

Readings for the Week

Go to www.sacredhearttrushcity.org. Access the Readings under "Daily Bread" or go to Ministries - Lectors and click the link at the bottom of the page to listen to the readings.

Animal Blessing

We will have our annual animal blessing in the grotto at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, October 1. All animals are welcome. Faith Formation classes will meet in the grotto at 6:30 p.m. Unfortunately, animals are not able to stay for class!

Recycle Aluminum Cans

Fall cleaning is here We have a trailer behind the garage for your aluminum cans. All funds benefit our Youth Group and are appreciated.

****Weekend Offerings * ***

Envelopes (71)	\$1,421.00
Plate	\$ 445.75
Children (16)	\$ 22.66
Building Maint.	\$ 15.00
Total	\$1,904.41
Budgeted Amount	\$2,425.00

**** Church Donations ****

Faith Formation	\$1,695.00
Prison Ministry	\$ 461.50
Total	\$2,156.50

**** Other Donations ****

Cathedral	\$ 15.00
Total	\$ 15.00

Genuine Hypocrites

"I hate showing off my piety in public" a woman told me. That was her excuse for missing Sunday celebrations. "Welcome to the real church" I said. I told her the story of a bishop invited to the home of a millionaire for dinner. The host at one point said to the bishop "You know, bishop, I never go to church." "How come?" asked the bishop. "There're too many hypocrites in the church." The bishop shot back: "Oh, no. Don't let that bother you. There's always room for one more." In fact, who is the greater hypocrite?

When one pretends to have virtues and principles, but his/her actions belie it all, we call him/her a hypocrite. Unfortunately hypocrisy is on the increase. One who accuses others of hypocrisy need not be free of it. It is true actions in accordance with one's deep convictions that make one genuine.

In the Gospel this week we have a "yes" son and a "no" son. Their responses in words to the father's command were different. However, for the father what was important was their response in action. Whether we belong to Jesus or not, depends upon our genuine response to him in action, not mere words. Jesus, who forgave the tax collectors and prostitutes, is often forgiving of our failures in external manifestations.

~Fr Xavier

Custodial Position Available

Sacred Heart is in need of a seasonal custodial person to work December through April. The schedule is flexible with 4-5 hours per week. Interested persons please contact Mary at the Parish Office at (320)358-4370.

Prayer Corner

We pray for our Faith Formation program, that our students and teachers may embrace it with enthusiasm and sincerity!



This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, September 28

6:30 pm Gamblers' Anonymous

Monday, September 29

6:30 pm Bible Study

Wednesday, October 1

8:30 - Noon Adoration
 6:00 pm Youth Choir
 6:30 pm Animal Blessing
 6:30 pm Faith Formation
 6:30 pm Confirmation Orientation

Thursday, October 2

1:00 - 3:00 pm Cards
 7:00 pm Liturgy Committee Mtg
 7:00 pm RCIA

Saturday, October 4

4:00 pm Lifeline

"Work is no disgrace; the disgrace is idleness"

Mass Intentions

For the Week of September 28 - October 4

Tues	8 am	Word & Communion
Wed	8 am	Word & Communion
Thurs	8 am	Word & Communion
Friday	8 am	Word & Communion
Sat	5 pm	Mary Froelke †
Sun	9 am	Parishioners

Happy Anniversary!

Kevin and Claire Smith (27 years)
 Richard and Patricia Mihm (47 years)
 Richard and Bonnie Ordner (41 years)
 Steven and Colleen Larson (13 years)



Birthdays of the Week

9-28 Erin Tomczyk **9-29** Brandon Koehnle, Robyn Koehnle **9-30** Eugene Carlson, Ashley Masters, Steven Waters **10-1** Todd Dosch, Barbara Hjelm **10-2** Brian Anderson, Melania Kuehn, Kevin Smith **10-3** Aaliyah Banks, William Connor, Joshua Dahl, Jackie Moore, Mary Stenger **10-4** Denise Hemmer, Jonathan Hjelm, Dean Kruchten, Ashton Langworthy, Mark Murphy, Timothy Roth

Happy Birthday

Cemetery Clean-up

A reminder to please remove old flowers and breakable pots from the cemetery.

Saints of the Week

Sept 29 *Michael, Gabriel, and Raphael, archangels;* These biblical messengers signify God's transcendence and loving care: Michael (meaning "Who is like God?"), Gabriel ("God's Strength") and Raphael ("God's Remedy"); Michael: patron of security forces and of the sick; Gabriel: of telecommunications and the postal service; Raphael: of travelers and the blind.

Sept 30 *Jerome, priest, doctor of the Church;* † 420 at Bethlehem; from Dalmatia; devoted monk and ascetic; wrote numerous commentaries on and authored Latin ("Vulgate") translation of the Bible; one of the four great doctors of the Latin Church; patron of scripture scholars; *ignoratio Scripturarum ignoratio Christi est* ("Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ.").

Oct 1 *Thérèse of the Child Jesus, virgin, doctor;* Thérèse Martin, the "Little Flower", † 30 Sept. 1897 of tuberculosis in the Carmel of Lisieux at age 24; born in Alençon; contemplative who, in her biography, *The story of a Soul*, urged all to follow "the little way"; proclaimed doctor of the Church by Pope John Paul II, 19 October 1997; patroness of the missions, of florists, and of France; secondary patroness of the Apostleship of Prayer.

