

# Assumption Catholic Church

206 Dakota Street, PO Box 67, Callaway, MN September 23, 2018

Here is a thought from last week's homily: *The militant Church is the Church on earth. It reflects both the best of human nature and the worst of it. Every goodness of which people are capable exists in the Church. Every sin that exists in the world exists in the Church. It would be willfully naive for us to think that in the Church all our leaders are saints. It would be willfully judgmental of us to believe none of them are.*

I am a fixer. When something is broken I want to fix it. This urge in me is so strong! If I had a broken mower in the garage and wanted to put it on the curb to be taken away during spring clean up, I would repair it first. If a tee shirt has a hole in it, I want to mend and wash it before I toss it. So now you know, I am kind of quirky...or kind of obsessive compulsive.

My fixer-upper tendencies come from my father. I remember he used to recycle nails. If he ever had the opportunity to salvage a nail, he would. Then periodically he would sit with a hammer at the vice in his shop to straighten and sort the bent and rusty nails. When he died 17 years ago, he had pickle jars full of nails that he had straightened and saved for projects that existed only in his mind. Still, he was satisfied just to have saved the nails.

What happens when a fixer can't fix the problem? Then it becomes important to look at a bigger picture. Look beyond the mower and the nail with the eyes of faith.

Family and relationships can be broken. We want to fix them, but sometimes they are beyond repair, or so it seems. So, what do we do? In the big picture, your sibling or neighbor is not your enemy. We have only one enemy, and it is the devil. We may see people in our lives as bent and rusty. In faith, they are never beyond hope. St. Mother Teresa picked dying people from the street, washed them up and tended to their every need. If they had only a moment left to live, she wanted them to gaze into her eyes, the eyes of love, as they passed from this world to the next. She could not save them; she offered them a savior's love. Who will be the eyes of love for the torn and dirty people in the back yards of our families and neighborhoods?

Our savior recycles nails. He thirsts for the bent and rusty one. He seeks the lost sheep. We may not be able to fix family and friends; we can love them in their brokenness. That is exhausting. Even if our love has limits, the love of Jesus is inexhaustible. So, regroup and try again. This time let go of your expectations and simply love what is.

You are invited to the **Marriage Celebration Day** on Sunday, October 7th at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Crookston. The celebration will begin with Sunday Mass at 2:30 p.m. Following Mass, supper will be served. If you are planning to stay for the meal, please RSVP by September 24th at [www.crookston.org/marriageday](http://www.crookston.org/marriageday) or by calling the Diocese of Crookston at 218-281-4533.

### 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

Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church is serving their annual Pork Roast Dinner this afternoon from 4:00-7:00 pm. They would love to see you all there.

The Christian Mothers will meet after Mass next Sunday.

Sacred Heart Parish is having a 24-hour Eucharistic Adoration from 9:30 am on Tuesday, September 25, until 9:30 am on Wednesday, September 26, praying for Msgr. David and for our Church. If you are able to commit to an hour, please call Diane Mistelske at 817.229.6789 or Angie Jacobson at 218.841.4688. If you are not able to commit to an hour, please feel free to come and pray.

**Question of the Week: How am I denying myself? What is the cross I am bearing at this point in my life? With the grace of God, am I willing to carry it?**

**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 Flottesch, Cleo Baker, Brent Pearson, Jerry Flottesch, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Alice DuChene, Peg Braaten, Leonard Thielen, Kenneth Winter, Gene Zurn, Terry Hoy (cousin of Coleen Tietz), Connie Collman Bergren, Sharon Winter, Darrell Beck, Gerald Galbrecht (brothers-in-law of Don Tietz), Allen Gulseth, Charlie Grieger, Irene Hazelton and Diane Hazelton..

*"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."*

Mark 9:35

Jesus teaches us that we are called to serve one another. Sacrifice is not a word that many people like to hear. We think it means that we must give up something that we want. However, the literal meaning of sacrifice is "to make holy," from the words "sacer" = sacred and "facere" = to make. In other words, we make our lives holy by sharing our gifts in the service of God.

**Sunday September 16, 2018**  
**Regular Collection \$1,144**  
**Latin America \$50**

### UPCOMING:

**Sun., Sept 23: Pork Roast Supper at Callaway's Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church 4:00-7:00 pm.**  
**Sun., Sept 30: Christian Mothers meeting after 10:30 am Mass**

### Mass Intentions

**Thurs, Sept 27: +Paul Wagner**  
**Sun., Sept 30: Ann & Matt Frederickson & Family**

### Ministry Schedule for Sept 30 2018

### Ministers of Holy Communion

*Jerry Flottesch, MaryAnn Jorgenson & Colleen Schmit*

### Lector

*Ken Pearson*

### Ushers

*Jerry Spry & Don Tietz*

### Presentation of Gifts

*Doug Olk Family*

### Altar Servers

*Fredrick Steffl & Kailie Steffl*