



ST. JOSEPH PARISH

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September 26, 2021



Pastor - Fr. James Starasinich

Office Hours:

Mon-Thurs 8:30am-4:30pm
Friday 8:30am-3:00pm

Mass Schedule:

Weekends

Saturday 4:00pm
Sunday 8:00am and 10:00am

Weekdays and Holy Days

(See schedule in the bulletin)

Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:45pm



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Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

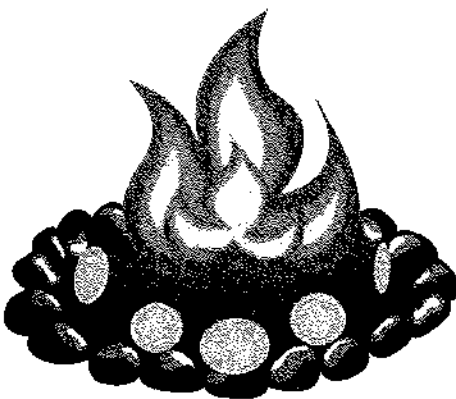
Today we see in the first reading from the Book of Numbers the attitude of Moses, who seeks no favoritism but wants only what God wants: "Would that all the people were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Joshua, had to be put in his place. The same will happen to John in today's Gospel. The ways of the Lord are certainly not our ways, even when we belong to Him. Sometimes it is hard to grasp God's ways.

We see that in the church today. We are members of the Body of Christ, by virtue of the gift of baptism, and the danger is thinking we are somehow better because of that gift. Baptism puts us on a mission. We are called to be "the sacrament of salvation" for the world, or "lumen gentium" in Latin, the title of a Vatican II document which means "a light to the nations". We are called by Jesus to follow Him and He reminds us of our mission when He Himself stated, "the Son of Man did not come to be served but to be serve" (Matthew 20:28). Moses served God and Jesus served the Father. The truth has been revealed through the witness of both Moses and Jesus. Salvation is God's desire for everyone. Our mission is to bring the light of Christ to the world, allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us in the ways of love. "Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!"

God Love You!!!

Fr. Jim Starasovich

**FIRE PIT FORUM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021
5:30 – 8:30 PM
CORPUS CHRISTI ORATORY, DEERFIELD
9052 NW 66th St. (Steele County Road 12)**



High School, College and Young Adults are invited to join Fr. Jim for some food and refreshments as we allow the Good Lord to lead the evening around the fire pit. Bring your camping chair if you have one.

Weekly Readings and Mass Intentions

Monday, September 27, 2021, Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest, Zec 8:1-8, Lk 9:46-50 (455) 9:00 am Mass at Christ the King—Reparation of Sins

Tuesday, September 28, 2021, Weekday, St Wenceslaus, Martyr, Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions, Martyrs, Zec. 8:20-23/Lk 9:51-56 (456)

8:00 am—Lavone Schmidt †

Wednesday, September 29, 2021, Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels, Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a, Jn 1:47-51 (647)

8:10 am—SMS Mass at Sacred Heart— Amy Brown (liv)

Thursday, Sept. 30, 2021, Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Neh 8:1-4a, 5-6, 7b-12, Lk 10:1-12 (458) 8:00 am—Grace Kelly (liv)

Friday, October 1, 2021, Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church, Bar 1:15-22/Lk 10:13-16 (459)

9:00 am—at Christ the King—Agnes Micalat (liv)

Saturday, October 2, 2021, The Holy Guardian Angels, Bar 4:5-12, 27-29 (460), Mt 18:1-5, 10 (650)

8:00 am—Mary Jo Schroepfer †

Sunday, October 3, 2021:

10/2/21 4:00 pm Mass—Ray Pirkl †

10/3/21 8:00 am Mass—Dylan Lattery †

10/3/21 10:00 am Mass—Parishioners †

September 26 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:



In today's gospel Jesus tells his disciples: "Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward." On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor, they are among the first to know their real needs.

Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you enable the members of the Society to bring bread to the hungry as a sign of God's love. This past Tuesday, we served 105 take-out meals at Vincent's Table.

Membership-We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. **October 4th we will be meeting at Sacred Heart Parish Center at 6:30 pm.** If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Deb McManimon at dmcmanimon72@gmail.com. **Our phone is 507-676-5508.**

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Liturgical Ministers 10/2/21 - 10/3/21

Saturday - 4:00pm

Ems—Diane Unruh, RoseAnn Rypka

Lector—Pete Connor

Sacristan—Julio Leotna

Ushers—Scott & Sue Yentsch

Sunday - 8:00am

Ems—Rosemary Gallea, open

Lector—Pat Rose

Sacristan—open

Ushers—Doug & Cindy Phillips

Sunday - 10:00am

Ems—Lee Jardine, Kay Oberle

Lector—Tim Rice

Sacristan—Ellyn Jardine

Ushers—Chuck & King Jurgens

Subs: Nancy Janke & Deb McManimon

Liturgical Ministers: Now that we have opened the Church up for increased attendance, please contact the parish office at

parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

or at 507-451-4845 if you are willing and able to return to your ministry role.

