

Brainstorming session for Sacred Heart Parish/School - February 21, 2019

Attendees: Jami Tafolla, Cheryl Sill, Eileen Koob, Nancy Kastli, Stacy Koob, Barb Geilenfeld, Linda Ridihalgh, Christina Staton, CJ Lensing, Maureen Nolan, Fr. Atwood, Wallace Rundle, Barb Winter

Everyone introduced themselves and said which committee they were representing.

Pastoral Council—Jami, Cheryl, Eileen, Barb G, Maureen, Barb W

Faith Formation—Nancy Kastli, Wallace Rundle

School Board—Stacy Koob

Parent Club—Christina Staton

Finance Committee—CJ Lensing

Rosary Society—Linda Ridihalgh

Barb W. and Fr. Atwood explained the purpose of the meeting was to work together for a common purpose/goal for Sacred Heart and enhancing each other to bring cohesion to parish life.

Faith Formation addresses the needs of youth in RE, looking into family catechism, hard time getting teachers, making Wednesday nights a priority, looking into best ways to offer RE.

Parent Club is looking into promoting the use/rental of the gym, which is being under used. Possible ideas for use of gym may be 3 on 3 tournaments, volleyball clinic, cheer clinic, activities among area Catholic Schools as inner parish events (Religion Bee, Science Fair (STEM/STEAM), use Silver Cord hours for some of these events. Need to have more parents active.

Rosary Society is asked to raise \$10,000/year. Every member of parish is a member. Dues are \$25. Lack of involvement, same few people doing all the work. Having a No Bake-Bake Sale.

School Board wants to increase enrollment with help from recruitment committee. Class size has been a deterrent. Board is looking for a new principal.

Alumni group being formed to raise money for Sacred Heart School. All money would remain at SH School. Jean Logan has started a list of alumni. It was suggested that this group include "friends" to not limit it to just alumni but to all who want to support the school.

The common theme throughout the discussion was frustration over lack of volunteers/participation. Think about ways we can come together as a parish/school/community to evangelize, recruit and support each other.

Due to space limitations Pastoral Council and School Board Minutes have not been published recently. They will be printed in the next few weeks as space permits.

Parish Elections

Parishes are required to hold annual elections in May. We are still in need of candidates to run for Pastoral Council, School Board, and Faith Formation. Requirements are that candidates must be baptized, confirmed, practicing Catholics. If you are interested in running for one of these boards, please call the Parish Office at 283-3743 and speak to Father.

We NEED you.
Can you HELP?

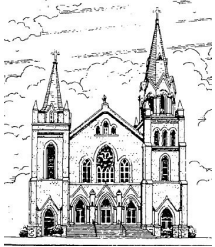


Sacred Heart Parish

"A Eucharistic Evangelizing Community"

April 28, 2019

Divine Mercy Sunday



On the night of Sunday, February 22, 1931, while she was in her cell, Jesus appeared to Sister Faustina as the "King of Divine Mercy." Jesus gave Saint Faustina a special mission, telling her, *"I am sending you with My mercy to the people of the whole world. I do not want to punish mankind, but I desire to heal it, pressing it to My merciful Heart."* In visions that followed, Jesus asked Saint Faustina to be His instrument for spreading the message of His Mercy to all the world. *"Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be deeds of mercy, which are to arise out of love for Me. You are to show mercy to our neighbors always and everywhere. You must not shrink from this or try to absolve yourself from it."*

On the entrance tables you will find Divine Mercy Prayer Cards and Pictures. Please take them home with you.



Congratulations to our children who are receiving their First Holy Communion

Ayden Boies Seth Bushaw Kailynn Kisner
Carver Magsamen Emma Michels Alex Sanchez
Regina Stewart Joanna Westendorf Laura Wyatt

The first time we receive Jesus is a wondrous day as we are united with Christ our Savior who gave His life for us.

May these beautiful children always hold this gift of the Eucharist in a very special place in their heart. We pray that from this day forward they will know the peace of Jesus, the light of His love, and the joy of His life within them."

SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS

Sat. Apr. 27 4:30pm SH Patricia Moore
 Sun. Apr. 28 8:30am IC For the People
 10:30am SH Tom Gerlach
 Mon. Apr. 29 8am SH Gladys Schmitz
 Wed. May 1 8am IC Deceased of Toneff families
 Thu. May 2 8am SH Tom & Dorothy Gloede
 Fri. May 3 8:45am SH Robert Link & Jackie Link Scott
 Sat. May 4 4:30pm SH Frank & Catherine Aiello
 Sun. May 5 8:30am IC Joe & Lo-E Miller
 10:30am SH For the People

Confessions on Saturday are from 3:30-4:15pm.

Rosary is recited on Saturday at 4pm & Sunday at 10am.

