

**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  
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

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**Staff**

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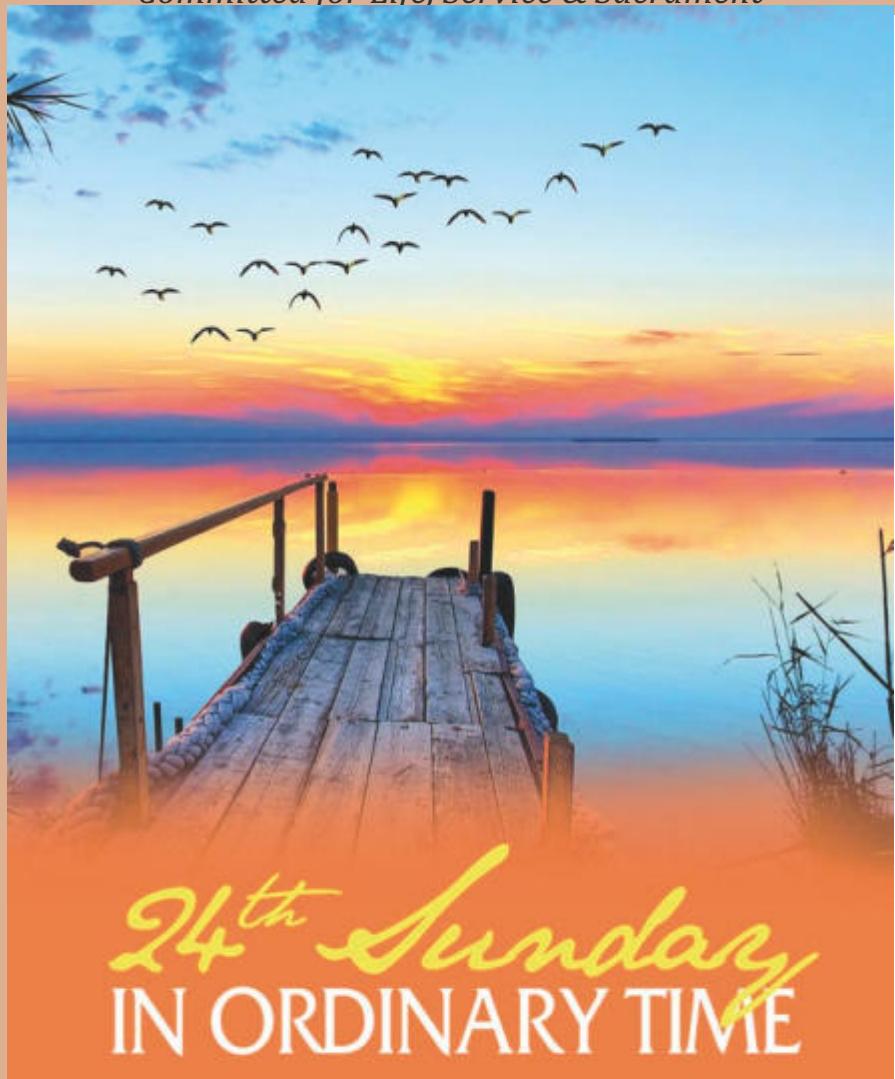
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24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 12, 2021

*"Committed for Life, Service & Sacrament"*



*24th Sunday  
IN ORDINARY TIME*

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." - Mk 8:34b

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Last week I wrote about remaining faithful and strong in prayer even when we want to give up. This week's bulletin article will be about faith. This virtue is needed in times of spiritual desolation because when everything is taken away from us the only thing that remains is our faith.

**150 Faith is first of all a personal adherence of man to God. At the same time, and inseparably, it is a free assent to the whole truth that God has revealed.**

This is the definition of faith from the Catechism of the Catholic Church. Faith has to be voluntarily chosen by the person and he/she is willing to put that faith in Jesus. Faith is a process and journey in discovering who God is through the various revelations that have been given to us through the Catholic Church especially in Sacred Scripture, Sacred Traditions, and the writings of the Church Fathers.