KC BENEFIT BREAKFAST

A delicious **Benefit Breakfast** sponsored by the Owatonna KC Council #945 will be served **Sunday, October 10th** from 8 am to noon at **St. Mary's School** benefiting the **REP/CYO**.



The KC's offer table service with **2 breakfast choices** – KC Omelet Breakfast and KC Country Breakfast with pancakes or French toast & beverage.

\$7 in advance and \$8.00 at the door (*free under 6*). Tickets are available after Masses.

Saving for College Lecture

Sacred Heart will be hosting a lecture in the parish center on how to save for college on Tuesday, October 5th at 6 pm. The guest speaker is Jordan Elizabeth Borchert, author of "How I'm Getting Through College Without Debt, Not Even a Penny!" This lecture is open to all high school and college students and their parents. This event is free, no strings attached, and will last about an hour. Registration is required as seating is limited. Call 507-451-1588 or email

office@sacredheartowatonna.org to register. It's never too late to start saving for college! Learn how to reduce or possibly even eliminate student loans from your future!

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Happy Priesthood Sunday Father!
Thank you for being our pastor!
Thank you for bringing us all the sacraments and Jesus in the Eucharist at Mass.

Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Shrine

The two-day Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Shrine and the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, in the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin will be October 5 and 6, 2021.

Join Fr. Jim to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, the site of the only approved apparition of the Blessed Mother in the United States, and the Shrine of St. Joseph in the year of St. Joseph. Cost is \$255 for double occupancy and \$285 for single occupancy, which includes hotel stay, one breakfast, one lunch, one dinner; and bus transportation.

Contact St. Joseph Parish Office by September 27th to register, 507-451-4845. Payment can be made at the church office during the weekdays.



The St. Serra Club will feature Father Swamy telling his Vocation story and call to become a priest at 6:00 pm on October 11, 2021, at the Sacred Heart Church Parish Center. At 5:00 pm, in Sacred Heart Church, before Fr. Swamy's talk, there will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with prayers for more vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Sisters, and Consecrated People. Our prayers also support and affirm the vocations we already have.

Everyone is invited to come and pray with us and hear Fr. Swamy talk about how he became a priest. We will serve cookies at 6:00 pm, before Father's talk. Come at 5:00 pm or at 6:00 pm to join us whenever you can.



**Patrick Gannon and
Alexandra Liebl**

**United in Marriage
September 25, 2021**

Year of Saint Joseph



During these trying times, these words bring consolation:

"Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid!"

(Mark 6:50)

Jesus understands our fears, our confusion, our doubts, our worries.

We need to hear His voice.

Come and Listen!

Mondays and Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Beginning Monday, August 30, 2021

Joseph Hall

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Catechesis for Adults & Youth (12 & older)

Free babysitting will be provided

**SM ST. MARY'S
SCHOOL**



During the third week of September, our 7th graders went on a 3 day/2 night trip to the Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center near Lanesboro, MN. They participated in a variety of classes including group challenges, a ropes course, wildlife ecology and pond study. They also attended a program on raptor and another on legends. The students tried new activities which developed their leadership skills, gave them courage to overcome their fears, and built a sense of community as they solved challenges together. It was an exciting and active learning experience for all.



Many Hands Make Light Work
Please consider becoming a Liturgical Minister at St. Joseph Church. There's something for everyone!
See contact info. below:

Altar Servers – Parish Office (507)451-4845,
parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

Eucharistic Ministers – Linda Huffington
(507) 456-5274 (leave message) or
indamwhuffington@gmail.com

Greeters – Wayne & Betty Kubicek (507)451-8683, bj-n-me@hotmail.com

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Sacristans – Elyn Jardine (507)-444-4088,
lee.j7@reagan.com

Ushers – Pat Rose (507)456-1146
rosepatp@gmail.com

Attention Liturgical Ministers

Eucharistic Ministers, Sacristans, Lectors and Ushers—if you feel comfortable during this time and would like to resume your duties at St. Joseph Parish, please contact the Office at 451-4845. Volunteers are needed to fill ministries at all the Masses. Thank you.



**Community Pathways
Winter Coat & Attire Drive
starts October 1st.**

September Funeral Chairpersons
LaRae Evans—507-456-9416

October Funeral Chairperson needed;
please contact the parish office.

