

Sacred Heart Catholic Church

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My dear friends in Christ,

One of my favorite spiritual thinkers is Henry Nouwen, who writes about following Jesus this way, "Leaving father, mother, brothers and sisters for Jesus' sake is a lifelong task. It is only gradually that we realize how we go on clinging to the negative as well as to the positive experiences of our youth and how hard it is to leave it all and be on our own. To leave 'home,' whether it was good or bad home, is one of the greatest spiritual challenges of our life." When he says that leaving home as a lifelong task, he means that it is hard for all of us to leave behind all the customs and traditions we learned from our parents, all the values and good habits we got from them; above all, the right world-view we inherited from them cannot be left behind easily.

One of the difficult passages in the gospel is this: "If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple." It is very similar to leaving home and following Jesus, but still a radical call. In all such calls of Jesus, we struggle to understand the real meaning of those words. How is it possible that Jesus calls us to hate our family? Or how is it that Jesus expects us to abandon our family and follow him earnestly? There have been people who responded to His call in the literal sense. Peter, James and John literally left their father's boat, net and everything and followed Jesus right away. It is called the radical following of Jesus and our readiness to give away everything for his sake. People such as Francis of Assisi and Anthony the Hermit gave away their personal properties and literally surrendered their lives to the Lord in utmost simplicity and poverty. I don't think that every baptized Christian is called to do this. We have received a call to follow Jesus in our own ways.

What, then, is the individual call I have received from Jesus? When he asks me to leave my home and follow him, that means leaving behind all things that do not fit into a way of life that Jesus expects me to live. We all receive a value system from our parents. We learn from them how to make choices and prioritize things in our life. We understand from our parents how to build a carrier out of our life. The ways we interact with others and build human relationships are basically determined by what we inherited from our family. What we learned from our parents is a basic human formation, and we all need that for living in a community and a society. What Jesus expects from us is to build over this human formation and reach a new spiritual way of living our life that suits the Kingdom of God. Most of us are struck with our human formation and never try to go beyond that. It is the spiritual commitment to a personal following of Jesus' demands, an adoption of greater and sublime values of God's Kingdom. We are called to a new life-style that is spiritually richer and more meaningful than a life that we all live just now. If we can say yes to this call to a richer life in Jesus, then we are literally ready to leave home and pursue the greatest treasure of our life. Let us just consider how willing are we to say yes to this call of Jesus?

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Xavier Ilango

Daily Mass Schedule - June 1-7

Mon: 5:30 p.m. Fr. Ilango
Tues: 9:00 a.m. Neil O'Brien Family
Wed: 9:00 a.m. +Raymond and Lillian Buschette
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. Dave and Sue Pawlitschek
Fri: 7:30 a.m. +Ike Thomas
Sat: 5:30 p.m. +Gordon and Bernice Sanders
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

From the Christian Mothers:
Our annual **Cedar Chest raffle** tickets are available after weekend Masses. The drawing will be held on July 26, 2015. Items you like to donate for the Cedar Chest may be dropped off in the church hall. Thank you.

A big thank you to all who donated and bought baked goods for our **Parish wide bake sale**... \$674.50 was realized for expenditures for Sacred Heart youth.

The Feast of the Sacred Heart is June 12. To celebrate this feast for our parish, the Christian Mothers are having a light lunch and movie after the 5:30 pm Mass on Saturday, June 13. Everyone is welcome.

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
-Sandy Rausch -Spencer Fett
-Casey Courneya -Bob Thompson
-Connie Ulschmid -Steven Gabbard
-Ken Jacobson -Roger Wolden
-Norman Buseth -Bruce Moe
-Tammy Wothe -Lisa Flynn
-Reid Courneya -Irene Adams

Collection	May 24, 2015	Attendance	Needed per Week to Reach Budget:
Collection Basket		336	\$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.
Adult	\$ 2,210.00		
Loose Guest	347.00		
Children	4.00		
Total:	\$ 2,561.00		
Other Budgeted Income			
Vigil Lights		\$ 7.01	
Building Fund			
Window Fund		2700.00	
Book Club		48.00	
Total		\$ 2,755.01	
Other Parish Fund Raisers:	FACC—\$205.50		
Non-Parish Collections:	Cemetery Fund—\$880; Cath Comm/Cath Univ—\$50; Rice Bowl—\$44.32		
This week's Total:			\$ 2,561.00
			2,755.01
			Total \$ 5,316.01

UPCOMING:

Jun 1-5: VBS 9:30 am—Noon
Jun 6: Youth Rummage Sale 7:30 am—1:00 pm
Jun 6: Maryology: Rosary @ 8:30 am, Mass @ 9:00
Jun 9: Finance Council @ 6:00 pm
Jun 9: Pastoral Council @ 7:00 pm
Jun 13: Movie and light lunch after the 5:30 pm Mass
Jun 15: KC'S Business meeting @ 7:00 pm
Jun 21: Fr. Ilango's Farewell Mass @ 10:30 am, followed by a parish celebration

Mass Time Change

June 21 will be Father Ilango's Farewell Mass with us followed by a celebration of his ministry here. Mass time on June 21 only will be at 10:30 am instead of 8:30 am..

Ministry Schedule for June 7, 2015

	5:30 PM	8:30 AM
FCC—Pat Schurmann and Nancy Bentley		
Ministers	Russell Karasch	Marlys Jacobson
Of Holy Communion	Linda Mack	Heather Mitchell
	RuthAnn Lehmann	Mark Byer
		Kathy Peichel
		Sandy Hofer
Lectors	Jim Courneya	Kay Furey
Ushers	Adam Jaroszewski	Kyle Wothe
	Jim Jaroszewski	Bud Hensel
Servers	Grace Jaroszewski	Chelsy Hofer
	Cath. Jaroszewski	Zach Roforth
	Hayley Courneya	Ricky Roforth
	Isaac Courneya	

Circle 2 is in charge of donuts in May
Circle 3 will be in charge in June

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.

Youth attending St. JP II Camp will be selling Tupperware the next couple weeks to raise the money to attend camp. Please check out the great items for sale after Mass. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Vacation Bible School

June 1 through 5, 9:30AM until Noon, Monday through Friday, with a Mass at 11:30 on Friday followed by a potluck for families. Also a celebration Mass on Sunday June 7 at 8:30AM. Children will share their music from the week. Cost \$15.00 until May 16, then \$20 per student after this date (no one turned away). Registration forms are in the Kiosk and also in the entrance of Church.

All need to be signed up for VBS As SOON AS POSSIBLE!! We need a count to order supplies. Questions? Contact Cheryl

Youth raising money for camps, will be holding a **rummage sale** at Church on June 6. Anyone wanting to make donations to this please drop off good items at Church by Friday June 5. (Please, no junk) If you need something picked up for donation please contact Cheryl.

First Communion pictures are available for pick-up in the Church entry next to the kiosk.