Faith helps us to trust in God even when things seem hopeless because we know that God is much more powerful than us and the forces found on earth. His glory continues to be shown and he continues to save souls even through the messes that we create. Faith is developing that trust that God will take care of my needs and the issues that I have in life. We also have to have the humility to allow ourselves not to worry about things that are out of our control.

It's when our need for control makes us ruminate about the past or any decisions that we make that we end up losing our peace and trust in Jesus. There was a story that I came across about St. John Bosco in many of his dreams. There was one time where the Blessed Mother of God led him into a beautiful garden where the paths were made out of roses. Our Blessed Mother told him to take off his shoes to walk on this path. It was very soft in the beginning but pretty soon his feet were cut and bleeding from the thorns of the roses. The bystanders didn't understand and commented on how lucky St. John Bosco was. This is a great analogy for us because we are called to be like St. John Bosco the path is our mission to be faithful to God, the roses are charity done towards others and the thorns represent the distractions and frustrations of life. We are called to be faithful to God and to never give up.

Sincerely,

Fr. Thê



## Offering of First Fruits

| May ending 8/2021  | Week          | Month to Date    | Year to Date  |
|--------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| Date               |               |                  |               |
| Adult Envelope     | \$ 3,200.85   | \$ 41,532.84     | \$ 83,624.96  |
| Other Income       | \$            | \$ 19,131.00     | \$ 31,310.08  |
| Total Income       | \$ 3,200.85   | \$ 60,663.84     | \$ 114,935.04 |
| YTD Income/Deficit | \$ 129,684.37 |                  |               |
|                    |               | \$ ( 14,749.33 ) |               |

| Catholic Ministries Appeal | Goal         | Pledged to date |
|----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 103                        | \$ 49,284.00 | \$ 27,305.00    |
|                            | 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 Oveedo, 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.

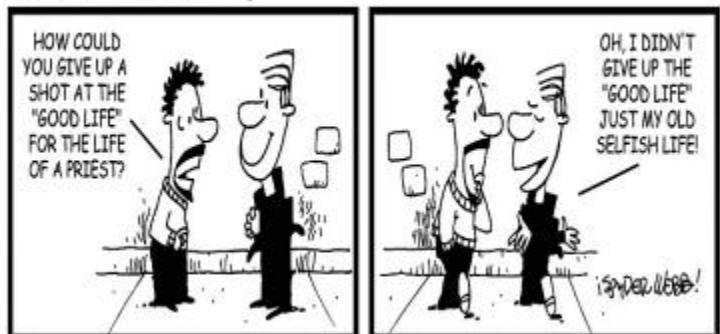


## The Courier

Hello, readers! The Courier's September 2021 issue is now available online:

[https://issuu.com/diocesefwinona/docs/september\\_for\\_page\\_1\\_e61b88160650a7?fr=sNzcwOTE3NjMzNjk](https://issuu.com/diocesefwinona/docs/september_for_page_1_e61b88160650a7?fr=sNzcwOTE3NjMzNjk) Thanks for reading!

24th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





### Readings for the week of September 12, 2021

**Sunday:** Is 50:5-9a/Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [9]/Jas 2:14-18/Mk 8:27-35

**Monday:** 1 Tm 2:1-8/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [1Cor 11:26b]/Lk 7:1-10

**Tuesday:** Nm 21:4b-9/Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38 [cf. 7b]/Phil 2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

**Wednesday:** 1 Tm 3:14-16/Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [2]/Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

**Thursday:** 1 Tm 4:12-16/Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10 [2]/Lk 7:36-50

**Friday:** 1 Tm 6:2c-12/Ps 49:6-7, 8-10, 17-18, 19-20/Lk 8:1-3

**Saturday:** 1 Tm 6:13-16/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2]/Lk 8:4-15

**Next Sunday:** Wis 2:12, 17-20/Ps 54:3-4, 5, 6-8 [6b]/Jas 3:16-4:3/Mk 9:30-37



Dear Parents,

As we prepare for the 2021-2022 school year I am very proud of the quality education we offer the students of our parish community. We pride ourselves on having a highly trained, caring, faith-filled staff and a parish community that supports our effort. Whether giving through church support, donations, and/or prayers your generosity is a great gift to future generations.

