

Weekly Mass Schedule

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Weekdays 8:30 am Tues., Wed. & Fri.,
7am Thursday, Sat 5:15pm

Televised Mass on Channel 8 9:20 am Sunday
and 4:00 pm Monday/Mediacom Channel 8 and
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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

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Church of the SACRED HEART

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 29, 2021

"Committed for Life, Service & Sacrament"



22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

He summoned the crowd again and said to them, "Hear me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile." - Mk 7:14-15

22º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Después, Jesús llamó a la gente y les dijo:
"Escúchenme todos y entiéndanme. Nada que entre de fuera puede manchar al hombre; lo que sí lo mancha es lo que sale de dentro". - Mc 7, 14-15

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The one question that I received a lot is how does a person remain faithful to God when all seems to be lost or useless? I would like to spend some time talking about this topic in this bulletin article.

The question about how to remain faithful in times of desperation can be summarized into one word: desolation. This is a term that St. Ignatius uses in his 14 rules of discernment. There are two types of desolation. It can be either considered as spiritual desolation or non-spiritual desolation. St. Ignatius describes this desolation as a point where a person who is striving for holiness is met with great adversity in his/her life. They do not know what to do next. They know that they should continue to be faithful to God, but there is a lingering doubt of this faith or these prayers may not work at all. What used to be a life-giving activity of praying to God and enjoying his presence has become a chore and very burdensome to our weary soul.

We keep telling ourselves that we have to be faithful and things will get better, this works for a bit but the sadness and frustration just seems to plague us wherever we go. It is in these moments that we should stay the course. Don't make any haste decisions because the devil wants to rob us of the graces that God has in store for us. The Devil doesn't want us to live in the truth of our identity as beloved children of God nor have a deep relationship with God. He chose to step away from God's love and is suffering from this sinful act of pride. He doesn't want anyone else to enjoy God's love and his blessings.

How do we remain faithful then?

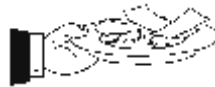
Suffering and waiting for God's response are not bad things. We are not being punished by God, but things happen in life. God is helping us to deepen our love. Suffering is a part of our world with the emergence of sin and it causes lots of confusion at times. WE should be honest with ourselves when this happens and ask these big questions.

1. **How often have I prayed this?**
2. **Have I gone to Mass on a weekly basis?**
3. **When was the last time that I went to confession?**
4. **How much time have I spent on my phone, tv, or any tech devices?**

If we answer from 1 to 3 with little time, that's a good indication that we have been living for ourselves instead of focusing on Jesus. Let's strive to make questions 1 and 3 our primary focus.

Sincerely,

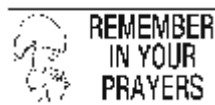
Fr. Thê



Offering of First Fruits

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Adult Envelope	\$ 5,252.27	\$38,271.99	\$80,264.11
Other Income	\$ 56.73	\$ 1,384.40	\$16,510.08
Total Income	\$ 5,309.00	\$39,656.39	\$96,774.19
Expenses Year to Date	\$129,563.33		
YTD Income/Deficit	\$ (32,789.14)		

	Goal	Pledged to date
Catholic Ministries Appeal	\$ 49,284.00	\$ 27,305.00
# of Donors	Percent to goal	Remaining Balance
103	55.40%	\$ 21,979.00



Please remember in your prayers all those of our parish who are ill or injured, especially, **Leo Hoehn, Jean Byron, Marlene Robinson, Darcy Barnes, Donna Harguth, Richard Olsen, Tom Collins, Lowell Denn, Lorelle Sexton, Harold Schlepp, Jeanne Hofmeister, Loraine Smith, Ardith Kohnert, Russ Ingram, Harlan Kern, Theresa Neigebauer, Angel Teran, Betty McIntire, Carol Anthony, Esther Ouevedo, Rich Perreault, Norma Bonnie-Baffoe, Marilyn Smith, Max Lande, and Virginia Collins.** Call the parish office at 835-1222 if you or anyone you know is in need of prayers.

Farwell from Sister Lois.

Medical needs this summer calls me to leave quickly and go the Dubuque, Iowa for observation by my Franciscan Sisters Community. Thus, I left Waseca August 5th. I am disappointed that I could not give face to face farewells after 14 years of ministry and volunteer service in the parish and Waseca community. Together we fostered growth, shared joys, struggles, caring, and shared life experiences. May God's generous blessings be recognized in your daily life.

Gratefully,

Sister Lois Erpelding, OSF
3340 Windsor Ave.
Dubuque, IA 52001

Farewell Card Shower for Sister Lois...

Since Sister Lois left suddenly, she was not given a farewell from the parish showing our gratitude of her years of service to Sacred Heart and our community.

If you would like to send a card in appreciation you may send it to the address above.
Thank you.



