

# Sacred Heart

Catholic Church

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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

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

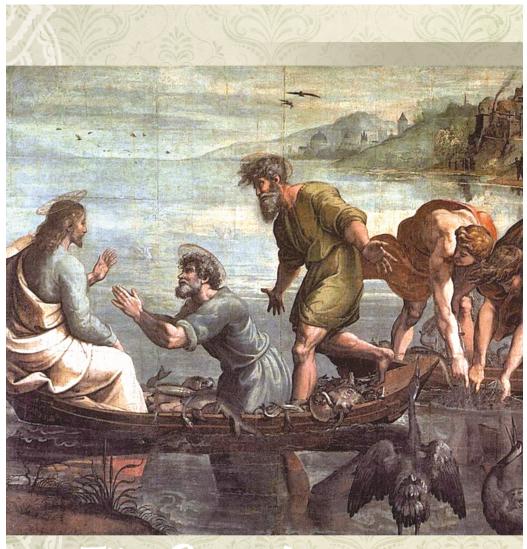
## **Sacred Heart Catholic School**

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

**School Web Site** 

sacredheartschoolrobbinsdale.org **School Phone:** 763-537-1329

## February 10, 2019



# 5th Sunday TIME

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Lk 5:5

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## Pastor's Page Fr. Bryan J.B. Pedersen

#### Sacred Heart Parish Mission Statement

"Sacred Heart Catholic Parish exists to foster a community of disciples in response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ through Worship, Fellowship, Catholic Education and Service"



## Life is a Precious Gift

This past week I have been reminded that life is a precious gift from God the giver of all gifts. Sadly, sometimes we take life for granted. Life can be changed in an instant by illness, accident, or tragedy. This past Tuesday February 5<sup>th</sup>, two of our parishioners were in an automobile accident. Shane Swenson and his twelve-year-old son, Brady, a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student at Sacred Heart Catholic School were rear-ended on Bass Lake Road by another driver. Brady had to be extricated from the back seat of the family car by the New Hope Fire Department. I ask all of you to keep him in your prayers, as he recovers from a traumatic brain injury. We do not yet know the extent of his injuries. His brain needs time to heal. By the time you read this we may have a better understanding of how he is doing, but do

keep him, his Dad, Shane, his Mom, Jennifer, and his older brother, Jacob, in your thoughts and prayers.

We do not know the name of the other driver who caused the accident. The "New Hope police said the crash remains under investigation, and the department is working to determine what role speed and alcohol may have played." (KSTP News). This accident reminded me of another life changing tragedy that touched our parish last year at the end of January. You may recall one of our parishioners, Brenda Magnuson, a mother of three children, including Tyra, a 7<sup>th</sup> grader this at Sacred Heart Catholic School, died tragically during a terrible car accident up North. I know that the Colin Jorgenson, her husband, Tyra, and her older brothers appreciated all the prayers and support that have come from our parish community. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers as well.

Life is a precious gift from God the giver of all gifts. Let us not take our life for granted. As Pope Francis noted in a message given to Catholics taking part in the annual Day for Life in Britain and Ireland on July 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 "All life has inestimable value even the weakest and most vulnerable, the sick, the old, the unborn and the poor, are masterpieces of God's creation, made in his own image, destined to live forever, and deserving of the utmost reverence and respect." As a nation we have a long way to go in respecting life and creating a culture of life whether for the unborn who sadly are under renewed attack by the state government in New York. Many other proposed laws in other states seek to take away what little protection exist for unborn children in the third trimester of life. Some offi-

cials have even advocated the right to infanticide! Our respect for life also must include the elderly, the disabled, the migrants who need humanitarian assistance regardless of whether they will ultimately stay in our great land or return to their native place, and for those whose lives have been forever changed by violence perpetrated by criminal aliens, gangs, or drugs smugglers, or coyotes, or human traffickers. These human traffick-







**Ultrasound Technology** Showing Life in the Womb

ers take advantage of young girls, teen girls, young adult women, boys and vulnerable adult men as well. These criminal elements in our society have shown us that "slavery" still exists. Greed is the root cause of these evils. As we see the sacredness of life under assault we as a united people must work for the common good and be converted to the Gospel of Life. Our respect for human life must be total and complete.