Our 2020-2021 school year was a challenge due to the pandemic. Father Thé, the teachers, and support staff successfully provided in-person learning for 132 students; preschool through fourth grade this year. We met the challenge with success and hope with your prayers and support we can continue with this mission for the 2021-2022 school year. Our enrollment for this school year has grown to approximately 142 students; preschool through fourth grade.

During this past year, we wrote grants and secured donations to update our school library. The library needed carpet, additional shelving, and paint. As we prepared this summer to replace the carpet we learned that asbestos tile lay beneath in this area. For the safety of our students and staff, asbestos abatement needed to be completed prior to the start of school. We did not anticipate this roadblock. All the other rooms in the building have concrete, not tile under the carpet areas. The cost for asbestos abatement will be approximately \$9,000. The asbestos abatement was completed this week. We are doing our best to get the library back in place by the start of the first day of school. If you have any questions or would like to help with this cost please contact Father Thé or LeAnn Dahle.

We will celebrate the start of the new school year on Wednesday, September 1, with an Open House and Picnic. Families will pick up back-to-school folders, meet teachers and visit classrooms! However, the second floor may still have the contents of the library in the hallway. We hope you will understand and extend grace as we continue to prepare for the start of school on Tuesday, September 7, 2021. We will continue to complete the project as the year progresses and hope to invite you back upon completion. Thank you for your patience.

We ask that you continue to pray for our safety, health, and success as we start this new school year with COVID still present in our daily lives. You may view our revised COVID Learning Plan on the school website. Thank you from all of us at Sacred Heart School and Children's House Montessori. We are blessed!

Welcome Back!!!

**LeAnn Dahle, Principal  
Sacred Heart School  
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**A**t this he turned around and, looking at his disciples, rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." He summoned the crowd with his disciples and said to them, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." — Mk 8:33-34

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## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

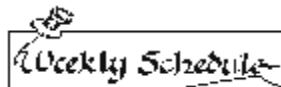
September 12, 2021  
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We need to get our bearings straight and properly lay life's cornerstone. Otherwise, the rest of our journey will be skewed, and our judgment clouded. We can recall Jesus' famous rebuke of Peter, "You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do." Even he, as one of Jesus' closest friends struggles with understanding things and grasping the big picture. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin (1881-1955) a renowned and learned French Jesuit priest often has these words attributed to him: "We are not human beings having a spiritual experience. We are spiritual beings having a human experience." Whether they were actually from his lips, they certainly mimic his thought. These wise words orient us and capture the essence of who we really are.

Many people consider spirituality an option. It is no wonder that they come to this conclusion when they predominantly define themselves using human terms and concepts. Immersed in this world view, they struggle finding any semblance of God because God does not work according to human expectations! This is especially true when suffering and death enter life's picture. If we are only human beings having a spiritual experience, then we wrongly expect our spirituality to serve us as we desire. The human expectation is that my spiritual life is something that is useful in avoiding pain, hardship, and death, not something that gives the courage to live through it!

So, when we protest and get upset with God because our journey is becoming difficult, painful, treacherous, disappointing, and even pointing us toward death, Jesus rebukes us as he did Peter and gently reminds us how to see. It is God who inspires and opens hearts to see truth and beauty. In God, the true meaning of things is understood, and we receive a depth of insight and understanding that is not found following purely human paths. It is not our task to understand God, as God is beyond human understanding. Ours is the joyful privilege of simply resting in God's presence simply because God is God and we are who we are. As spiritual beings having an exciting and adventurous human experience, it is in our DNA to do so. Through prayer we can let go and let be. This is how we lose our lives but then save them.

