

Our Parish Communities

December 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph



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Kenny Moenedick

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Mark Murdock

Religious Coordinator:

Joe & Diane Sazama

Religious Coordinator:

Sandi Carrlson

Trustees:

Brenda Aschnewitz

Trustees:

Jack Werner

Jan Januszewski

Andy Klinnert

Music Director:

Diana Porath

Christian Mothers/Women:

Lisa Werner

Christian Mothers/Women:

Cindy Kratzke

Parish Life:

Lisa Werner

Seeds to Grow:

Rita York

Music Director:

Russ Kadow

Cemetery Coordinators:

Tim Stoll (Dent)

Cemetery Coordinators:

Rick Guck & Loren Guck

John Kratzke (Dent)

Liturgy:

Patty Doll

Mark Riestenberg (St. Joseph)

OFFICE HOURS (SACRED HEART): Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 758-2700

OFFICE HOURS (ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesdays & Wednesdays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 346-7729

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Contact the Pastor, (218) 758-2888

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Diocesan Policy requires that the Pastor be contacted at least 6 months before the anticipated date of marriage to allow time for premarital inventory, instructions and planning.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: ½ Hour before Weekend Masses.

PARISH WEBSITE: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com

December 27th, 2020, The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

St. Lawrence Mass Schedule:

Sunday, December 27th 10:30AM †*Syl Helmin*
Sunday, December 27th 4:00PM †*Maggie Stebels*
Wednesday, December 30th 8:30AM †*Catherine Schwartzfisher*
Friday, January 1st 8:30AM †*Mark & Rosemary Lorentz*
Sunday, January 3rd 10:30AM *For the People*
Sunday, January 3rd 4:00PM †*Rose Guck*

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:

Saturday, December 26th 4:00PM †*Joe & Deloris Wasche*
Sunday, December 27th 8:30AM †*Lucille Schmitz*
Monday, December 28th 8:30AM †*Bernice Laughlin*
Tuesday, December 29th 7:00PM †*Bob Herges*
Thursday, December 31st 8:30AM †*David Jaroszewski*
Friday, January 1st 7:00PM †*Pete Harthun*
Saturday, January 2nd 4:00PM †*Fr. Leo Otto*
Sunday, January 3rd 8:30AM †*Deland Porath*

FINANCIAL BLESSING (ST. LAWRENCE)

Adult.....	\$2160.00
Loose.....	144.00
Online.....	185.00
Immaculate Conception.....	40.00
Religious Retirement.....	120.00
Parish Reimbursement.....	38.00
Christmas.....	460.00
Catholic Relief Services.....	100.00
Christmas Flowers.....	290.00
Total	\$3537.00



Thank you for remembering St. Lawrence church with your stewardship throughout the year.

FINANCIAL BLESSING (SACRED HEART)

Adult.....	\$918.00
Loose.....	320.00
Online.....	50.00
Religious Retirement.....	75.00
Immaculate Conception.....	20.00
Total	\$1383.00



Thank you for remembering Sacred Heart church with your stewardship throughout the year.

SACRED HEART AND ST. LAWRENCE ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation to Sacred Heart or St. Lawrence churches. Getting started is easy—just visit our website at sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com and click on the “Give Now to Sacred Heart” button for Sacred Heart or click on the “Give Now to St. Lawrence” button for St. Lawrence found in the welcome section of the website.

Fr. George



Spiritual Communion Prayer

“My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You”. Amen

Readings for The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

*Genesis 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Psalm 105:1-9;
Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Luke 2:22-40*

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sacred Heart: Saturday, 4:00PM; Sunday, 8:30AM
 St. Lawrence: Sunday, 10:30AM; Sunday, 4:00PM



Sunday TV Mass For the Diocese of St. Cloud can be found at www.stcdio.org/tvmass.



THE 2021 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES ARE IN YOUR MAIL BOXES AT BOTH ST. LAWRENCE AND SACRED HEART. PLEASE PICK THEM UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.


2021 Marriage Prep Course Weekend: The Marriage Prep Course weekend will be held at the St. Henry’s Area School library on January 29th & 30th, 2021. The fee is \$175.00 per couple. For more information, or to register, please contact the St. Henry’s Parish Office for a registration form.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday Noon

All in-person Faith Formation classes and youth gatherings have been suspended until the end of January per order of Bishop Kettler. Parents please continue to help your children grow in faith at home through prayer and their religion books.

Prayer Corner

Please pray for those who are ill, and all of our parishioners and visitors in need of prayer, that they may have an abundance of comfort in God's healing, especially:

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| <i>Lois Porath</i> | <i>Mary Riestenberg Tacito</i> |  |
| <i>Lupe Scott</i> | <i>Elaine Pietsch</i> | |
| <i>Jim Stenger</i> | <i>Joel Carlson</i> | |
| | <i>Karen Omberg</i> | |

Always remember in prayer our blessed leaders in faith, especially: *Pope Francis, Bishop Donald Kettler, Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Dcn Mark Stenger and Fr. George.*

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December
Evangelization-For a life of prayer: We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.



Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God – January 1st

We close out the Christmas octave—the eight days following the birth of Christ—with a day honoring Mary as the Mother of God. As the Mother of God, the Virgin

Mary has a unique position among the saints, indeed, among all creatures. She is exalted, yet still one of us. Mary embraces God's will and freely chooses to cooperate with God's grace, thereby fulfilling a crucial role in God's plan of salvation. Throughout the centuries, the Church has turned to the Blessed Virgin in order to come closer to Christ. Many forms of piety toward the Mother of God developed that help bring us closer to her Son. In these devotions to Mary, "while the Mother is honored, the Son, through whom all things have their being and in whom it has pleased the Father that all fullness should dwell, is rightly known, loved and glorified and . . . all His commands are observed." The Church honors her as the Mother of God, looks to her as a model of perfect discipleship, and asks for her prayers to God on our behalf.

Taken from USCCB



Wedding Banns III

Angela Berry
 &
 Brady Ballard



The parish of Sacred Heart wishes to extend deepest sympathy to family and friends of

Jeannie Hoffman

who passed away recently.

May Jeannie know eternal peace and joy in heaven and may God grant comfort to her family and friends.



The Feast of the Holy Family occurs in the heart of the Church's Christmas season to remind us of the importance of family, not just on holidays, but every day of the year. The Holy Family-Jesus, Mary and Joseph is such an important role model. Together the three show us that for a family to be a safe haven in a broken world, obedience to God must first be at the center of our individual lives. Mary's "yes" to God's request to become the mother of the Savior changed history: Joseph's prompt response to God's command rescued Jesus from Herod's attempt to kill him. And Jesus' obedience to the will of the Father brought salvation to the entire world. It was through obedience that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph were able to become a truly holy family: As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, let us ask ourselves how our own families can more closely model the Holy Family so that we can become witnesses of God's love to families all over the world.

Baby Jesus Shower



Sacred Heart Christian Mothers are collecting baby items to be donated to the needy. Items can be placed under the tree in the gathering space.



Bishop's Annual Appeal: Christ is born! Our mission is to be **His** heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. The ministries supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal are at the heart of this mission. They provide assistance, education and pastoral care to people throughout our diocese. Please consider a gift at www.stedio.org/appeal.



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The Parishes of St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart extend a special congratulations to Fr. George Who is celebrating his 25th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on December 30th.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

Fr. George may the Lord God bless you and keep you always in His care. May the Lord God always be with you, in your going out and your coming in. May the Lord fill your heart and your mind with His love. And may the Lord always inspire you to share that love with all those whose lives you touch. May the Lord God always be on your lips, that you may declare His saving word of grace and forgiveness to His people. May the Lord give you understanding of the Gospel, sincerity of purpose, diligence in ministry, and the beauty of life in Christ. May the Lord God bless you and reveal Himself in you and through you. May the Lord bless those whom you bless, guide those whom you baptize, forgive those whom you forgive, strengthen those whom you feed with Christ's Body and Blood, and bring to eternal life those whom you commend to Him. May the Lord prosper the work of your ministry for the salvation of souls and the increase of His kingdom. May the Lord God be your rock and your refuge, that you may fear nothing and that you may lay all your cares on Him. May the Lord always hear your prayers, that you may be protected from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, and that you may always know and believe in His love for you.

We give You thanks, almighty and gracious God, that You have blessed us with the ministry and friendship of Fr. George, and we pray that he may continue to exemplify in word and deed the Gospel of Your Son.

St. Henry's Area School Our students will be completing a 2-week distance learning period after Christmas vacation with the hopes of proactively keeping Covid out of the building following the holidays. We will return to school on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

Congratulations to our calendar raffle winners: December 25th, Trudy Swanson Schreier—\$100

New School Capital Campaign Update:

Goal Phase II	\$7,500,000.00
Goal Phase I	\$6,100,000.00
Pledged	\$5,674,679.00
Needed	\$1,825,321.00
Received	\$4,943,023.00
Pledges Received 12-20	\$13,407.00



January 1 is the World Day of Prayer for Peace.

Lord Jesus Christ, who are called the Prince of Peace, who are Yourself our peace and reconciliation, who so often said, "Peace to you," grant us peace. Make all men and women witnesses of truth, justice, and brotherly love. Banish from their hearts whatever might endanger peace. Enlighten our rulers that they may guarantee and defend the great gift of peace. May all peoples of the earth become as brothers and sisters. May longed-for peace blossom forth and reign always over us all. Pope John XXIII



Many thanks to all who helped decorate the churches of St. Lawrence and Sacred Heart for Christmas. Our churches look beautiful for the celebration of the birth of our Lord. Thank you so much.



These last months have been incredibly difficult on all of us and marriages have suffered! Please let us help you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the January 9-10 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651.454.3238.



Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"... as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive." — Colossians 3:13

Forgiving is one of the hardest things for people to do. We can't give what we don't have. We need to receive God's mercy and forgiveness first before we can give it to others. Go to the sacrament of Reconciliation and receive God's mercy and forgiveness. Then, share the gift of forgiveness with someone — a family member, a friend or a co-worker. Pick up the phone or text someone today.



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