

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 4th, 2010

Where the Spirit of the Lord there is freedom!

Happy 4th of July to everyone! We are blessed to be in this country. Many of my family members have served in the military and I am grateful for their generous gift of self and so many that contribute to the freedoms we enjoy here.

One member in particular is an uncle we buried over a year ago now. He was a Korean War Veteran who had a hard life and lived much of it alone. He was known as quite a character. I always appreciated our visits. Most especially after living much of his life out west, he came back to Minnesota as he said "to die." Thus, in those last months and weeks we had some powerful talks. He had been away from the church for many many years and did not seem to jump at the idea of receiving the sacraments before passing from this life. Soon before he died I mentioned that I was happy to offer an anointing to him and give him communion. He said, "it that something you can do right here?" And away we went. At the moment my uncle opened his heart to absolution, anointing and Holy Communion, he became the freest man alive. 2 Corinthians 3:17 says so beautifully: "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

Dear brothers and sisters in the Lord! Real freedom is found in Christ Jesus. If we have all the land, money, pleasure and you name it that we want...and are without Christ, we have nothing. Let us beg the Holy Spirit today to guide us and our country to greater faith, hope and love and thus to truly be free.

God bless you and your families this day. -Fr. Adams

St. Nicholas Emergency Food Shelf

If you would like to make a donation towards the food shelf or you or someone you know needs assistance please call 952-288-8101.

EVENTS AND MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Sunday.....Bountiful Blessings

Tuesday.....Fatima Rosary Group

Thursday.....NFP in School 7-9:30pm

Sunday.....Bountiful Blessings

The following babies have received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism here at St. Nicholas: Jackson Thomas Schoen and Katelyn Grace Schoen, children of Patrick and Tracy Schoen. We warmly welcome these children into the family of Christ.

Mary Statues are available for anyone who did not receive one last time. They are located outside behind the church (by BBQ pit). Compliments of the Knights of Columbus

CPL Update

Hopefully everyone has received their Parish Profile in the mail this past week and enjoy seeing the good things God is doing here. Please consider your call in this part of his vineyard. -Fr. Adams

ADVERTISERS WANTED – We are looking for several new advertisers to fill the back of our bulletin. Rates are cheap & your ad runs every week for a full year. Please call the parish office for more information. 952-461-2403.

The New Market K of C's wish to thank everybody for their wonderful generosity in buying and selling tickets for our Big Ticket Raffle and making it a huge success. Your rewards will be out if this world. The prize winners were, Mark Freunshuh, 3rd prize, Chris Kuehl, 2nd prize and Joe Michael, grand prize. Many thanks go out to Tom Wagner for his great leadership in this event. May God bless and keep all of you, until next time."

Flowers left on the cemetery will be removed and placed behind the BBQ Pit.

Kicking for Jesus Soccer Camp! Improve your soccer skills and your character by learning the virtues of Jesus!

July 26th-30th from 9:30am - 11am

Youth approximate ages 4-11 are invited. \$15 donation appreciated.

Registration forms available in the back of church.

"Bountiful Blessings," a sort of Farmer's Market, supported by donations of produce and donations made to "purchase" the produce will hold following the 8 AM and 10 AM masses this summer! Donations of fruit, vegetables, flowers, and herbs are welcome. Please package in clear plastic bags and deliver to the "Bountiful Blessings" table in the lawn of St. Nick's prior to the start of Mass each week. Donations will be collected each week and given to both the Food Shelf and the Youth Group at the end of the growing season.

Not a gardener? Please let us know if you would like to staff the "Bountiful Blessings" table following either the 8 AM or 10 AM Mass! We'd love your assistance! And, please come and purchase wonderful, fresh produce! Thank You!

Please feel free to contact me at 952.797.2359 or Paula Brohmer at 612.247.4263 with any questions! Thank You!

"If you are not Catholic or know someone who is not (even if you are coming to Mass but never received First Confession, First Communion and/or Confirmation) and would like to inquire about doing so, contact the pastor over the summer for the start of classes in the Fall." -Fr. Adams

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION CHAPEL

"Where your treasure is, there is your heart..." Matt. 6:21.

Our Adoration Chapel will be closed for the 4th of July weekend.

The Chapel will close on Thursday, July 1st at 6 pm and will reopen on Tuesday, July 6th at 7 am.

MORE ADORERS ARE NEEDED FOR HOLY HOURS WITH JESUS. PLEASE CONSIDER HELPING WITH AN HOUR.

Adorers are needed especially for the following hours:

Monday: 1 am, **Tuesday:** midnight, 1 am, **Wednesday:** 9 am, 4 pm,

Friday: 7 pm-(on the 1st and 3rd Fridays of the month),

Saturday: 1 pm-(we are looking for adorers for once or twice a month.)

To sign up as an Adorer or for more information on Adoration, please contact Dan and Lynne Soderlund at (507) 645-6012.

