



# SACRED HEART BEAT

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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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## SO GLAD YOU ASKED

### About

#### *Stewardship of Prayer*



October is stewardship month, but it is not too early to be thinking about what our gifts will be for the next year. Many years ago I was part of a parish that gave us a check sheet of stewardship ideas. One was prayer. We were invited to hold others in our prayers for the year – the intentions of the holy father, of our bishop, world peace, an end to hunger, an end to abortions, and many others. The list did not describe how many prayers or even what kind of prayer.

"Hmmm..." I thought. My life is filled up with full time work and young children, but I could squeeze this in pretty easily. And so I began my adventure into the stewardship of prayer. The catechism taught that prayer was talking to God. I could do that. So I checked the box on the stewardship paper and began. Every night before sleep I would say a short prayer for the intentions of the bishop; soon I would add some of my own. Sometimes I would pray the rosary, but usually I'd fall asleep before I finished the first decade.

During the years while my children were growing, so was my prayer life. I added scripture readings and Hail Mary's and Our Father's for family members. Some night's exhaustion claimed me before I could do much more than ask God's blessings. Some nights I would end up praying very late. As the years have gone on I have added short morning prayers of thanksgiving. I still have times when I skip the prayers, but it's kind of like skipping a meal, things don't seem to be so good. Back I go to the petitions for intentions, family and friends; the thanks for the beauty of the earth and all our blessings; and the adoration of our God.

I know others who have lists of intentions for their prayers, I might try that soon. Some are faithful to praying the rosary, I only do that when driving on steep twisty mountain roads. There are as many ways of praying as there are people; I hope my life is long enough to try them all.



## *2013 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL CHILDREN, HELPERS AND TEACHERS*

## MAY FINANCES

### INCOME:

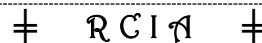
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|-------------------|--------------------|
| Collections       | 13,538.39          |
| Special Donations |                    |
| Endowment         |                    |
| Interest          | 3.98               |
| Farm              | 56.77              |
| PSR               |                    |
| Fundraisers       | 579.75             |
| Miscellaneous     | <u>1,547.27</u>    |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>\$15,726.16</b> |

### EXPENSES:

|               |                    |
|---------------|--------------------|
| Stewardship   | 1,345.92           |
| Salaries      | 12,894.50          |
| Insurance     | 1,493.00           |
| Utilities     | 3,251.94           |
| Maintenance   | 1,727.99           |
| Improvement   |                    |
| Office        | 857.06             |
| PSR           | 2,452.83           |
| Farm          |                    |
| Miscellaneous | <u>966.52</u>      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>  | <b>\$24,989.76</b> |

## JULY AT A GLANCE

- July 2 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
- July 4 ~ Independence Day - Parish Office Closed
- July 14 ~ Parish Outreach Meeting, 11:30 AM
- July 14 ~ Endowment Board Meeting, 11:30 AM
- July 14 ~ Altar Server Appreciation Dinner, 6:00 PM
- July 16 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
- July 17 ~ Adoration, 5:00 to 6:00 PM
- July 18 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
- July 21 ~ After Mass Luncheon @ Peking Garden



The sessions of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will begin in September.

If you know of anyone who might be interested in inquiring into the Catholic faith, please extend an invitation. The first several weeks will be spent in answering the questions of inquirers and does not mean there is an obligation to join the church. Persons come to inquire only. These sessions may also be informational for Catholics who want an update about their faith.

One who gives a personal invitation is responding to the Lord's call to help spread the Gospel. For further information, please call Regis Lopata at 285-2684 or the parish office at 285-2035.

## FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met June 18<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members present: G.L. VonFeldt, Dennis Wilson, Don Jensen, Jim Damm, Carol Jacob, Sharon Larsen, Fr. Warren & Pam Hutfles. Unable to attend: Leon Sanders & Bob Haymaker.
- ❖ Minutes of the May 21, 2013 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial reports for May reflecting \$15,726.16 in income and \$24,989.76 in expenses for a net income of negative \$9,263.60 for the month. Our YTD net loss is \$21,515.99. Total assets at the end of May totaled \$531,176.08 compared to \$537,649.16 this time last year. The group discussed the Carpenter Fund that has a balance of \$50,000 to be used for improvements to Sacred Heart. Expenses of the irrigation system and landscaping will come from this fund and Pam will bring a report to the next meeting.
- ❖ Old Business:
  - a. The irrigation system for the church grounds has been installed. Although action may not be taken at this time, Fr. Warren will contact Barb Harris at Pratt for some landscaping suggestions. The area around the rectory patio is really bare.
  - b. All commissions and parishioners are being asked for input concerning the black triangle behind the crucifix. The general consensus of this group is to remove the triangle and see what it looks like before anything else is done.
  - c. Tim Schaller has presented plans for making the church restrooms handicap accessible. The commission approved to complete this renovation up to \$15,000. The following committee was appointed to work with Tim on details: G.L. VonFeldt, Pam Hutfles, Sharon Larsen, Carol Jacob, and Mary Beth Herrmann.
  - d. The school building issue is still on hold. Don reported that the heating system is not functional. We have been applying band aids for several years to the major issues with the building.
- ❖ New Business:
  - a. Don reported that the motor went out on the A/C chiller unit for the church. It is in the process of being repaired.
- ❖ Next meeting July 16, 2013 @ 12:00 Noon.