Let me conclude with another message from Pope Francis given during an Audience with the Italian Movement for Life on April 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014. "Human life is sacred and inviolable. Every civil right is based on the recognition of the first, fundamental right, the right to life, which is not subject to any condition, of a qualitative, economic and certainly not of an ideological nature. Just as the commandment 'Thou shalt not kill' places a clear limit guaranteeing the value of human life, today we must also say 'No to an economy of exclusion and inequality.' This economy kills. Human beings are themselves considered consumer goods to be used and then discarded. We have created a 'throwaway' culture which is now spreading. In this way life too is discarded." Let us never take life for granted, nor let the ideology of a throw-away culture take hold in our lives.

## **Appointed Sunday Readings**

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time-2/10/19

First Reading: I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?" "Here I am," I said; "send me!" (Is 6:8)

Psalm: In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord. (Ps 138)

**Second Reading:** Therefore, whether it be I or they, so we preach and so you believed. (1 Cor 15:11)

**Gospel:** Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." (*Lk 5:10b-11*)

## **Latin Mass Sunday Readings**

#### 5th Sunday after Epiphany

**Epistle:** Brethren: Put ye on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, the bowels of mercy, benignity, humility, modesty, patience: bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if any have a complaint against another: even as the Lord hath forgiven you, so do you also. *(Col. 3:12-17)* 

**Gradual:** The Gentiles shall fear Thy Name, O Lord, and all the kings Thy glory. For the Lord hath built up Sion; and He shall be seen in His glory. (*Ps. 101:16-17*)

**Gospel:** At that time Jesus spoke this parable to the multitudes: The kingdom of heaven is likened to a man that sowed good seed in his field. (*Matt.* 13:24-30)

## **Appointed Daily Readings**

Monday, Feb. 11—Saturday, Feb. 16

**Monday:** Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56

Tuesday: Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9

[2ab]/Mk 7:1-13

Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a,

27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf.

1a]/Mk 7:24-30

Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk

7:31-37

Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-

## Prayers of the Faithful

Please remember In your prayers

**Those Who Are III:** Tom Ambrose, Margaret Willger, Ray Swadner, Brady Swenson, Family of Brady Swenson, Eileen Nelson

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:** Mary Ann DeGabriele

## **Administration**

## Stewardship



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

## **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.

## CAPITAL EXPENSE PROJECT UPDATE

- 1. M-Rooms: The Wall and Corner Protectors are in-house and will be installed the week of February 11, 2019.
- 2. Sound System: The vendor for the new sound system has been selected. Installation is estimated to be completed prior to the start of Lent.



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 area. An independent non-profit foundation, the CSAF focuses solely on sup-

porting 20 designated outreach ministries and nothing else. Partnering with these ministries, you help those in need: the hungry, the orphan, the sick, suffering, dying and grieving. You assist in ministering in the imprisoned, evangelizing Catholic youth and college students, and strengthening families. You enable the sacraments to be provided to Catholics young and old alike. Newly added ministry partners this year include Abria Pregnancy Resources and The Society of St. Vincent de Paul—Twin Cities. We invite you to learn more about each of the vital ministries supported by the Foundation, and to join us in transforming lives through the Gospel! Visit eee.csafspm.org to learn more, and please prayerfully consider how you might give back via the CSAF.

## Sacred Heart Catholic School

#### **Traveling Crucifix Program at Sacred Heart Catholic School**

The School Traveling Crucifix Program provides students with a significant focal point for daily prayer in the classroom—and for conversation about the importance of vocations.



A beautiful crucifix is selected to "travel" to different classrooms, with each class committing to host the crucifix for one week and to pray daily for vocations.

This is a wonderful—and easy-to-organize—way to involve students in praying for vocations, and to unite the school in perpetual prayer for priests and consecrated life. The Serra Club and Knights of Columbus have covered the cost of the Traveling Crucifix Kit.

## Sacred Heart Catholic School receives a \$10,000 Impact Grant from the Catholic School Center of Excellence

Sacred Heart Catholic School submitted a grant to improve our middle school program to benefit our STEM curriculum and technology. The grant money will allow us to purchase the following:

- 1. Purchase Top 20 Training curriculum for grades 6-8, to implement fully in 2019-2020. Students are involved in activities that help students realize the power they have within themselves to develop their potential and make choices that enhance the quality of their lives, relationships, and experiences.
- 2. Create a new collaborative classroom for middle school that allows for group work by purchasing new tables and chairs that can easily be arranged in the desired grouping per the activity
- 3. Purchase Chromebooks to boost our technology needs in the classroom.
- 4. Purchase a program called GoGuardian to help monitor the 1:1 devices that we have to make sure students are making good choices with their technology use.

