

Readings for the Week

Go to www.sacredheartrushcity.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.

Parish Staff Team Opening

Sacred Heart is seeking parishioners to apply for an opening on the Parish Staff Team. The position is Bulletin Editor/Public Relations. This is a great opportunity for someone with general secretarial and computer skills. Contact Mary Petschl at (320)358-4370 for more info.

****Weekend Offerings ****

Envelopes (65)	\$1,571.00
Plate	\$ 384.00
Children (2)	\$ 2.00
Total	\$1,957.00
Budgeted Amount	\$2,425.00

**** Church Donations ****

Youth Ministry	\$ 495.70
Candles	\$ 7.45
Bulletin Ad	\$ 100.00
Total	\$ 603.15

**** Other Donations ****

Sabbatical Fund	\$ 50.00
Total	\$ 50.00

Prayer Corner

We pray for all the grandparents, on this Grandparent's Day, that they are blessed with good health and happiness.



Our Human Church

A woman came to talk about her baby's baptism. "Do I need two godparents? Do they have to be Catholic?" Those were her concerns. I sat her down to explain what being a godparent meant. But she became rather impatient and demanded to know if the godparents had to be Catholic. I told her that at least one had to be so because of the very nature of that responsibility. "Too many regulations in this church; maybe I will have my own church" she complained and walked away. It was hard for me to watch it. Why does the Church have all these regulations?

We can think of an 'our own church' with no rules. In fact there are some churches that advertise themselves like that. But the Church Jesus founded is composed of human beings. As a gathering of human beings in his name (Mt 18:20) church has certain disciplines and procedures. The gospel speaks of some such procedures followed in the early community. According to Mathew, Jesus himself gave those directives (Mt 18:15-20). As a human society, church needs them because we care for one another and are responsible for each other. We cannot forget that church is a very diverse community of human beings, and as such, some regulations are inevitable. ~Fr Xavier

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary is customarily celebrated on **September 8**. This began in the 5th century as the anniversary of the dedication of the Basilica in Jerusalem built on the site of the home of Joachim and Anne, parents of the Virgin Mary.

Adoration on Wednesdays

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a very popular devotion in the Church. We have this devotion every Wednesday from 8:30 am to Noon. Sign up in the back of the church to participate.

This Week at Sacred Heart

Sunday, September 7

6:30 pm Gamblers' Anonymous

Wednesday, September 10

8:30 - Noon Adoration

6:30 pm CCW Meeting

Thursday, September 11

1:00 - 4:00 pm Project Group

6:30 pm 9/11 Mass in Grotto

7:00 pm FF Teachers Meeting

"I don't care how poor a man is; if he has family, he is rich"
~Colonel Potter, M*A*S*H

Mass Intentions

For the Week of September 7 - 13

Tues	8 am	Frances Debevec †
Wed	8 am	Mary Froelke †
Thurs	8 am	John & Anna Matera †
Thurs	6:30 pm	World Peace
Sat	5 pm	Gary McDonald †
Sun	9 am	Parishioners

Blood Drive

You can work miracles by donating blood. It is safe, simple, and it saves lives. The next Red Cross Bloodmobile will be on Monday, September 8 at First Lutheran Church from 1:00 - 7:00 pm.



Happy Anniversary!

Beth and Gary Churchsmith (17 years)

Dominick and Melinda Hermanson (8 years)

Elaine and Michael Robinson (30 years)

Joseph and Gina Mitchell (14 years)



Birthdays of the Week

9-7 Scott Corey, Rachelle Dosch, Bud Ertz, James Groshens, Thomas Jungels **9-8** Anthony Arcand, Eileen Kost **9-9** Julie Gamache, Zachary Peters **9-10** Marjorie King, Shirley Kirchberg, Chris Muellner, Jennifer Tryon **9-11** Claire Smith **9-12** David Campbell, Brandon Dosch, Samantha Luckoff, Tasha Truskolaski **9-13** Joanne Nelson, Judie Peltier, Cindy Rogers, James Yanta

Happy Birthday

Thanks from Center for Mission

Dear Fr. Thelakkatt:

I am writing to thank you, and the people of your Parish, for welcoming and supporting the missionary group that came to your parish recently under the Missionary Cooperation Plan of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Each year we participate in this face-to-face encounter with the efforts of one missionary organization so that we might personally share in the story of the Good News of Christ being proclaimed in one part of the world. Your effort continues the tradition going back to St. Paul who gathered assistance for the Church in Jerusalem as an act of communion and encouragement within the Body of Christ.

