



Sacred Heart

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

4087 West Broadway • Robbinsdale, MN 55422

Phone: 763-537-4561

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

sacredheartsschoolrobbinsdale.org

School Phone: 763-537-1329

May 19, 2019



5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." - Jn 13:34

Parish Directory

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The Church of the Sacred Heart is served by the clergy of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

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

Administration

Stewardship

For Weekly Contribution Information:

Please Contact the Parish Office.

763-537-4561

Annual Catholic Services Appeal

20 Ministries. One Faith.



Thank you to all who have responded to the 2019 Catholic Services Appeal.

It's not too late to pledge to the 2019 Appeal. Gifts of any size are welcome. Sacred Heart's 2019 goal is \$35,988. We are currently \$8,817 away from meeting our goal thanks to your generosity. Sacred Heart receives 25% of its goal if met to use towards our ministries and mission. Extra pledge cards are available in the Parish Office. Thank you again for your contribution to the Annual Catholic Services Appeal.

Capital Expense Fund Project Update

Once again, thank you to all who have helped make these projects come to fruition. Your generosity is greatly appreciated! If there are any questions regarding any of these projects, please contact Mary Daugherty in the Parish Office.

1. AED's – All new AED Devices are installed with visible location signs. Sacred Heart is working with Paul Mendoza of Advanced First Aid, Inc. to be certified as a Heart Safe Campus. We recently completed a First Aid/CPR Training course for all Parish Staff and other Parish Committee Members and Ushers/Greeters. We will be coordinating another training session. More information to follow.
2. Church Sound System – This project is complete. We have received many compliments that the sound clarity is much improved.
3. M-Rooms Upgrade – The new carpet, paint, blinds and wall/corner protectors are installed. We are working on finalizing artwork for the walls depicting the life of Mary.
4. Convent Foundation/School & Church Door Stonework – Our masonry contractor is tentatively scheduled to start work on this project May 20, 2019.
5. Elevator Security – We have a project plan in place to install a reception/security desk at the West Broadway Door Entrance (Door 8) with a target completion date of August 26, 2019.
6. Hubbard Vestibule Roof Replacement – We are currently seeking bids for the replacement of the Hubbard Vestibule flat roof where we have had significant leaking over the past few years. We have met with (2) roofing vendors to date, with (2) more planned. Once we receive all bids, we will review and move forward with this roof replacement.
7. New Kids Club Entrance Door – This project is complete with a new door in place that is more secure.

O, Lord, you are my God, I will exalt you and praise your name for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things planned long ago.

Isaiah 25:1

Appointed Sunday Readings

5th Sunday of Easter-5/19/19

First Reading: When they arrived, they called the church together and reported what God had done with them and how he had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles. (*Acts 14:27*)

Psalms: I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God. (*Ps 145*)

Second Reading: The One who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." (*Rev 21:5a*)

Gospel: "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (*Jn 13:34*)

Latin Mass Sunday Readings

4th Sunday after Easter

Epistle: Dearly beloved, every best gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no change nor shadow of alteration. (*James 1:17-21*)

Gospel: At that time Jesus said to His disciples: I go to Him that sent Me: and none of you asketh Me: Whither goest Thou? But because I have spoken these things to you, sorrow hath filled your heart. (*John 16:5-14*)

Appointed Daily Readings

Monday, May 20—Saturday, May 25

Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 15-16 [1ab]/Jn 14:21-26

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5 [2a]/Jn 15:18-21

Prayers of the Faithful

Please remember in your prayers

Those Who Are Ill: Tom Ambrose, Margaret Willger, Marlene Tuschen, Brady Swenson, Mary Jo Faustgen, Felix Jopp, Bunny Dargis, Andrea DeOtis, Freeman Family, Eunice O'Neil

