

WEEK AT A GLANCE September 30 th - October 8 th		
Sat.	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Clare Uphus)
	10:00 a.m.	Formación de Fe de los niños
	11:15 a.m.	Choir Practice
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español
Mon.	NO MASS	
Tue.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Judy Hackler)
	11:00 a.m.	Rosary at Rosie DelaTorre’s home
Wed.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Patty Hamamura)
	8:45 a.m.	Hospitality in the parish hall
	6:00 p.m.	Children’s Faith Formation Classes Grades 1 – 8
Thu.	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Nick Masellis✙)
Fri.	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
	8:00 a.m.	Mass (Melvin Cahill✙)
	8:30 a.m.	1 st Friday Adoration
	10:30 a.m.	Rosary at Oak River Rehab
	6:00 p.m.	Grupo de Juevenes
Sat.	3:00 p.m.	Confessions
	4:30 p.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (Fidencio & Teresa Cabral and Gloria Garza✙)
Sun.	8:15 a.m.	Mass – St. Anne (Sacred Heart Parishioners)
	10:00 a.m.	Mass – Sacred Heart (John Morris✙)
	10:00 a.m.	Formación de Fe de los niños
	12:00 p.m.	Misa en Español (Edward Berns & Margarito Aguilar✙)


READINGS FOR THE WEEK	
Mon.	Zechariah 8:1-8; Matthew 18:1-8 <i>(The Holy Guardian Angels – Memorial)</i>
Tue.	Zechariah 8:20-23; Luke 9:51-56
Wed.	Nehemiah 2:1-8; Luke 9:57-62 <i>(St. Francis of Assisi – Memorial)</i>
Thu.	Nehemiah 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12; Luke 10:1-12
Fri.	Baruch 1:15-22; Luke 10:13-16
Sat.	Baruch 4:5-12, 27-29; Luke 10:17-24 <i>(Our Lady of the Rosary – Memorial)</i>
Sun.	Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43

PRAYER CONCERNS
Dixee Graham, John VanErt, Mary Rowe, Joe Fitzpatrick, Delaney Valles, Ross Clark, Melody Christenson, Mary Jarvis, David Jacobs, Regina Barker, Mary O’Keeffe, Ann Whitmore, Jay Burns.

Adoration

of the

Blessed Sacrament



October 6

8:30am to 5pm(Chaplet of the Divine Mercy and Benediction)

Please call the Parish Office if you want to commit an hour on that day or come and be with Jesus at your convenient time...

STEWARDSHIP CORNER
Collection Summary
September 2/3: \$5,994
September 9/10: \$4,151
September 16/17: \$4,100
September 23/24: \$3,620
For fiscal year 2017– 2018
Budgeted for Collections: \$280,000
<u>Total for 13 weeks: \$61,952</u> <u>weekly Goal: \$5,385</u>
Average Weekly Collection: \$4,765
Second Collection
Our Second Collection <u>this weekend</u> is for our Maintenance and Improvement Fund. This collection helps keep our parish buildings and grounds in good working order and looking so good. Thank you for your generosity.

MONTHLY SUNDAY BREAKFAST & BLOOD DRIVE

Join us this **Sunday, October 1st, 9:00am to 12:30pm** in the parish hall for our monthly Sunday Parish Breakfast, prepared by our Knights of Columbus. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children under 12. Our Parish Nurse, Sandy Downing, will conduct blood pressure screenings. No appointment necessary.

WEEKLY REFLECTION
Question of the Week
For Children: How do you show your love for Jesus by doing what he asks, even when it is difficult for you?
For Youth: Today’s parable reminds us that it isn’t what we say that counts as much as what we do. How would someone know you are a Christian through your actions?
For Adults: How and when were you like each of the sons in the Gospel?
Liturgy of the Word
Our Gospel and first reading today pick up on last week’s readings: God’s ways are not fair! True, perhaps, only if we apply our limited human values to God. Instead, let us listen with fresh ears, and try to hear God’s challenge to each of us to change our lives and take on the work that God asks us to do in this world.

SACRED HEART CHOIR

Please consider joining our parish choir as we get ready for the Christmas Season. Curt Nelson, our choir director, invites you to attend practice this **Sunday, October 1st** after the 10am Mass **in the parish center** or you can begin next Sunday, October 8th. We will meet for about one hour each Sunday learning some great new music, culminating with the Christmas Eve Mass on Dec. 24th. All are welcome. Thank you for considering joining us at this time. Please contact Curt Nelson, 864-4912 or simply meet us after Mass.