Oct 4 *Francis of Assisi, religious;* † 3 Oct. 1226; noted for his charismatic personality, deep compassion for all, and love for God's creation; renounced wealth to follow "Lady Poverty"; deacon; founded the Order of Friars Minor (today numbering 15,800 religious), the Poor Clares, and the Third Order; later branches include the Capuchins (11,250) and the Conventuals (4,600); wrote *Canticle of the Sun*; received the stigmata 14 sept. 1224; canonized only two years after his death; patron of ecologists and of Italy.

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

Saturday, October 4, 2008 5:00 pm

Lector: Rick Drevecky
Commentator: Chelcie Gamache
Communion: Chuch Debevec, Jeanne Kay
Bev Mollberg
Gifts: Stenger Family
Ushers: Bob & Tom Waters, Jim Thorn
Servers: Eddie Johnson, Ashley Masters

Sunday, October 5, 2008 9:00 am

Lector: Judy Anderson
Commentator: Laura Hestbeck
Communion: Mary Pat Hestbeck, Elsie Moore
Jim Noon
Gifts: Wegleitner Family
Ushers: Dennis Kaufmann, Tom Kost
Bill Peno
Servers: Blake Cook, Sarah Gamache

Harvest Supper & Bake Sale

Calvary Lutheran Church in Rush Point is having a Harvest Supper and Bake Sale on Thursday, October 9 from 4:30 - 7:00 pm. Ticket prices are \$8.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children ages 6-12, and children under age 5 are free. Bake sale proceeds go toward medical expenses for community member Amy Bridenstine recently diagnosed with Leukemia. All are welcome!

Turkey Dinner

First Evangelical Lutheran Church of Rush City is holding a Turkey Dinner next Sunday, October 5 from 11:00 - 1:30 pm. Carry-out dinners are available. Advance tickets can be purchased at their Church Office, Rush City Hardware, or Fabrics, Fashion & More.

Those Who Need Our Prayers

Joe Bergstad, Donald Dahl, Mark Diedrich, John Gorman, Mike Granlund, Millie Johnson, Carrie Kirchberg, Clarence McDonald, Betty Odendahl, Cecilia Ott, Renee Schmidt, Vivian Peltier, Louise St. Hilare, Delia Stai, and Sharon Westman.



Mass of God's Children

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you"

~ Jeremiah 1:5

Parents who have experienced the loss of a baby before or after birth are invited to attend an Archdiocesan Mass of God's Children at 7:00 pm on Tuesday, October 7 at Nativity of Our Lord Catholic Church, 1900 Stanford Avenue, St. Paul. Mass will be followed by fellowship downstairs in Steiner Hall. Grandparents, siblings, other family members and friends are welcome. There will also be an opportunity to donate a memorial/grief box in memory of your baby. The Mass is sponsored by Nativity Parish and by God's Children, a ministry sponsored by the Archdiocesan Office for Marriage, Family & Life. For more information, or to volunteer, please call (651) 291-4488.

Marriage Encounter

Give your marriage the best gift possible! Attend the October 11-12 Marriage Encounter held at the Dakota Ridge Hotel on 35E and Yankee Doodle in Eagan. Call (651) 454-3238 or visit online at www.marriages.org for more information.

Saint Paul Seminary Collection

Next weekend at all the Masses, a second collection will be taken up for the Saint Paul Seminary. We will hear about the many good things happening at our seminary and its work to form more good priests for the Church. All funds collected that weekend will directly benefit our seminarians through the seminary's *I Will Give You Shepherds* campaign. Watch for a special section on SPS in the September 25 edition of The Catholic Spirit. For more information or to make a gift online, visit www.saintpaulseminary.org.

Vocation Views

We cannot act overly proud just because we have responded to God's call. Responding is our duty and source of happiness; serving God with perseverance and happiness fulfills us.

Bible Study

Bible Study will continue on Monday, September 29th in the Parish House at 6:30 PM. Our discussion will focus on Matthew Chapter 19: Jesus on Marriage and Divorce. All are welcome to join us. ~Deacon Larry

RCIA

RCIA will meet Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the Parish House. We will reflect on the Gospel for Sunday, October 5. Our topic for the evening is "Who Is God The Father." Join us to learn more about your faith and welcome our new candidates. ~Deacon Larry

Box City - Sleep Out for the Homeless

Our Youth Ministry Directors, Dan & Lil, would like to invite all of the junior high and high school youth to join them in a "Sleep Out" for local homeless families in our area. The event is called Box City, and is being held at the Isanti County Fairground on Friday, October 24. The group will be spending the night in a cardboard box (or a tent) to support and raise awareness for the homeless. **Please pick up a flyer and sponsor form at the church entrances.** Our goal is for each youth to raise \$100 in sponsorship as a donation to New Pathways, located in Cambridge. New Pathways is the only homeless shelter that provides comprehensive support services for families with children in Isanti, Chisago, Pine, Kanabec and Mille Lacs Counties. Families are invited and welcome to participate as well. Informational posters are posted.



Please support our "Camp"aign!!

Orientation to Confirmation Program

Parents of all 9th and 10th grade students will gather together for an orientation to Sacred Heart's Confirmation Program this Wednesday, October 1. We look forward to meeting parents and Godparents. Please R.S.V.P. your attendance to the 10th grade confirmation teacher, Dan Weber, or the 9th grade confirmation teacher, Lil Jungels.



Sacrament of Reconciliation Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist

Parents of 2nd grade Faith Formation students will gather together for an orientation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist at 6:30 pm on Wednesday, October 8, 2008. If children were not baptized at Sacred Heart please bring a copy of your baptismal certificate with you to this meeting.