

The seventh of a seven-week reflection on the July 13, 2014, OSV article "How to talk to non-Catholics about the Faith" by Emily Stimpson

My dear friends in Christ,

When we commit to an act intentionally which is morally wrong, then we call that as a sin of commission. When we neglect some good works we could have done in particular situations of our life, then we call them the sins of omission. For an example, I am driving on a highway and someone is stranded because the car didn't work. If I could stop and help the person in whatever way I could, then it is a great work of charity. If I just drive without even caring to stop, then it could be considered as a sin of omission. This is only an example. There are many more serious and grave matters where we neglect our responsible interventions in the life of someone close to us. The problem in our life at such moments is that we don't even recognize that we missed doing something positive for others. We may all have justifiable reasons to pacify our consciences why we cannot do it. However, there are many things we can do that will make our life much better.

In the work of evangelization, many Catholics have the same attitude. Coming up with excuses why someone cannot evangelize is a common phenomenon. I cannot do it because it is not the right time. I cannot do it because I may say the wrong thing. There is always someone else who can do this job better. But when we allow those excuses to stop our evangelizing, then we allow ourselves to sit in a comfort zone where we never muster the courage to share our faith with someone else. "We are empowered and obliged by our baptism and confirmation to share the Good News in word and deed. Too often, Catholics adopt the spirit of the age and think it's intolerant to want non-Catholics to come into the Church, or we let our own vanity and fears get in the way. But the Lord, in shocking ways, will make perfect use of whatever we've got, if we just give him the opportunity (OSV July 13, 2014)."

There will never be a perfect moment to take a first step in doing a good work of evangelization. Take a particular moment of a particular day to be the right moment. The person in front of you may be out of the Church many years or not practicing any religion. Start the conversation with true love and compassion with a due respect for the other person. If that is a moment willed by God and His grace works in a perfect manner, perhaps that moment can turn to be a great moment of change in the other person's life. Let us never belittle the opportunities given in our hands. God can always make use of the least significant moments as the most beneficial moments for His glory.

Your brother in Christ,
Fr. Xavier Ilango

Congratulations and Thank You to the entire parish for another successful bake sale last weekend. As a parish we raised \$429.50 in baked goods, pickles and jellies. Dallas and Mary Flynn's veggies brought in \$63, bringing the total for the window and steeple funds to \$492.35

Daily Mass Schedule Sept 8-14

Mon: 5:30 p.m. No Maass
Tues: 9:00 a.m. +Virginia Quiggle
Wed: 9:00 a.m. +Barb Hanson
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. No Mass—Priests' meeting at Crookston
Fri: 7:30 a.m. Mass of Thanksgiving
Sat: 5:30 p.m. +Carol Lormis
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

Safe Environment
All that have done or are new to ministries that need Safe Environment: The new test and Acknowledgement Consent forms are available online. Go to frazeesacredheart.org. Click on the Safe Environment, and it will take you through the test etc. If you are new or have not done SEP in 2 years or more, you must use the New Volunteer option. Even if you did the SEP just prior to July 1st, you MUST do it again. This needs to be done before September 27, 2014. Any questions— contact Cheryl. Thank you!

There are copies of the Sacred Heart Prayer Chain and laminated prayer cards in the vestibule. If you are on the prayer chain and have not yet taken a copy, please take one on your way out today. Please check your name off the list when you have a copy.

Would you like to deepen your faith and let Jesus become more involved in your life: Let the Spirit lead you on a Cursillo. A Women's Cursillo weekend will be held September 25-28, 2014, at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp south of Fosston. For more information, contact Carol Olsonawski at 218.689.9081 or Mary Derosier at 218.253.4623. Applications are also available in the vestibule or online at www.crookston.org/Cursillo.