BIBLE STUDY

Our Fall Bible Study series **Philippians: Life in Christ**, will begin on **Tuesday, October 10th at 9am and repeated on Wednesday, October 11th at 6pm.**

Towards the end of his life, under arrest and awaiting trial in Rome, Saint Paul writes a short but powerful letter to the Philippians. Paul’s affection for the Christian community at Philippi is apparent from his opening words. The Philippians were not only Paul’s sons and daughters in the Faith, but also his partners in sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

At the heart of this letter is Paul’s eloquent hymn of Christ’s total gift of self, the model for Paul’s life. With his words and the example of his life, Paul exhorts the Philippians to have the mind of Christ, to live a life worthy of the Gospel, and, by God’s grace, to gain Christ.

In six sessions on three DVDs, Dr. Tim Gray combines insight and practical guidance using the *lectio divina* disciplines to make the Scriptures come alive in **Philippians: Life in Christ**.

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI – OCTOBER 4TH

Francis of Assisi was a poor man who inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally, by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance.

Serious illness brought the young Francis to see the emptiness of his frolicking life as leader of Assisi’s youth. Prayer led him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, climaxed by embracing a leper he met on the road. It symbolized his complete obedience to what he had heard in prayer: “Francis! Everything you have loved and desired in the flesh it is your duty to despise and hate, if you wish to know my will. And when you have begun this, all that now seems sweet and lovely to you will become intolerable and bitter, but all that you used to avoid will turn itself to great sweetness and exceeding joy.” From the cross in the neglected chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, “Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down.”

He gave up all his possessions, piling even his clothes before his earthly father, so that he would be totally free to say, “Our Father in heaven.” He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust in the hearts of his former friends, ridicule from the unthinking.

Francis’ first rule for his followers was a collection of texts from the Gospels. He had no intention of founding an order, but once it began, he accepted all the legal structures needed to support it. His devotion and loyalty to the Church were absolute and highly exemplary at a time when various movements of reform tended to break the Church’s unity.

He was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the Good News. During the last years of his relatively short life (he died at 44), he was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death, he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side.

On his deathbed, he said over and over again the last addition to his *Canticle of the Sun*, “Be praised, O Lord, for our Sister Death.” He sang Psalm 141, and at the end asked his superior to have his clothes removed when the last hour came and for permission to expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord.

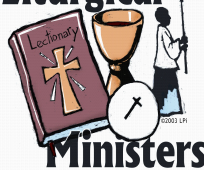
INTERESTED IN BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RICA) is the process by which adults undergo educational and spiritual preparation to help them determine whether they are being called to join the Roman Catholic faith community. This program includes the initiation sacraments of Baptism (for those not already baptized Christian), Confirmation & Holy Eucharist.

If you are interested in the RCIA process, please call or stop by the parish office to register. **Classes will begin Thursday, October 12th, 6:30–8:00pm.** Fr. Eric Flores will lead the class along with the RCIA team: *Deacon Rich Valles, Ellen Gutierrez and Sandy Downing.*

LITURGICAL MINISTERS STILL NEEDED

Liturgical



Ministers

We are **STILL** in need of liturgical ministers – **Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, and Greeters** at the 4:30pm and 10:00am Masses. Due to volunteers moving out of the area, illnesses, or unable to serve anymore, we are down to just a handful of liturgical ministers.

Most of our remaining liturgical ministers have been serving for 20+ years and it is now time for others to take up the responsibility.

We offer extensive training for all ministries. Please, if you have ever thought of volunteering, now is the time! Just call the parish office with your name and phone number, or use the new welcome card in the pew and leave your name, phone number and the ministry in which you are interested.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you to donate your Stewardship of Time and Talent.

ANNUAL BLESSING OF ALL ANIMALS

In honor of St. Francis, Sacred Heart Parish will have the Blessing for All Animals on **Sunday, October 8th at 2pm**, on the plaza in front of the church. Bring your pets or a picture of your pet for a special St. Francis blessing.

In the spirit of St. Francis, donations of pet food will be gratefully received and distributed through the efforts of our local Haven Humane Society. Please bring all donations over to the parish office.

“Blessed are you, Lord God, Maker of all living creatures. On the fifth and sixth days of creation you called forth fish in the sea, birds in the air and animals on the land. You inspired St. Francis to call all animals his brothers and sisters. We ask you to bless these animals. By the power of your love enable them to live according to your plan. May we always praise you for all your beauty in creation. Blessed are you, Lord our God, in all your creatures! Amen.”

FALL 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

The Fall 40 Days for Life Prayer runs through November 5th in hundreds of cities around the world. Christians will pray and offer assistance on the sidewalk, Monday–Friday. This life-saving, peaceful, prayerful ministry is endorsed by Bishop Soto, who encourages all Catholics to participate. By God’s grace over 13,300 women worldwide have changed their minds, choosing LIFE for their children. For information on the Prayer Vigil, visit 40daysforlife.com.