**\*Addendum** - \*The Property/Finance Commission continues to discern direction for the best avenue to follow in regards to the school building. As we face more roof repairs and the possibility of total replacement; and as we address heating/furnace issues, is it good stewardship to invest significant monies in the building, or do we consider other alternatives. Input from all parishioners is welcomed.

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met June 20<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members: Matt Stucker, Mary Klinge, Michael Klemens, David O'Gwin, Phillip Hammeke, Nicki Roof, Fr. Warren. Guests: representatives from each Church Commission, Brenda Johnson & Pam Hutfles. Unable to attend: Barbara Hammond.
- ❖ The meeting opened with prayer.
- ❖ The minutes of the May 16, 2013 were approved.
- ❖ Scheduled the calling list for servers.
- ❖ Old Business:
  - a. Reviewed the Bylaws. Change name of committees to commissions. Commissions and Pastoral Council should have officer elections at the next meeting. The commissions were asked to provide feedback on the scope of their duties for Section 9 of the Bylaws. Corrections and updates are to be given to Pam at the parish office.
  - b. Discussed the triangle behind the crucifix in church. Various feedback from parishioners was received. Comments and discussion were had amongst the group about just removing the black background, then having designs in the back of church for parishioners to view. A deadline was tentatively set for August 1<sup>st</sup> to have designs/options available.

- ❖ New Business:
  - a. Finance/Property Commission is looking at renovations for the church restrooms making them handicap accessible.
  - b. Fr. Warren mentioned an upcoming Stewardship Conference set for August 24<sup>th</sup> in Dodge City. More information will be released in the near future for those interested.
- ❖ Next meeting: July 18, 2013 @ 6:30 PM

## PARISH OUTREACH COMMISSION

- ❖ Met June 9<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members: Ann Ellis, Toni Novotny, Joy Schmidt, Brian Haberman & Fr. Warren. Unable to attend: Connie Mauney, Stacy Sanger & Lisa Burgess.
- ❖ Father's Day gifts will be given out after the Masses on June 15/16.
- ❖ Discussed ideas for summer activities and agreed to do something with the PSR students in August.
- ❖ Next meeting: July 14, 2013 @ 11:30 AM

## ADULT RELIGIOUS FORMATION TEAM

- ❖ Met June 4<sup>th</sup>
- ❖ Members: Sr. Rebecca, Sr. Irene, Diane Dodez, Lynne Eck, Regis Lopata. Unable to attend: Fr. Warren
- ❖ Minutes of the April 2, 2013 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The team planned the topics for the "So Glad You Asked" column for the Sacred Heart Beat for the next few months.
- ❖ Topics were chosen for the monthly Adoration/Holy Hours for June through October.
- ❖ Discussed the small library in the church vestibule. Lynne will make a sign and work to make it more presentable. Parishioners will be reminded about it in the bulletin.
- ❖ Discussed formation of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist (EMEs). Sr. Rebecca will be contacting parishioners about possibly becoming EMEs. A training session for new and current EMEs is planned for September 14<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am at the church.
- ❖ It was suggested to plan an Advent activity for parishioners to make Advent wreaths. Diane and Lynne agreed to work on this project. A tentative date of Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in the auditorium was set.
- ❖ The team discussed having some type of formation or faith-sharing meetings during Lent next year.
- ❖ The feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will be on June 27<sup>th</sup> of next year, and the team discussed the possibility of having some type of special event. This will be discussed at future meetings.
- ❖ Next meeting: August 6, 2013 @ 7:00 PM



### *Votive Candles*

At the Altar Society meeting held on June 16<sup>th</sup>, there was a consensus to change the requested amount for votive candles from \$2.00 to \$3.00. Beginning July 1<sup>st</sup> votive candles will increase to \$3.00. Your donation can be put in the small manila envelopes made available on the votive stands and placed in the weekend collection baskets. The Altar Society does not intend to make money on the candles, but it was not covering the cost of the candles at the \$2.00 suggested amount. Thank you!

