

# Assumption Catholic Church

206 Dakota Street, PO Box 67, Callaway, MN July 15, 2018

Here is a thought from last week's homily: *If, at any moment in my life, grace seems to be missing, it is not because God has failed to be generous. Rather, it is because I have failed to be open to grace or its messenger.*

During every Mass we walk to the altar to receive Holy Communion or a blessing. Is there anything that troubles you as you join in this procession? I notice parents can be preoccupied by their little children. Children seem to have trouble walking in a straight line. Sometimes they walk ahead or lag behind. After they receive a blessing, they can turn the wrong way. Sometimes they shy away from the blessing or reject it all together. Sometimes little children reach for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and tear up when they are denied. The procession is to be entered with reverence. But not in some preconceived notion of reverence that omits all participants but pious nuns. Your piety is colored by your vocation. If you have little children, you are necessarily occupied by them, even as you prepare to receive Jesus in Holy Communion. Jesus called children to himself. Surely he calls them to himself in our communion procession. Don't be distracted by children at Mass. Rather cherish the fact that the seeds of faith are watered each week. When you are aware of children at Mass, be aware that Jesus reaches for them. We would be lucky to accompany them into the arms of the Lord.

Sometimes I notice you when you process behind someone who is elderly or frail. You worry that they will miss a step or topple over. Sometimes the hands that reach for the Lord are unsteady and so are the legs that carry them. Jesus reached for children. He also reached for the sick. He wanted to lay his hands on them and heal them.

In the communion procession you may feel unsteady yourself. Walking is difficult. Your hands may not be as steady as they once were. We want you to be comfortable. If you want to walk in procession, come! Take your time. The Lord Jesus wants communion with you and wants you to receive communion. If you are not comfortable coming forward, mention to an usher on your way into the church that you would like Holy Communion brought to you in the pew. We are so pleased to bring Jesus to you.

Our prayer is always more complete when we pray with every generation, from newborn babies to the oldest among us. You may dream of a Mass without the distractions of children and others with needs. Let that dream go. It is better for us to be a body whole than to be a body piously quiet but incomplete.

### Mass Schedule for Sacred Heart Church in Frazee

Saturdays – 9:00 am and 5:30 pm  
Sundays – 8:30 am  
Weekdays: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays 9:00 am  
Wednesdays – Frazee Care Center 9:00 am

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**Mass Times**  
Thursday @ 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:30 am

**CONFESSIONS:**  
Thursday @ 6:15 pm  
Sunday after Mass

**ADORATION:**  
Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm

If you are donating to the annual Fall Festival raffle, please get your donations to Michele Neuhauser or Colleen Schmit. We will let you know when tickets are available.

Our next church cleaning is scheduled for Wednesday, July 18, at 5:00 pm to be followed by a potluck supper. All parish families are encouraged to help. Please join us.

There will be a Finance Council meeting Thursday, July 19, after the 7:00 pm Mass.

**Question of the Week: When I feel ill-equipped for the journey, do I trust that God will provide what I need?**

**PRAYER REQUESTS: A PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE BELOW:**

Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illnesses. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/ treatments. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care/treatment and their soul to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy. Amen

Rosella Olson (Ginny Warren's mother), Alice Bellefeuille, Mark Stalberger, Lucille Winter, Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Lowell Baker, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Rita Pearson, Walt Welle, Shawna Donner, Deb Clark, Albert Schouviller, Rick Flottesmesch, Cleo Baker, Brent Pearson, Jerry Flottesmesch, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Alice DuChene, Peg Braaten, Leonard Thielen, Kenneth Winter, Gene Zurn, Terry Hoy (cousin of Coleen Tietz), Ken Fairbanks, Connie Collman Bergren, Sharon Winter, Darrell Beck and Gerald Galbrecht (brothers-in-law of Don Tietz).

*"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick—no food, no sack, no money in their belts."*  
Mark 6:8

How different we are from the Apostles who took nothing when they ventured out to serve God. Today, we make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. When we really put God first in everything and put money and possessions second, we experience more freedom to joyfully serve God and others.

**Sunday July 8, 2018**  
**Regular Collection \$565**  
**Peter's Pence \$254**

### UPCOMING:

**Wed., July 18: Church cleaning at 5:00 pm followed by a potluck supper**  
**Thurs., July 19: Finance Council Meeting after 7:00 pm Mass**  
**Sun., Sept 9: Parish Fall Dinner**

### Mass Intentions

**Thurs, July 19: +Paul Wagner**  
**Sun., July 22 Christian NMothers**

### Ministry Schedule for July 15, 2018

#### Ministers of Holy Communion

*Ken Pearson, Roger Foltz and Mark Stalberger*

#### Lector

*Don Tietz*

#### Ushers

*Patrick Stalberger & Danny Steffl*

#### Presentation of Gifts

*John Loreth Family*

#### Altar Servers

*Fredrick Steffl & Natalie Steffl*