Weekly Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:15 pm
Sunday: 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Weekdays: 8:30 am Tues., Wed. & Fri., 7:00 am Thurs., (Church)& 9:15 am Thurs. (Lake Shore Inn)
Televised Mass on Channel 8: 9:20 am Sunday and 4:00 pm Monday/Mediacom Channel 8 and 107.2

Reconciliation:
Saturday - 4:00 pm and
1/2 hour before Masses on Sunday
Baptism Preparation Sessions
Class for all expectant parents is required.
Marriage
Arrange at least 6 months in advance.
Parish Office Hours
9:00 am to 5:00 pm Monday thru Thursday
9:00 am to 1:00 pm Friday
Address: 111 NW 4th St. Phone: 835-1222
E-mail: office@sacredheartwaseca.org
Parish Website: www.sacredheartwaseca.org

Staff
Pastor: Fr. Gregory Leif 507-835-1222
Parish Deacon: Deacon Preston Doyle
Director of Music Ministry: Troy Anderson
Parish Office Manager: Kimberley Juarez
Parish Bookkeeper: Bill Kasper
School & Parish Custodian: Bradley Bartz
Faith Formation Office 835-1500
Faith Formation Co-Coordinators Gr. 5-12:
Shane Roessler & Edna Burns
K-4th Gr. Faith Formation: Marijo Fischer
RCIA: Barb Hoehn
Vacation Bible School:
School Principal: LeAnn Dahle 835-2780
School Administrative Assistant: Carly Broughten
Children’s House: Jenny Connors 835-2780
School Website: www.sacredheartschoolwaseca.com

Parish Councils & Boards
Parish Pastoral Council: Mike Fell
Finance Council: Jenny Bulfer
Welcome Team: Kathy Miller
Endowment Fund: Mary Williams
Board of Education: Megan Lynch

Parish & Diocesan Organizations
Knights of Columbus: Tom Metzdorff 461-2010
4th Degree Knights: Bob Carda 507-234-5752
Catholic United Financial: Barb Hoehn
Catholic Daughters: Lori Mickelson
Fall Festival: Kellie: 521-2266; Julie: 461-1646;
Angie: 837-9412; Marya Eustice: 461-1679
Social Concerns: Karen Johnson
Eucharistic Adoration: Laura Rohde 461-3123
Secular Franciscans: Carol Tollefson
Prayer Chain: Pat McShane 835-1298
Respect Life Ministry: Arlys Fell/Kathy Miller
St. Vincent de Paul help line: 507-201-7075

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit. A good person out of the store of goodness in his heart produces good, but an evil person out of a store of evil produces evil; for from the fullness of the heart the mouth speaks." - Lk 6:43, 45

"No hay árbol bueno que produzca frutos malos, ni árbol malo que produzca frutos buenos. El hombre bueno dice cosas buenas, porque el bien está en su corazón, y el hombre malo dice cosas malas, porque el mal está en su corazón, pues la boca habla de lo que está lleno el corazón". - Lc 6, 43. 45

8TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

Last week, we discussed the first paradigm shift: Institutional vs. Intentional. This week, we will be taking a look at the second paradigm shift: Engagement to Encounter. This shift is a tricky one to look at because of the misconceptions and traps that come from engaging people to live for Jesus. Many Catholics who are involved and know their faith often feel that the decline of people attending Mass can be solved if we were to offer more events, or opportunities of doing acts of charity.

This is not a wrong way to look at the situation, however, we are still looking at the surface of the issues instead of the root of the problem. As human beings, we are social creatures. We enjoy spending time with our family and friends! We like to have those intimate moments of deep faith sharing and connecting on a deeper level. We want to be able to trust each other and perhaps even be vulnerable when the time calls for it. All of this is the groundwork of engagement. We meet each person where they are at. We engage with them in activities so that it provides an opportunity. This is the beginning blocks of a true encounter of Jesus Christ.

Deacon Keith says, “Therefore, if we want to gauge the vitality and life of our parishes, the real question we should be asking is not ‘How many ministries or activities do we have available?’ but rather ‘How many disciples have we produced?’” This means how many people do we see having a relationship with Jesus by having a prayer life, being active in their faith and we see them going out into the community to disciple others as well.