Readings for the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Monday: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30

Tuesday: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37

Wednesday: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44

Thursday: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11

Friday: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39

Saturday: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5

Next Sunday: Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/
Mk 7:31-37 ©LPi

Sharing the Gospel with Children

Sharing the Gospel

Wash your hands before you eat! Did you know that rule came from God, so that we would stay healthy? In today's Gospel, the Pharisees liked to wash their hands and follow God's rules, only because they liked to show off. Don't be like those Pharisees. When you follow God's rules, do the right thing out of love for God.

Prayer

Dear God, help me to keep my heart clean, full of love for you and other people.

Something to Draw

Draw a picture of yourself cleaning up the dishes after a meal.



Mission for the Week

The next time you wash your hands, thank God that he made rules to keep us all safe, healthy and happy. ©LPi



“Why do your disciples not follow the tradition of the elders but instead eat a meal with unclean hands?” He responded, **“W**ell did Isaiah prophesy about you hypocrites, as it is written: **T**his people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me.”

— Mk 7:5b-6

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During this past school year we wrote several grants and secured donations to update our library. The room needed carpet, shelving and paint. As we removed shelves, books, and prepared for carpet removal we found out the library had tile under the current carpet, not concrete like all the other rooms in the building. For the safety of all in the building we contacted the company that completes our asbestos inspections to test the tile. Unfortunately asbestos abatement needs to be completed prior to the start of the school year. The abatement is scheduled for August 23-25, 2021. We did not anticipate this as all the other rooms in our building have concrete under carpeted areas not tile. Therefore this is an expense we were not expecting. The cost for the abatement will be approximately \$9,000. If you would like to help with this cost please contact Father Thê or LeAnn Dahle, at 835-1222. Thank you for your ongoing prayers and support as we take care of this project to protect our children and staff.

We will celebrate our new year together with a Picnic and Open House for Children's House Montessori and Sacred Heart School on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, at 5:30 p.m.

Feel free to call the school office (507-835-2780) or my cell phone (507-323-4912), to register new students or answer questions you may have concerning the 2021-2022 school year.

Have a blessed summer.

LeAnn M. Dahle

Question:

My friend has never heard of Christ and I want to share the Gospel with her but I'm afraid to. How do I share my faith?

Answer:

There are a lot of ways to bring up the topic of religion, without being judgmental or pushy. Begin by asking what her thoughts are about religion, or what her experience was growing up. Finding common ground is often easier than you think, because the questions and problems we have about God, the presence of evil, our purpose in life, and our relationship with God are universal concerns.

Why are you afraid? If you do not want to insult or offend someone, don't be pushy or judgmental. If you are uncertain about how to explain your own faith, do a little reading or practice with a friend. If you measure success only by this person converting, focus your attention more on beginning the conversation, not on bringing it to a perfect close! Faith is a journey of many acts of belief, many discussions about God, and many choices about how we practice what we preach. In some we will have great success; in others we will need forgiveness and perseverance. The most important thing to keep in mind is that the Holy Spirit is always at work and our most humble efforts can bear great fruit. Have faith in God because he has faith in you!

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Saint of the week, St. Gregory the Great Pope



Gregory was the prefect of Rome before he was 30. After five years in office he resigned, founded six monasteries on his Sicilian estate, and became a Benedictine monk in his own home at Rome.

Ordained a priest, Gregory became one of the pope's seven deacons, and also

served six years in the East as papal representative in Constantinople. He was recalled to become abbot, but at the age of 50 was elected pope by the clergy and people of Rome. Gregory was direct and firm. He removed unworthy priests from office, forbade taking money for many services, emptied the papal treasury to ransom prisoners of the Lombards and to care for persecuted Jews and the victims of plague and famine. He was very concerned about the conversion of England, sending 40 monks from his own monastery. He is known for his reform of the liturgy, and for strengthening respect for doctrine. Whether he was largely responsible for the revision of "Gregorian" chant is disputed.

Gregory lived in a time of perpetual strife with invading Lombards and difficult relations with the East. When Rome itself was under attack, he interviewed the Lombard king. His book, *Pastoral Care*, on the duties and qualities of a bishop, was read for centuries after his death. He described bishops mainly as physicians whose main duties were preaching and the enforcement of discipline. In his own down-to-earth preaching, Gregory was skilled at applying the daily Gospel to the needs of his listeners. Called "the Great," Gregory has been given a place with Augustine, Ambrose, and Jerome, as one of the four key doctors of the Western Church.

An Anglican historian has written: "It is impossible to conceive what would have been the confusion, the lawlessness, the chaotic state of the Middle Ages without the medieval papacy; and of the medieval papacy, the real father is Gregory the Great."

Reflection

Gregory was content to be a monk, but he willingly served the Church in other ways when asked. He sacrificed his own preferences in many ways, especially when he was called to be Bishop of Rome. Once he was called to public service, Gregory gave his considerable energies completely to this work. Gregory's description of bishops as physicians fits in well with Pope Francis' description of the Church as a "field hospital."