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: Michelle Jacobson

Parish-Wide Census

Thank you to all who have turned in the new census registration form. We have been busy updating our database as these forms come in. There are still many forms out there yet to be returned. They may be sitting on your kitchen counter or in your home office just waiting to come back to us. Please take a moment to complete and return the form. You can mail it in the return envelope provided in the packet or drop it off in the Parish Office. We will be going through a process to determine which of the packets that have not been picked up will be mailed. Please contact the parish office if you were not able to pick up your packet after Mass. **Thank you all for your help with this very important Parish-Wide Census Project.**

Summer Parish Hours

Summer Parish Office Hours and Hospitality Schedule: The Parish Office will be closed at 1:00p.m. on Fridays beginning Memorial Weekend through Labor Day Weekend. The Parish Office will also be closed on Sunday mornings during the summer, with the exception of the following Sundays: June 2, June 16, July 14 and August 4.

Please join us for hospitality after Mass on the following days this summer: Saturday, June 1st – Ice Cream Social and Sunday, June 2, June 16, July 14 & August 4 – Coffee & Donuts.

FUN FEST 2019

Fun Fest 2019: Watch for your Fun Fest 2019 Save the Date postcard in the mail soon and spread the word: Same Great Fun on ONE Great Day!

Saturday, September 14, Noon-11:00p.m.

- Start putting together your Cornhole (Bags) Tournament teams now – more information to follow soon.
- The Fun Fest Committee is looking for assistance with soliciting Corporate Community Sponsorship. Please contact the parish office if you are interested in assisting with this important activity.
- Please contact Mary Daugherty in the Parish Office and/or Monica and Steve Thibault (2019 Fun Fest Chair Couple) if you have any questions or ideas for this year's Fun Fest. Mary Daugherty can be reached at 763-537-4561 or mdaugherty@shrmn.org. Monica and Steve can be reached at 763-531-0522 or monicathibault@gmail.com.

Hello, Fellow Parishioners!

Archbishop Hebda has created a Lay Advisory Board. The purpose of the Lay Advisory Board is to promote healing in the Archdiocese of St. Paul & Minneapolis in the wake of the clergy sex abuse scandal and following the conclusion of the Archdiocesan Bankruptcy. Each parish has selected a member of their Parish Pastoral Council to represent their parish at the deanery level. Sacred Heart is located in Deanery 9. At the deanery level one representative is selected to serve on Archbishop Hebda's Lay Advisory Board in Saint Paul.

My role as the parish representative to Deanery 9 is to bring forward any ideas or concerns from parishioners at Sacred Heart to the deanery level for consideration for bringing forward to the archdiocesan level. The purpose of the board is to lay the groundwork for a future synod which will determine how the archdiocese moves forward in the years ahead and promotes healing and reconciliation in the wake of recent events.

Please send your thoughts or ideas to me either by email to sacredheartdeaneryrep@gmail.com or by US Mail to 4520 Flag Ave N in New Hope, 55428

In Christ,
Daniel Gates

Sacred Heart Catholic School



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CATHOLIC SCHOOL

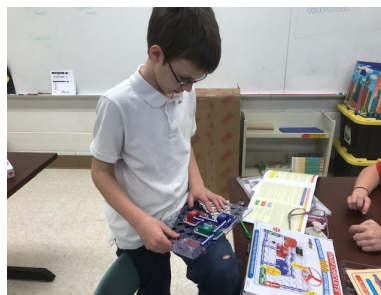
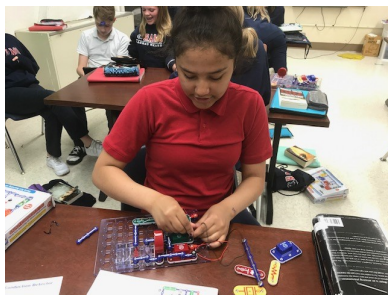
Congratulations to Eleanor, gr. 8

Congratulations to Eleanor for winning the 7th-9th grade division essay contest sponsored by the Center of Mission serving the Archdiocese. The essay topic was "How can I share Christ's love with those who are different from me?" Eleanor wrote a beautiful essay. The photo is Eleanor with Deacon Friesen from the Center of Mission.