From having an encounter with Jesus to having someone mentor us in our faith, we are called to be light of the world and salt of the earth. We can no longer be afraid and just sit on the sidelines because we don’t have the right words. We are doing a great act of making disciples by building a trusting relationship with someone by listening to their stories and sharing their time with each other. This is what Jesus did. He walked, traveled, prayed and ate with his disciples. These intimate encounters and shared experiences help us to find Christ within the present moment especially when He is a living God. This will take some time to develop this new Catholic culture within our parish. I ask of your continual prayers because Satan is not going to sit still when we are journeying to know God better through our times spent with him in prayer.

Sincerely,
Fr. Thê
Sharing the Gospel with Children
Sharing the Gospel
Let’s pretend we’re looking through a “blind” eye with a log stuck in it. You see how good you are compared to everybody else. You see other people stuck in sin, and you avoid them or hurt them with your words. Now let’s take that log out and look through a good eye. You see your own sins, and you know you need God’s kindness and forgiveness. You see other people stuck in sin, and you show God’s kindness and forgiveness to them.

Prayer
God, keep my eyes open to see my sins and your kindness. Give me a good heart.

Something to Draw
Draw a picture of one good eye and one bad eye with a log in it.

Mission for the Week
When you catch someone in sin (stealing, lying, using hurtful words) be kind. Remember your own sins, and show God’s forgiveness.

Readings for the week of February 27, 2022

Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16 (cf. 2a)/1 Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45

Monday: 1 Pt 1:3-9/Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9 and 10c/Mk 10:17-27

Tuesday: 1 Pt 1:10-16/Ps 98:1, 2-3a, 3b-4/Mk 10:28-31

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Dt 26:4-10/Ps 91:1-2, 10-11, 12-13, 14-15 (cf. 15b)/Rom 10:8-13/Lk 4:1-13

Lent will begin on Wednesday, March 2, 2022, with the children attending Ash Wednesday Liturgy. During this Lenten season, we will help your child better understand the meaning of Lent. We will talk about how we can pray, fast, and give alms in special ways throughout our lives but especially during the season of Lent. We will explain how we prepare ourselves during Lent to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus.

This would be a good time for you to share Lenten practices – set aside a special time for family prayer, attend Sunday Mass, Stations of the Cross, or a weekday Mass. Discuss fasting and giving of alms with your child. Decide what your family practice might be during this season of Lent. Lent is a good time for us to reflect on the unity of Christians in light of our common joy in the Resurrection. Together we can help your child grow to cherish this unity.

Yours In Christ,
LeAnn Dahle

Elementary Catholic School Principal
Waseca, MN

Sacred Heart Catholic School is a Preschool – 4th grade school located in Waseca, MN. Sacred Heart Catholic School currently enrolls 140 students with a professional staff of 12 and is accredited by the Minnesota Non-public School Accreditation Association. The position begins July 1, 2022.

The successful candidate must be a practicing Catholic and hold a minimum of a master’s degree; preferably a MN licensure in educational administration or a related field. Additional requirements include a minimum of five years of educational experience in elementary education, ideally in a Catholic school system.

Qualified applicants are invited to send a resume, cover letter, curriculum vitae, and list of references to: Sacred Heart Catholic School % Father Thé N. Hoang 308 West Elm Street Waseca, MN 56093

Applications must be completed by February 25, 2022 or until the position is filled with the appropriate candidate

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5-year minimum teaching experience
Send resumes or inquiries by 2/25/22 to: Father Thé N. Hoang frthehoang@gmail.com

Rosary Makers
Asking for donations to help us to continue to spread Mary’s call of saying the rosary, so she can intercede for us to her son Jesus. So far we have done 950 rosaries for military and 1000 rosaries for the missions, our local community, and for the Adoration Chapel.

Also, anyone interested in joining us to make rosaries, come the second Tuesday of each month from 10:00am to 12:00pm in the dining room of the Parish Center. We would love to have you.
Any questions call Judy Pipke 833-2511 or 507-351-5765
St. Katharine Drexel | March 3

With a family like hers, it's no wonder that St. Katharine Drexel (November 26, 1858 – March 3, 1955) grew up to become one of the first American-born saints. Born in Philadelphia in 1858, her mother passed away when she was only five weeks old. Her father, a renowned banker, remarried a wonderful woman, and together they raised St. Katharine Drexel and her two sisters in a life of privilege. Both financially and spiritually well-endowed, the Drexels were devout Catholics and set an excellent example of true Christian servitude with prayer and care for the poor.

After her father's death, St. Katharine Drexel gave up her inheritance and instead devoted her life to the material and spiritual well-being of black and native Americans. Mother Drexel, as she would become known as, established the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament for Indians and Colored, and together they opened a boarding school in Santa Fe, the first of 50 missions for Native Americans in 16 states. At 77, she suffered a heart attack and was forced to retire from active ministry. She spent the next 20 years of her life in quiet yet intense prayer. She died at the age of 96 and was canonized in 2000 by Pope John Paul II.

