

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

202 West Maple, Frazee MN 56544

December 13, 2015

Website: <http://frazeesacredheart.org>

A thought from last week's homily, ...as a Church we want to be the compassionate face of God the Father for those who need to be forgiven and freed from the effects of the sin of abortion.

Many times I have gone to confession to a retired priest. Each time, after the final prayer is prayed, he lets out a joyful, "Whoopie!" He is so joyful in the administration of this sacrament. I anticipated God's forgiveness and also looked forward to the priest's joy.

When I was younger and especially after college I struggled with this sacrament. I did not want to admit my sins to the priest or to anyone else. I did want my own ears to hear what I had to say, so I loathed saying my sins out loud.

Sometimes previous experiences with the sacrament make us hesitant to approach it again. I remember needing weeks to work up enough courage to go to confession. This one summer I worked on courage for the whole summer I think. I finally got myself to the church. As I approached the reconciliation room the door flung open as the priest was leaving. I said in a voice very unsure of itself, "Father, I would like to go to confession." He responded, "Confessions are over for today. Come back next week." I did not.

Maybe you have had negative experiences in the celebration of the sacrament. It is time to let it go! Don't let those experiences become a stumbling block to God's amazing grace.

Confession is for the sinner. It invites us to humble ourselves. It is always healing to hear the words God speaks to us through the priest, "I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

And we say, "Whoopie!"

Christmas Flowers Memorial Donations: Please return by December 20, 2015.

Help make our church special during the Season of Christmas. Donate a \$10.00 memorial to help purchase Christmas flowers to decorate our church.

(Please Print)

Purchaser's Name _____

Amount: \$ _____

In Memory or Honor of _____

(Memorials will be published in a post-Christmas bulletin)

During winter weather conditions, if school is late or cancelled, there is no Mass or Adoration that day.

Daily Mass Schedule Dec 14-20

Tues: 9:00 a.m. +Whit Goering
 Wed: 9:00 a.m. +Claire Gibbons
 Thurs: 9:00 a.m. +Betty Cook
 Fri: 7:30 a.m. Casey Courneya
 Sat: 9:00 a.m. +Don Anderson
 5:30 p.m. Pro popolo
 Sun: 8:30 a.m. +Phil Thomas
 (Morning Prayer Tues., Wed, & Thur. @ 8:40 am)

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Mass Times

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

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 4:30 pm
 Sundays 7:45-8:15 am
 Thursdays 8:30 am

ADORATION:

Tuesdays: 9:30AM-7:00 PM

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"St. Francis of Assisi Charitable Concerns is asking for your help. We would like you to think of any names of people that might need to be remembered during this holiday season with a gift of food. Please contact Father with the names or put the names in the collection basket and they will be given to Father."

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We will pray the rosary during Advent starting 25 minutes before each of the weekend Masses.

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There is a sign-up sheet in the vestibule for the various liturgical ministries for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day and also for New Year's Eve and New Year's Day. Please check the lists and sign up for when you are available.

Parishoners' Prayer Requests

Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill. Please pray for:

- Bonnie Wallace
- Pat Schurmann
- Sandy Rausch
- Casey Courneya
- Connie Ulschmid
- Geri Jenson
- Norman Buseth
- Tammy Wothe
- Michael King
- Lisa Flynn
- Hilary Jacobson
- Bob Thompson
- Irene Adams
- Roger Wolden
- Bruce Moe

Collection Dec 6, 2015

Attendance: - 336

Collection Basket

Adult \$ 4,277.00
 Loose Guest 463.59
 Children 4.00
Total: \$ 4,744.59

Other Budgeted Income

Vigil Lights \$ 9.25
 Christmas Flowers 60.00
 Window Fund 190.00
 Building Fund 1,100.20
 KC's (Christmas bags 85.35
 Sunday's Brunch 75.80
Total \$ 1,520.60

Other Parish Fund Raisers: FACC—\$490

Non-Parish Collections: Human Development--\$20; SMMA—\$15

Needed per Week to Reach Budget: \$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.

This week's Total:

\$ 4,744.59
1,520.60
 490.00
\$ 6,755.19

UPCOMING:

Dec 12/13: NET RETREAT (see the Youth column for details)

Dec 19/20: Parish bake sale after each of the Masses.

Dec 21: KC's Business meeting @ 7:00 pm

Dec 22: Faith Formation meeting @ 6:45 pm

Christmas Masses: Christmas Eve at 5:00 pm and 10:00 pm; Christmas Day at 8:30 am

New Year's Masses: New Year's Eve at 5:30 pm; New Year's Day at 8:30 am

Ministry Schedule for December 20, 2015

	5:30 PM	8:30 AM
	FCC— Mark Byer and Barb Rice	
Ministers Of Holy Communion	Russell Karasch Jeanie Wothe Joan Schraufek	Cheryl Stegmaier Dallas Flynn Carol Aarness Al Jacobson Barb Rice
Lectors	Heather Mitchell	Kathy Stenger
Ushers	Mike Hiemenz Andrew Jutz	LeRoy Rausch Bruce Hofer
Servers	Rachel Kasowski Ethan Byer Autumn Moe	Ethan Wothe Kaitlyn Wake Scott Seim

Circle 2 is in charge of coffee & donuts in December
 Circle 3 will be in charge in January

December 2nd Collections: 13th—Retired Religious;
 20th--FACC

*****Youth*****

Dec. RE Schedule: classes on the 16th, with Intergenerational on the evening of the 16th. No class: 23 and 30, Merry Christmas.

Children's Mass, Sunday December 20, 2015, 8:30AM Mass

Christmas Pageant practice will follow the Mass

The Christmas Pageant will be at 4:30PM December 24 before the 5:00PM Mass

NET RETREAT:

Grades 9-12, Sunday December 13, 2015, at Park Rapids; 2:00 to 8:00 PM; includes Mass and a meal please sign up with Cheryl as soon as possible



On December 19 and 20, there will be a parish bake sale after each of the Masses. Bring goodies to sell. Come buy the goodies available!

The Christian Mothers thank everyone who participated in our Brunch and for donating and/or purchasing the beautiful baskets from the silent auction.

Weekend Ministries: In December, training is scheduled for all who assist at weekend Masses. You can find the schedule for this training in the November 15 Stewardship News. Copies were inserted in the November 15 bulletins; additional copies are available in the vestibule and also at the parish website. **Please note that there will be no training for Eucharistic Ministers or Altar Servers on December 12 because of the NET Retreat.**

St. Henry's Catholic Church is seeking applicants for a part-time youth minister, a 10-hour per week position with a flexible schedule. Experience and qualifications include: A practicing Catholic well versed in the teachings of the Church, experience working with youth, a degree in youth ministry is appreciated but not necessary, energetic with a positive attitude, and good communication and computer skills.