Maker Spaces

During enrichment time in middle school, some of our students enjoyed working with Snap Circuits to learn more about electricity.



Spring Concert—Thursday, May 23 6:30 pm

Our 8th graders will be performing the play "Aladdin" along with our K, 2, 4, and 6th graders singing. Our band and orchestra students will also be performing. Guests may also come to our dress rehearsal at 11:45 a.m.

Personal Tour/Shadow Visit

Join us for a personalized tour of our school, where we foster academic excellence and spiritual growth, teaching to the body, mind and spirit. Our dedicated teachers engage students in hands-on learning, STEM instruction, and a strong curriculum that prepares our students for high school. Prospective students may also spend a half or full day in the classroom. Call the school office to set up your visit.

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

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Update on Brady Swenson

Brady Swenson

The parish and school community continues to pray for Brady Swenson, 6th grader at Sacred Heart Catholic School. Brady was injured in a serious car accident 13 weeks ago. The family posts Brady's progress on a Caring Bridge site. To keep informed, please log into <https://www.caringbridge.org/signin> and set up an account. Then search for Brady Swenson and you will be able to follow his journey.

*Remember nothing is small in the eyes of God. Do all that you do with Love.
St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta*

To Join Sacred Heart Parish

If you are new to our community, or have been attending Mass here but have not yet joined Sacred Heart call 763-537-4561 or stop in the parish office to register.

Sacrament of Initiation — RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)

To join the Catholic Church call Bunny Brouillard in the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Baptism for Infants and Children (RCIC)

Baptism for Infants and young Children is celebrated on the first & third Sundays of the month at 1 PM. Pre-Baptism Class meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 7 PM. To make arrangements call Bunny Brouillard in the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Confirmation

If you are in High School or an Adult who has yet to receive Confirmation contact Matt Kruc or Bunny Brouillard in the Parish Office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Holy Communion

If you or your child have not yet made your First Holy Communion contact Bunny Brouillard. If you are shut in and would like to receive Holy Communion contact Deacon Ramsey to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Penance

See the schedule for confessions or contact Fr. Pedersen to make an appointment. To receive instruction on making a first confession contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Anointing

To make arrangements to receive the Sacrament of the Sick or Last Rites contact the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Registered Parishioners should call Father Pedersen or Deacon Ramsey at least 8 months in advance of the wedding date to make arrangements.

Sacrament of Holy Orders

Catholic Men contact Fr. Pedersen or Deacon Ramsey for more information on joining the Diaconate or Priesthood.

Sunday School

Open to children ages 3 years through Kindergarten. Meets during the 10 AM Mass October through April. Please call Bunny Brouillard in the Parish Office.

Religious Education

For students grades 1 through 10. Meets Wednesday evening 6:30pm—7:45pm, October through April. Please call Bunny Brouillard or Matt Kruc in the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions

MAY

Sun. 19	8:00 AM	Darlene Johnston+
	10:00 AM	Parishioners
	11:35 AM	Fr. Daniel M. Schwalm+
Mon. 20	8:00 AM	Communion Service
Tues. 21	8:00 AM	Clarence Nelson+
Wed. 22	8:00 AM	Betty Durant+
Thu. 23	8:00 AM	Mary Johnson+
Fri. 24	8:00 AM	Friend & Benefactors of Sacred Heart School & Their Intentions
Sat. 25	8:00 AM	Donna Castonguay+
	5:00 PM	Bill Cashin+
Sun. 26	8:00 AM	Sherry Williams+
	10:00 AM	Parishioners
	11:35 AM	Fr. Mark B Dosh+

Liturgical Ministers

May 21-25, 8:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers

May 21: Tyler Schorn, Khai Nguyen
May 22: Aidan Laue, Andrew Thibault
May 23: Grace Sticha, Breena Bucsko
May 24: Mac and Laney Murphy
May 25: Eli Hippen, Nick Gfroerer