May our Missionary God continue to strengthen you in living out your own call to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ. Peace,
Deacon Mickey Friesen, D.Min.

Saints of the Week

Sept 9 *Peter Claver, priest; † 8 Sept. 1654; Catalan Jesuit who served in the Colombian mission in Cartagena; for thirty-eight years devoted to caring for African slaves, baptizing over 300,000; called himself "the slave of the slaves forever"; patron of Colombia and of all missions to black peoples.*

Sept 12 *The Most Holy Name of the Blessed Virgin Mary; God the Father is glorified by the exalted role in salvation of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Thus, her name is a name of honor, a holy name, a maternal name, and a name responsive to the needs of the Church.*

Sept 13 *John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor of the Church; † 14 Sept. 407; ascetic; became bishop of Constantinople (397); outstanding preacher (thus surnamed "golden mouthed"); defended the poor; sought reform of the clergy; twice exiled due to royal opposition; authored ascetical, apologetic, and polemical treatises as well as letters; one of the four great doctors of the Eastern Church; patron of preachers and of Istanbul.*

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

Saturday, September 13, 2008 5:00 pm

Lector: Mary Ann Lunseth
Commentator: Judy Anderson
Communion: Jeanne Kay, Chuck Debevec
Bev Mollberg
Gifts: Kay Family
Ushers: Jim Thorn, Bob & Tom Waters
Servers: Emma Peterson, Blake Minke

Sunday, September 14, 2008 9:00 am

Lector: Diana Granlund
Commentator: Kevin Smith
Communion: Alice Peshia, Fran Reding
Eileen Kost
Gifts: Peno Family
Ushers: Joe & John Gamache
Rodney Swanson
Servers: Kyler Sempel, Joseph Dahl

Bullying - Panel Discussion

Sandra McLeod Humphrey will lead a panel discussion of youth and adults on bullying as part of Fish Lake's "Expanding Understanding: A Faith and Life Speaker Series" on Sunday, September 14 at 3:00 pm. See the bulletin board for more information, call (651)674-4252 or online at www.fishlakelutheran.org.

Total LifeCare Centers' Pro-Life Banquet

Gordon Douglas, pro-life comedian, will be the featured speaker and entertainer at the Total LifeCare Centers' 11th Annual Banquet at the Sheraton Bloomington Hotel on Saturday, September 27. Tickets are \$60.00 and proceeds will help the 26 LifeCare pregnancy centers. For more information or to order tickets for an inspiring evening of fun and laughter, call Chicago Lakes LifeCare Center at (651)257-2550.

Those Who Need Our Prayers

Butch Anderson, Donald Dahl, John Gorman, Mike Granlund, Carrie Kirchberg, Clarence McDonald, Betty Odendahl, Cecilia Ott, Jared Petschl, Renee Schmidt, Vivian Peltier, and Sharon Westman.



Special Collection for Our Cathedral

Our beautiful Cathedral of St. Paul requires everyone's help! We urgently need to finish paying for the \$30 million replacement of the copper dome and roof. Please consider a sacrificial gift for this collection to assist with the remaining \$13 million debt. The *Cathedral Heritage Foundation* has been established to address our Cathedral's pressing restoration needs - none of the funds from this collection will go to the Cathedral parish nor Archdiocese. Envelopes for this special collection on September 13-14 will be available and checks should be made out to the *Cathedral Heritage Foundation*. Archbishop John Ireland relied on every Catholic's support to build this great monument of faith and so we need everyone's support now to preserve it for future generations. Thank you for your generous response! For more information call (651)228-1766 or visit www.cathedralsaintpaul.org.