HOLY CROSS SCHOOL

Summer Scrip Orders will be on Monday, July 12 and August 9. Orders are due by 8am and will be available for pick up on Friday of the same week. You can place orders online at www.shopwithscrip.com

The 13th Annual Holy Cross Golf Outing is scheduled for Friday, July 16. We have moved to a new location this year, Boulder Pointe Golf Club in Elko. We invite you to join us for a 1pm shotgun start. We are currently registering golfers and looking for sponsors for our event. Brochures with information can be found at the back of church or contact the school office at 952-652-6100.

Holy Cross Catholic School K-8 registration for the 2010-2011 school year has begun! Registration packets can be found at the back of church, on the school website (www.holycrossschool.net) or by calling the school office at 952-652-6100. If you would like to schedule a tour of our school, please contact the school office.

Pre-Kindergarten Registration Starts Now! We have begun the registration process for our 3-5 year old Pre-K Program. Registration packets and brochures about our program can be found at the back of church. We offer full day and half-day options of two or three days per week. For more information, please contact the school office at 952-652-6100 or visit www.holycrossschool.net.

KNIGHTS CORNER

NEXT KC MEETING – is re-scheduled for Wednesday, July 14th at 7:30 pm in the church basement.

If you are a catholic male in good standing with the church and have some time and talent to give, then see what the Knights of Columbus can do for you. Contact Mike Kaderlik at 651-210-8644 or makaderlik@mchsi.com.

PRO-LIFE

RECLAIMING THE CULTURE OF MARRIAGE AND LIFE

Questions & Answers

Why are you so afraid of these cultural changes, for instance, of same sex marriage?"

The natural structure of human sexuality makes man and woman complementary partners for the transmission of human life. Only a union of male and female can express the sexual complementary that is obvious in natural law and through fundamental human reason. The marital act is a two-in-one act of communion of persons, which is only made possible by the biological, emotional, and spiritual complementary shared between man and woman. By definition, marital acts are reproductive in nature. Any non-reproductive sexual act is by definition incapable of being a marital act, and sexual expression outside of the unitive and procreative bond of marriage is immoral. Therefore, there can be no such thing as "same sex marriage."

YOUTH GROUP

Camping Trip to the Grotto of Redemption in West Bend, IA: We will be leaving Sunday July 18th at 8:15 am and returning about 6pm on Tuesday, July 20. Please Call Ron and Kathy Chlan to sign up and reserve your spot to go by July 12th. If your family likes to camp they are welcome to join us. We will have mass at the Church on the Grotto grounds each day and a tour on Monday. An information sheet on the trip will be available next week in the back of church or call Ron and Kathy Chlan at 952-652-2286.

Please pray for all of our youth as they consider taking the pilgrimage to Madrid, Spain in 2011.

World Youth Day is a great opportunity to learn more about your faith as a young person. This is also a wonderful way for the whole parish to support our youth. Consider coming on this pilgrimage if you are a freshman this year in high school or up to 30 years of age. So many of us have heard God calling us through his voice and presence of the Holy Father. This is a wonderful time to grow in your faith and your role in the church. -Fr. Adams

NEIGHBORING EVENTS

Do you have room in your heart and home for a child who is in transition and needs a safe, supportive home in which to live and grow? There is need for a few good homes in this area. Please call Candy Picka, Lutheran Social Service Treatment Foster Care, for more information at (612) 242-7553. LSS provides in-depth training, 24 hour staff availability, respite care, weekly coaching, and monthly non-taxable income.

St. Mary's Catholic Church Annual Church Festival – Sunday July 18. Polka Mass @ 10am, Family Style Beef Dinner – served 11:15am – 1:30pm. Adults - \$10, Children 5-9yrs - \$5, 4 and Under – Free. Country Store, Silent Auction, Games, Entertainments and much more.

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JULIFEST (YU -LEE-FEST)

St. Mark's in Shakopee will hold its Parish Festival on Saturday, July 24 & Sunday, July 25. Come enjoy: Crafts and Bake Sale, Adult, Youth and Children's Games, Quilt Corner, Silent Auction, Raffles, Beer Garden, Food and Beverages.

On Saturday at 6:00 p.m. there will be an outdoor Polka Mass featuring the Jolly Ramblers, followed by a free Street Dance for the entire family from 7:30-11:30 p.m. - Music by Downtown Sound, Variety Fun Band.

Sunday, July 25th: 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Continuous entertainment featuring Country Polkateers & the Jolly Ramblers.

Mass Intentions			
Sat	3	5:00 pm	Alois & Susan Wagner & deceased Family+
Sun	4	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	4	10:00 am	Mike Hennen+
Tues	6	8:00 am	Leo & Anna Stencil+
Wed	7	8:00 am	Charlie & Lena Janisch+
Thurs	8	8:00 am	David & Ruth Stencil+
Fri	9	8:00 am	Bob Devine+
Sat	10	8:30 am	Bishop Piche
Sat	10	5:00 pm	Lester Hartmann+
Sun	11	8:00 am	For the Parish
Sun	11	10:00 am	Special Intention

