



# Sacred Heart

C a t h o l i c C h u r c h

4087 West Broadway • Robbinsdale, MN 55422

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*Formed in His Heart, Serving with His Heart, Giving From His Heart*

## Sunday Mass Times

### Saturday Vigil:

5:00 PM Mass of Anticipation

### Sunday — The Lord's Day:

8:00 AM Mass

10:00 AM Mass

(Child Care Available)

11:35 AM Latin Mass

(1962 Missal)

## Daily Mass Times

### Monday:

8:00 AM Communion Service  
followed by Lauds/Morning Prayer

### Tuesday — Saturday:

8:00 AM Mass

followed by Lauds/Morning Prayer

## Holy Day Mass Times

Consult the bulletin

## Penance and Reconciliation

### Tuesday — Saturday Morning:

7:40 — 7:55 AM

### Saturday Afternoon:

4:00 — 4:45 PM

Or by appointment

## Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays in the

Sacred Heart Chapel:

8:35 AM — 8:00 PM

## Parish Office Hours

### Monday — Friday:

8:00 AM — 4:30 PM

### Sunday Mornings:

8:30 — 11:30 AM

## Parish Web Site

[www.shrmn.org](http://www.shrmn.org)

**Parish Phone:** 763-537-4561

## Sacred Heart Catholic School

Daycare, Pre-K through 8th grade  
4050 Hubbard Avenue North  
Robbinsdale, MN 55422

## School Web Site

[sacredheartsschoolrobbinsdale.org](http://sacredheartsschoolrobbinsdale.org)

**School Phone:** 763-537-1329

## January 20, 2019

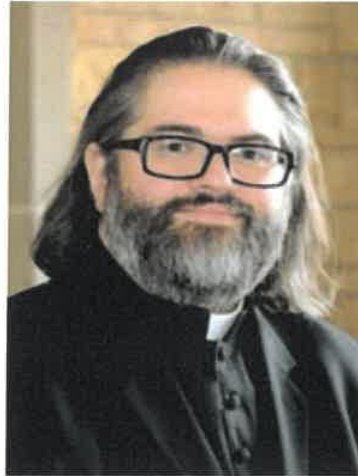


There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn 2:1-3

# Keep It or Cut It Challenge



**You get to  
decide!**



**Which team are you on?**  
**“Keep It - Team St. John Vianney”**  
**Or**  
**“Cut It - Team St. Paul”**

**Drop off donations at the Parish or School Office**



**Scan the QR code to donate online!**

<https://one.bidpal.net/givewithallyourheart/browse/all>

**Appointed Sunday Readings****2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time-1/20/19**

**First Reading:** You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the LORD, a royal diadem in the hand of your God. *(Is 62:3)*

**Psalms:** Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations. *(Ps 96)*

**Second Reading:** To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit. *(1 Cor 12:7)*

**Gospel:** When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servers, "Do whatever he tells you." *(Jn 2:3-5)*

**Latin Mass Sunday Readings****2nd Sunday after Epiphany**

**Epistle:** Brethren: Having different gifts, according to the grace that is given us: either prophecy to be used according to the rule of faith; or ministry, in ministering; or he that teacheth, in doctrine; he that exhorteth in exhorting; he that giveth, with simplicity; he that ruleth, with carefulness; he that showeth mercy, with cheerfulness. *(Rom. 12:6-16)*

**Gradual:** The Lord sent His word, and healed them: and delivered them from their destruction. *(Ps. 106:20, 21)*

**Gospel:** At that time there was a marriage in Cana of Galilee: and the Mother of Jesus was there. *(John 2:1-11)*

**Appointed Daily Readings****Monday, Jan. 21—Saturday, Jan. 26**

**Monday:** Heb 5:1-10/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/ Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday:** Heb 6:10-20/Ps 111:1-2, 4-5, 9 and 10c [5]/Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday:** Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday:** Heb 7:25-8:6/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 17 [8a and 9a]/Mk 3:7-12

**Friday:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2 [Mk 16:15]/ Mk 16:15-18

**Saturday:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10 [3]/Mk 3:20-21

**Prayers of the Faithful****Please remember In your prayers**

**Those Who Are Ill:** Tom Ambrose, Margaret Willger, Ray Swadner

**Those Serving In Our Armed Forces:** Philip Aubart, Sam Dahlgren-Castilla, Daniel Arnold, Justin Rathbun, Shannon Gregory, John Aubart, Joey Eckman, Joseph Mash, Liam Gregory, Jordan Reese, and Andrew Gladitsch, Cathal & Cormac O'Connor, Lisette Knaeble

**Those Who Have Died Recently:**

Jeron Ruppert, Robert Guthrie

**Administration**

**Increased Offertory Program:** Within the next several weeks you will receive a Summary Report detailing the results of our Increased Offertory Program. Thank you so very much to all who have chosen to participate in this very important program: "Formed in His Heart, Serving with His Heart and Giving from His Heart". Your generosity shows your willingness as faithful stewards to be part of the ongoing mission of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. If you have not yet turned in a commitment card, you may still do so at the Parish Office.

