

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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My dear friends in Christ,

One time I was flying to India by an Indian Airline called Jet Airways. The flight was full and a relatively old grandma needed a seat at the window and the seat next to her was already occupied. While rearranging the seats, I ended up sitting next to this grandma. The moment I sat there, she started stories about her own family. It was all right to listen to such stories. The meals came and lights went off. Her stories never seemed to end. At one time I told her explicitly, "Dear grandma, would you please allow me to rest a while so that when we land in India, we may not be too tired." With that her conversation ended. I think that we don't expect our co-passengers to be so talkative all the time. Some of us prefer just a few exchanges of niceties and to be left to our own privacy. In the post Resurrection story of Emmaus, we see a different experience of the disciples with Jesus.

We all know this story so well. Two disciples after the death of Jesus were on their way to Emmaus. They were so downcast when Jesus joined them. Jesus accompanying them in this two-hour trek is the most interesting part of this journey. In the first place, the disciples could not recognize him as the Risen Lord. It surprises everyone that such close associates of Jesus as the disciples were could not recognize him. Secondly, when He was explaining to them everything that had happened to Jesus, it is just as it is written about him in the scriptures. Breaking God's word open to them did not even help them to recognize Jesus. Finally, when their journey was about to end, then Jesus pretends to journey further. However, he accepts their invite to stay with them. Eventually when he blesses and breaks open the bread their eyes were opened.

I strongly believe that Jesus never walks away from our life. He is walking with us every day. Especially when we are in darkness, when we struggle with certain realities of life, when we have difficulties in accepting some major changes in our life, when we find human relationships so superficial and unrewarding, then He accompanies us with a gentle heart and explains to us the meaning of our life in that particular situation. When he is walking with us, does he hide his identity? Not at all! It is our self-absorbed conditions of life that do not help us to see the company of Jesus. We are so steeped in our own problems that the powerful presence of the Risen-Lord escapes our attention. It is time to wake up spiritually so that we won't miss him every day. It would be awesome if we can become more intentional in inviting the Risen Lord into our midst by saying, "Come Lord, stay with us today." Then we can have greater comfort, guidance and love from him. Let us continue the journey of Emmaus collecting more rewards from the Risen Lord every day.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Xavier Ilango



Daily Mass Schedule -April 20-26

Mon: 5:30 p.m. +Mary Ann Janu
Tues: 9:00 a.m. No Mass—Spring Clergy Days
Wed: 9:00 a.m. No Mass
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving
Fri: 7:30 a.m. +Cecil Cook, Jr.
Sat: 5:30 p.m. Ann Graham
Sun: 8:30 a.m. Pro popolo

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Mass Times

Monday 5:30 p.m.
Tuesday-Thursday
9:00 am
Friday 7:30 AM
(Care Center)
Saturday 5:30 pm
Sunday 8:30AM

CONFESSIONS:
Saturday 4:30PM

ADORATION:
Tuesdays: 9:30AM-6 PM

Since there were only three nominations for the Pastoral Council, there is no need to hold an election. Father has appointed these nominees to the Council for the upcoming term: Bud Hensel, Karen Nelson, and Diane Mistelske.

We will pray the rosary during the month of May, 25 minutes before Mass, on the following dates:

May 02, May 09, May 16 and 17, May 23 and 24. On Saturday, May 02, we will have the living rosary.

There will be no daily Mass Tuesday or Wednesday this week as Father Ilango will be gone for Spring Clergy Days.

Parishioners' Prayer Requests

Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill

Please pray for:
-Bonnie Wallace -Emily Martin
-Marlys Jacobson -Spencer Fett
-Casey Courneya -Bob Thompson
-Connie Ulschmid -Paul Guck
-Ken Jacobson -Roger Wolden
-Norman Buseth -Bruce Moe
-Tammy Wothe -Lisa Flynn
-Reid Courneya -Irene Adams
-Jim Jacobson

April 19, 2015

Collection April 5, 2015

| Collection Basket | Amount | Saturday Attendance | Needed per Week to Reach Budget: |
|------------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--|
| Adult | \$ 2,664.53 | 132 | \$5,642.00—This figure includes all sources of parish income (i.e., funerals, flower collections, fall dinner, Building, Steeple, and Window Funds, etc), not just the Sunday collections. |
| Loose Guest | 363.00 | | |
| Children | 7.00 | | |
| Total: | \$ 3,034.53 | | |
| Other Budgeted Income | | | |
| Vigil Lights | \$ 6.50 | | |
| Assumption Church | 735.42 | | |
| Scholarship Fund | 75.00 | | |
| Building Fund | 60.00 | | |
| Steeple Fund | 170.00 | | |
| "Joy of the Gospel books" | 15.00 | | |
| Window Fund | 680.00 | | |
| Total | \$ 1,741.92 | | |

Other Parish Fundraisers: Youth Bake Sale—\$388.50; Bibles—\$31.50

UPCOMING:

Apr 20: Cemetery Meeting @ 6:00 pm
Apr 20: KC's Business Meeting @ 7:00 pm
Apr 25: Cemetery Cleanup, 8:00 am at Sacred Heart Cemetery; Backup date is May 2.
Apr 27: Eucharistic Minister's training @ 5:30 pm Mass
Apr 29: Last RE class grades 7-11; Family Potluck @ 5:45 followed by Mass
May 3: First Communion, 8:30 am Mass
May 10: Confirmation, 8:30 am Mass

Ministry Schedule for April 26 2015

| | 5:30 PM | 8:30 AM |
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| FCC— Russ and Mary Ann Karasch | | |
| Ministers | Cheryl Stegmaier | Marlys Jacobson |
| Of Holy | Kathy Ulschmid | Bev Roberts |
| Communion | Joan Schraufek | Dallas Flynn |
| | | Karen Nelson |
| | | Christine Daggett |
| Lectors | Vince Roers | Virginia Thompson |
| Ushers | Adam Jaroszewski | Mark Byer |
| | Jim Jaroszewski | Bruce Hofer |
| Servers | Hayley Courneya | Sierra Brolin |
| | Isaac Courneya | Max Matejka |
| | Ethan Byer | Maddie Matejka |
| | | Sarah LaSart |

April Special Collections: 19th—FACC; 26th—Catholic Home Missions

Circle 1 is in charge of donuts in April
Circle 2 will be in charge in May



Youth

Saint John Paul II Middle School Camp
Northern Pines Camp, Park Rapids, MN Sunday, July 5th through Thursday, July 9th.
Cost: \$300 with price breaks for families.

April RE schedule
No Classes for grades 1-6

Grades 7-11 Regular Class
April 22; April 29 Pot luck at 5:45, for all families followed by Mass.

Forming Intentional Disciples & the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Katherine Coolidge, from the Catherine of Siena Institute (www.siena.org), will guide the day of reflection for any Diocese of Crookston Priests, Deacons, RCIA teams, Parish Evangelization Committee Members, Deacon Candidates

Thursday, June 18, 2015, at St. Lawrence, Mentor; 9:45 am Registration with 10:00 am Opening Comments. The day will end At 3:00 pm. To Register see information on the flyer on the vestibule bulletin board.