



The Church of Christ the King Medford, MN

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**Sunday
Oct. 9,
2022**

Christ the King Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:30 pm
Monday & Friday - 9:00 am

St. Joseph Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am
Reconciliation at St. Joseph
Saturday 3:00 - 3:45pm

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Trustees: Martha Arnold & Mike Wencil

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I would like to continue with the theme of “mission”, as Bishop Barron, at Presbyteral Days, emphasized that our primary mission is to evangelize. His stress was on living our Catholic faith and bringing others to Christ, which is evangelization. Since the Second Vatican Council of the early 1960’s, the Church has recognized the need to reach out to people where they are at; as Pope Francis has also stated, even going to the margins and peripheries of our communities, seeking the lost sheep or those who do not know Jesus. I want to include some quotes from Pope St. Paul VI’s Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandi* (Proclaiming the Gospel) from 8 December 1975, which is all about evangelization.

9. As the kernel and center of His Good News, Christ proclaims salvation, this great gift of God which is liberation from everything that oppresses man but which is above all liberation from sin and the Evil One, in the joy of knowing God and being known by Him, of seeing Him, and of being given over to Him. All of this is begun during the life of Christ and definitively accomplished by His death and resurrection. But it must be patiently carried on during the course of history, in order to be realized fully on the day of the final coming of Christ, whose date is known to no one except the Father. (Cf. Mt. 24:36; Acts 1:7; 1 Thess 5:1-2.)

13. Those who sincerely accept the Good News, through the power of this acceptance and of shared faith therefore gather together in Jesus' name in order to seek together the kingdom, build it up and live it. They make up a community which is in its turn evangelizing.

14. It is with joy and consolation that at the end of the great Assembly of 1974 we heard these illuminating words: "We wish to confirm once more that the task of evangelizing all people constitutes the essential mission of the Church." ["*Declaration of the Synod Fathers*", 4: L'Osservatore Romano (27 October 1974), p. 6.] It is a task and mission which the vast and profound changes of present-day society make all the more urgent. Evangelizing is in fact the grace and vocation proper to the Church, her deepest identity. She exists in order to evangelize, that is to say, in order to preach and teach, to be the channel of the gift of grace, to reconcile sinners with God, and to perpetuate Christ's sacrifice in the Mass, which is the memorial of His death and glorious resurrection.

This means ongoing formation and ongoing conversion. The only religious order in the Church, the Carthusians, has never been reformed. Today, they number only about 230 monks worldwide, in solitary monasteries that forbid visitors. One can say that they never needed reform because they always keep in mind every day that they are called to ongoing conversion, which is an ongoing reform of their daily lives. Their motto: "*Stat crux dum volvitur orbis*" ("While the world changes, the Cross stands firm.")

May we all stand firm in the Cross!

God Love You!!!

Fr. Jim Starasinich

P.S. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT AND WELL-WISHES, CARDS, MASS OFFERINGS, GOODIES, GIFTS – AND MOST ESPECIALLY YOUR GOOD PRAYERS – IN SUPPORT OF MY PRIESTHOOD AND ALL PRIESTS ON PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY.

ABORTION is not a political issue, It is a MORAL issue.

The Hosea Initiative is an organization created to tell the story of Bernard Nathanson, and how he duped America into thinking that abortion was okay.

Dr. Bernard N. Nathanson was known as the "Abortion King."

He was formerly the director of the largest abortion clinic of the western world. He was the last living founding member of NARAL the Pro-Abortion organization which brought legal abortion to the entire United States.

He is personally responsible for over 75,000 abortions.

NARAL was founded in the late 1960's with the purpose to export their pro-abortion mentality everywhere. To achieve that end they adopted a strategy to deny what they knew to be true, that abortion kills an existing, living human being. They denied that fact, in an effort, to mislead the American public and the courts of this land.

Bernard Nathanson is quoted as saying, "this is the greatest mistake of my life and legal abortions was the greatest mistake this nation has ever conceived."