## July Birthdays

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|---------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| (01) Ray Moeder<br>Alex Sanger                                      | (18) Ethan Banman<br>Annie Garcia<br>Cody Keenan<br>Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku<br>Melissa Sell |
| (02) Doug McNett<br>Theresa Medina                                  | (19) Melvin Murphy, Jr.                                                                    |
| (03) Randy Bird<br>Tamber Colglazier<br>Gary Levins                 | (20) Rod Bauer<br>Brian Haynes<br>Joyce Henderson<br>Doris Schaller<br>Richard Wolf        |
| (04) Steve Martin                                                   | (21) Matt Fisher                                                                           |
| (06) Michael Orth<br>Phillip Perez<br>Grant Watkins                 | (22) Trenton Barrett<br>Trevor Bartz                                                       |
| (07) Charlie Danler                                                 | (23) Linda Goeken<br>Bruce Kozlowski                                                       |
| (08) Joe Hammeke<br>Trenton Welsch                                  | (25) Deacon Martin                                                                         |
| (09) Brandon Perez<br>Jane Zook                                     | (26) Sandi Bartz                                                                           |
| (10) Michael Bartz                                                  | (27) Terri Bauer                                                                           |
| (11) Avion Tucker                                                   | (29) Diane Walker                                                                          |
| (13) Mason Schartz                                                  | (30) Brad Herter<br>Jim Kerr<br>Ralph Martin                                               |
| (14) Loraine Hammeke<br>Christian Jensen<br>Katelynn Sanger         | (31) Mary Lou Frisbie<br>Celine Hall                                                       |
| (16) Bryan Fischer<br>Becky Martin                                  |                                                                                            |
| (17) Melinda Axman<br>Regan Carlson<br>Alexis Langdon<br>Bob Larsen |                                                                                            |



## July Anniversaries

- (01) Anthony and Melissa Sell  
(02) Don and Kathy Kazmaier  
(05) John and Jane Kelty  
Doug and Mary Smith  
(07) Mike and Julie Snyder  
(08) Eric and Nicki Roof  
(09) Jim and Lynn Ryan  
(17) Richard and Colleen Wolf  
(19) Brandon and Jennifer Turner  
(21) Jeff and Fay Murphy  
(22) Troy and Brenda Langdon  
(26) Clint and Autumn Millan  
(27) A.C. and Lou Ann Barker  
(29) Jared and Tisha Skelton

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed,  
Call 285-2035. We want to include everyone.

### SACRED HEART PARISH LEADERSHIP

JULY 2013 – JUNE 2014

#### Pastoral Council

Philip Hammeke  
Barbara Hammond  
Michael Klemens  
Mary Klinge  
Mary Perez  
Nicki Roof  
Matt Stucker

#### Outreach Commission

Lisa Burgess  
Ann Ellis  
Brian Haberman  
Connie Mauney  
Toni Novotny  
Stacy Sanger  
Joy Schmidt

#### Liturgy Commission

Linda Befort  
Grethe Jensen  
Sr. Rebecca Otter  
Sr. Virginia Pearl  
Vera Schmidt  
Mary Smith

#### Endowment Board

Paul Aistrup  
Susan Aistrup  
Dana Bauer  
Sue Haymaker  
Robert Lemuz  
Matt Watkins

#### PSR Commission

Stan Durler  
Lea Harding  
Fay Murphy  
Rita O'Gwin  
Jamee Schroeder  
Krysten Watkins  
Brenda Johnson, DRE

#### Finance/Property Commission

Jim Damm  
Bob Haymaker  
Carol Jacob  
Don Jensen  
Sharon Larsen  
Leon Sanders  
G.L. VonFeldt  
Dennis Wilson

#### Adult Religious Formation Commission

Diane Dodez      Regis Lopata  
Lynne Eck      Sr. Rebecca Otter  
Sr. Irene Hartman

#### † BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

**Gabriel Allen**, the son of John & Kristy Mull  
June 30, 2013



#### CONGRATULATIONS!

John & Jane Kelty ~ married 45 years

#### KNIGHTS JULY EVENTS

July 2 . . . . Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM  
July 14 . . . . Altar Server Appreciation Dinner, 6:00 PM

#### Remember with Prayer

John Grant  
Mary Schartz  
Curtis Smith  
Armella Dechant  
Calvin Blattner  
Grace Perez  
Phyllis Neidig  
Kindra Perez  
Ed Haremza  
Jayden Waller  
Chris Gross  
Sharon Larsen  
Betty Tauscher  
Fr. Warren Stecklein



Elora Robinson  
Grace Sloan  
Pat Thompson  
Elsie Jones  
Mickey Perez  
Mary Ann Schartz  
Clayton Kelty  
Sr. Mary Ann Klein  
Catherine Orth  
Joyce Greathouse  
Susan Colglazier  
Carol (Bartz) Eaton  
Sr. Clara Ann Fluech  
Coletta Meier

All of our men and women serving in the  
United States military





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be good neighbors..."

