

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 8/107.2

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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Parish Website www.sacredheartwaseca.org

Staff

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Parish Deacon Deacon Preston Doyle

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RCIA Barb Hoehn

School Principal LeAnn Dahle 835-2780

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Food Service Director Marya Eustice

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School Website

www.sacredheartschoolwaseca.com

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Church of the SACRED HEART

Feast of the Holy Family

December 26, 2021

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THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

Entonces volvió con ellos a Nazaret y siguió sujeto a su autoridad. Su madre conservaba en su corazón todas aquellas cosas. Jesús iba creciendo en saber, en estatura y en el favor de Dios y de los hombres. - Lc 2, 51-52

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Merry Christmas to you and your family! We celebrate on this joyous day the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ! The Saviour of mankind and how we've waited so long for coming! We celebrate his birthday with a grateful heart.

Let's take the time to truly slow down and appreciate the great mystery that God would desire to become a part of His creation in one of the most unique ways ever. God became one of us through the birth of His Son Jesus Christ. This is what we call the Mystery of the Incarnation. Life before the arrival of Christ was messy, chaotic and violent. God had to keep making covenants with us over and over again because of our rebellious nature. We wanted to do things our way and we reaped the repercussions of our sinful ways. God did not want us to live like bonded slaves to sins. He wanted us to be free as children of God to be saved from our sins and to live with him for all of eternity.

He achieved this by sending us His Only Begotten son, Jesus, to come into the broken, sinful world to restore it through his life and death. It is one of the most humbling sights that the all powerful God would choose to become like his creation in all things except for sin. There is the Son of God as a newborn babe lying in a manger in a cold, dark, stable. What a stark contrast of the messiness of human life portrayed through the setting of a stable while the radiant beauty of holy innocence reflected in the face of Christ as a newborn babe.

There we have our lovely mother, Mary, as she gazes lovingly at her only son. She guards him silently with a mother's prayer for the protection of her child. St. Joseph stands firmly as he guards the welfare of the Holy Family.

At Sacred Heart Catholic Church and School, this is our mission to help instruct the future generations the beauty of our faith. We would like to encourage you and your families to remember us during this Christmas Season so that our Church can continue to be open for worship and our school to educate the future generations of strong Catholics for the world. I thank you so much for your wonderful generosity and I humbly beg of you to respond generously to God for all that he has given us.

Sincerely,

Fr. The



Offering of First Fruits

	Week	Month to Date	Year to Date
Adult Envelope	\$ 4,132.41	\$12,788.91	\$264,895.09
Other Income	\$ 4,132.41	\$ 459.01	\$275,092.15
Total Income	\$ 4,132.41	\$13,247.92	\$539,987.24
Expenses Year to date	\$424,722.40		
YTD Income/Deficit	\$115,264.84		

	Goal	Pledged to date
Catholic Ministries Appeal	\$ 49,284.00	\$ 33,925.00

# of Donors	Percent to goal	Remaining Balance
		\$ 15,359.00



Please remember in your prayers all those of our parish who are ill or injured, especially, **Jean Byron, Marlene Robinson, Darcy Barnes, Donna**

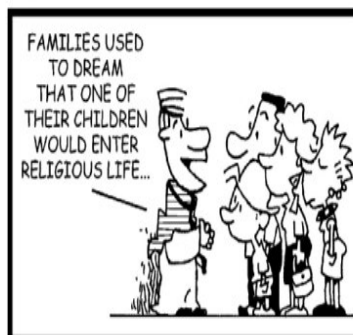
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Special Masses

Christmas Eve Mass December 24, at 4:00pm and 7:00pm
Christmas Day December 25, at 10:00am

HOLY FAMILY





Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52
 Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
 Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
 Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
 Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



As we celebrate the Christmas Season, I would like to take this opportunity to thank our parish community for their commitment to Catholic Education for the past 135 years. In 1886 the Sisters of the Holy Child Jesus of Philadelphia, invited by Father Alexander Christie, pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, agreed to build a school on the present site of the Treanor Campion Center or our current Parish Center. In 1905 administration of the school was transferred to the Franciscan Sisters of Rochester, MN.

