

****Weekend Offerings ****

Envelopes (88)	\$2,056.00
Children (19)	\$ 23.91
Plate	\$ 297.22
Building Maintenance	\$ 61.00
Total	\$2,438.13
Budgeted Amount	\$2,360.00

Rush City Food Shelf



Please be generous in your donations to the food shelf next weekend. There are many families who rely on us and need our help.

Pro-Life Corner



In a memorable speech challenging his fellow House members to ban the practice of Partial Birth Abortion, Rep. Henry Hyde asserted: "God put us in the world to do noble things, to love and cherish our fellow human beings, not to destroy them. Today we must choose sides." *NRL News, 12/07*

Pregnancy Resource Center - Pine City

The Pregnancy Resource Center in Pine City is having it's annual Fundraiser Banquet on October 22 at 6:30 pm at the Lighthouse in Pine City. This is a wonderful event with a delicious meal and guest speakers. It's an opportunity to find out more about the center, meet with devoted pro-life people, and help the Center to do it's fabulous work. If you would like to know more about it, call Elaine Schneider at 358-4129 or Lois Noon at -358-0751. We would like to show our support from Sacred Heart Church by filling at least two tables of eight people. Thank you and God Bless!

Those Who Need Our Prayers



Donna Weinreich, Christine Johnson, Ralph Anderson, Mary Ann Lunseth, Tom Reding, Walter Newton, Connie Pechous, Scott Stepp, Donna Schellbach, Mark Shatava, Fr. DuFresne, Shirley Hemphill, Dick Weinreich, Gary Schmid

A Profound Misunderstanding

Sheila refused to attend the modest parish church in her neighborhood, but drove thirty miles to a "glorious church" as she called it. She valued that church structure with some oriental motifs in it. "I love the wonderful liturgy with the choir, the organ, the colorful vestments and all the decorum; every Sunday it's a heavenly experience" she said. Her fascination for this triumphant church and the glorious liturgy was short-lived when she became very ill and was unable to obtain a miracle from the Blessed Mother of Medjugorje. Unfortunately, she quit church in frustration.

Some people develop a mistaken idea of the Church and of Jesus Christ. The Evangelist Mark talked about the profound misunderstanding of two closest disciples of Jesus (Mk 10: 35-40). The Zebedee sons were in the inner circle of Jesus' friends, present at the transfiguration and the agony in the garden. They dreamed of the pomp, authority and glory in his kingdom, daring to ask for influential seats there, while Jesus spoke of being a suffering servant and carrying the rugged cross. In Jesus' kingdom of heaven priority-values are different. "Whoever wishes to be great among you, will be your servant" he said (Mk 10:44). Today that Jesus continues to be misunderstood even by some who claim to be his closest friends.

~Fr Xavier



The Saint Paul Seminary

At the Masses on October 31-November 1, a second collection will be taken up for The Saint Paul Seminary. With 37 men in formation for our Archdiocese, the future is bright for the priesthood in our local church. All funds collected through this appeal will directly benefit our seminarians through the seminary's *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign. For more information or to make a gift online, visit www.saintpaulseminary.org.

Prayer Corner

We pray for our parish community that this time of transition may be fruitful with greater enthusiasm and cooperation.



This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, October 18

6:30 p.m. Gambler's Anonymous

Monday, October 19

7:00 p.m. RCIA

Tuesday, October 20

7:00 p.m. Bible Study-North Branch

Wednesday, October 21

8:30-Noon Adoration

6:00 p.m. Youth Choir

6:30 p.m. Faith Formation

Thursday, October 22

1:00-4:00 p.m. Project Group - Wey Hall

Saturday, October 24

9:00 a.m. Fall Clean-Up

You cannot discover new oceans unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore

Happy Anniversary!