22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Weekly Schedule

**For the Week of
August 21-28**

SATURDAY, AUGUST 28

5:15 pm **Mass** † Russell Dahnert

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am **Mass** † Jolaine Burmeister

10:00 am **Mass** † People of Sacred Heart

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

5:00 am Monday to 5:00 pm Friday Eucharistic Adoration

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

8:30 am **Mass** † Irene Bourgeois

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

8:30 am **Mass** † Beverly & Keith Conway

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

7:00 am **Mass** † No Mass

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3 St. Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

8:30 am **Mass** † Donald Walter

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

5:15 pm **Mass** † Francis, Elaine & Ron Kramer

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 am **Mass** † Lawrence Johnson

10:00 am **Mass** † People of Sacred Heart



The Sacred Heart Education Endowment Fund Board thanks the Delores Powell Family for naming the Fund for memorials in their loved one's obituary. It is greatly appreciated.

Eucharistic Adoration Notes

God is our refuge and our strength every day everywhere, and always. We connect with Him when we truly abide in His Presence. Feel free to come to the chapel anytime for prayer, adoration, thanksgiving, and petition. He longs to be a priority in all of our lives...to abide in us.

"Those who live in the shelter of the Most High, will find rest in the Shadow of the Almighty. This I declare about the LORD, He alone is my refuge, my place of safety. He is my God and I trust Him. For He will rescue us from every trap, and protect us from deadly disease. He will cover us with His feathers, He will shelter us with His wings. His faithful promises are our armor and protection." (part of Psalm 91)

Jesus welcomes us to bring Him our worries and fears, and He will give us peace. When you visit the chapel just BE there and listen to His voice. Read through the many notebooks of petitions to pray for the requests of fellow parishioners, and add your own. There's a lot to pray for. You and your loved ones as well as the world's people are in our prayers.



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2021 SACRED HEART FALL FESTIVAL
SEPTEMBER 17-18-19

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CONCESSION STAND: Under the tent all 3 days.
FISH FRY: Friday 5-7 p.m. | \$10 (kids \$5)
BURGER FRY: Saturday 4:30-7 p.m. | \$10
CINNAMON ROLLS: Sunday after 8:00 a.m. Mass

CELEBRATE
PLAYGROUND GAMES | All Weekend
EARLY BIRD BINGO | Saturday Noon
SUPER BINGO | Saturday 2 p.m.
STREET DANCE | Saturday 6:30-10 p.m.
MOVIE | Saturday Approx. 7 p.m.
CHILDREN'S CARNIVAL | Sunday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
SUNDAY BINGO | Sunday 10 a.m.
BIG TICKET DRAWING | Sunday 1 p.m.

SHOP
LIVE AUCTION | Friday 6:30 p.m.
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Friday 5 p.m.-9 p.m.
Saturday Noon-8 p.m.
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WORSHIP
POLKA MASS | Saturday 10:30 a.m.
MASS | Sunday 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

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Remember Food Shelf is open during those hours for food pickup to anyone in need. No need for appointment, just walk in.

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry News and Notes

2021-2022 Registration Opens

Wednesday, September 1st

Class Days & Times

Classes begin the first week of October.

Grades K-4 Wednesdays 6:00-6:45 PM
Grades 5-8 Wednesdays 6:30-8:00 PM
Grades 9-12 Sundays 7:00-8:30 PM

Volunteers Needed

Wednesdays from 6:30-8:00 PM

- Small Group/Table Leader, Grade 5
- Small Group/Table Leader, Grade 6
- Small Group/Table Leader, Grade 7
- Small Group/Table Leader, Grade 8

Small Group/Table Leaders may volunteer every other week or once a month if unable to commit to all class dates.

If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Lisa at shffwaseca@gmail.com or (507) 835-1500.



Sacred Heart is looking for members and accompanists for the following groups:

Cherub Choir, 1st – 4th Grade, Marlys Froehle, froehle@sacredheartschoolwaseca.com

St. Ephrem Choir, 5th – 8th Grade, Sarah

Berry, berry.sarah_j@yahoo.com

Worship Team, 9th – 12th Grade, Mark Denn, marknancy-denn@hotmail.com

Treble Cantori, Women (all ages), Anne Clayton, amclayton@gmail.com

Men's Group, Men (all ages), Pete Zimmerman, phzimm63@gmail.com

Adult Choir, Adults (all ages), Toni Bauleke, tbauleke@hotmail.com

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| Pianists | All proficient pianists |
| Organists | All proficient organists |
| Instrumentalists | All proficient instrumentalists |
| Bell Players (special occasions) | Willing to learn |

If you have the talent and the desire, please consider joining one of these groups. Now is the time, as the groups are preparing for the new music year in our Parish. (But also remember, you can join at any time.)

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
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