Saturday, May 25, 5:00 PM Vigil Mass

Altar Servers: Xavier and Sebastian Salazar,
 Lucas Patterson

EMHC: Mary Trombley

Lector: Andrea DeOtis

Sunday, May 26, 8:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers: Peter and Leo Fisher, Tommy
 Heifort

EMHC: Charlie Julien, Francine Wilson

Lector: Theresa Gooley

Sunday, May 26, 10:00 AM Mass

Altar Servers: Cadence and Keira Haines,
 Gable Thissen

EMHC: Dianne Detloff, Linda Timmerman,
 Steve & Tery Haik

Lector: Ken Timmerman

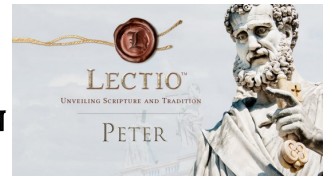
Money Counters, May 26, 9:00AM

Tony Bangasser, Lea Kelly, Anthony Kelly,
 Bob Devany



Faith Formation

LECTIO UNVEILING SCRIPTURE & TRADITION



Session 9- Peter Bar Jonah: How Peter Came to Rome- Few people know nor remember a man named Cornelius, though he plays a significant role in the life of Peter and of Church history. In this session, Dr. Tim Gray shows us how the life of Cornelius intersects with Peter's and redirects the New Covenant in a remarkable way. Crossing traditional lines that separate people and cultures, Peter points the Church to an all-encompassing love—and sets the stage for the work of the Apostle Paul. Presented by Dr. Tim Gray
Tuesday May 21 two sessions will be offered During the day from 1-2:30pm and an evening session 7-8:30pm.



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 pre-baptism 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 **June 11 at 7pm** in the Activities Building. If you plan to attend this session, please call the Parish Office 763-537-4561.

Music Ministry

Sunday May 26 4:00 PM – Join the Twin Cities Brass Band and Jeffrey Patry, organist, in *Grand Music for a Grand Space*. This is the final event in the Sacred Heart Music and Fine Arts Series for this program year. The Twin Cities Brass Band under the direction of Adam Hille was formed in December 2015 and since its inception, the TCBB has appeared at community and education events across the Twin Cities. Featured on the program will be the *Bach/Gounod Ave Maria, favorite hymn tunes and the Finale from the Saint-Saëns Organ Symphony*. A freewill offering will be taken.

Please join us **Saturday, June 1 5:00 PM** – Please join the Sacred Heart Handbell Ensemble as they perform as the guest ensemble for the Missa Choralis series at the **Basilica of St. Mary, 88 17th Street North, Minneapolis**. The Sacred Heart Handbell Ensemble will play before and during the Mass. All are welcome to join us

Childcare Program Updates

The Sacred Heart Little Angels Childcare Program is seeking both full and part time positions. The full-time position includes benefits. Applicants must be 18 years old. First aid/CPR required. Prior experience a plus, but not required. Individual should be nurturing, reliable, enjoy children, and comfortable working alone within required ratios.
Please contact Mary Daugherty in the Parish Office for more information.

Childcare Wish List: Sacred Heart's Little Angels Childcare Program is looking for the following items: Sensory Table, Replacement Lego Table, 10-drawer storage file (for themed activities), Shelving unit to store toys. If you are interested in donating any of these items, please contact Mary Daugherty in the Parish Office.

"May you trust God that you are exactly where you are meant to be."
 - St. Therese of Lisieux

Parish Organizations

Respect Life Ministry



Prenatal Partners for Life 13th Annual Benefit Dinner

Wed., June 5, 2019, The Saint Paul Hotel

350 N. Market St., St. Paul, MN 55102

5 - 6 pm – Hor D'oeuvres & Check-In, 6:00 pm - Dinner and Program

\$75/person Or buy a table for \$675 (Seats 10) and get one seat free!

