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NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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It is common sentiment on Social Media for anticipating the coming of 2021 so we can put 2020 behind us. We can all agree that 2020 has been a challenging year on many fronts. As Christians, what can we take away from what we have experienced this past year?

On August 11, 1576, a plague broke out in Milan. St. Charles Borromeo was the Cardinal Archbishop of Milan at the time. Local authorities had forbidden public processions and religious ceremonies. His response to the plague was to pray and do penance more piously than before. He suggested that the faithful should not gather in crowds and to avoid contact with each other. He held Mass outdoors if the Church was too cramped. He held three processions each week and celebrated public Masses every morning at the foot of nineteen columns set up throughout the city. Communion was distributed to the plague victims through their home windows. When the plague ended, it was identified that most of the 120 priests who fled the city had died from the plague. Milan's death count was smaller than that of Venice, which was a smaller city than Milan. St. Charles's answer to that was that the mercy of God had protected them.

We too, are in the midst of the COVID 19 Pandemic. Many Governors have enacted stiff responses of imposed isolation on their populations. Lawsuits have been filed in protest against the harsher confines against Churches. Many say that the Church is just a building and that we can still "attend" Mass online. The prayer for Spiritual Communion is said at these Masses since physical receipt of the Eucharist is impossible. It is wonderful that technology allows for those who are not able to attend Mass in person to still participate in the beauty of the Mass.

When this Pandemic abates, what will your response be to returning to the practice of your faith? How important is our

faith to each of us personally? I read a recent study that found those with a strong faith displayed fewer mental health issues such as depression or anxiety in the midst of the Pandemic. I asked a question of my PSR students recently. Do they feel like they will know everything there is to know when they graduate from High School? I received a resounding "NO!" My next question to them was, "Do you think you will know everything there is to know about your faith once you are Confirmed or stop attending PSR/Youth Group?" Their answer was less definite. My parents instilled a deep conviction in me for the love of our Lord. I learned the "mechanics" of the faith, but didn't really understand the richness and beauty that our Catholic faith offers. This understanding has grown as I have sought out the "whys" of some of our rituals which led me to seek a greater understanding of God's teaching.

So, what does this mean to all of you? I would ask you, what is your mission? What is your focus in your life? What can you do to be more effective in your mission? If your mission is to know, love, and serve the Lord so that you can spend eternity with Him, what are you doing to accomplish that? Is attending Mass enough? How can you enrich your experience with God on a daily basis? One way to get snippets of enrichment is to tune into 105.7, the Divine Mercy radio station out of Hays. I particularly enjoy some of the programs like Doctor to Doctor, Catholic Answers, The Son Rise morning show and The Doctor is In. If you feel drawn to exploring these thoughts, please consider taking advantage of one or more of the available offerings at Sacred Heart. If you have an idea or request for a specific topic, please contact one of the Adult Religious Formation members so that we can help you with your spiritual journey as we also work on our own.

Adult Religious Formation Team Commission – Mary Mitchell



FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met December 15, 2020
- ❖ Members: Dennis Wilson, Jacques Molleker, Jim Damm, Tom Giessel, Kathy Couchman, Pam Huffles, & Fr. Bernard.
Unable to attend: Jenny Ramsey
- ❖ Minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting were approved as presented.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for October and November, 2020 which showed income of \$55,034.02 and expenses of \$47,172.30 for two-month of \$7,861.72. The November balance sheet showed cash of \$459,087.28 compared to \$448,763.91 at the end of November 2019. A detailed general ledger for October and November was presented to the council for them to view individual checks and deposits.
- ❖ Comfort Pro put in two new thermostats in the Church and rectory. They also replaced the bladder in the pressure tank.
- ❖ Jim moved and Tom seconded that we take out the pear trees on the south side of the Church when the other trees are removed. They are already big enough that they overhang the Church roof. Motion passed.
- ❖ Some of the Church windows need to be caulked and the window trim needs painted. This will be a spring project.
- ❖ Bev Howell will finish restoring the paintings in the Church vestibule when the weather warms up.
- ❖ Pam shared that notice of our interest with the Diocese was reinvested \$3,813.43. We earn 1.5% interest.
- ❖ Next meeting: January 19, 2021 @ 12:00 Noon

PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Did not meet in December
- ❖ Members: Amy Froetschner, Larry Skelton, Lee Gilcris, John Kelty, Chelsy LeRoy, Tama Hanson, Isaac Lemuz, Sr. Rebecca & Fr. Bernard.
- ❖ Next meeting: January 21, 2021 @ 6:30 PM



PRO-LIFE BABY SHOWER

Throughout the month of January the Knights of Columbus will be conducting their Pro-Life Baby Shower with the proceeds given to Catholic Social Services. A crib is in the entrance of church where you may leave your items (maternity & baby clothing, diapers, blankets, bottles, formula, etc.) or you may bring them to the Parish Center during the week. Monetary donations may be placed in the weekend collection; mark the envelope "Pro-Life Baby Shower". Thanks for your support & prayers.

THANK YOU

We can always depend on you, our Sacred Heart parishioners, to come through when there is a need. The need to help with restocking the shelves at the local Food Pantry has lightened because of your generous response to the "Reverse Advent Calendar." For that, the volunteers of the Heart to Heart Ministry say a very sincere "THANK YOU!"