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## For the Week of .... September 11-19

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

5:15 pm **Mass** † Jon & Patricia Schiefelbein

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8:00 am **Mass** † Russ Clayton

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

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13 St. John Chrysostom, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

8:30 am **No Mass** †

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15 Our Lady of Sorrows

8:30 am **No Mass** †

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

7:00 am **No Mass** †

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs

8:30 am **Mass** † Mary Buenzow

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

5:15 pm **Polka Mass** † Dick Roessler, John Klug, & Bob Connors

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:00 am **Mass** † David Masberg

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

## Eucharistic Adoration Notes

How many times have we all wondered and reflected over the years on our identity as a person? Who are you really? Why were you born? It is not only part of our humanity to **know** ourselves, it's a very important question that we must all answer in order to grow spiritually and be grounded properly about our true nature, to be aware of our mission on earth...our role in the scheme of things. What does it take to fulfill our purpose as a disciple? Jesus teaches that we are to a) deny ourselves, b) take up His cross, and c) follow Him. God's invitations might seem unwelcome because they take us out of our comfort zone. They call us into learning, work and service that will involve labor and loss, and expose us to the risk of failure. Why in the world would we want to do that? Come to the chapel any time to share your heart and listen for God's guidance. Only if we trust the God who is inviting us and believe that His plans for us far surpass those we might construct for ourselves, will we **know**. Be in the Real Presence of Our Lord during time shared with Him in Eucharistic Adoration. It's one of the best ways to consistently, regularly develop a relationship with Him, meet with Him, spend time with Him. Several open hours are available, and even more so, there are many opportunities to sign up as a prayer partner each week. Whatever time you have to share only with Him is well spent.



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# 2021 SACRED HEART FALL FESTIVAL SEPTEMBER 17-18-19

**EAT**  
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 DRAWINGS | Sunday 1 p.m.

**SHOP**  
LIVE AUCTION | Friday 6:30 p.m.  
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 Saturday Noon-8 p.m.  
 Sunday 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

**WORSHIP**  
POLKA MASS | Saturday 7:30 p.m.  
 MASS | Sunday 8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

**FEATURING**  
Free Street Dance  
 LOS TEQUILEROS  
 Saturday, September 18, 6:30-10 p.m.  
 Food & Beverages Available



**Tent setup**

**Help is needed on Wednesday, Sept 15th to help set-up the tent at 4:00 pm and at 5:30 pm to help set-up tables and chairs.**

**Thank you in advance**

## Faith Formation/Youth Ministry News and Notes

### Register for 2021-2022 Youth Faith Formation

Visit <https://sacredheartwaseca.org/faith-formation> for program details and to print a registration form. Forms are also available at the Faith Formation table after Mass. Registrations are due by Thursday, September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Together, let's build a strong faith-filled community for our youth.**

We have an engaging and dynamic program planned for our 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders this year. To effectively pull this off, we need 4-8 more volunteers (adults or confirmed high school students). Envision yourself sitting with a group of 5-7 students after the main teaching is completed and guiding them through discussions, reflection sheets, personal prayer time, or creative activities so they can further understand what they learned. You can do this! Please take this opportunity to serve and grow in your faith.

To volunteer or ask questions, please contact Lisa at [shffwaseca@gmail.com](mailto:shffwaseca@gmail.com) or call (507) 835-1500.

**Jesus, Mary, and Joseph, pray for us!**

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

Cherub Choir, 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade, Marlys Froehle, [froehle@sacredheartschoolwaseca.com](mailto:froehle@sacredheartschoolwaseca.com)  
St. Ephrem Choir, 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade, Sarah Berry, [berry.sarah.J@yahoo.com](mailto:berry.sarah.J@yahoo.com)  
Worship Team, 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade, Mark Denn, [marknancydenn@hotmail.com](mailto:marknancydenn@hotmail.com)  
Treble Cantori, Women (all ages), Anne Clayton, [amclayton@gmail.com](mailto:amclayton@gmail.com)  
Men's Group, Men (all ages), Pete Zimmerman, [phzimm63@gmail.com](mailto:phzimm63@gmail.com)  
Adult Choir, Adults (all ages), Toni Bauleke, [tbauleke@hotmail.com](mailto:tbauleke@hotmail.com)

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

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.)



### Items needed for the Fall Festival...

- Pies, pies, and more pies for the Fall Festival Concession Stand. Fruit pies only please, as we do not have refrigeration available. Pies may be brought to the Parish Center on Friday and Saturday of the Fall Festival.
- Items for the Country Store
- Baskets for the Silent Auction

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