

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

202 West Maple, Frazee MN 56544

Heart to Heart Chat – 3.4.2015

My dear friends in Christ,

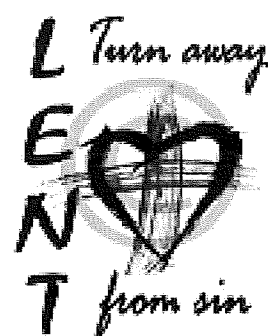
What do you think of E.S.P and Clairvoyance? One of your best friends thinks of calling you and you call that person right away. Your friend gets a pleasant shock out of it. There are many such unique phenomena happen in our daily life. We have many such inexplicable events that happen in our spiritual realm too. One can feel, discern or literally listen to the voice of God. Psychology may tend to define these wonderful spiritual experiences in its own term. That does not mean that these profound spiritual experiences are unreal or untrue. In the life of many saints we find the impending call of God directing them to choose something concretely.

When prophet Isaiah tells his fellow Israelites to “learn to do good” (Isaiah 1:17), we get that question how do you learn to do good? Our hearts do know what is good and bad. That is the law written in each ones heart by the creator. It is directly connected with our conscience. We know some basic truths related to our God. God loves us. Jesus died for our sins. Jesus will come back to establish his Kingdom. Basing on these fundamental truths of our Christian life we make most of our choices. At the same time when we are ready to sit still and listen to His voice, He is ready to offer us the word we need right now for our life.

How do we learn to receive God’s word for our daily life? When you start your morning prayer, the first Psalm you pray may have a very affirming word for the day. For an example when I started my prayer today the second antiphon was this: “My heart leaps up with joy to the Lord, for he humbles only to exalt us”. When I prayed this antiphon I was so much excited about the whole day. I was assured that I am filled with joy because He will finally exalt me. This is just an example. The Lord can communicate his word through a beautiful sunrise in the morning. He can show his pretty face through a powerful smile of a baby. The Lord can affirm us through the comforting and guiding word of a friend. Above all he can give us all a direct word when we open the Bible and read it.

We may always have the next question that how do you know that this word comes from God? If the word you have received is God’s word then your heart is filled with a sense of hope, peace and surety that he is behind it. If not we still have the benefit of listening to God’s word and responding positively. During this Lenten season let us allow God’s word to soak into our hearts. Let us ruminate over it again and again. Let us give some space for His word through out the day. It will certainly take a particular shape during the day and when it offers you a particular direction, do as it asks you to do. You will never regret why you have done something as God’s word directed you. Let us try this method of listening to God’s word and acting on it every day. In course of time you will become a person so much led by the spirit and word of God.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Xavier Ilango



Daily Mass Schedule -March 2-8

Mon: 5:30 p.m. Bernice Sanders
Tues: 9:00 a.m In honor of St. Anthony
Wed: 9:00 a.m. +Marvin and Bette Daggett
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. +Peter Ulschmid
Fri: 7:30 a.m. +Joyce Drake
5:30 p.m. +Michael Anderson
Sat: 5:30 p.m. +Betty Cook
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

The Rosary will be prayed before each weekend Mass during Lent. If anyone would like to lead the Rosary, contact Pat Schurmann at 334-2344.

Thank you all who have sent your 2015 DAA pledges and donations. As of February 24, 47 donors (15.72% of our parishioners) have pledged/donated \$8,429.51 (47.69% of goal). If you have not yet responded to the DAA request, please prayerfully consider your donation.

Applications for the John Arouni Catholic



Education Scholarships are now available in the kiosk at the back of the church and on the parish website. Application deadline is April 1, 2015

The sign-up sheets are in the vestibule for the extra ministries needed for Holy Week. Those on the ministry list are asked to sign up as needed.