#### **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.

Like our Facebook Page - <u>Sacred Heart Catholic School Robbinsdale, MN Alumni/Parent http://www.facebook.com/SHCSRobbinsdale</u>

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

#### FIRST PENANCE MEETING

On Tuesday, February 12 there will be a First Penance Meeting at 6:30pm in the Marian Rooms. Parents and Students are asked to attend.



A Belated Thank You
to our Three Kings
who helped bring the Offertory Gifts
to the Christ Child at 10am Masses on January 6
Sunday of the Epiphany
Maggie Leonard, Phillip Cunningham, Sylvana Berry

## **Parish Directory**

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Priest Staff: Fr. Bryan J.B. Pedersen
Deacon: Dr. James Ramsey

## **Mass Intentions**

#### **FEBRUARY**

| Sun. 10  | 8:00 AM  | Ted Dargis+          |
|----------|----------|----------------------|
|          | 10:00 AM | Parishioners         |
|          | 11:35 AM | Donna Castonguay+    |
| Mon. 11  | 8:00 AM  | Communion Service    |
| Tues. 12 | 8:00 AM  | Marian Capitola+     |
| Wed. 13  | 8:00 AM  | Jane Fortman+        |
| Thu. 14  | 8:00 AM  | Donna Castonguay+    |
| Fri. 15  | 8:00 AM  | Ted Dargis+          |
| Sat. 16  | 8:00 AM  | Robert Penz+         |
|          | 5:00 PM  | Matthew Neis+        |
| Sun. 17  | 8:00 AM  | Mary Johnson+        |
|          | 10:00 AM | Parishioners         |
|          | 11:35 AM | Fr. Paul LaFontaine+ |

## **Liturgical Ministers**

## February 12-16, 8:00 AM Mass

**Altar Servers** 

Feb. 13: Aidan Laue, Andrew Thibault Feb. 14: Khai Nguyen, Tommy Heifort Feb. 15: Laney and Mac Murphy Feb. 16: Peter Hanauska, Tyler Schorn

Feb. 12: Leo Fisher, Sebastian Salazar

#### Saturday, Feb. 16, 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Altar Servers: Lucas Patterson, Eli Hippen, Leo Fisher

EMHC: Mary & Gerry Mimick, Hope Doerner

**Lector:** Stuart Culver

#### Sunday, Feb. 17, 8:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers: Cadence & Keira Haines,

Gable Thissen

EMHC: Art & Marilyn Zenzen, Char Alberti

Lector: Cheri Dargis

#### Sunday, Feb. 17, 10:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers: Patrick, Colin, Daniel Finley EMHC: Pat Hargreaves, Bob Lind, Julie Harty,

**Bobbie Ramsey** Lector: Bill Blonigan

#### Money Counters, Feb. 17, 9:00AM

Rick Riley, Bill Bauer, Gerry Mimick, Cathy Jones

#### Parish Praver 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



## **Faith Formation**

## LECTIO UNVEILING **SCRIPTURE & TRADITION** PETER



Session 2: (Rescheduled from Tuesday February 5) Capernaum: Village of Coming Consolation, Presenter Dr. Tim Gray takes a closer look at the town of Capernaum and Galilee, where Peter worked and lived. We'll discover the significance of that geographical area to Jesus's teaching and works, especially in light of the words of the prophet Isaiah.

Tuesday February 19, two sessions will be offered During the day from 1-2:30pm and an evening session 7-8:30pm.



## **BOOK CLUB HAS BEEN POSTPONED** AND WILL BE RESCHEDULED AT A LATER DATE.



#### PRE-BAPTISM CLASSES

Pre-Baptism Classes are offered at Sacred Heart on the Second Tuesday of the month. All parents are required to attend a prebaptism class before the Baptism of their first child or if it has been over three years since they last attended a pre-baptism class. Our next scheduled session is Tuesday February 12, 7pm

in the Activities Building. If you plan to attend this session, please call the Parish Office 763-537-4561.

## **Council of Catholic Women**

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MCCW Catholic Culture Day, Wed Feb 20

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

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

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

## MEN'S CLUB — Catholic Watchmen Update

#### Sacred Heart Men's Club Watchmen Program: Feb 21

This year we are studying Father Kapuan, the most decorated chaplain in US History, using Formed.org. Our next meeting is Thursday, February 21. We start in the adoration chapel at 7:30pm (or earlier if you can), for Adoration and Benediction. At 8 pm we move to the Marion room for a social time, followed by the video and a brief discussion. Even if you missed the earlier sessions, please consider joining us, this series is very well done and is

Saturday, March 23: Annual Archdiocesan Men's Conference at St. Thomas Academy, 9:00 am to 4:30 pm. Theme is Arming Men of Integrity. Led by Archbishop Hedba and Bishop Cozzens. The Guest Speaker is Patrick Madrid.