James and Wendy Cook (25 yrs)
 James and Mary Jo Buttgerit (2 yrs)
 Randy and Debra Drevecky (37 yrs)
 Julie and Ty Gilbert (14 yrs)
 Randall and Shanon Swanson (21 yrs)
 Patrick and Rita Heinn (29 yrs)
 Randy and Camille Just (39 yrs)
 Edward and Tami Knudson (5 yrs)
 Kevin and Denise Hemmer (22 yrs)



Mass Intentions

For the Week of October 18 - October 24, 2009

Tues. 8 a.m. Communion Service
 Wed. 8 a.m. Communion Service
 Thurs. 8 a.m. Communion Service
 Sat. 5 p.m. Jay Niederkorn †
 Sun 9 a.m. Parishioners

Birthdays of the Week

10-18 James Raway, **10-19** Lois Anderson, **10-20** Agnes Nihart, Kelly Saumer, **10-21** Marty Youngbauer, **10-22** Brian Fields, John Jacobson, Heide Johnson, John Lunseth, **10-23** Stacy Johnson, Chad Karlsson, Dale Schellbach, **10-24** Jennifer Brugler

Happy Birthday

Saints of the Week

October 19 *John de Brébeuf, priest, martyr, Isaac Jogues, priest, martyr, and their companions, martyrs (USA)*. French Jesuit and oblate missionaries to the Hurons and Iroquois of North America, † 1642-1649; Isaac was tomahawked to death by Iroquois on 18 Oct. 1646 near Albany; John was savagely mutilated and slain 16 Mar. 1649 near Georgian Bay; other martyrs were Antony Daniel, Gabriel Lalemant, Charles Garnier, Noel Chabanel, and oblates René Goupil and Jean de la Lande; secondary patrons of Canada.

October 20 *Paul of the Cross, priest (USA)* † 18 Oct. 1775; born in Liguria; renowned preacher and founder (1720) of the Passionists, today numbering 2,480 members, who combine the apostolate of retreats and missions with penitential monasticism.

October 23 *John of Capistrano, priest*, † 1456; O.F.M.; reformer of the Franciscans and Poor Clares; preached devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus; sought an end to the Western Schism; animated resistance against the Turks at the battle of Belgrade (1456); patron of military.

October 24 *Anthony Mary Claret, bishop*, † 1870; from Catalonia; vigorous reforming bishop of Santiago, Cuba; founded (1849) the Missionary Sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (Claretians), today numbering about 2,900 members; fostered credit unions and the apostolate of the press.

Environment Person

We are looking for a person to help with the worship environment in the Church. If you feel the call to such a ministry, please call the Parish House at 320-358-4370.

Circle of Catholic Women (CCW)

CCW Meetings will continue every 2nd Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m. in Wey Hall. The next meeting is November 12th. We will be serving supper for the women who would like to stay or come at 5:00 p.m. and greet and thank Helen Asplund for her many prayer shawls, along with Margarette Brooker and Marge Rydlund who help us with greeting the sick. Please sign up at the back of the church if you would like to attend. Please contact the Parish House if you need a ride and we will be happy to provide that for you.

**** Next Week Liturgical Roles ****

Saturday, October 24, 2009 5:00 p.m.

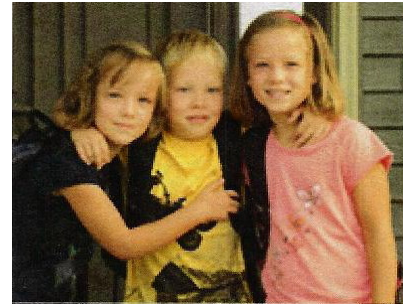
Lector: Lois Anderson
Commentators: Laura Hestbeck
Communion: Shanon Swanson, Mary Pat Hestbeck, Chuck Debevec
Gifts: Opatz Family
Ushers: Ken Opatz, Dick Ordner, Al Petschl
Servers: Heather Fisher, Patrick Kasl

Sunday, October 25, 2009 9:00 a.m.

Lector: Debbie Prudhomme
Commentator: Kevin Smith
Communion: Jim Yanta, Sue Yanta, Beth Churchsmith
Gifts: Prudhomme Family
Ushers: Bill Peno, Craig Peterson, Gary Weiden
Servers: Blake Minke, Emma Peterson

Ouellette Children Benefit Dinner

Help support the Ouellette Children's Fund and attend a benefit dinner. These three children pictured below lost their parents this summer: Morgan and Lauren (8) and Colin (10). It takes place Tuesday, October 27 in the C.E. Jacobson Elementary cafeteria in Rush City. The spaghetti dinner is from 6:00-8:00 p.m. and musician Jack Pearson will perform at 7:30 p.m. The event also features a raffle. Tickets are available for \$1.00 for one or \$5.00 for six. More information on bulletin board.