*For Weekly Contribution Information:*

*Please Contact the Parish Office.*

763-537-4561

*For PH. II CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE*

*As of 12/31/18*

*Please Contact the Parish Office.*

763-537-4561

**If you have any questions about the campaign, please contact Mary Daugherty (Business Administrator) in the parish office.**

**Year-End 2018 Contribution Statements have been mailed. Please contact the Parish Office if you have any questions, changes and/or you have not received your statement.**

**WILL YOU PRAY FOR A PRIEST EACH DAY?****PRAYER SUGGESTIONS**

O Jesus, I pray for your faithful and fervent priests; For your unfaithful and tepid priests; For your priests laboring at home or abroad in distant mission fields. For your tempted priests; For your lonely and desolate priests; For the souls of your priests in Purgatory. But above all, I recommend to you priests dearest to me. The priest who baptized me; the priests who absolved me from my sins; THE PRIESTS AT WHOSE Masses I assisted and who gave me Your Body and Blood in Holy Communion; The priests who taught and instructed me; All the priests to whom I am indebted in any other way (especially...). Jesus, keep them close to your heart, and bless them abundantly in time and in eternity, Amen. O Mary, Immaculate Conception, Mother of Jesus and Mother of priests, pray and intercede for (name of priest), Amen.

**FOR VOCATIONS:** Father we trust you to call others to the priesthood to continue your work in our Archdiocese.

*"Our entire good consists not only in accepting the truth of God's word, but in persevering in it."*

*-- St. Francis de Sales*

## Sacred Heart Catholic School



SACRED HEART  
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

### Sunday, January 27<sup>th</sup> Open House at Sacred Heart Catholic School

Come visit Sacred Heart Catholic School to see what is putting smiles on our students' faces! As you consider your educational options for the 2019-2020 school year, we invite you to our Open House on January 27<sup>th</sup> from 11:00-1:00 pm. All current and prospective families are invited to visit our school. Teachers, staff, and parents will be available to discuss curriculum and programs. **We will have LIVE animals in the gym, coffee & donuts in the Marian Rooms and Scholastic Book Fair in the gathering space.** All welcome.

### Sacred Heart Catholic School 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala---"Give With All Your Heart"

It's not too early to make your reservations for the Gala! Join us on February 8, 2019, beginning at 5:30 pm. There is plenty of fun to be had, while we celebrate our great school! Our Emcees, Mayor Regan Murphy and Bud Heifort will again entertain us throughout the evening. Dinner is at 7:00 pm.

### Personalize Tours

Parents are also welcome to schedule a personalized tour during our school day to observe our classes in action. We have many options for Pre-School and Pre-Kindergarten, including half and full days. Discover our school and the activities that enhance each child's educational experience. Come see how integrated faith lessons combined with our C-STEM program enrich our classrooms each day. We are preparing our students for 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills called the 4 C's: Creativity, Critical Thinking, Collaboration, and Communication. Call the school office to schedule a tour, 763.537.1329.

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<http://www.facebook.com/SHCSRobbinsdale>

Follow us on Twitter - <https://twitter.com/SHCSRobbinsdal1>

## Childcare Program Updates

**The Sacred Heart Little Angels Childcare Program** is seeking a part time Caregiver (2-6p.m. 5 days per week). Please contact Mary Daugherty in the Parish Office for more information.

**The Toddler Childcare (Ages 12-24mos) has (1) full time spot and (1) part time spot available.** Please contact Cheryl Schrepfer (Director of Sacred Heart Little Angels Childcare Program) at 763-537-1121 for more information and/or to schedule a tour.

## Youth Ministry

### BUY COFFEE-SUPPORT OUR YOUTH

WE HAVE A NEW SHIPMENT OF COFFEE FOR SALE FROM OUR YOUTH GROUP. MEDIUM ROAST-WHOLE BEAN, OR GROUND BAGS OF COFFEE ARE AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE IN THE PARISH OFFICE. \$13.00 A BAG. THANK YOU.