Daily Scriptures		
Mon	Hosea 2:16,17c-18,21-22	Matthew 9:18-26
Tue	Hosea 8:4-7,11-13	Matthew 9:32-38
Wed	Hosea 10:1-3,7-8,12	Matthew 10:1-7
Thu	Hosea 11:1-4,8c-9	Matthew 10:7-15
Fri	Hosea 14:2-10	Matthew 10:16-23
Sat	Isaiah 6:1-8	Matthew 10:24-33
Sun	Deuteronomy 30:10-14/Colossians 1:15-20/Luke 10:25-37	

Liturgical Stewardship		July 10 & 11
5pm	Lectors:	Kathy Chlan-H
	Ministers:	Chuck Mathews-W, Gail Mathews-W, Bill Vogel-Ch-H, Ken Thomas-Ch-W
	Servers:	Ray Petroski
8am	Lectors:	Margo Theisen-H
	Ministers:	Ralph Wagner-W, Jolene Pierson-W, Leander Wagner-Ch-H, Mike Moeller-Ch-W
	Servers:	Nicholas Korman, Daniel Olesen
	Ushers:	VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
10am	Lectors:	Mary Zweber-H
	Ministers:	Anne Conway-W, Jackie Devine-W, Amy McDonald-Ch-H, Larry Caduff-Ch-W
	Servers:	Steven Conway, Robert Devine
	Ushers:	Tom Wagner, Pat Theisen

Sacrificial Support Week 52 / June 27, 2010			
Budget	\$4900	Budget-to-date	\$254800
Received	\$3173	Received-to-date	\$239288
Capital Improvement	\$35		

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July 13th 9am – 4:30pm – Free Drug and Alcohol Addictions Workshop – being held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel – St. Paul Riverfront – we will have Catholic experts share on the topics of: Medical Aspects of Addiction, The Family and Addictions, Spirituality and Recovery From Addictions, and a presentation on how a parish can develop a Parish Substance Addiction Ministry. For individuals struggling with an addiction, for families struggling with the addiction of a loved one, and for persons working in the field of addictions, this workshop will surely be time well spent.

July 14th – 7pm – Mass of Healing – Cathedral of St. Paul all who suffer from addiction, those who are suffering from the addiction of a loved one, those in recovery celebrating God's healing in them, and also all who suffer from any illness are welcome to attend.

Catholic Charismatic Summer Conference

On July 23-24, the Catholic Charismatic Renewal Office of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis is sponsoring their annual regional conference entitled, *"The Promised Holy Spirit: Our Power Source"*. It will be held at Trinity School in Eagan and promises to be a powerful weekend! Featured speakers are International Director of Evangelization 2000 Fr. Tom Forrest, lay Catholic missionary Francisco "Paco" Gavrilides, and Mary Hagar, member of Alpha USA and Renewal Ministries' School of Evangelization. In addition, there will be several outstanding testimonies. The weekend includes a parallel Spanish track, a special time set aside on Friday night to bless and thank our priests, and a bilingual closing Mass. Childcare and on-site meals are available on Saturday. Preregistration is required. No registration charge; however, freewill offerings will be taken throughout the weekend. To register, call 218-851-2337 or email stacey1018@charter.net. For more information, visit the website: www.mncro.org. Color brochures are available.

On behalf of the Minnesota Vikings, I would like to invite you and all the families that make up your congregation to our Faith & Family Night's on August 28 and September 2 as we kick off our 2010 Season against the Seattle Seahawks and Denver Broncos.

Faith & Family Night is a great way to bring friends and family together for an inexpensive night of entertainment with the Minnesota Vikings. Tickets will be available via the order form that can be found in the back of church. Please pass this along to their friends and neighbors.

Tickets will be available for \$20 per game:

Saturday, August 28 vs Seattle Seahawks

Thursday, September 2 vs Denver Broncos

If you have any questions feel free to contact Charlie at 952-918-8441 or send an email boeckenheuer@vikings.nfl.net – my contact info is also located on the flyer so interested parties can contact me with questions as well.

Hello Parish,

Thank you to the more than 600 parish and school leaders who attended one of the recent Archdiocesan Planning Process Leadership Update Meetings. It is our hope you found the meeting helpful.

As promised, the questions leaders raised at all seven of those Leadership Update Meetings are now compiled and answered in writing. You'll find this 10 page list of questions and answers at: <http://planning.archspm.org/pdf/QandASpring2010LeadershipCompiledFINAL.pdf>

If you have a question which you do not believe was answered in the linked document, please email it to pst@archspm.org

In the coming weeks and months, we will continue to send additional resources via email including suggested bulletin text, links to planning-related documents and Catholic Spirit articles of interest, as well as other information.

Please also visit the **planning process web pages** <http://planning.archspm.org/>. The pages provide a wealth of information about the process and are updated frequently. The Archbishop's videotaped message shown at the leadership meetings as well as the booklet distributed at those meetings are both posted on the planning pages.

If you want to make a **comment**, please do so by clicking on the **feedback button on the upper right hand corner of any of the planning web pages** <https://fmpweb.archspm.org/fmi/iwpcgi?-db=Community%20Planning%20Process%20Responses&-loadframes>

Or, you may leave your **comment** on the voicemail hotline: **651.291.4435**

Or, you may mail a letter to:

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