



# SACRED HEART BEAT

SEPTEMBER 2022

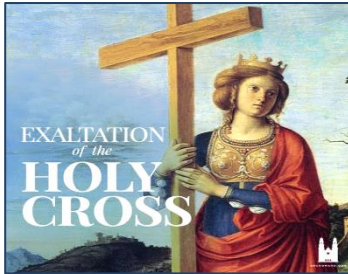
NEWSLETTER OF SACRED HEART PARISH

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## The Story of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Early in the fourth century, Saint Helena, mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, went to Jerusalem in search of the holy places of Christ's life. She razed the second-century Temple of Aphrodite, which tradition held was built over the Savior's tomb, and her son built the Basilica of the Holy Sepulcher on that spot. During the excavation, workers found three crosses. Legend has it that the one on which Jesus died was identified when its touch healed a dying woman. The date of this discovery, 14 September, is celebrated in the Church as the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.

The cross immediately became an object of veneration. At a Good Friday celebration in Jerusalem toward the end of the fourth century, according to an eyewitness, the wood was taken out of its silver container and placed on a table together with the inscription Pilate ordered placed above Jesus' head: Then "all the people pass through one by one; all of them bow down, touching the cross and the inscription, first with their foreheads, then with their eyes; and, after kissing the cross, they move on."

While still in Jerusalem, Helena divided the cross into three fragments: the first was left in Jerusalem, the second she took to Rome, and the third she passed on to her son to take to Constantinople, the new capital he was in the process of building. Soon, each of those parts was divided up, and fragments were sent to even the most far-flung Christian Churches and places of worship. The authenticity of a particular fragment can be determined by testing the type of wood (the true cross was made of black pine), as well as by documenting its origin from one of three places: Rome, Constantinople or Jerusalem.

To this day, the Eastern Churches, Catholic and Orthodox alike, celebrate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on the September anniversary of the basilica's dedication. The feast entered the Western calendar in the seventh century after Emperor Heraclius recovered the cross from the Persians, who had carried it off in 614, 15 years earlier. According to the story, the emperor intended to carry the cross back into Jerusalem himself, but was unable to move forward until he took off his imperial garb and became a barefoot pilgrim.

### Reflection

The cross is today the universal image of Christian belief. Countless generations of artists have turned it into a thing of beauty to be carried in procession or worn as jewelry. To the eyes of the first Christians, it had no beauty. It stood outside too many city walls, decorated only with decaying corpses, as a threat to anyone who defied Rome's authority—including Christians who refused sacrifice to Roman gods. Although believers spoke of the cross as the instrument of salvation, it seldom appeared in Christian art unless disguised as an anchor or the Chi-Rho until after Constantine's edict of toleration.

References: [www.franciscanmedia.org](http://www.franciscanmedia.org) and Witnesses to Mystery by G. Gorny and J. Rosikon.

Adult Religious Formation Team Commission: Karl Grover

### ✠ RCIA ✠

The sessions of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults will begin on Wednesday, September 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Parish Center Conference Room. 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 questions of inquirers and does not mean there is an obligation to join the church. These sessions may also be informational for Catholics who want an update about their faith. For further information, please call the parish office at 285-2035.



## FINANCE/PROPERTY COMMISSION

- ❖ Met August 16, 2022
- ❖ Members present: Dennis Wilson, Jim Damm, Tom Giessel, Jenny Ramsey, Kathy Couchman, Jacques Molleker, Pam Hutfles. Unable to attend: Fr. Bernard. Guest: Matt Hoisington
- ❖ Minutes of the July 19, 2022 meeting were approved.
- ❖ The group reviewed the financial report for July 2022. The July report showed income of \$14,428.98 and expenses of \$28,446.10 for a monthly loss of \$14,017.12. The July 2022 balance sheet showed cash of \$480,566.55 compared to \$453,340.19 at the end of July, 2021.
- ❖ Matt Hoisington with C & V Home Improvement presented project proposals for the replacement of windows in the Rectory and Annex. The commission agreed on the proposals following Fr. Bernard's and Bishop Brungardt's approval.
- ❖ Additional plans are to install aluminum to the soffit overhangs on the Rectory. We will secure bids for this project.
- ❖ A ceiling fan was installed in the cry room at Church. This has made the cry room cooler with much better ventilation.
- ❖ Next meeting: September 20, 2022 @ 12:00 Noon

## PASTORAL COUNCIL

- ❖ Met August 18, 2022
- ❖ Members present: Amy Froetschner, Tama Hanson, Judy Solko, Stephen Scharzt., Sr. Rebecca. Unable to attend: Lee Gilcris, Larry Skelton, Doug McNett, Fr. Bernard.
- ❖ The meeting opened with the Pastoral Council Prayer.
- ❖ The minutes of the previous meeting were approved as written.
- ❖ Stephen informed the Council regarding the all Parish Councils/Commissions gathering on September 8<sup>th</sup>. The Council helped put together highlights from the past two years to be shared.
- ❖ Sr. Rebecca shared that four parishioners will be going to Dodge City for the 2022 Stewardship Conference on August 20<sup>th</sup>.
- ❖ Amy asked the Council if moving our meeting time up would work. Discussion was made and it was decided that 5:45 pm would work if Fr. Bernard is fine with the change.
- ❖ Next meeting: September 15, 2022 @ 5:45 PM