Eucharistic Adoration Notes

Jesus asks each and every one of us to come to Him when we are heavy laden and He will give us rest. In Eucharistic Adoration we give Jesus great honor. We join in His suffering by acknowledging our need for God and dependence upon Him -- our creator.

The goal of Eucharistic Adoration, practiced around the world for centuries, is to connect the reception of the Holy Eucharist at Mass and then act on His invitation to love. Whatever draws you there, you will receive the grace and peace of Jesus Christ. And the fruits of the Holy Spirit will reach through you into your family and your community.

Please prayerfully consider signing up this weekend at the Masses for a regular weekly hour of Eucharistic Adoration. Current adorers will keep their same hour, unless they want to change. We have a substitute process in place when needed. The new schedule begins Ash Wednesday. Consider how this devotion can be an important part of your Lenten journey. God asks softly and sometimes boldly, and never gives up on us! That little nudge, or strong realization, might be the voice of God hoping you will say Yes to His invitation to “watch an hour with Him” each week. May you be truly blessed day by day and hour by hour. Contact 461-3123 for more information.

For the Week of ….

February 26– March

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26
5:15 pm  Mass † Jerry James

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27
8:00 am  Mass † Marie Cunningham
10:00 am  Mass † People of Sacred Heart

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 28
5:00 am Monday to 5:00 pm Friday  Eucharistic Adoration

TUESDAY, MARCH 1
8:30 am  Mass † Don Jewison

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2 Ash Wednesday
8:30 am  Mass † Leo Hoehn

THURSDAY, MARCH 3 St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin
7:00 am  Mass † Elaine Jones

FRIDAY, MARCH 4 St. Casimir
8:30 am  Mass † Virginia Collins

SATURDAY, MARCH 5
5:15 pm  Mass † William Frederick

SUNDAY, MARCH 6 1st Sunday of Lent
8:00 am  Mass † People of Sacred Heart
10:00 am  Mass † Thomas Hernandez

LENT IS COMING! Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from Sacred Heart Church on March 2. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.
**Youth Faith Formation Topics: February 27th – March 5th**

**Confirmation:** No class. Candidates are given this time to work on their Saint reports and letters to the Bishop at home. An initial draft of these should be ready to share with Fr. Thé during closing interviews on March 6th/March 13th. Final drafts are due March 27th.

**Sun. Feb 27th @ 7:00-8:30 PM**

**Pre-Confirmation:** “More than Meets the Eye”. The goal of this night is for teens to recognize sacramentals and be able to distinguish between the seven sacraments and the many sacramentals. The teens will be exposed to a variety of sacramentals so that they will be more aware of them and their deeper meaning when they see them.

**Ash Wednesday Mass** - Wed. March 2nd @ 6:30 PM.

All K-8 Faith Formation youth should attend and sit with their families. There is no class before or after the Mass.

**No Classes on Wed. March 9th – Eucharistic Miracles Exhibition @ St. Ann, Janesville.**

Faith Formation classes on 3/9 have been cancelled to allow the youth and their families to view the Eucharistic Miracles exhibits any time between 3 pm-9 pm. Attendance to this unique event is strongly encouraged but is not required.

**Camp Summit 2022 registration is open! Reserve your spot before April 1st.**

Camp Summit is an overnight Catholic adventure camp for middle school youth entering grades 6-8. Nestled in the bluffs of Lanesboro, Minnesota, Camp Summit provides a fun, formative, and faith-filled experience for parish groups throughout the Diocese of Winona - Rochester.

Our parish group is attending Camp Summit August 1-4. Cost is $300 per person. Please make payments to Sacred Heart Church. Visit the parish Faith Formation page for more details and to register.

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**40 Cans For Lent**

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring this event designed to help fight hunger. This is an opportunity to take a small sacrifice and turn it into a big difference in the lives of others. As you prepare for Easter by sacrificing during Lent, remember the 40 days and nights that Christ spent in the desert, without food or water, praying and preparing for His sacrifice on behalf of mankind. The KC’s challenge each per-son/parish family to donate one can of food per day during the 40 days of Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Easter Sunday. Drop off your cans at any time throughout Lent in the church entrance and the KC’s will deliver them to the Waseca Area Neighborhood Assistance Program (WANAP).