

# Assumption Catholic Church

206 Dakota Street, PO Box 67, Callaway, MN June 10, 2018

Here is a thought from last week's homily: *If that is true, I would never leave this place.*

I was gone for ten days, and some of the plants in the rectory suffered. I forgot to take my morning medication (acid blocker) and I suffered. I didn't call my brother on his birthday, and he noticed. If we live carelessly or without providing for the needs of all people and creatures around us, the Body of Christ suffers needlessly.

What do you do when you want to throw a rant, but it is too late? I get to write about it in the bulletin! Here is what happened... Before a wedding I noticed that the groomsmen were drinking whisky. I approached one of them nearest to the bottle and asked, "Is that alcohol?" He responded, "Yes. Do you want some?" I said, "No, and you all cannot be drinking before the wedding." I checked back on them and the bottle was no longer on the table, but their clear plastic glasses were still in hand. They were drinking something the color of maple syrup. I approached another and said, "We cannot be drinking before the wedding."

At wedding rehearsals, I ALWAYS inform the wedding party that there can be no drinking from midnight through the wedding ceremony. This time I didn't. So, the rant is directed partially at myself. I didn't do my job, and people didn't know how to act.

Would it have made a difference? For sure. They would have either abstained from alcohol or would have kept the bottle hidden, and they would have been drinking from coffee mugs and not clear plastic cups!

At issue: The fast before Mass. The execution of a legal document, which required the witnesses to be mentally competent. Respect for the bride and groom, who don't need their wedding party passing out half way through the ceremony!

I have witnessed this from another perspective. One of my sisters-in-law is a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of the Latter Day Saints. Prior to the wedding (months prior!), it was communicated to all family members that the events around the wedding would be alcohol-free. Some of my brothers honored this by keeping the alcohol in the trunk of a Grand Marquis and spending more time around the car than at the reception. Seriously? We don't have self-control or enough respect for the newest member of the family to honor a simple and reasonable request? This is sad. This was 25 years ago. Still I remember it clearly. I also remember that the Body of Christ is far better off when we respect one another and the dignity of the events we are attending.

We are fragile. Relationships can be fragile. Take care of yourself and your family. Stupid choices can damage family and friends forever.

Thanks for listening.

### 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

The next church cleaning is scheduled for June 20 at 5:00 pm to be followed by a potluck supper. All parish families are encouraged to help. Please join us.

We will take up the Father's Day collection on the weekend of the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of June. This collection is very important in that it provides for the health insurance, Medicare and unreimbursed medical and dental expenses for our retired priests. Priests in the Diocese of Crookston may not retire until they are 70 years old (unless their health dictates a rest), and many continue to serve as weekend substitutes, long-term substitutes, spiritual directors, chaplains and participants in reconciliation services long after they officially retire. Msgr. Mike Patnode, who most recently served as Pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish in Moorhead, is featured on the back cover of the May 16<sup>th</sup> issue of the OND. He speaks from the heart about his first year of retirement. Enjoy the article and please give generously to the Father's Day Collection.

**Question of the Week: How do I resist temptation? Does it help to focus on the effects of allowing the Spirit to work through me?**

**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, Milo & 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), Ken Fairbanks.

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*And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand.*”

Mark 3:25

Do your parish ministries complement each other, or do they compete against each other? Is your parish “one Body of Christ” or a bunch of little, separate ministries controlled by human ego? The goal of all parish ministries is to bring people to Christ. All our parish work should be for the glory of God's name, not our own name.

**Sunday June 3, 2018**  
**Regular Collection \$4,913.00**

### UPCOMING:

**Wed., June 20: Church Cleaning @ 5 pm followed by a pot luck supper**  
**Sun., June 17: No fellowship after Mass, so families can spend time together on Father's Day**

### Mass Intentions

**Thurs, June 14: Communion Service**  
**Sun., June 10: +Bred Blattenbauer & +James Fairbanke**

### Ministry Schedule for June 17, 2018

#### Ministers of Holy Communion

Roger Foltz, Max Klarer & Lori Stalberger

#### Lector

Ken Pearson

#### Ushers

Kevin Larson & Rick McDougall

#### Presentation of Gifts

Jerry Spry Family

#### Altar Servers

Megan Stalberger & Julia Steffl

June 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: Retired Priests 6.17.18