## ADULT RELIGIOUS FORMATION COMMISSION

- ❖ Met July 20, 2022
- ❖ Members present: Mary Mitchell, Cathy Grover, Karl Grover, Karen McAllister, Regis Lopata, Sr. Rebecca & Fr. Bernard. Unable to attend: Kevin Simmons.
- ❖ Minutes of the February 10, 2022 meeting were approved as written.
- ❖ Planned the articles for the Sacred Heart Beat from September 2022 to February 2023.
- ❖ Members discussed resuming our showing of "The Chosen" in the fall. It was decided to begin showing it on Saturdays after Mass beginning September 24<sup>th</sup>. A pot-luck meal will be held prior to the videos.
- ❖ Discussed the Eucharistic Miracles exhibit which is scheduled to be at Sacred Heart Parish from November 2-7, 2022. Karen has been in contact with Divine Mercy radio, which sponsors the exhibit and she was able to provide us with information. Plans will be finalized at our next meeting.
- ❖ Next meeting: October 6, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

## SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

- Sept. 1 ~ Benedictine Oblates Gathering, 11:00 AM
- Sept. 5 ~ Parish Office Closed – Labor Day
- Sept. 5 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Sept. 6 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 6 ~ Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM
- Sept. 7 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 8 ~ All Councils/Commissions Gathering, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 12 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Sept. 13 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 14 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 15 ~ Pastoral Council Meeting, 5:45 PM
- Sept. 16 ~ Columbus Club Chicken Fried Chicken Dinner, 5:00 to 7:00 PM, Knights of Columbus Hall
- Sept. 18 ~ Kapaun's Men Group, 8:45 AM
- Sept. 19 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Sept. 20 ~ Finance/Property Meeting, 12:00 Noon
- Sept. 20 ~ Liturgy Commission Meeting, 5:30 PM
- Sept. 20 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 21 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 22 ~ Stewardship Council Meeting, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 24 ~ "The Chosen" with Pot-Luck, 6:00 PM
- Sept. 26 ~ Adult Faith Formation Group, 6:00 PM
- Sept. 27 ~ Choir Practice, 6:30 PM
- Sept. 28 ~ RCIA, 6:30 PM



**It's Time Once  
Again for PSR!!**

Religious Formation is dedicated to helping others grow in faith, so that we may all experience a living, loving relationship with God. PSR gives the student's time to come together and learn more about their faith, with their peers, as a Church community. This year our classes will begin on September 7<sup>th</sup>. K-8<sup>th</sup> grades will meet from 6:30-7:30 pm and Youth Group (9-12<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet from 6:30-8:00 pm. Registrations forms are available in the parish office; you are welcome to pick one up and fill it out prior to the first night of class. The schedule for this year is posted on the Facebook page and a printout is available to anyone who would like one. If your child is in a sacramental year, please expect to attend the parent meeting. There you will get information and resources to aid you throughout the year and to hear catechist expectations for you and your child. First Communion (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) parent meeting is on September 7<sup>th</sup> at approximately 7:15 pm. Confirmation parent meeting is on September 14<sup>th</sup> at approximately 7:15 pm. As the primary educators of your children, I am grateful to each of you for the commitment you have made to your child's religious education. We hope that you had a great summer living your faith, and we look forward to teaching your children more about our faith at PSR.

LeAnne Hammeke, DRE

## SEPTEMBER PSR SCHEDULE

- September 7 – Regular Classes / 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Parent Mtg.
- September 14 – Regular Classes / Confirmation Parent Meeting
- September 21 – Regular Classes
- September 28 – Regular Classes

## SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- |                         |                         |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| (01) Andrew Froetschner | (16) Janell Barton      |
| Clayton Kelty           | Vicki Perez             |
| Tonya Sanders           | Jana Schartz            |
| (02) Joseph Theis       | (17) Paulia Bailey      |
| (04) Jaden Carlson      | Dave Pfannenstiel       |
| Denny Zook              | (18) Dawn Smyth         |
| (05) Jon Roy Kelty      | (19) Joey Lamon         |
| Marshall Newell         | (24) Brian Hammeke      |
| Shane Weiszbrod         | (25) Ann Schreiber      |
| (06) Juan Ramirez Jr.   | (26) Isaac Lemuz        |
| Jim Zook                | Eric Roof               |
| (07) Rusty Howard       | Cheryl Skalsky          |
| (08) Karver Froetschner | (27) Cason Couchman     |
| Mya Hill                | (28) Isabella Garcia    |
| (10) Megan Fitzsimmons  | Jason Skelton           |
| (11) Terry Martin       | Kamille Smith           |
| (12) Brenda Johnson     | Mason Steinlage         |
| (13) Paul Skalsky       | Joan Wilson             |
| (14) Shelley Bauer      | (30) Wesley Fitzsimmons |
| (15) Eleanor Bauer      | Cheyenne VanSickle      |
| Kay Schartz             |                         |



## SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- (04) Jeff and Tiena Byrum  
 (05) Paul and Susan Aistrup  
 Victor and Theresa Kreutzer  
 (08) Allen and Beverly Taylor  
 (10) Rusty and Ramona Howard  
 (12) Kevin and Felicia Davis  
 Terry and Shelly Stanton  
 (18) Tyson and Kathy Couchman  
 Nolan and Emily Dreiling  
 (20) Joe and Jean Simmons  
 (21) Allen and Carie Perez  
 (26) Shawn and Dawn Smyth  
 (27) John and Pam Hutfles



### CONGRATULATIONS!

Victor & Theresa Kreutzer ~ Married 66 years  
 Rusty & Ramona Howard ~ Married 45 years  
 Joe & Jean Simmons ~ Married 25 years



### UNITED IN MARRIAGE

Aaron Ridder & Abby Kelty  
 August 6, 2022



### DIED IN CHRIST

James (Jim) McGinness ~ August 1, 2022

### Remember with Prayer

|                           |                                                                                       |                |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Frank Garcia              |  | Betty Tauscher |
| Richard Wolf              |                                                                                       | Sharon Larsen  |
| Rita O'Gwin               |                                                                                       | Leon Sanders   |
| Mary Klinge               |                                                                                       | Ryan Shelton   |
| Ann Haremza               |                                                                                       | Clayton Kelty  |
| Jayden Waller             |                                                                                       | Sue Haymaker   |
| Fr. Warren Stecklein      |                                                                                       | Trenton Welsch |
| Fr. Charles Mazouch       |                                                                                       | Kevin Simmons  |
| Stan Durler               |                                                                                       | Lee Durler     |
| Larry Trujillo            |                                                                                       | Bert Schartz   |
| Shauna Nwachukwu-Udaku    | Sherry Lemuz                                                                          |                |
| Lindsey (Johnson) Gaylord | Phil Schreiber                                                                        |                |
| Georgia Bauer             |                                                                                       |                |

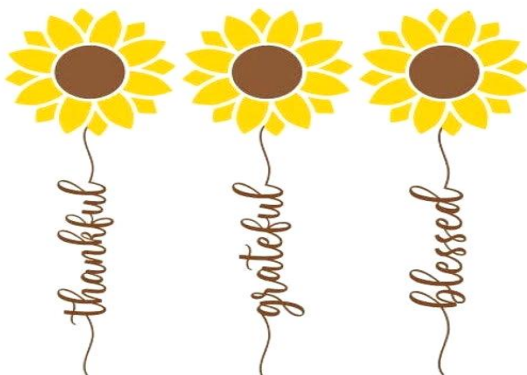
All of our men and women serving in the  
 United States Military, our homebound parishioners  
 and those in care homes.

### KNIGHTS SEPTEMBER EVENTS

Sept. 6 . . . . Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 PM  
 Sept. 16 . . . . Columbus Club Chicken Fried Chicken Meal,  
 5:00 to 7:00 PM

### NET INCOME/EXPENSES BEGINNING JULY 1, 2022

|                   | JULY                      | YTD                |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|
| <b>INCOME:</b>    |                           |                    |
| Collections       | 13,508.82                 | 13,508.82          |
| Special Donations |                           |                    |
| Endowment         |                           |                    |
| Interest          | 9.16                      | 9.16               |
| Farm              |                           |                    |
| PSR               |                           |                    |
| Fundraisers       |                           |                    |
| Miscellaneous     | <u>911.00</u>             | <u>911.00</u>      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>\$14,428.98</b>        | <b>\$14,428.98</b> |
| <b>EXPENSES:</b>  |                           |                    |
| Stewardship       | 3,976.81                  | 3,976.81           |
| Salaries          | 17,101.53                 | 17,101.53          |
| Insurance         | 1,699.00                  | 1,699.00           |
| Utilities         | 1,431.61                  | 1,431.61           |
| Maintenance       | 389.99                    | 389.99             |
| Improvement       |                           |                    |
| Office            | 650.61                    | 650.61             |
| PSR               | 2,475.15                  | 2,475.15           |
| Farm              |                           |                    |
| Miscellaneous     | <u>721.40</u>             | <u>721.40</u>      |
| <b>TOTAL</b>      | <b>\$28,446.10</b>        | <b>\$28,446.10</b> |
|                   | <b>YTD: (\$14,017.12)</b> |                    |





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**Larned Columbus Club**  
**Chicken Fried Chicken Meal**

**Friday, September 16<sup>th</sup>**

**5:00 to 7:00 pm**

**Dine In or Carry Out**

**\$12.00 per Meal**

**K of C Hall on Scenic Drive – 1216 M Road**