Register at thecatholicwatchmen.com

## **Parish Organizations**

## **Respect Life Ministry**



A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a weekend opportunity for women and men to resolve issues of guilt, shame, pain, grief, and anxiety after an abortion. The retreat provides a safe and sacred place for you to open up to our Lord and unburden yourself without fear. You will be able to grieve, work on any anger, forgive yourself, reconcile with God, and

reconcile with your children. See upcoming retreat dates.

The retreats are for

Anyone: single, married couples, mothers, fathers, grandparents and siblings of aborted children, as well as persons who have been involved in the abortion industry have come to Rachel's Vineyard in search of peace and inner healing. Hear about the experiences of past retreatants.

Next Retreat: Friday, Mar 1 through Sunday, Mar 3, 2019

Time: Friday, 5:00 pm through Sunday, 5:00 pm

Location: Prior Lake, MN

Cost: \$180.00 per person, financial assistance is available

Please contact us at rachels@rvineyardmn.org or 763-250-9313 (confidential voice-

mail) if you have questions.

Registrations are kept in the strictest confidence and privacy.

You can register by mail, phone, email, or online at rvineyardmn.org.

Please contact us at rachels@rvineyardmn.org or 763-250-9313 (confidential voice-

mail) if you have questions.



#### **Sidewalk Counseling Training Seminar**

March 7, 2019, 7:00 -9:00 p.m.

Bethlehem Baptist Church, 720 13th Ave, S., Room 111, Minneapolis, MN 55415 Learn how to save babies by peacefully reaching out to those entering abortion facilities. Prayer supporters are also wel-

come. No charge. Hosted by the Sanctity of Life Ministry at Bethlehem Baptist Church. For more information or to register, email Debra below or call 651-797-6364.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are needed at 5PM Mass on Saturday and 8AM Mass on Sunday. Please consider helping in this important and beautiful ministry. Please call Bobbie Ramsey at 763-588-0358. Training is provided

The Funeral Luncheon Committee is in need of individuals to help with scullery duty. If you have some flexibility with your schedule and would be willing to add your name to our call list, please contact the Parish Office. We can provide training as required. Thank you in advance for your help.



#### N.E.A.R. FOOD SHELF UPDATE

Thank you for your donation of 112lbs of food to the food shelf for the month of January.

"Community is a sign that love is possible ..." -Jean Vanier

## Calendar of Events

Sunday, February 10-5th Sunday in Ordinary Time; 5th Sunday after Epiphany, Trad.

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen 10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen 10:00 AM Sunday School 10:00 AM Child Care 11:15 AM Confirmation

11:35 AM Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

Monday, February 11- Our Lady of Lourdes 1858

8:00 AM Communion Service

Tuesday, February 12- Seven Holy Founders of the Order of Servites 1233, Trad.

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen 8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

Coffee & Donuts-Parish Commons 8:30 AM 6:30 PM First Reconciliation Mtg.- MRooms

Wednesday, February 13-St. Catherine de Ricci 1589, Hist.

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen 8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen 2:15 PM Open Youth Room

6:30 PM Rel Ed

Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal—Caf. 7:00 PM

8:00 PM Youth Core Team

Thursday, February 14-Sts. Cyril & Methodius 885;St. Valentine 269, Trad.

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** 

7:00 PM Bella Voce Rehearsal- Choir Rm.

Friday, February 15-St. Claude de la Cololbiere 1682, St. Faustinus & Jovita 121, Trad.

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM School & Parish Mass: Fr. Pedersen Saturday, February 16-St. Onesimus 95, Hist.

7:40AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen 8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Mass

6:00 PM Middle School Night

Sunday, February 17-6th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Septuagesima Sunday, Trad.

Coffee & Donuts Sponsored by Finance Committee

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen 10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM **NO Sunday School** 

10:00 AM Child Care

Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

Monday, February 18-St. Bernadette Soubirous

1879; St. Simeon 449, Trad. President's Day; School Closed;

**Parish Office Closed** 

8:00 AM Communion Service

## **News From Other Sources**

## **UPCOMING RETREATS AT CHRIST THE KING RETREAT CENTER**

## 621 First Ave South - Buffalo, MN 55313

#### **WOMEN'S SILENT LENTEN MIDWEEK RETREAT**

Theme: "Be Patient in Affliction"

**Date:** March 5 – 7, 2019

Presented by: King's House Preaching Team

Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person/\$100.00 per person for students (includes \$30.00 deposit to reserve a room)

#### MEN'S SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT

Theme: "Be Patient in Affliction" Date: March 8 - 10, 2019

Presented by: King's House Preaching Team

Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person/\$100.00 per person for students (includes \$30.00 deposit to reserve a room)

## Family Fully Alive, Friday, February, 22

Come for a fun evening with your family including a FREE turkey dinner and entertainment. Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus.