Fr Xavier

Would you like to keep in touch with Fr Xavier? Find his address on our website along with links to his weekly blogs.

Marriage Encounter

The best things you can give children are good memories of a happy and loving home. The foundation of a loving home is a happy marriage. Come to a Catholic Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and make your marriage the best it can be - for you and for your family.

Upcoming weekends include October 10-12 at Kings House in Buffalo, MN, and November 21-23 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Prior Lake, MN. To register or to obtain more information, call (612) 840-7630 or visit our website at www.wwmesection8.org/.

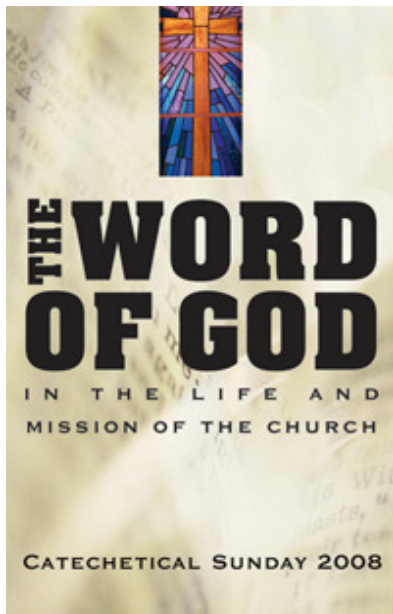


Vocation Views

How much would the world be changed if everyone were completely forgiving? Probably totally! Jesus' stories of forgiveness are so loved because they are so needed. Re-tell them! Re-live them!

Bible Study

In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus calls us to reshape our behavior, our speech, and our thinking according to the highest standards of what is right and good. Join the Monday evening Bible Study group as we continue to read and reflect on the wisdom of this Gospel. We will meet in the Parish House from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Sign up sheets are in the back of the church. All are welcome. ~Deacon Larry



Catechetical Staff 2008-2009

DRE	Debbie Prudhomme
Ages 3-K	Rachelle Major
1st grade	Ruth Tomcyk
2nd grade	Wayne & Elizabeth Herberg
3rd grade	Sue Roth
4th grade	Julie Gilbert
5th grade	Shanon Swanson
6th grade	Sheila Opatz
7th grade	Dave Prickett
7th grade	Chelcie Gamache
8th grade	Mark Prudhomme
8th grade	Jonathon Gamache
9th grade	Lil Jungels
10th grade	Dan Weber
RCIA	Larry and Marilynn Walker

RCIA

What associations come to mind when you hear the word “Catholic”? If you or someone you know is not baptized, is from another denomination and would like to know more about our faith, or is an adult Catholic not yet confirmed, consider this an invitation to join the RCIA group.

In September Sacred Heart’s RCIA will begin the journey toward Easter. Contact Deacon Larry Walker or call (320)358-4370 so you don’t miss out on the beginnings. The whole parish community is asked to please join with us, in your prayers for the participants, sponsors, and RCIA team. Thank you! ~Deacon Larry

Faith Formation

It is a pleasure to introduce our Faith Formation catechetical team to you for the year 2008-2009. These parishioners give of themselves in so many ways to our parish and deserve thanks and gratitude for their willingness to be so generous.

Although every baptized person has a responsibility to be a disciple and to give witness to the faith, some parishioners are called to hand on the faith in more formal ways such as a commissioned catechist.

Please extend with me your support for our teachers. The more support they receive from the community, the better they will be able to catechize. This is a demanding task. We ask for your prayers and support through volunteering in the various opportunities. Here are some unique ways to support our catechists:

- Hospitality for meetings & workshops
- Teaching aide
- Secretarial assistant
- Parking lot monitors
- Refreshment coordinator
- Craft Helper
- Music leader

The Word of God is vibrant and alive within us. Please consider volunteering in our program. Catechesis is a ministry that involves all ages and we look forward to everyone’s involvement.

~Debbie Prudhomme, DRE