Fall Clean-Up



To all parishioners that can help clean up the grounds here at the Church of Sacred Heart, we will be meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 24. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Snowbirds

We would be happy to send a bulletin to all the parishioners who go away for winter. If you would like us to send you the bulletin, please get your schedules to us here at the Parish House, along with your addresses.

Fairview Lakes HomeCaring and Hospice

Hospice volunteers provide companionship to people living with a serious illness and help their family caregivers in a variety of ways. Hospices also rely on volunteers to help with office work, fund raising, community outreach and other operational areas.

All hospice volunteers complete standardized training. Then, as part of the Hospice Team, they offer comfort and support during a very special time in people's lives. Hospice volunteer training sessions will be held **from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday October 28 and Thursday October 29, 2009** at the Fairview Lakes Chisago Clinic on Hwy 8 in Chisago City. Both sessions are required. If you or someone you know is interested, contact Hospice Volunteer Coordinator *Tara Stein* at 651-257-7840 or 1-800-314-3328.

Conference for Teens and Parents

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in New Brighton, in cooperation with Totus Tuus Catholic Youth Organization presents: *Be Not Afraid: Building a Culture of Life and Love*. The keynote speaker is Fr. Peter West. This is scheduled for Friday, October 30, 2009 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. and Saturday, October 31, 2009 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Bishop Lee Piche will preside at Friday Evening Mass. The cost is \$25 per person with \$100 family cap before October 23 and \$35 per person after October 23. Cost includes Saturday lunch. For more information, call Libby at 651-633-8333, Ext. 1218 or Terry at 612-418-5375, or www.totustuuscoyo.com. See details on the bulletin board.

Vocation Views

Jesus' life was the best "Job Description": sympathy, mercy, service, compassion, total giving. Life is so rewarding when one really lives for others, rather than just trying to make all people serve the self. Do you want to serve or be served?

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October 14, 2009

My dear friends,

I write this with a deeply grateful heart, at the same time it's heavy. I'm overwhelmed by the outpouring of love and affection for me at the farewell events. I would love to thank you all individually but since I won't have a chance to meet you all personally again, I express my sentiments through this letter.

The Saturday night's potluck, Sunday morning's brunch and the open house were all well organized. I'm sure many hard working hands were behind them all. I thank you all. A word about the quilt so discreetly organized and so beautifully made. It blew my mind off. It has captured many important moments of my ministry here along with a few families and activities; a wonderful keepsake indeed. I hope I'll find a fitting place for its display. God bless you all.

I sat down to read all the cards made by our young people. It was hard to control my emotions. Every one of them expresses love and appreciation in unique ways. I realize it was just my presence here that made a difference in these young lives. To all the young people I say, 'God bless you, I'll miss you too.' I thank all the teachers who organized those cards. I treasure them.

In the course of the potluck, the brunch and the open house many of you brought in cards which express your sentiments so beautifully. Some of them had gift checks and presents in them. I appreciate your kindness and generosity. I hope I would be able to thank you individually later. Many of you have written your precious sentiments in the Memory Book; I cherish them. They are a valuable source of support for me.

The parish of Sacred Heart is a great faith community and it will remain so. The integrity and intimacy of this small community is of great importance to the future generations. The Archdiocese is aware of it and has started a process of appointing a pastor to this great community. Since that process may be slow, an Interim Parish Life Administrator is appointed in the person of Pat McCauley, whom you will eventually meet. Next week a team from the Archdiocese is coming in to visit the Church, parish staff and other representatives of the faith community.

In the meantime for weekend masses there will be visiting priests coming to Rush City. For other emergency needs there will be deacons and priests from the neighborhood available. During this time of transition I exhort everyone to be open and available to the various needs that may arise here, and keep praying for a new pastor.

Once more I thank you. All of you are in my thoughts and prayers. Let us be united in prayer.



Fr Xavier Thelakkatt