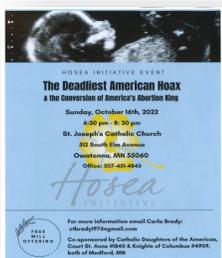
In 1973, just a few months after celebrating the Roe V Wade decision, Dr. Nathanson witnessed for the first time a new technology: real-time ultrasound. He observed an unborn child in the womb-smiling, stretching, and wiggling her toes. Science revealed the beauty, goodness and truth of life in this sacred space, demanding intellectual honesty from Dr. Nathanson; he had to acknowledge that abortion kills an existing human life, and admit that what he had been doing was morally wrong. In that moment, he realized he had two patients: the mother and her child. His job was to protect and save them both. In that moment, Dr. Nathanson's pro-life journey began.

He spent two years persuading NARAL that real-time ultrasound exposed a major ethical and moral dilemma, but the organization cared little and would not alter its' position. Dr. Nathanson resigned from NARAL on the second anniversary of Roe v Wade. By 1979, the father of America's abortion industry had become 100% pro-life without exception. Dr. Nathanson suffered nearly a decade of depression frequently contemplating suicide, until he crossed paths with a priest who introduced him to the love and mercy of Jesus Christ. On December 8, 1996, he was baptized at St. Patrick's Cathedral in New York City and was made new in Christ as a Child of light.

He spent the remainder of his life trying to undo the wrong that he had done. He mandated to Terry Beatley-President of Hosea Initiative "Continue teaching the strategy of how I deceived America...." We are bringing that talk to Owatonna, come join us.

Guest Speaker: **Clare Ruff** from the Hosea Initiative

At St. Joseph's Parish in Owatonna
Sunday October 16, 2022
From: 6:30 PM- 8:30 PM
Hosted by Court St. Anne
#1840 of Medford

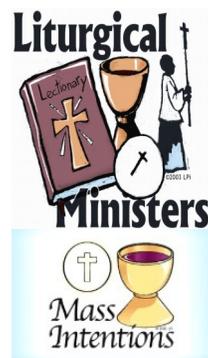


Inviting: Owatonna, Medford, Waseca, Litomysl, Faribault, Shieldsville, & Northfield to hear the message. This is non-denominational, and all are welcome.

Saturday, October 15, 2022 - 5:30pm

Lector: Mary Wencil
Servers: Katelyn Paschke
EM: Gail Heim
Greeter: Volunteer
Usher: Volunteer
Mass Intentions

Mon. Oct. 10 - Pat Kuhlman†
Fri. Oct. 14 - Lloyd Kern†
Saturday, Oct. 15 - Sr. Delores Schmitz, Sr. Luella Zollar, & Parishioners



Celebration in honor of Father Robert Herman
Sunday Oct. 30th 4pm
Christ the King Church Medford



Celebration in honor of Father Robert Herman for his 62 years as a priest and his years of service to Christ the King Medford and Corpus Christi Deerfield. **October 30, 2022**, beginning with a **Sunday Mass at 4:00pm** followed by a pork dinner in the church basement. **RSVP by October 23rd to 507-213-6465 for anyone wishing to attend.**

Happy Birthday!
October 9 - October 16, 2022
Steven Sammon Sarah Manderfeld
Tylor Brady Megan Witt

Faith Formation Fundraiser - We will begin to accept prepaid orders for Christmas greens now through Oct. 22nd. All proceeds will be given to the Faith Formation Program. Order forms are available at both entrances to the church with prices listed for each item. Please drop completed form into the collection basket in a marked envelope or drop off at the religious education building. Thank you for your continued support of this project. **If you have any questions please contact Carla Brady at 507-213-6465.** Please complete one order form for each person picking up items. **Pick up will be the week of Nov. 14-16.**

Please keep the following in your prayers: Jim Davidson
Do you know someone in need of prayers? Please call the St. Joseph Office and add them to this prayer list - 451-4845 or email at: parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org



Court St. Anne Catholic Daughters of the Americas will be observing CDA Sunday and distributing gummi bears on **Saturday Oct. 15th after Mass.** Please be generous as the proceeds will be used in collaboration with Habitat for Humanity to build homes for families in need.



Emergency second collection for victims of Hurricane Fiona and Ian - The Diocese of Winona-Rochester is asking you to respond with the Catholic community across the United States to a special emergency collect **October 15/16.** Checks should be made payable to you local parish. Your donation will help provide shelter, water, and food to those affected by these two disasters. Thank you for your support!