

August 25, 2024  
21st Sunday Ordinary Time



21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"You have the words of eternal life. We have come to believe and are convinced that you are the Holy One of God." - Jn 6:68-69

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St. Francis Xavier  
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MASS TIMES

<b>Monday, Aug 26</b>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	- Word and Communion
	8:30 am	Annunciation	† Jim & Joyce Loidolt
<b>Tuesday, Aug 27</b>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	- St. Monica's Christian Women
	5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	† Marty Reker
	5:30 pm	St. Stephen	† Kurt Dullinger
<b>Wednesday, Aug 28</b>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Jill Maturi Brooks
	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Holy Souls in Purgatory
<b>Thursday, Aug 29</b>	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	NO MASS
	8:00 am	St. Stephen	† Members of the Carl & Angela Knettel family
	8:30 am	Annunciation	† For Our Nation
<b>Friday, Aug 30</b>	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Conversion of Political Leaders
	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Jerry Peckskamp
<b>Saturday, Aug 31</b> 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time	4:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier	† Al & Aggie Schulte 50th Anniv.
	5:00 pm	Sacred Heart	† Jean Terres
	7:00 pm	St. Stephen	† Jerry Mehr
<b>Sunday, Sept. 1</b> 22nd Sunday Ordinary Time *Livestreamed Mass	8:15 am	*Annunciation	† For the People of the Parish
	9:00 am	*Sacred Heart	† Roger Weber
	9:30 am	*St. Francis Xavier	† Dorothy Orth
	10:00 am	St. Stephen	† Jerome Supan

PASTORAL SERVICES

Reconciliation  
Saturdays

3:00 pm St. Francis Xavier  
3:30 pm Sacred Heart  
6:15 pm St. Stephen

Sunday

7:40 am Annunciation

Anointing of the Sick  
Home Bound Communion  
Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests,  
Marriage and Baptism Preparation  
If you have any of the above  
pastoral needs, please contact your  
Parish Office.

Bulletin announcements are  
due in the parish office by  
8:00 am on Mondays.  
Thank you! Please contact  
your Parish Office for  
more information.

DAILY READINGS

**Monday:** 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11-12/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 4-5/Mt 23:13-22

**Tuesday:** 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17/Ps 96:10, 11-12, 13/Mt 23:23-26

**Wednesday:** 2 Thes 3:6-10, 16-18/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/Mt 23:27-32

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 1:1-9/Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 6:17-29

**Friday:** 1 Cor 1:17-25/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 10-11/Mt 25:1-13

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 1:26-31/Ps 33:12-13, 18-19, 20-21/Mt 25:14-30

**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 1a/Jas 2:1-5/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

## MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES

## (Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)



### From Safari.....

Let the festivals begin. Over the next few weeks each of our One in Christ parishes has a festival. Take time today to checkout the festival at Sacred Heart. Check out the bulletin for the days and times of the other festivals. These are great opportunities to mingle with other members of our One in Christ ACC.

Also this week begins the 2024/2025 school year for our schools St. Katharine Drexel, St. Francis Xavier, Cathedral and all Catholic Community Schools. We pray that the students and teachers who are returning to school, may enjoy the experience of learning as they seek the gifts of wisdom and understanding, and now the end is near. Today we conclude our five week reflection on chapter 6 of the Gospel of John.

Paper or plastic? A question often posed at the supermarket. It is one of the decisions we need to make in life. Our lives are filled with decisions --- one scoop or two scoops of ice cream, which movie to take in, which restaurant to eat, which cake to take at the cake stand or bingo card to take at the festival today.

Other decisions carry considerable more weight as their consequences are more significant. For example what course of studies to undertake, which career to pursue, to marry, be ordained, enter religious life, or remain single, to start a family.

Joshua in succeeding Moses as leader of the Israelites, challenges his brothers and sisters in the faith who would they serve. Would it be the God who had led them forth from Egypt and through the wilderness? Would it be the God who fed the hungry travelers with manna, quail, and water from the rock, despite their sinfulness? Or would they turn to other gods? Decide today whom you will serve. Joshua announces his intent: As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.

The author of Ephesians describes the proper behavior of those who have decided to follow Christ. A key phrase is verse 21: be subordinate to one another out of reverence for Christ. In other words, to put Christ first in our lives. To love fully as Christ loves the church; to serve the other completely as Christ serves the church.