Parish Fund Collection Totals for August
Building Fund: \$8,821.74
Windows Fund: \$10,369.35
Steeple Fund: \$4,989.35

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
-Luella Baumgart -Betty Cook
-Casey Courneya -Arlene Schreiner
-Dave Goebel -Clem Neisen
-Ken Jacobson -Roger Wolden
-Norman Buseth -Paula Stegeman

Collections Aug 31, 2014		Attendance	Needed per Week to Reach Budget: \$5,642.00
Adult	\$2,448.00	357	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	390.00		
Total:	\$2,838.00		This week's Total: \$2,838.00
Other Budgeted Income			
Vigil Lights	\$ 8.00		
Building Fund	1,125.11		
Steeple Fund	656.85		
Window Fund	631.85		
Assumption Church (reimbursement)	50.32		2,472.13
Total	\$ 2,472.13		\$ 5,310.13

Non-Parish Collections: Cemetery Fund: \$650

UPCOMING:
Sept 6: *Reasons to Believe* (video, light supper, and discussion) after 5:30 pm Mass
Sept 7: *Reasons to Believe* video after 8:30 am Mass
Sept 8: Christian Mothers meeting: Mass @5:30 pm, Rosary, light supper, meeting @ 7:00 pm
Sept 8: Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 pm at Church
Sept 8: Stewardship meeting 4:00 pm
Sept 9: Pastoral Council 7:00 pm at Church
Sept 13: *Reasons to Believe* (video, light supper, and discussion) after 5:30 pm Mass
Sept 17: RE, grades 7-11, begins with Mass at 6:30 pm
Sept 17: St. Thomas Aquinas Book Club 7:00 pm @ Church
Sept 19-21: Healing of Families, Holy Rosary (see details in vestibule)
Sept 21: RCIA Team meeting 7:00 pm @ Church

Ministry Schedule for Sept 14, 2014

	5:30 PM	8:30 AM
Ministers	Jeanie Wothe	Bev Roberts
Of Holy Communion	Linda Mack Kathy Ulschmid	Rose Roforth Roxie Riewer Karen Nelson Dallas Flynn
Lectors	Ann Wothe	Bev Roberts
Ushers	Don Ulschmid Cary Alger	Dan Giefer Mark Byer
Servers	Abigail Wothe Brett Alger Carson Alger	Chelsey Hofer Maddie Matejka Max Matejka Sierra Brolin

**Note to ministers: This schedule does not reflect any recent changes or substitutions you may have made.*

September 2nd Collections: 7th—Building Fund; 14th—Latin America; 21st—FACC

Circle 1 is in charge of donuts in September
Circle 2 is in charge of donuts in October

September 7, 2014

Youth

Religious Education Classes will begin on September 17 for grades 7 through 11. We will have Mass at 6:30PM. All Juniors (Confirmation Class) must attend with Parents/Guardians; following Mass, there will be an information meeting for these students and parents/guardians. If you did not register your children for Religious Education class yet, please do so as soon as possible so materials can be ordered. Thanks

We are in need of **Teachers** for both afternoon and evening classes. If you think you may be interested in teaching or helping out, please contact Cheryl. This ministry may not always seem so, but it is a blessing to help our youth discover our Catholic faith more fully. We are all called in different ways, and even if you are thinking maybe....it is probably God sending you our way. Thank you!

CATECHIST TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES:
The Office of the New Evangelization is offering a training session, "Catechists' Best Practices," in each deanery this fall. In preparation for the new teaching year, all catechists are invited to attend a session that is convenient to them. This will benefit all parish catechists and youth ministry volunteers, pre-K through 12th grade. The principles articulated will be relevant to RCIA Directors as well. Light snacks will be provided. *You may choose any of these dates, but we would like as a group to attend the September 10 session at Holy Rosary Detroit Lakes*

Wednesday, September 10th, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Detroit Lakes
Wednesday, September 17th, 7:00-8:30 p.m., St. Stephen's Catholic Church, Stephen
Thursday, September 25th, 6:30-8:00 p.m., St. Philip's Catholic Church, Bemidji

Couples: Married, Engaged, Dating... Here is a retreat for you

Blessed are the Married: The Beatitudes as a guide for Christian Marriage

- Presented by Dr. Mark and Julie Krejci
- Sacred Heart, Frazee
- Saturday October 25, 2014

8:15 AM, Ending with Mass At 5:30PM
(See Poster, Schedule and Sign Up in Back and Entrance of Church)

Register before October 22, 2014