RSVP by May 30th!, To order tickets by phone call: 763-772-3868

Or online at www.prenatalpartnersforlife.org

Questions email: benefit@prenatalpartnersforlife.org

Join us for an inspirational evening featuring guest speaker,

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda and Program MC Matt Birk!

Prenatal Partners for Life offers hope and support for families facing an adverse diagnoses of their child. PPFL has helped parents and children in all 50 states and 49 countries worldwide!



Our greatest weapon in the fight to end abortion is prayer.

Prayer is a simple yet powerful act that anyone; young or old, new to the movement or a decades long advocate can participate in. "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but

against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms" Ephesians 6:12.

We can all call upon God to grant us power over the evil of abortion.

Robbinsdale abortion center, 3819 W. Broadway, Robbinsdale

Last Saturday of month 9:00 – 10:00 a.m., Hope Community Church

Saturday 10:00 a.m., (Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet), led by Rev. Thomas Dufner

We encourage you to join in with the following groups or start your own prayer time outside an abortion center. Many of these (not all) are Catholic Rosary groups, but we strongly encourage prayer groups from all other denominations as well.

If you start going out and would like to have your group listed here,

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Funeral Luncheon Committee is in need of individuals to help with scullery duty. Duties include loading the dishes into a carriage and passing them through a dishwasher. Length of time, about 2 hours. 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.



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.

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.



Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 19 –5th Sunday of Easter; 4th Sunday after Easter, *Trad.*

Coffee & Donuts sponsored by Youth Group

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen- Sending Mass for Confirmation Students

11:35 AM Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

Monday, May 20– St. Bernardine of Siena 1444

8:00 AM Communion Service

7:00 PM Confirmation at Basilica

Tuesday, May 21– St. Christopher Magallanes & Comps. 1015-1928

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

8:30 AM Refunders-Marian Rooms

1:00 PM Adult Ed. Peter– Peter Bar Jonah

7:00 PM Adult Ed. Peter– Peter Bar Jonah

Wednesday, May 22– St Rita of Cascia 1457

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

2:15 PM Open Youth Room

7:00 PM Handbell Ensemble Rehearsal—Caf.

8:00 PM Youth Core Team

Thursday, May 23–St John Baptist de Rossi 1764 *Hist.*

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

8:35 AM – 8:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration
Sacred Heart School Spring Concert

7:00 PM Bella Voce Rehearsal– Choir Rm.

Friday, May 24–Our Lady, Help of Chrstians, *Hist.*

7:40 AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

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

9:00 AM Sacred Heart School Rosary Service

Saturday, May 25– St. Bede the Venerable 735

7:40AM Confession: Fr. Pedersen

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

4:00 PM Confessions

5:00 PM Mass

Sunday, May 26—6th Sunday of Easter; 5th Sunday after Easter *Trad.*

Parish Office Closed

8:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM Mass: Fr. Pedersen

10:00 AM NO Child Care

11:30 AM Kantorei Rehearsal– Choir Rm.

11:35 AM Latin Mass: Fr. Pedersen

4:00 PM Twin Cities Brass Band/
Organ Concert– Church

Monday, May 27– St. Augustine of Canterbury 604; St. Bede the Venerable 735, *Trad.*

Memorial Day; Parish Office Closed; No School

8:00 AM Communion Service

Parish Prayer Line

To be placed on the prayer line call the Parish Office 763-537-4561. You can also send in your request via e-mail: cshadmin@shrmn.org

GOSPEL MEDITATION

"I give you a new commandment: love one another." With these words, Jesus sums up the law and the prophets in one concise phrase. Love one another. After 2,000 years, you'd think we'd have it figured out by now! But all too often we fail in this commandment. Perhaps we mistake "love" for mere "common decency." Perhaps we've been betrayed, or our own visions of love have been tarnished or misrepresented in our lives. Blessedly, Jesus doesn't leave us without a guide.