In the Gospel some of Jesus' disciples find his sayings too difficult. Some make the decision to return to their former way of life. On behalf of the twelve, Peter, tells Jesus they will follow because they know Jesus is the Holy One of God.

Who will you serve? Your reading of this article is an acknowledgement of belief in God. The question really is, are you willing to accept the teachings of Jesus? Will you live each day knowing that all you have is gift from God? To gather in prayer weekly to express your thanks? In gratitude to share your talents with the community? Or will you see all in your life as entitlement?

Are you willing to love all totally as Jesus loves us? I am reminded of quote from Mr. Blue, (From the book Mr. Blue by Myles Connolly) "I could learn to love a lion but I do not think I could ever learn to love a mosquito." You and I can find ways to tolerate the occasionally bothersome person. However, it quite another story to see Christ in the person at work or the neighbor, who gets under your skin. It requires great courage and perseverance to love that person.

I invite you to join me in echoing the commitment of Joshua and Peter and say, "As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord; Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life life." May we live each day in gratitude, fully loving all who enter our lives, and to be hope filled no matter the events we face.

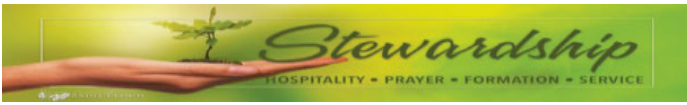
Fr. Ron

## LEADERSHIP

### ACC Pastoral Leadership



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"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." Joshua 24:15

When we commit to serve the Lord, we become a disciple in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, our words and actions should reflect the Gospel message to others.



Sharing the Good News: The St. Cloud Diocese broadcasts TV Mass weekly in 60 counties. It is also sent to nursing homes and available to countless others online. See how your generosity makes a difference by using your smartphone or visiting [https://youtu.be/vqleGnEqA\\_k](https://youtu.be/vqleGnEqA_k) to view our video.



### WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY



Sacred Heart will once again be hosting a 9 AM Wed Morning Bible Study. We invite all of our One in Christ parishioners to join us in exploring our faith. This year we are exploring The Holy Spirit, Angels, James, and Peter. If interested, please contact Gerry

Kittok at 320 420 9050 or the Sacred Heart Office by Sept 13<sup>th</sup> so we can secure enough materials. Study materials will be handed out and introductions will be on Wed, Sept 25. I hope to see you there!!

### ST. STEPHEN BIBLE STUDY

**Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible:** Many Catholics want to read the Bible but get bogged down by the long stretches that seem not to make sense or get lost among the sea of Old Testament names and places. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible*, an eight-part Bible study, helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture, so you can get the "big picture" of the Bible and understand what it's all about. Aided by a unique color-coded *Bible Timeline* Chart that arranges the key people, places, and events of the Bible in chronological order, *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* will help you pick up the Bible with confidence and understand how you fit into God's plan. We will begin the *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* study on Sunday, September 29 at 7 pm in the St. Stephen church hall. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. Cost is \$35 for workbook and online access. Couples may share a book. Call the St Stephen church office to register 320-251-1520 or email

[ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com](mailto:ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com) Please register by September 2. Questions? Call Julie at 320-248-6823



### BAPTISM

We welcome the following child, baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:

Cecilia Lu Shefveland, daughter of Philip & Hannah and Luke Allen Johnson, son of Cody & Dalles, from Sacred Heart.



### FUNERAL BLESSINGS

Remember in your prayers the families of Donna Rajkowski, who passed away on August 18th, from St. Francis Xavier.



Eternal Rest grant unto her Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her.

### BANNS OF MARRIAGE

- I Thomas Smith & Taylor Rick
- II Logan Berg & Kelly Molitor
- III Spencer Atkinson & Jessica Milstroh

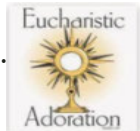


### ADORATION

In Matthew Kelly's book, *33 Days to Eucharistic Glory*, he shares Mother Teresa's advice, "If I can give any advice, I beg you to get closer to the Eucharist and to Jesus. We must pray to Jesus to give us that tenderness of the Eucharist." Matthew Kelly states, "You need the habit of Adoration. How often, I don't know. For how long? I don't know. That is between you and God, but it was central to the lives of the saints, and I encourage you to make it central to your life even if it's only for one hour each month". "Spending time in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist will transform you and your life in ways you cannot begin to imagine".