Through the generosity of this parish community and those before us, we have provided a Catholic Education to children of our parish community without charging tuition. This makes our school and parish very unique. We are the only Catholic parish in the Diocese of Winona that provides this gift to our children. Through the stewardship efforts of those who have gone before us and you, all students may receive the gift of a Catholic Education.

As we continue to celebrate this tradition, we would like to invite the parish community and past alumni to join us for our Catholic Schools Week Celebration WinterFest, January 29 -30, at The Mill. Mark your calendar and join this celebration with our staff, families and their students.

Merry Christmas!
 LeAnn Dahle

Sharing the Gospel with Children

Sharing the Gospel

Imagine Jesus goes to your church today. After church, Mary and Joseph find him on the altar telling stories from the Old Testament to the priests and the Sunday School teachers. Mary and Joseph would be amazed. They would want Jesus to come home. Jesus would love his parents so much that he would go home with them. He will stay with them until he grows older, wiser, and stronger.

Prayer

Lord, teach me your Bible stories so that I can teach them to others.



Something to Draw

Draw yourself or Jesus talking to the teachers in your church.

Mission for the Week

I will always let my parents know where I am, so they won't worry.

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*And the Word became flesh
 and made his dwelling among us,
 and we saw his glory,
 the glory as of the Father's only Son,
 full of grace and truth.*

— Jn 1:14

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St. Stephen | Feast Day December 26

The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr. A man filled with grace and power, he worked great wonders among the people. Some Jews debated with St. Stephen but could not match his wisdom and spirit. Eventually, a charge of blasphemy was brought up against him, and the local population demanded that he be tried and sentenced. He was seized and carried before the Sanhedrin.

Despite the danger he faced, in front of the Sanhedrin and his accusers, St. Stephen gave a long speech about the history of Israel and the blessings that God had given upon His chosen people. He talked about how Israel had become disobedient despite God's abundant mercy. This enraged his accusers, and eventually the crowd dragged him out of the city and stoned him to death.

Even in his final moments, St. Stephen displayed great forgiveness and even asked God not to hold the sins of his attackers against them. Hundreds of years after his death, he is still a role model for us to follow. ©LPi

Ministry Corner

Attention We are looking for **Altar servers** and **Eucharistic Ministers** to help with Masses. Please contact the Parish office 835-1222 or email kjuarez@sacredheartwaseca.org



Coming Back to Church

Question:

I have been away from the Church for a few years and really want to get active again, not so much for me, but for my children. Is this a bad reason to come back to Church?

Answer:

If you are on your way to the supermarket, and you are forced to detour from your usual route because of road work, does the food you buy taste different? Is the meal less filling? Are the vegetables less tasty? Of course not. In our faith journey, there are many detours called sin. Some are greater than others, some are even a bit longer. But God's grace comes to us in ways we understand and recognize and need. Your children leading you back to the Church is not as important as the fact that you are back.

This is an opportunity for you to renew, strengthen, and deepen your faith. Regardless of how we get to Church, or what draws us closer to God, the fact is we are there. Do what you need to do to get right with God and the Church. Go to confession, begin good family religious practices, and be involved in the ministries your parish offers. Be more than a lukewarm parishioner. Be the kind of Catholic you want your children to be. ©LPi

Eucharistic Adoration Notes

ADORATION: Are you ready for the Greatest Gift of all? Rejoice and be glad as we wait in hope and love. May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child. And may Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you now and forever.

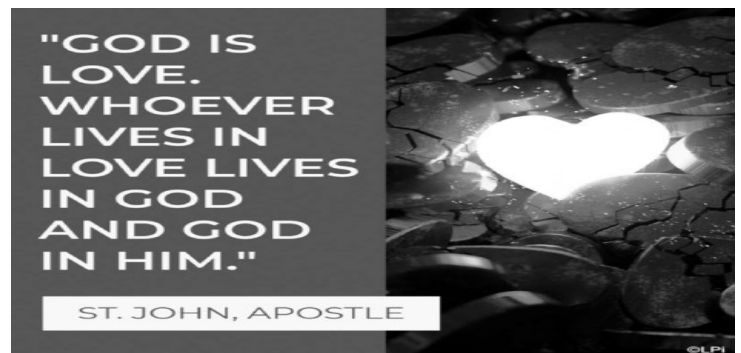
Adoration schedule at Christmas and New Year's: Adoration will close at 9:00 a.m. on Friday December 24 so that families and friends can plan to be together and welcome Jesus on Christmas Eve. The Blessed Sacrament remains treasured in the tabernacle. Jesus is still truly present! Come let us adore Him, Christ the Lord! It's really a great opportunity to come into a quiet peaceful church any time during Christmas. Bring your family and loved ones, reflect on the nativity scene, pray, share what's in your heart, rejoice, and just be in His Presence. Adoration will be open as scheduled New Year's Eve Friday December 31. If you need a substitute adorer, please place your name, date & time needed in the sub notebook and call your hourly captain.