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**Priest Staff:** Fr. Bryan J.B. Pedersen

**Deacon:** Dr. James Ramsey

## Mass Intentions

### JANUARY

<b>Sun. 20</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Anna Teller Loch +
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Parishioners
	<b>11:35 AM</b>	Donna Castonguay +
<b>Mon. 21</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Communion Service
<b>Tues. 22</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Vincent & Mary Ann Binstock+
<b>Wed. 23</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Frank Weber+
<b>Thu. 24</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Gilbert Schwartz+
<b>Fri. 25</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	JoAnn Miller+
<b>Sat. 26</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Mary Johnson+
	<b>5:00 PM</b>	Bill Cashin+
<b>Sun. 27</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	Theresa Cupper +
	<b>10:00 AM</b>	Parishioners
	<b>11:35 AM</b>	Daniel J Fink +

## Liturgical Ministers

### January 22-26, 8:00 AM Mass

#### Altar Servers

**Jan.22:** Aidan Laue, Andrew Thibault  
**Jan.23:** Khai Nguyen, Tommy Heifort  
**Jan.24:** Gable Thissen, Breena Bucsko  
**Jan.25:** Mac and Laney Murphy  
**Jan.26:** Eli Hippen, Nick Gfroerer

### Saturday, Jan. 26 , 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

**Altar Servers:** James & Madeline Handler, Leo Fisher

**EMHC:** Mary Trombley

**Lector:** Andrea DeOtis

### Sunday, Jan. 27, 8:00 AM Mass

**Altar Servers:** Xavier & Sebastian Salazar, Nick Gfroerer

**EMHC:** Charlie Julien, Francine Wilson

**Lector:** Theresa Gooley

### Sunday, Jan. 27, 10:00 AM Mass

**Altar Servers:** Gable Thissen, Maya Mash, Peter Fisher

**EMHC:** Dianne Detloff, Linda Timmerman, Steve and Tery Haik

**Lector:** Ken Timmerman

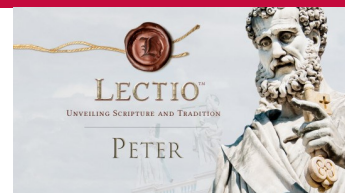
### Money Counters, 9:00AM

Tony Bangasser, Lea Kelly, Anthony Kelly, Robert Devany



## Faith Formation

### LECTIO UNVEILING SCRIPTURE & TRADITION PETER



The character of St. Peter is both inspiring and confounding to many of us. How could a stubborn and impulsive fisherman become the "rock" upon which Jesus would build his Church? Bringing together biblical accounts, historical evidence, Church teaching, classical art, and personal insights, Dr. Tim Gray gives a fresh perspective on Simon Peter that is immediately informative and relevant to our lives. After all, if Jesus could bring out the very best in someone like Peter, then there is hope for the rest of us.

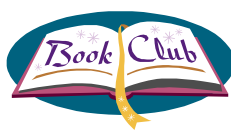
Starting on Tuesday January 22, two sessions will be offered During the day from 1-2:30pm and an evening session 7-8:30pm. We will meet every two weeks. Registration fee for this program is \$10.00. (Cost covers Matthew Study Questions and Responses) Couple registering for series \$15.00 .

**Registration Forms in Parish Office.**

## Music Ministry

**Friday, January 25, 2019 7:00 PM** – Once again colleagues and friends Jeffrey Patry and John Salveson team up to offer a program of *Music Made in Minnesota and Pennsylvania* for your enjoyment. This program will feature composers from Minnesota and Pennsylvania. Included will be music of Libby Larsen, Paul Manz, David Cherwien, Gordon Balch Nevin, John Weaver and Christopher Pardini. A freewill offering will be taken to benefit the Music Ministry of Sacred Heart. All are welcome!

**Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup> 5:00 PM** – The Providence Academy Chamber Chorale under the direction of Mr. Richard Carillo will be singing for our 5:00 PM Liturgy. Please join us in welcoming this outstanding choir of high schoolers to Sacred Heart to beautify our Liturgy with their music.



The Sacred Heart Adult Education Program has a Book Club from a Christian perspective. The Book Club is an informal gathering of people interested in expanding their horizons by reading. Our next selection is *"The Eight Doors of the Kingdom"* by Jacques Philippe.