Adoration inquiries, please text or call Barb Johnson: 320-493-0302 or Peggy Weber: 320-259-7841

The Perpetual Adoration Chapel is at The Church of St. Anthony in St. Cloud and is available to all. Enter through the East door. The chapel is normally open 6am to 6pm. Evening and night hours are available with a fob.



### EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

St. Luke Productions presents **Vianney** performed by Leonard DeFilippis. The gripping story of the remarkable priest who battled the devil. Join us Sunday, September 8 at 7pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall. Production is suitable for ages 9 and up. A free will offering will be collected. To learn more about the production and the history of St. John Vianney, go to [www.vianneydrama.com](http://www.vianneydrama.com). Please call the sacred Heart office at 320-251-8115 for any information or questions.



## YOUNG ADULTS

### Bible Study

The next Bible Study is on Thursday, September 5th at St. Francis Xavier from 7-8:30 PM. We hope you can join us as we begin a new study, all are welcome!

### Theology on Draft

Save the date for Thursday, September 12th from 6-8 PM! Check our website / social media for location / presentation topic or contact Jason Prigge.

## YOUNGLIFE

### YoungLife Update

Thank you for your patience, we are *still* awaiting a confirmation number or area number as YoungLife continues to navigate software challenges. Once this is resolved, more information will be available to all of you - we still need you to pray!! Join us on Wednesdays at Noon!

### Prayer Team Needed

We are looking for people to join us on Wednesdays at Noon for weekly prayer! Prayer generally lasts about 15-20 minutes and we are praying for our new YoungLife area, our young people and for kids who aren't a part of our parish communities. If you'd like to join the prayer team but are unable to Zoom, contact Jason Prigge for another opportunity.

Scan for Zoom Link:



## ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION-ADULTS

### Interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic? The One in Christ ACC invites you to the O.C.I.A. Faith Journey

The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (O.C.I.A.) formally called the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (R.C.I.A.), is a process of faith formation that recognizes the uniqueness of each Individual's faith journey. **For adults who have not been baptized or were baptized in another Christian tradition and desire to explore becoming Catholic.** In addition, there is a process for families and children. The date/time of the sessions are adjusted based on needs of those involved. The process is concerned with the total formation of the person: learning about the Church community (doctrinal formation), living with the Church community (practical formation), praying with the Church (liturgical formation), and serving with the Church community (apostolic formation). If you are interested in learning more you may call or meet in person with any one of our Pastors, Deacons, Pastoral Associate or a parish contact listed below.

**Adults Baptized in the Catholic faith and seeking to be Confirmed?** We also invited you to inquire into the process of helping you to be fully initiated into the Catholic Church and receive the tremendous blessings that all the sacraments of initiation provide. Interested or Have Questions? Contact one of the following: Fr. Ron Weyrens, Fr. Tom Knoblach, Deacon Joe Kresky, Deacon Terry Jancik or Sandee Kremers.

## ST. STEPHEN

**Contact:** Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Hours: 8am-1:30pm  
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com

Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

**Faith Formation:** Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066  
ststephenfaith@gmail.com

### Financial Offering for Aug 17-18

Adult	\$ 1,416.00
Adult Online Aug 10-16	\$ 733.00
Plate	\$ 214.00
Assumption (Adult & Plate total)	\$ 525.75
Children	\$ 12.00
Total	\$ 2,900.75
Weekly Adult income to meet budget:	\$ 3,150.00

### Ushers:

Aug 31: Dave Fiedler, Sandy Paggen, Peter Schumer

Sept 1: Jim Schumer, Ralph Barhorst, Merlin Berndt

### LABOR DAY FESTIVAL:

Help is still needed in: Dining Room, Kids Games, Grand Raffle Stand, Quilt Stand, Auction, Dice Game.

Stand lay-out/set-up: Thursday around 3:00 PM, the stands will be brought out. Help will be needed to lay-out the stands on the ground. Doug Legatt is planning to bring his crew to set-up the stands on Thursday. Saturday help will still be needed beginning in the morning to place the boards on the stands, set out tables and chairs and put the finishing touches on all of the stands.