Weekly Schedule

For the Week of
Dec, 24 – Jan

- SATURDAY, DECEMBER 25** The Holy Family
10:00 am **Christmas Mass** † Russell Dahnert
5:15 pm **Mass** † Julia Lenz
- SUNDAY, DECEMBER 26**
8:00 am † Cletus Hoehn
10:00 am **Mass** † People of Sacred Heart
- MONDAY, DECEMBER 27** St. John, Apostle and Evangelist
5:00 am Monday to 5:00 pm Friday Eucharistic Adoration
- TUESDAY, DECEMBER 28** The Holy Innocents, Martyrs
8:30 am **Mass** † Kathleen (Bagan) Wille
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 29** St. Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
8:30 am **Mass** † Ed & Nellie McDough Family
- THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30**
7:00 am **Mass** † Shirley Schaver
9:15 am **Mass** † Marilyn Smith
(at Lake Shore Inn Nursing Home)
- FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31** St. Sylvester I, Pope; New Year's Eve
8:30 am **Mass** † Delorse Powell
- SATURDAY, JANUARY 1** : New Year's Day; Mary, The Holy Mother of God; World Day of Peace
5:15 pm **Mass** † Thomas Hernandez
- SUNDAY, JANUARY 2** The Epiphany of the Lord; Sts. Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church
8:00 am **Mass** † John Burns
10:00 am **Mass** † People of Sacred Heart

Remember only 3 Mass per year Thank you



Rectory will be close for the Holidays

- Christmas Eve** December 24, 2021
- Christmas day** December 25, 2021
- December 27, 2021



SACRED HEART SCHOOL
Winter Fest
JANUARY 29-30, 2022

SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022
 Concessions, Raffles, Meat Raffles & More Available Throughout the Day
 Bingo | 2:00 p.m. at The Mill
 Kid's Activities | 2:00-4:00 p.m. at The Mill
 Silent Auction | 2:00-8:30 p.m. at The Mill
 Pork Commercial Dinner | 4:30-7:00 p.m. at The Mill
 Mass | 5:15 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church
 Music | 7:00 p.m. at The Mill
 Live Music with Mark Denn, Mike Denn & Brad Wendland

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30, 2022
 Concessions Available
 Mass | 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church
 Pancake Breakfast | 9:00-11:30 a.m. at The Mill
 Early Bird Bingo | Noon at The Mill
 Super Bingo | 1:00 p.m. at The Mill



WINTERFEST DONATIONS NEEDED

Winterfest is just over a month away and we are looking for Spirits Donations!! Drop off adult beverages (wine, growlers, crowlers or liquor) in the rectory. The donations will be used for the Spirit Wall and Raffles.

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Faith Formation/Youth Ministry News and Notes

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!

There are no Youth Faith Formation classes or events the week of Dec 26th-Jan 1st.

Next classes meet: Wed Jan 5th (K-8th) and Sun Jan 9th (9th-12th)

Special Events & Opportunities:

Faith Formation Breakfast Fundraiser

February 13

@ VFW, Waseca

Proceeds from this fundraiser reduce the registration costs for our youth to attend conferences, camps, and mission trips.

Pathways TEC Retreat

February 19-21

@ Saints Peter & Paul, Mankato

Teens (16+) and Adults

[Registration form](#)

Fearless 2022 Steubenville Rochester Conference

July 15-17

@ Mayo Civic Center - Rochester, MN

Youth entering 9th grade-exiting 12th grade (2022-2023 school year)

Registration open Jan 10-Mar 30

[Video](#)

Totus Tuus

July 17-22

@ Sacred Heart Church, Waseca

Youth grades 1-12

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Camp Summit

August 1-4

@ Lanesboro, MN

Youth entering grades 6-8

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