The Gospel of St. Matthew shares with us astonishing words of Jesus: a promise of everlasting happiness, far removed from the usual recipes for gratification. *Happy are the poor in spirit! Happy are those who mourn! Happy are the meek!*

The Beatitudes, as we've come to know these promises, are the true answer to the sufferings of the world today. They reveal the face of God—made of gentleness, mercy and humility—and propose that the only effective path to human maturity, inner freedom, and peace of heart, is to live by them.

We invite anyone interested to join us. The book can be purchased in the Parish Office for \$10. Our first meeting for discussion of this book selection will be Monday, February 11 at 7pm in MRoom 5. If you have any questions, please call Bunny in the Parish Office 763-537-4561. Or e-mail [bbrouillard@shrmn.org](mailto:bbrouillard@shrmn.org)

## Parish Prayer Line

To be placed on the prayer line call Terri at 612-247-8772. You can also send in your request via e-mail: [cshadmin@shrmn.org](mailto:cshadmin@shrmn.org)

## Parish Organizations

### Respect Life Ministry

To reserve your seat on the St. Raphael Bus on Jan. 22, 2019

Please RSVP to Teri Vetsch at (763) 504-2897

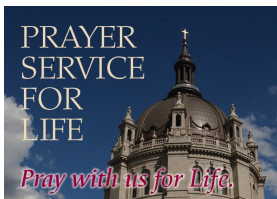
Free Will offering. All are welcome!

9am Check-in at St. Raphael's Church,  
7301 Bass Lake Rd., lower East side door

9:20am Bus departs for Prayer Service for Life at Cathedral  
followed by transportation to the Capitol for the MCCL March for Life.

2:30-3:00pm Bus returns to St. Raphael's.

Please plan to attend these extraordinary events!



**Cathedral of Saint Paul,  
Tuesday, January 22, 2019, 10:30 AM**

Please join us for the Annual Prayer Service for Life. This prayer service commemorates the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. Archbishop Bernard Hebda will be the presider

#### Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life March for Life



The March will begin at noon on the state Capitol grounds, followed by a brief program at 12:30 p.m. MCCL will announce their 2019 legislative agenda and introduce pro-life lawmakers and officials. Signs will be available to pick up at the March. Please set aside one hour to speak out for unborn children and their mothers!

## Council of Catholic Women

#### Council of Catholic Women

**Sacred Heart CCW February Business Meeting, Sat Feb 2 at 9 AM**

More details next week. Chairpersons for Spring Events please plan to attend.

**Sweet Treats & Bake Sale, Sat Feb 2 & Sun Feb 3**

It is time once again to bring out the candy thermometers or activate the ovens for our **annual sweet treats and bake sale fundraiser**. You may drop off the delectable delights before and after all weekend Masses.

**MCCW Catholic Culture Day, Wed Feb 20**

**All Men and Women** invited to a tour of the **ST. PAUL SEMINARY SCHOOL OF DIVINITY**. Meet at

St. Mary's Chapel for 11:35 AM Mass. A one-hour tour follows so we can truly get the feel of the everyday spiritual journey of a Seminarian to the Priesthood. Lunch optional, Cleveland Wok, own expense. RSVP by Feb 11 to [franliles@gmail.com](mailto:franliles@gmail.com)

**ACCW Leadership Day is at Immaculate Conception in Columbia Heights, Sat Feb 23, 8 AM to Noon.** "It Only Takes a Spark" to ignite your spiritual life and talents. Hear about biblical greats Judith and Esther and Minnesotan Gertrude Hill Gavin. This is not an ACCW Leadership Training event ... it is open for all women. Register before Feb 13 is \$10 and after \$15, <http://www.archspm.org/accwlead>

## Calendar of Events

**Sunday, January 20– 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time; 2nd Sunday after Epiphany, Trad.**

**Coffee & Donuts Sponsored By Choir**

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM NO Sunday School

10:00 AM Child Care

11:35 AM Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

**Monday, January 21– St. Agnes 304**

**Martin Luther King Jr.; Parish Office Closed; No School**

8:00 AM Communion Service

**Tuesday, January 22– St. Vincent of Saragossa 304, Trad. No School**

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

9:00 AM Home Communion

**Wednesday, January 23– St. Vincent of Saragossa 304 ; St. Raymond of Penafort 1275, Trad.**

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

2:15 PM Open Youth Room

6:30 PM Rel. Ed.

7:00 PM Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal—Caf.