Kitchen help needed: Friday morning at 9:00 AM in the Hall kitchen to prep chicken. Sunday morning at 8:00 AM in the Hall kitchen to peel potatoes. Bring your favorite peeler if you have one. Have time available Thursday through Tuesday, contact Joyce Zimmerman at 260-4844 to help out. Even if only for an hour or two. **Students needing volunteer hours** for church or school - this is a perfect opportunity to get hours. There are lots of little jobs to do.

Silent Auction looking for handcrafted, homemade items. Call Barb Omann at 250-8856

**THANK YOU:** A heartfelt thank you to Joel and Shari Selensky and the choir for the beautiful music and the kitchen crew for the delicious food prepared at the celebration of Loretta Pogatchnik. Your thoughtfulness is greatly appreciated. Bill Pogatchnik and families

**Love to Sing?** The choir will resume singing for Sunday masses after Labor Day. We welcomed new singers last year and would love to welcome more this year! Come join our choir family and see what we mean. Rehearsals are on Thursdays at 7pm. We are flexible with attendance, as we know lives are busy. Please call Joel at 320-237-6273 for info and to join.

**Faith Formation - Youth Group. Contact Danna Gasperlin:** The Youth Group is looking for large appliance boxes to use for their annual "Box City" in September.

Faith Formation is looking for teachers for grades 4 and 8. Please consider sharing your gifts with our students.

**Well n Fit exercise class:** Wednesday & Friday mornings at St. Stephen Parish Hall, **9:00-10:00am**. The Wednesday class will be followed by half-hour line dance.

### Holdingsford Helping Hands Outreach:

**Senior Dining -** Wednesday's at **Trobec's** (July-September) at noon followed by 500. Cost-\$6.00 per meal.

**Monthly Lunch & Learn - will return in October.**

## SACRED HEART PARISH

Contact: Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114  
parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org  
Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 8:30am-4pm

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

### Income for the Week of August 18, 2024

Adult Collection. . . . . \$9,809.75  
Automatic Giving. . . . . \$6,081.92  
Children. . . . . \$10.00  
Holy Days. . . . . \$289.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$19,673

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Audio-Visual Ministers needed!

Do you like technology? Are you available about once a month to help at Mass for an hour and a half? The Audio-Visual ministry may be just the thing for you!

There are three parts to our system: the projection screens, the sound, and the livestream video. The screens are very easy to operate. If you have any computer experience, you can easily learn to advance the slides during Mass. Basic sound operation includes unmuting microphones and adjusting the volume. Sacred Heart has two cameras that are used for livestream video and a cool camera switching system. Contact Jill Kiffmeyer in the office for more information, or stop by the AV desk before or after Mass. This is a great way for teens, or even young couples, to get involved at Mass!

## WELCOME-MUSIC MINISTRY

We are very excited to announce that our search for an Adult Choir and Bell Choir director is over. Laurie Kremer will be joining us at Sacred Heart beginning September 10th. Laurie Kremer has been involved in church music her entire life, most recently as Director of Liturgy and Music for the Church of Saint Paul in St. Cloud where she directed the Children, Adult and Resurrection Choirs. Laurie enjoys inviting and including musicians of all ages to become members of prayerful and lively music ministry. She has experience including strings, woodwinds, brass and percussionists in prayerful worship and has written and arranged music for choir and instrumental ensembles. Laurie and her husband, Mike live in Sartell, have five adult children, nine grandchildren, a dog and a horse. She looks forward to serving and praying with the people of Sacred Heart and is excited to meet choir members and become part of this parish community. Laurie will be working part-time, focusing on the Adult Choir and Bells of the Heart. Jill Kiffmeyer will remain as Director of Music and Liturgy.



## THE CHOSEN—DISCUSSION GROUP

We will be offering an 8 week session of The Chosen, Season 1. Our first session will be Friday, October 4th from 6pm-8pm in room D. We will begin with a meal, watch an episode and then end with discussion. There is no fee to attend, we do ask for a free will offering to cover the meal. If you would like to attend please call the office to sign up.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**Grounded Youth Ministry** Can you believe Grounded is almost starting?! Save the dates:

\*Sun. September 15th (Grades 9-12) @ 5-7 PM

\*Wed. September 25th (Grades 6-8) @ 6:30-8:30 PM

**Grounded Small Group Leaders Wanted** Consider joining the Grounded family and walking with our middle schoolers in their faith journey. We are specifically looking for one person for 6th and 7th grade and two for 5th grade. Training and support provided, contact Jason Prigge.

