holy Family Parish, Belle Prairie on Sat., March 12. Reg. & Refreshments at 8:30 a.m., with keynote speaker, Fr. Brady Keller at 9 a.m.; Mass at 11 a.m., followed by lunch. Afternoon Speakers: Leah Brix and Abby Thomas. Fee is \$15 by March 1; \$20 at the door or \$5 virtually. Handicapped accessible. Make check out to St. Cloud DCCW and send registration to Lora Knafila, 11719 16th Ave NW, Rice, MN 56367. Sponsored by St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. All are welcome.

Annual Rice Lions Breakfast TODAY, Sun., March 6th from 8am—12pm. At Graham United Methodist Church. French toast, Eggs, Sausage, Juice, Coffee, Silent Auction and Bake Sale. Proceeds go to Sauk Rapids/Rice Deep Portage Trip.

Prayer & Fasting for Peace Each day from Feb. 25th-March 1st, pray a decade of the Rosary some time between noon and 1pm. Be mindful of those who suffer from war, destruction, and fear. May Christ the Prince of Peace, move the minds & hearts of all in conflict to seek peaceful resolution, avoid violence & harm, protect the innocent, & safeguard the rights & dignity of each person. Come Holy Spirit.

SACRED HEART PARISH

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

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

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for the Week of Feb 27, 2022

Adult Collection.....	\$13,269.41
Children's Collection.....	\$13.00
Central Minnesota Catholic.....	\$165.00
Ash Wednesday.....	\$164.00

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

NOTE ABOUT THE BULLETIN

If you've been in church the past couple of weeks, you know that our bulletins have not arrived on time. We have done everything we can on our side to ensure on-time arrival, including submitting the bulletin to our publisher early. Hours have been spent communicating with our publisher and the delivery company and still the bulletins have not arrived on time. We will continue to do our best to get the bulletins here for the weekend, but please know that the bulletin is always available online on our website by Friday afternoon. Thanks for your understanding. -Dana

PARISH POTLUCK

We will have our new member slideshow and parish potluck following mass on **March 19th & 20th**. Please join us for community building, conversation and great food! All are welcome!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 7; 5pm—Men's Group
6:15pm—Bells of the Heart
- March 8; 10am—VBS Meeting
6:15pm—Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm—Finance Council Budgeting
- March 9; 9am—Wednesday Morning Bible Study
1pm—Craft Group
5pm—Faith Formation
5:30pm—Kid's Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm—Peer Ministry Meeting
- March 10; 6pm—SH Book Buffet
6pm—Theology on Draft
- March 12; 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: Joyce Benoit & Emma Walker.

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.

WNL

No WNL this week! Peer Ministry meeting until 9:00 PM.

CASTAWAY

There is still room for those wishing to go to Castaway - please contact Jason Prigge ASAP!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Please note that there is still an opening for your group to help lead the Stations of the Cross on March 11. Please contact Jill K. in the office if you are interested in filling one of the open weeks.

March 11th: Middle School Faith Formation Class (Stations of the Cross for Kids)

March 18th: Rich Wolter (Traditional Way of the Cross) with Benediction

March 25th: Catholic United Financial (Traditional Way of the Cross) with Benediction

April 1st: Social Concerns Committee

April 8th: Sacred Heart Youth

QUILT MAKER WANTED

After **MANY** years of making quilts for our festival, Alice and Vickie have decided 90 is the age to retire. We are so grateful for the beautiful quilts that have been made over the years with so much detail, design, time and love. So, now is the time for the next generation to start to make the quilts. Do you, or someone you know, know how to make a quilt? Would you be interested in making a quilt for the 2022 festival? Contact Vicki in the office to find out more details. 320.251.8115



FF LENTEN PROJECT



This year for Lent, Sacred Heart Faith Formation participants will be doing a project to help people in need all around the world through **Heifer International**. We will be collecting donations beginning March 9, 2022, and ending April 6, 2022 and you can help by donating online at <https://fundraise.heifer.orgfundraiser/3724839>, by dropping off a check (written to Sacred Heart Church with a notation for "Heifer International," or by dropping cash in our giant piggy bank in the Parish Hall during our Faith Formation meal. We will track the amount we collect on a chart in the Parish Hall. Sacred Heart Social Concerns Committee will also match the amount we collect dollar for dollar up to \$1000! Whatever you choose to give is welcome and important in helping out – no matter how small. Together our small contributions will make a big difference!

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget \$19,230.77
 Collected 02/27/2022.....\$17,827.99
Excess (Deficit) \$(1,402.78)

YTD Collection Budget \$673,081.95
 YTD Collected \$717,754.68
Excess (Deficit) \$44,672.73

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be on Monday's March 14 & 28 from 4-7pm. Thank you for spending time with Jesus.



SCHOOL NEWS

Greetings,



St. Francis Xavier
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

St. Francis Xavier School has much to offer the families of our community.

- Academic focused, faith-based education
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- Work with our families to adjust to changing economic situations We would love to show you what our school has to offer and give your family a personal tour. If you are interested in finding out more about our programs please contact the school office to schedule a tour of our exceptional school. (schooloffice@sfx61.org) or call 252-9940.

Heidi Schloe, Principal

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT



The Spring Bling Sale is Back, it will be from 4:00 -7:00 Friday, April 22nd and after the weekend Masses April 23 & 24th. We will be collecting new, vintage & repurposed Jewelry, Scarves and Handbags starting on March 7th until April 10th, Palm Sunday. Donations may be dropped off in the collection boxes marked for the sale, by the parish office. Thanking you in advance for your donations, proceeds will be used for enhancements of the Gathering Place and church.

The Gathering in the Arts Committee

FOOD SHARE MONTH

March is Minnesota Food Share Month

Please consider making donations to the food shelf during the month of March. Through food and dollar matches, this next month is the best time to help with getting food to those in need. We still push for food collection the first week of every month when people come to church, but we can accept food at any time and we see donations coming in very regularly. Thank you for your generosity. Catholic Charities also promotes food donations through it's "Pack the Porches" program.

HOSPITALITY THIS WEEKEND

The Knights of Columbus are hosting hospitality weekend, this weekend March 5th and 6th. Plan on staying after Mass to enjoy a treat and visit with your parish family members. Membership in the Knights of Columbus is open to men 18 years of age or older who are practicing Catholics. Our principals are charity, unity, fraternity. We support family, vocations, pro-life and more. You see us active in church ministry by helping at events such as hospitality and AfterShock. We have a joining ceremony that lasts about 40 minutes. Talk to one of us this weekend to learn more!



American Red Cross

Sign up and donate blood on Thursday, March 24 from 1:00 – 7:00 pm in the Gathering Place at St. Francis Xavier Church. The Red Cross follows the highest standards of safety and infection control. In accordance with CDC guidelines, all donors are required to wear a face covering or mask. Appt/Info: Call or email Greg at 320-250-9137 or schlossergregory@gmail.com

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