8:00 PM Youth Core Team

**Thursday, January 24– St. Vincent de Sales 1622; St. Timothy 97, Trad.**

**School Book Fair in Parish Commons**

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

8:35 AM – 8:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration

2:15 PM Choristers Rehearsal—Choir Rm.

6:00 PM Cub Scout Meeting

6:30 PM Bella Voce Rehearsal— Choir Rm.

**Friday, January 25– Conversion of St. Paul 36**

**School Book Fair in Parish Commons**

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM School & Parish Mass: Fr. Pedersen

7:00 PM Organ Recital— Church

**Saturday, January 26– Sts. Timothy 97, & Titus 96; St. Polycarp 166, Trad.**

**School Book Fair in Parish Commons**

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Mass

**Sunday, January 27– 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; 3rd Sunday after Epiphany; Trad.**

**Catholic Schools Week**

**Sacred Heart Open House**

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM Sunday School

10:00 AM Child Care

11:00 AM Confirmation

11:30 AM Kantorei Rehearsal— Choir Rm.

11:35 AM Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

## GOSPEL MEDITATION

### January 20, 2019 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

When you think of being Catholic, what do you think of? Perhaps you grew up with your only associations being fasting, nuns with rulers, and "Catholic guilt." Our faith can sometimes have the connotation of restriction and absence, not abundance. Who is God in your life? Is He the divine law-giver, the judge punishing the rule-breakers? These are certainly attributes of God. But the laws don't exist for themselves alone. They exist to help us love one another

as God loves us. And this loving God is the author of abundance and joy.

Did you hear today's Gospel? "There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee." Here at this wedding, Jesus would perform "the beginning of his signs...and so reveal his glory." This first sign isn't a miraculous healing. He didn't raise someone from the dead. He kept a party going! "There were six stone water jars there for Jewish ceremonial washings, each holding twenty to thirty gallons...the water...had become wine." The wine has run out. Jesus creates somewhere between 120 and 180 gallons to help his friend save face. We may not have such momentous miracles in our lives, but God is watching out for us. The string of green lights when you're running late. The sale on the replacement appliance you need. The friend who calls at just the right time. These are the little moments of God's abundance. We just need to look for them!

Not only does Jesus surprise, but the guests point out to their host: "You have kept the good wine until now." The divine wine is better than the earthly variety. God's goodness is better than what we can grasp at for ourselves. Isn't that how it always goes?

## LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Did you ever consider that God takes great delight in you? We are by no means second or afterthoughts of God. As the master artisan, God takes delight in every fabric of our being and every single component of who we are. We are intentionally and lovingly designed! God gets much joy out of every child He creates, and He does not abandon us. God is definitely in charge! God can take a painful past or an apparent dead-end and turn it into a glorious future. He can transform nothing into something and is always eagerly ready to give us the gifts of faith, hope, and love. We are never bound by the past and never without options. All we have to do is listen to Him. Are we willing to give up the controls and allow Him to do what He does best?

## EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

There are close to 7.6 billion people currently on earth. That is a lot of people! If you try to estimate how many people have collectively been born since the beginning of time, a good guess is 108 billion! It is hard to contemplate that many distinctly different human beings created by our God. In the midst of all those people, where do you and I fit? Can we really be created to make a difference in the world? One can feel very small and insignificant when reflecting on the numbers.

We render ourselves insignificant when we make the mistake of seeing ourselves as being just like everybody else. However, when looking at the numbers, how can one honestly think we are all the same? Another way we become insignificant is believing the lie that one person in the midst of so many does not have the power to make an impact. However, we all spend time reading books, watching movies, or listening to news about singular people who made all the difference in some part of the world. Imagine your own world without a few key people who have touched you and made a difference.

We are all created with unique gifts. We have those gifts that have been part of us from birth and those that have been imparted to us by the Holy Spirit. St. Paul tried to get the Corinthians to understand that reality when he explained to them the many gifts of the Spirit. Perhaps some of his audience back then thought they were insignificant. The message then remains the message today: God is counting on you to use what He has given you. If you don't, who will?

-- Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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2019



In response to the Gospel call to serve the poor and spread the Good News, the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation of the Saint Paul and Minneapolis Area (CSAF) works as Christ's hands and feet throughout the 12-county Archdiocese. An independent non-profit organization, CSAF partners with 20 varied outreach ministries, thousands of individual donors, and over 185 Catholic parishes to serve the poor, support life, and strengthen the Catholic faith.

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