K C's Fish fry March 13 & 27
5-7PM Church Basement
Adults \$8 Kids (7-12) \$5,
6 and under Free

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

March 8, 2015

Collection	March 1, 2015	
	Attendance	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.
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Collection Basket		This week's Total:
Adult	\$ 3768.00	\$ 4306.12
Loose	260.00	2097.89
Children	5.00	100.00
Total:	\$ 4306.12	70.00
Other Budgeted Income		\$ 6574.01
Vigil Lights	\$ 16.75	
Building Fund	1812.11	
Steeple Fund	137.50	
Window Fund	47.50	
Assumption Church	40.53	
Joy of the Gospel	23.50	
Blue Advent and Black Lent books	20.00	
Total	\$ 2097.89	
Other Parish Fund Raisers:	John Arouni Scholarship	75.00
	FACC	25.00
Total		100.00
Non Parish Collection	CR	50.00
	Home Mission	20.00

UPCOMING:

- Mar 8: RCIA @ 7:00 pm at Church
- Mar 10: Pastoral Council 7:00 pm @ Church
- Mar 11: The Joy of the Gospel study group, 6:45 pm
- Mar 14: Adult Lenten Retreat 9-Noon, followed by lunch at 12:30
- Mar 18: Healing Mass 7:00 pm (note change in date from March 11)
- Mar 18: The Joy of the Gospel study group, 6:45 pm
- Mar 21: The Joy of the Gospel study group, 6:45 pm
- Mar 29: Bake and Craft sale youth attending St. John Paul II Camp

Ministry Schedule for Mar 15, 2015

3.15.15—FCC—Paul and Sharon Guck		
Ministers	Jeanie Wothe	Bev Roberts
Of Holy	Nancy Dashner	Rose Roforth
Communion	Kathy Ulschmid	Roxie Riewer
		Karen Nelson
		Barb Rice
Lectors	Ann Wothe	Fred Daggett
Ushers	Don Ulschmid	Dan Giefer
	Cary Alger	Mark Byer
Servers	Abigail Wothe	Ethan Hofer
	Brett Alger	Maddie Matejka
	Carson Alger	Max Matejka

March 2nd Collections: 15th--Catholic Relief Services; 22nd—FACC

Circle 7 is in charge of donuts in March
Circle 1 will be in charge of donuts in April

Youth

March RE Schedule

Grades 1-6: Regular Classes,
March 18 and 25 (Last Afternoon class)

Children's Mass March 15 At 8:30 AM
Grades 7-11: Regular Classes, 4, 11, 18, and 25 along with Penance Service
Saint John Paul II Middle School Camp

Where: Northern Pines Camp, Park Rapids, MN

When: Sunday, July 5th through Thursday, July 9th.

Cost: \$300 with price breaks for families.

Food Drive: Please bring canned food or money to put in the basket at offertory time at Mass. We are collecting for the food shelf until March 29, Palm Sunday. Classes are having a competition.

March 28, & 29 after Mass, Youth will have a bake and craft sale to raise funds to attend attending JP II Leadership Camp.

This month's CD is "Drawing Strength from Our Lady of Sorrows", by Kimberly Hahn. Speaker and author Kimberly Hahn, wife of Dr. Scott Hahn and mother of six, is a convert to the Catholic faith. Although honoring Mary was difficult for Kimberly to initially understand she began to encounter Mary's loving guidance in little ways on a daily basis. In this presentation, she reflects on the joys and sorrows that Mary prayerfully experienced during her time on Earth, and shares how her example leads us closer to Christ. This and many other CDs are available in the kiosk in the back of the church for a \$3.00 donation. Still looking for something to do for Lent? Listening to a new CD might just be what you're looking for!

Study Groups for Lent: Pope Francis's book, The Joy of the Gospel, will be the subject of our Lenten adult study. There will be a study group on Wednesdays at 6:45 pm and a group on Saturday mornings @ 10:00 am. Both groups will be held at the church. You may pick up the Study Guide for The Joy of the Gospel from Father or in the chapel (\$3.30). Please consider this study of The Joy of the Gospel for part of your journey with Our Lord this Lenten season.