Respect Life Sunday

Each year, the first Sunday of October is designated: "Respect Life Sunday", when we are asked to re-commit ourselves to promoting the culture of LIFE.

It is a good time to ask ourselves whether we are good witnesses to the respect we are called to have for all human life, from conception to natural death. This is challenging because we are members of a society in which there is tremendous pressure to limit our love and ignore the sacredness of human life.

We live in a violent society that sees violence and death by abortion, euthanasia, suicide and capital punishment as a solution to many of our personal and societal "problems". And many of these attitudes are enshrined in our law and culture, leading to more violence, manifested in spousal and child abuse, the gang culture and so on.

**It's TIME to renew your
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for 2022!**



Cost is still \$29.95! Checks can be made payable to **St. Joseph Parish** (please note "Magnificat" on the envelope or memo line of check) and can be dropped off in the collection basket at Mass or mailed to the St. Joseph parish office.

New subscribers are always welcome!

**IMMEDIATE EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITY**

- St. Joseph Parish has an immediate opening for an
- Administrative Assistant responsible to conduct
- the coordination of office activities and provide
- clerical support to the Pastor and his staff. No
- scheduled weekend or evening hours. M-F—32-
- 40 hours per week. Background in office technol-
- ogy and experience in office duties and manage-
- ment is necessary.
- Please contact the parish office at 512 S Elm Ave,
- Owatonna, MN 55060 or call 507-451-4845 to
- receive application information.

Fall Festival

SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Mankato
Sunday, October 3, 2021
10:30 am—3 pm,

Celebrate the 150th anniversary of the construction of SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
Ham Dinner, Raffle, Farmers Market, Car Roll-In, Silent Auction, Cake Walk, Children's Games

**Bishop Quinn to Celebrate the Renewal
of the
Consecration of the Diocese
to the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

Thursday, October 7, 2021 – On the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, Bishop Quinn will renew the consecration of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, at a special 5:15 pm Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Winona. The IHM Seminarians and faculty will be in attendance, along with parishioners of the Cathedral. All are welcome to this annual event.

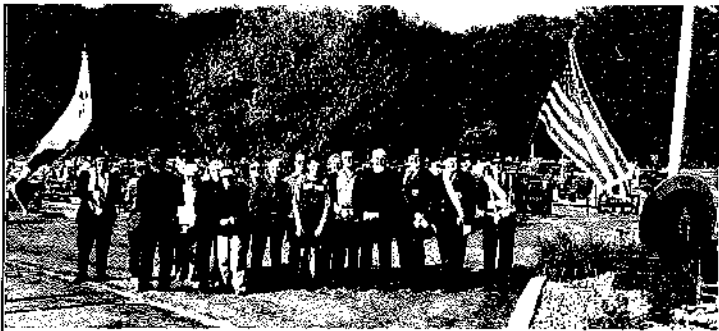
Win Our Parish \$10,000

Edify's \$10,000 Donation Contest runs from September 1, 2021 until September 30, 2021. Go to the following website, www.edify.us, scan the QR code and follow the instructions. Only one nomination can be submitted per person. The winning parish is chosen by the most eligible entries received.

**Carlson's Fluff & Puff
PILLOW CLEANING**

Sacred Heart Church Parking Lot
Monday, Sept. 27th from 7am to 3pm

Have your pillows cleaned, deodorized, sanitized, and fluffed! Custom-made new pillows and comforters also for sale. Thank you for supporting Sacred Heart!



Upcoming KC Color Guard Events

America Needs Fatima Rosary

Saturday, October 16—Sacred Heart Cemetery—12 noon

Pete J. Schneider Memorial Rosary March

Sunday, October 17—Sacred Heart Cemetery - 1:00 pm

**Prayers Recited
After Mass**

Prayer to St. Michael

Saint Michael Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into Hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, and sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.

Prayer to St. Joseph - by Pope Francis

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; In you Mary placed her trust; With you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Prayer for Vocations

Leader: Let us ask God to give worthy Priests, Deacons, Brothers, Sisters and Consecrated Secular, to His Holy Church.

Assembly: O GOD, we earnestly beseech You to bless our diocese with many Priests, Deacons, Brothers, Sisters, and Consecrated Seculars who will love you with their whole strength and gladly spend their entire lives to serve Your Church and to make You known and loved.

Leader: Bless our families. Bless our children.

Assembly: Choose from our homes those who are needed for Your work.

Leader: Mary, Mother of Vocations

Assembly: Pray for us, that our families may encourage vocations and many may respond to the call of Your Son, Jesus. Amen.

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