May	Sat. May 4 4:30pm	Sun. May 5 10:30am
Mass Servers	Isabell Taylor Emily Taylor	Alyssa Steil Alexis Steil
Music	Mary Schubich	Phyllis Wingert
Lectors	Carolyn Olson	Virginia Larimer
Ministers of Hospitality	Joe Olson Betty Sickels Dan Sperflage Diane Sperflage	Catholic Daughters
Ministers of Hosts	Dan Pelc Kathy Lenth Anne Allen	Jeannie Kalb Karen Cannon Mary Reeder
Ministers of the Cup	Chuck Geilenfeld Joann Aubrey JoeWingert	Tammy Stasi Barb Vandersee Diana Stewart
Washers of Vessels	Dan Pelc Chuck Geilenfeld	Jeannie Kalb Tammy Stasi
SCRIP Sellers	Christi Stecklein Jean Logan	Barbara Rundle Cheryl Sill
Rosary Leader	Rita Thole	Nick Serra
Video	Taper - Barb Gehrke	Player - Bob Newton

Homily Notes:

Communion to Shut-Ins: If you are unable to attend Mass and want to receive communion, call Carol Hamilton (283-2917) or the parish office (283-3743).

Anointing- If you, or someone you know, is having surgery, or dealing with a serious illness, and would like to be anointed, talk to Fr. Atwood at church or call 283-9577.

**Parish Financial Report
 July 2018 – March 2019
 INCOME \$367,360.82
 EXPENSES \$376,436.61**

**Congratulations to
 Tona Jordan
 and Casey Dunne**
 who were married this weekend at Sacred Heart
May God Bless your life with happiness, fill your home with joy and peace, and guide you through all your years together.



Father Atwood's Office Hours -
 Mondays 9-11am and 1-3pm;
 Wednesdays 1-2pm;
 Thursdays 9-11am and 1-3pm.
 To speak to Father Atwood call 283-9577.

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 Deacon Jim Patera**
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Oelwein Kitchen Cupboard - We are collecting canned pineapple during May.

Baptism Class - is offered for those who wish to have their child baptized at Sacred Heart or Immaculate Conception. The next session will be held on **Saturday, May 4th**, at 8:30 am at the Sacred Heart Parish Center. To register, or if you have questions, please call Deacon Jim Patera at 319-509-1210. **Please note that the date is changed to May 4th rather than the original date of May 11th.**

May Friendship Day - Friday, May 3, Noon Luncheon, Christ United Presbyterian Church, Oelwein. All women of all faiths are welcome to attend. The women of Sacred Heart will provide the program. Tickets are only \$3 and can be purchased at the door. Theme of this year's program is "The time is NOW!" Agree to Differ"

Catholic Daughter Mother-Daughter Mass & Brunch - Sunday, May 5. Members and families will meet at 10am in church to recite the rosary together. After the rosary, everyone will gather in the social hall to line up for the entrance procession. After Mass there will be a brunch in the social hall. Cost of the brunch is \$10 for everyone 10 years of age and older and \$5 for children under 10. Reservations should be phoned to Mary Reeder at 283-5347 by April 29th.

Church Directories are here! If your family had a picture taken for the directory last fall, you have a free directory waiting for you to pick up at the Parish Center. Please stop over during the week when the parish office is open and someone will assist you. For those that would like to purchase a directory, we have limited copies available for \$10.00.

Agnes Dei Ministry Praise Concert - Agnes Dei Ministry with the St. Edward Celebration Singers will present "All Glory Praise and Honor" on Sunday, April 28, at 4pm at St. Edward Church in Waterloo. Come and join us in this concert celebrating the Risen Jesus.

Spring Luncheon - Tuesday, April 30, 11am-1pm, Trinity Methodist Church, Hazleton, Chicken & Biscuits or Beef Burgers, salads and desserts.

Youth Choir - Change in Schedule - No singing Sunday, May 5 (CDA Mass).

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - Thursday, May 2, following 8am Mass. Everyone is invited to come and spend some time in prayer. Adoration will conclude at 5:45pm with benediction. Come through the south door and into the chapel.

Bowls - Our shelf is overflowing with bowls and containers from funeral dinners. Please stop down and pick yours up. Thank You!

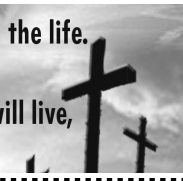
**Our sympathy to
 the family of
 Luella Carey**



and to all who have lost loved ones

I am the resurrection and the life.

*Whoever believes in me will live,
 even though he dies.*



Ladies Night Out - Wednesday, May 1st, Columbus Club, Oelwein. 4th Degree Knights of Columbus, their wives and widows of members are invited. Meat will be provided, everyone is asked to bring a dish to share and their own table service. We will gather at 5:30pm and eat at 6pm.

Donations for Easter Flowers were received in memory of:

Jackie (Link) Scott, Robert O. Link, Felipe Ledesma, Anthony, Donnie & Adam Ledesma, Jason Jordan. They were received after the Easter bulletin was printed. Thank You!