**Diocesan Youth Council (DYC)** Did you know that we have three young people serving on the DYC? Please pray for the following students as they serve as an important voice for Bishop Patrick and our young people across the Diocese.

\*Eliza Kapinos \*Avery Nathe \*Tanner Warner-Schultz

## FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation at Sacred Heart relies on amazing volunteers to serve the young Church and help is needed for the 2024 - 25 program. Catechists and assistant catechists have the opportunity to share their love of Jesus and the Catholic faith with children in the parish. Volunteers will receive materials along and lesson plans to support your efforts in the classroom. If you have questions of would like more information about being a catechist, contact Scott Frieler by emailing [frieler@sacredheartsaukrapids.org](mailto:frieler@sacredheartsaukrapids.org)

## WIDOWS/WIDOWERS GROUP

If you are interested in meeting new friends-you are invited to join a group of widows and widowers at Sacred Heart. To begin with, the meetings will be held on the 2nd Tuesday of the Month from 1-3pm beginning September 10. We will have coffee & goodies and will play cards, dominoes, cribbage or just visit & get to know people who are going through grief & understand what we are all feeling. For more information, please call Linda Massman at (320) 492-4297 or Marion Kuklock at (320) 252-9560.



## UPCOMING EVENTS

August 27; 6:30pm—ACC Faith Formation Committee  
August 31; 3:30pm—Reconciliation

## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please add Harry Grammond, John Gruber, Patricia Jones, John Krebsbach and Jane Wruck to your prayers. If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the prayer list, please call 320-251-8115.



**Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain.** Please call 320-492-9361, 320-252-3401 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

goodbye, august  
hello, september

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH

**Contact:** Cindy Gans 320-252-1729  
cindyg@annunciationmayhewlake.com  
**Faith Formation:** Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941  
shirleys@annunciationmayhewlake.com

## FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

### Income for Sunday, August 18th, 2024

Adult Sunday .....	\$2,565.00
Visitor .....	\$50.00
Youth .....	\$20.50
Assumption .....	\$290.00
Fall Festival .....	\$250.00
Votive Candle .....	\$2.30
Mission .....	\$642.00
Total Income .....	\$3,819.80

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget \$3,037.00

## Mass Schedule

### Sun. September 1st, 2024 8:15 am

**Lector:** Jill Brenny and David Zimmer  
**Eucharist:** John Koenig (H), Karla Koenig(C), Anita Montag(C)  
**Servers:** Noah Lentner and Kelsey Lentner  
**Greeters:** Chuck Wocken and Spencer Ackerman  
**Ushers:** Lora Knafla, Peter Ackerman, Spencer Ackerman, and Chuck Wocken



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Jessica Montag, Anthony Scapanski, Ryan Rajkowski, Paul Fitch, Milo Keeville, Riley Nellis, Natalie Schubert.

**DEEPEST SYMPATHY** our thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Bonnie Wruck who's funeral was here on August 19th. Eternal rest grant onto her Oh Lord and may perpetual light shine upon her.



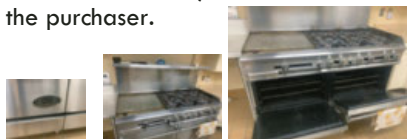
### UPCOMING FESTIVAL SCHEDULES:

Sacred Heart: Sunday, August 25th, TODAY.  
St. Stephen: Monday, September 2nd  
Annunciation: Sunday, September 8th  
St. Francis Xavier, Sunday, September 15th

**AA MEETING** at Annunciation Church Hall on Thurs., at 7pm. Meetings will be held every week. Call Lori for info. 320-406-8742. Everyone Welcome.

**NOTE FROM GRAHAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** We want to introduce your congregation to our newly appointed Pastor for Graham United Methodist Church. **Cassandra Ann Betker.** She will be starting her official pastoral duties on Sunday, September 1st, 2024.

**COMMERCIAL STOVE/OVEN FOR SALE:** Annunciation Church is selling our DCS (Dynamic Cooking Systems) 6—Burner, Dual Oven, with Hot Plate Stove. Stove is natural gas, and will be sold "AS-IS" Please Contact the Office if you are Interested. We will remove the Stove from the Basement, but it must be picked up by the purchaser. Asking \$1,500.00.



## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

**Contact:** Becky Dingmann — 320-252-1363  
bdingmann@stfrancissartell.org  
Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor  
Tom Offerdahl, Business Manager

**Office Hours 8 AM-4:30 PM Monday-Thursday, 8-Noon Friday**

**Parish Nurses** Julie Kouba 701-721-5083  
Bev Wiehoff 320-492-0135  
Karen Reinholz 320-260-6158

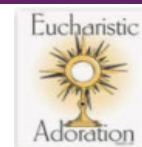
**Prayer Line** Margaret Stang 320-249-9304

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget .....	\$21,346.15
Collected 8/18/2024.....	\$22,890.67
<b>Excess (Deficit) .....</b>	<b>\$1,544.52</b>
YTD Collection Budget .....	\$149,423.05
YTD Collected .....	\$159,523.59
<b>Excess (Deficit).....</b>	<b>\$10,100.54</b>

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration  
August 27, 4-7 pm.  
Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus.



## FAITH FORMATION

Middle School **SMALL GROUP LEADERS & ASSISTANTS NEEDED!** We are looking for 1– 6th Grade Small Group Leader also looking for 2 assistant leaders, 3- 7th Grade Small Group Leaders and 5 assistant leaders, 2- 8th Grade Small Group Leaders and 5 assistant leaders. Please contact Sandee Kremers at skremers@stfrancissartell.org or 320-252-1363 for information or with questions. We will have a four station model this year and you will be leading your students to each station and facilitating the lesson for each station. You will have the lessons for the year in hand at our Leader Meeting which will be held on Wednesday, September 11 at 6:30 pm in the Gathering Space. We need you for this program – parents – grandparents- seniors – college students – young adults ... you ALL qualify! Come join us – you will grow your faith and will be a mentor to a young person! Thank you!

We are currently in need of the following for teachers/co-teachers for the upcoming faith formation year for Grades 1-5. The curriculum is fun and easy to use. All materials are prepared for you in advance. All you need to do is read through the materials and show up for class.

### 4:45-5:45 Session

Grade 1- 2 Assistant Teachers  
Grade 2- 2 Assistant Teachers  
Grade 3- 1 Teacher and 1 Assistant Teacher  
Grade 4- 2 Teachers and 3 Assistant Teachers  
Grade 5- 2 Assistants

### 6:30-7:30 Session

Grade 1-Co Teacher  
Contact Melissa Fox at 320-761-2217 or  
mfox@stfrancissartell.org

## ATTENTION ALL BAKERS & FALL HARVESTERS!

The Fall Festival is fast approaching!! We are looking for donations of your yummy baked goods or fall canning harvest items for our festival's Bake Sale. Some suggested items: Cookies, cakes, bars, trail mixes, candy, soup mixes, homemade egg noodles etc. Canned goods such as salsa, spaghetti sauce, tomato juice, jams & jellies are also great sellers! All items should be covered with a clear plastic wrap for easy viewing! We will price the items for you so no need to worry about that! Items can be brought to the Gathering Place on Friday, September 14th between 3-7 p.m. and Saturday, September 15th from 9:00am – 4:00 p.m.

Email with any questions:

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## FALL FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION

The Frantoberfest is fast approaching and it's looking like a very exciting Silent Auction is taking shape. We could still use a few items like gas cards, Lego sets and portable chargers for electronics. All items must be delivered to the church office by Thursday, the 29th as it takes a bit of time to photograph and log the items into the 32 Auction website.

Thank you for your donations!

Candice Koopmeiners 320-654-1359

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## FESTIVAL NEWS

The calendar is winding down, and we are getting closer to the festival. A meeting is taking place on Sunday, August 25th following the 9:30am Mass in the gathering place. Donuts, coffee, and juice will be served. There are some details to get worked out and discussion about plans - specifically regarding the breakfast. Thank you to Marti Bunde (320-237-2095) and Carol Braun (320-774-7843) who will be leading the dining room detail. Call Marti or Carol with your offer to help.

Thanks for the donations for the silent auction and to the many parishioners who have returned, donations and money for raffle tickets. If you have a neighbor or friend who has not been around to pick up their chances, consider grabbing their packet and making a visit. Thank you!

Please call or email with any questions or your offer to help - Tom Offerdahl 252-1363, ext. 405 or tofferdahl@stfrancissartell.org.



Mass will be held at St. Stephen at 8:00 am and **NOT** at St. Francis Xavier the following dates due to Fr. Tim being gone.

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