5:30 PM Turkey Dinner, 6:00 Games

St. Raphael's Catholic Church Marion Hall

RSVP to Jon Tupy (tupyjon@gmail.com or 952-393-7428)

Or signup online https://www.signupgenius.com/

go/409054DAFAF22A2FA7-family before Wednesday, February 20

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

Have you ever felt a compelling urge to respond to a situation and then found yourself questioning whether you should do so? Fear often takes hold of us, and we find ourselves making excuses for why it is better to just mind our own business. There is a voice within each of us that is saying, "Follow me". What does this prompting mean? The purpose of discipleship is not to secure our own station in life and enhance our comfort zone. Discipleship is about taking risks and venturing forth into the unknown, tending to the needs of others and being prophetic voices of change. We will not drink deeply of life until we listen to the voice of God within. When God asks, "Whom shall I send?", will you reply, "Here I am? send me!"?

#### Sts. Cyril & Methodius

These brothers by birth became brothers in mission. Cyril and Methodius were born to a Greek diplomat in the 800s. The two brothers served in local governmental posts before each withdrew to a monastery. Their lives changed when the political leadership in Eastern Europe - what is now Ukraine - requested priests who spoke the native Slavic languages. Cyril and Methodius had proven themselves as able administrators and holy men, so they were sent as missionaries. First, Cyril invented an alphabet. This became the foundation for what is now used today and is still called the Cyrillic alphabet! Next, the brothers translated the Gospels, the Psalms, and other liturgical books into the native language of the people. Their work spread across Eastern Europe. God indeed raises up saints for their times!

#### **GOSPEL MEDITATION**

Do you have enough? Many of us come from a nation of material abundance. We have all the things we could possibly need not only to survive, but to thrive - food, shelter, mental ability, income, access to medical care. Most people in human history lived with far less than we. So why are we so dissatisfied? Some Christians can be drawn to the "prosperity Gospel." This is the idea that following God will bring us material abundance in this

That surely seems to be the story of today's Gospel! Peter and his friends chose - with some faith - to put out their nets a final time at Jesus' command. "They caught a great number of fish and their nets were tearing. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come to help them. They came and filled both boats so that they were in danger of sinking." What gift! What abundance! What prosperity! Peter and his friends caught more fish than they'd ever seen. Yet what is their response to this material abundance, this gift from God? They leave it behind. "When they brought their boats to the shore, they left everything and followed him."

Praying for God to meet our physical, material needs is not a bad thing! Jesus himself includes "give us this day our daily bread" in the prayer he teaches his disciples. The question is, how do we respond when our prayers are answered? Do we thank God briefly, or perhaps ignore Him completely and move on with our lives? Or do we respond as Peter did? "God? You showed up in an area that has no bearing on my eternal salvation. You gave me a gift I didn't even really need. You love me! You really do love me." Is our gratitude only surface level? Or do we allow ourselves, like Peter did, to respond with wonder, awe, and deeper discipleship?

## **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP** RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

Have you ever participated in various trust exercises, where you have to place your faith in others around you? Maybe it was falling backwards with your eyes closed while the person's voice speaking to you seemed to drift further away. Maybe it was jumping from a height into people's arms that didn't seem strong enough to catch you. These activities were supposed to show you the meaning of trust and help grow that trust in you for your comrades. Sometimes it worked. Other times, some prankster would actually let you fall, and then you learned to trust no one. So much for building up our ability to trust.

Trust is important, especially in our relationship with Jesus. He calls us all the time and asks for us to trust. However, because of doubt or a desire to follow our own will, we choose to disregard his request. After objecting to Jesus' request to lower his net into the water, Peter was humbled when he caught so much fish that the net began to tear. Peter was a fisherman by trade. Surely he knew what the catch was probably going to be that day. But Jesus asked him to follow his will. Peter wanted to follow his own. Peter realized that his trust from then on should be in the Lord. Do you sometimes think your generosity will bear little fruit? Do you wonder if your surrender to God in stewardship living really amounts to much at all? Trust in Jesus, the one who calls you to this life. His word is truth, and he would never let you fall.

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