JANUARY AT A GLANCE

January 5 ~ Adult Religious Formation Meeting, 6:00 PM
January 5 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
January 6 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, HRC
January 13 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, HRC
January 13 ~ Endowment Board Meeting, 5:00 PM
January 19 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
January 19 ~ Liturgy Commission Meeting, 5:30 PM
January 20 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, HRC
January 21 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
January 27 ~ Adoration, 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM, HRC



JANUARY PSR SCHEDULE

- January 6th – Regular Classes
- January 13th – Regular Classes
- January 13th – Confirmation Mentor Session
- January 20th – Regular Classes
- January 27th – Regular Classes

KNIGHTS JANUARY EVENTS

Jan. 5 Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM

The Knights of Columbus
will not be having a Sausage Supper this year.
Watch for upcoming Larned Columbus Club
take out/delivery Hamburger Dinners.

Remember with Prayer

Grace Perez
Pheno Perez
Don Jensen
Eleanor Sanders
Ann Haremza
Frank Garcia
Jayden Waller
Fr. Warren Stecklein
Fr. Charles Mazouch
Rita O'Gwin



Betty Tauscher
Sharon Larsen
Leon Sanders
Ryan Shelton
Clayton Kelty
Sue Haymaker
Trenton Welsch
Kevin Simmons
Joe Haberman
Lorene Schartz

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

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

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|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| (01) Philip Hammeke | (17) Logan DeMond |
| (02) Josh Holmes | Shannon Foster |
| Colleen Wolf | Sharon Larsen |
| (04) Samuel Gonzalez | Darrell Tanner |
| (05) Michele Collins | Kim Walker |
| Ann Haremza | Gretchen Whittington |
| Gavin Reece | (18) Morgan Kelty |
| Troy Welsch | (19) Joe Gasser |
| (06) Cindy Colglazier | (20) Rosendo Cenicerros |
| Shawn Gasser | Regis Lopata |
| Jared Skelton | Madelyn Mull |
| (07) Lewis McDonald | Roy Penka |
| Kate Reece | (21) Alyxandra LeRoy |
| (08) Tanner Lang | (23) Matthew Fitzsimmons |
| (09) Jason Hammeke | Stacy Parr |
| (10) Mary Perez | Mike Schartz |
| Beverly Taylor | (24) Kimberleigh Chilcott |
| (11) Jesse Medina | Eli Fox |
| Owen Reece | Bud Johnson |
| (12) Ramona Howard | (25) Carol Moeder |
| Bethany Steinlage | Judy VonFeldt |
| (13) Sydney Bailey | (26) Xavier Hammeke |
| (14) Ray Colglazier | (27) Gage Hammeke |
| Kathy Flores | Hailey Sickles |
| (15) Camden McDonald | Camry Snyder |
| Pat Thompson | Teagan Walker |
| (16) Mark Lessard | (29) Amy Froetschner |
| Jim Ryan | Palmer Froetschner |
| Chris Whittington | Jim Mitchell |
| | Karen Stacey |
| | (30) Ann Hutfles |
| | Benton Simmons |



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

- (02) Jon Roy and Michelle Kelty
 (05) Michael and Amy Simmons
 (11) Dennis and Pam Theis



DIED IN CHRIST

Darrell Tanner ~ December 16, 2020
 Manuel Perez ~ December 20, 2020



JANUARY 2021 ~ MINISTRIES

Saturday, January 2

Lector – Kathy Kazmaier
E.M. – Cindy Perez (major)
 Mary Klinge (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Saturday, January 9

Lector – Mary Klinge
E.M. – Toni Novotny (major)
 Don Kazmaier (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Saturday, January 16

Lector – Dennis Wilson
E.M. – Joan Wilson (major)
 Cindy Perez (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Saturday, January 23

Lector – Joan Wilson
E.M. – Dennis Wilson (major)
 Kathy Kazmaier (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Saturday, January 30

Lector – Regis Lopata
E.M. – Cindy Perez (major)
 Mary Klinge (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Sunday, January 3

Lector – Kathy Couchman
E.M. – David O'Gwin (major)
 Kathy Hammeke (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Sunday, January 10

Lector – Kristy Mull
E.M. – Mary Mitchell (major)
 David O'Gwin (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Sunday, January 17

Lector – Karl Grover
E.M. – Cathy Grover (major)
 Kathy Couchman (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Sunday, January 24

Lector – Kathy Couchman
E.M. – David O'Gwin (major)
 Mary Mitchell (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer

Sunday, January 31

Lector – Mary Mitchell
E.M. – Kathy Hammeke (major)
 Kristy Mull (minor)
Server – 1 Volunteer



NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2020

	NOVEMBER	YTD
INCOME:		
Collections	19,965.04	85,164.52
Special Donations	150.00	250.00
Endowment		1,875.00
Interest	3,820.32	3,847.57
Farm	1,435.16	20,716.15
PSR	400.00	7,631.00
Fundraisers	714.93	1,446.07
Miscellaneous	<u>756.00</u>	<u>5,365.98</u>
TOTAL	\$27,241.45	\$126,296.29
EXPENSES:		
Stewardship	2,493.06	10,077.57
Salaries	10,634.62	61,222.44
Insurance		10,618.00
Utilities	1,691.81	9,556.71
Maintenance	497.39	8,504.25
Improvement		
Office	881.03	4,317.07
PSR	43.59	6,278.53
Farm		
Miscellaneous	<u>2,952.59</u>	<u>6,626.24</u>
TOTAL	\$19,194.09	\$117,200.81
		YTD: \$9,095.48



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A Prayer for the New Year

God, Thank You for a New Year.

May everyone in our family be willing
to begin anew with a clean slate.

We know that you are always ready to forgive us.
Help us to be willing to forgive ourselves
and to forgive one another.

As we begin a new year, remind us of our truest
values and our deepest desires.

Help us to live in the goodness that comes from
doing what you want us to do.

Help us to put aside anxiety about the future
and the past, so that we might live in peace with
you now, one day at a time.

Come, Holy Spirit,

Be with us today and always.
Amen.