"As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." Jesus himself modeled what this love should look like. So what are some of the characteristics of the love of Christ? Humility, for one. St. Paul writes that Jesus "emptied Himself." In becoming man, Jesus puts aside the full splendor of the Godhead. Not only does he become human, but he takes on many of the mundane privations of human life. He spent most of his life in relative poverty - especially by our standards - as a common laborer. When he began gaining popularity as a preacher, he still traveled on foot and spent nights in other people's homes or outdoors. Jesus' love is generous. He was always available to the crowds and to being interrupted by people in need. He invested time in his disciples and patiently taught them about the kingdom of God. The love of Jesus is also courageous. He encountered many people deemed less worthy of human respect, due to being public sinners or having a physical or mental disability. Jesus was brave in breaking these social boundaries to show care and concern to the outcast. These traits are possible for us to imitate! Indeed, we are hardly identifiable as Christians without them. "This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

How do people know that you are a disciple of Jesus Christ? Some folks prefer to keep their faith a secret and rarely mention their belief in Jesus. Others are more vocal and readily tell people that they are Christian. For Jesus, there is another way to recognize whether one is a disciple. He tells his friends that all will know they are disciples if they have love for one another. The love to which Jesus calls us to is not just an earthly love. It's not just about doing nice things for people or even keeping positive thoughts about others. Jesus' love is divine love. Put simply, Jesus became human so that we can become divine. We are called to look at the world, people, and ourselves as God does. This requires unconditional compassion and a whole lot of mercy and forgiveness. We cannot do this alone. That is why the risen Christ remains with us, especially through the Eucharist, to help us become who he is. If done correctly, there will be no question about who has our allegiance.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION- Thank you to all our COMMITTED ADORERS and to everyone who regularly attend Adoration every Thursday. We are always looking for additional adorers for each hour. If you would like to be a Adorer for any of the time slots when our regular volunteers cannot be present on Thursday or would like to commit to a regular hour of adoration please call Bunny in the Parish Office 537-4561 VM#105. Hours of Adoration are after the 8 AM Mass to 8 PM Ending with Benediction.

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.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? - CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED**Question:**

I've heard of the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. What are they, and what's the difference?

Answer:

As God has shown us mercy, so too are we called to show mercy to those we encounter. We see mercy throughout the Gospels, but the parable in Matthew 25 forms the foundation for the first set of Works of Mercy. This parable of the last judgment shows each person being asked how well they cared for those around them, and being reminded that this care for those in need is care for God Himself. Each person is asked if they have fed the hungry, given drink to the thirsty, clothed the naked, sheltered the stranger, cared for the sick, and visited the imprisoned. These - along with burying the dead - are the Corporal Works of Mercy, as they primarily concern the physical life of a person.

The list of the Spiritual Works of Mercy developed later. These actions of love primarily concern the inner life of a person. They are instructing the ignorant, counseling the doubtful, admonishing sinners, bearing wrongs patiently, forgiving offenses, comforting the afflicted, and praying for both the living and the dead. All of these actions are concrete ways of bringing the love of God into the world.

7 Things Every High School Graduate Should Hear

1. Live with intention. College will be full of new opportunities. Think carefully about your priorities for your new start.
2. Make the right friends. There will be plenty of new people! Concentrate on the ones who motivate you to be a better person.
3. It's a big world! Look for new perspectives, new opportunities, and new ideas that push you to grow.
4. Find a mentor. Building relationships with people who have "been there, done that" can be a great help.
5. Give yourself away. You may not need to volunteer anymore, but you'll surprised what you learn, how you grow, and who you meet when you serve.
6. Before you go, learn how to do your laundry, address an envelope, schedule a doctor's appointment, use public transportation, and cook basic meals (ramen doesn't count!).
7. Remember that God is in control. And that's a good thing!

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