

November 3, 2024
31st Sunday Ordinary Time



31st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God."
 - Mk 12:32, 34ab

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 Annunciation
 Sacred Heart
 St. Francis Xavier
 St. Stephen

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MASS TIMES

Monday, November 4 St. Charles Borromeo	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	- Word and Communion
	8:30 am	Annunciation	- For the Youth of the Parish
Tuesday, November 5	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Chuck & Anne Pfannenstien
	5:30 pm	Sacred Heart	† Joan Hall
	5:30 pm	St. Stephen	† Bernard "Ben" Ferche
Wednesday, November 6	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	† John Grundman
	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Bernie Wesenberg
Thursday, November 7	8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier	- Word and Communion
	8:00 am	St. Stephen	† Clarence Justin
	8:30 am	Annunciation	† Sam Wesenberg
Friday, November 8	8:00 am	Sacred Heart	† Rich Kuklock
	8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier	† Mary Botz
Saturday, November 9 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	4:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier	- Living & Deceased Members of the Valerius and Stang Families
	5:00 pm	Sacred Heart	† For the Members of the Parish
	7:00 pm	St. Stephen	† Jerome Supan
Sunday, November 3 32nd Sunday Ordinary Time *Livestreamed Masses	8:15 am	*Annunciation	† Geno Brown
	9:00 am	*Sacred Heart	† Gary Thorsten
	9:30 am	*St. Francis Xavier	- Bernie Sylvester
	10:00 am	St. Stephen	† Henry Friedrich

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: Phil 2:1-4/Ps 131:1bcde, 2, 3/Lk 14:12-14

Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32//Lk 14:15-24

Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Lk 14:25-33

Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 15:1-10

Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 16:1-8

Saturday: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9/1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 17:10-16/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 (1b)/Heb 9:24-28/Mk 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



From Safari....

Smartphones are an almost miraculous device. It plays music, it talks, it takes videos and photos, it can pay our bill at the restaurant, and it allows you to search the useful and useless tidbits.

If smartphones had been around in Jesus' time, the commandments would have been available on an app. The scribe's question might have been: "Which app on your cell phone is the greatest?" Jesus might have answered, "The big red heart-shaped app that tells you to 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength.'"

The words we hear Jesus speak in the Gospel are not new. If this commandment, 'to love God with all your being and to love your neighbor as yourself', is so well known, why is it recorded in the Gospels?

Perhaps, as one writer notes, it is because much like Christians in our own time, Jesus' compatriots needed to be reminded of what was most essential. While Jewish tradition holds that there are 613 commandments found within the Torah, Jesus is saying that in loving God and loving our neighbor as ourselves we are in fact keeping them all.

It is easy to get caught up in details and thorny issues much like the Herodians, Pharisees, Sadducees, chief priests and scribes who question Jesus about authority, taxes and resurrection prior to today's Gospel. None of their questions get to the heart of what it means to live a life worthy of the kingdom of God.

As the end of the church year approaches, we can ask ourselves, are there places we have strayed from the essential core of Jesus' message? Do my actions and my very being communicate reverence for God and reverence for neighbor? When they do, like the scribe in today's Gospel, we are not far from the kingdom of God.



(Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

Tuesday is the final day of voting. Even though many of us may be weary from the campaigns, we have the responsibility to vote. At a recent meeting of Sartell pastors, one pastor's prayer is that no matter who wins the election, divisions will end. Or viewed from today's Gospel, do our words and actions after the election show our love of God and neighbor or do we show ourselves to be liars?

On a personal note... Thank you for the cards and condolences on my father's death (October 11th). Your words and cards are very comforting and appreciated. At 95, my dad lived a full life. He was greatly blessed, and was a blessing to my family and others.

Fr. Ron



LEADERSHIP

ACC Pastoral Leadership



Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblach 320-251-8115, Ext. 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
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“And ‘to love him with all your heart, with all your understanding, with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself’ is worth more than all the burnt offerings and sacrifices.” (Mark 12:33)

Of all the gifts that God gives us, the one He wants the most is our heart. He wants us to share out of our love for Him, not out of obligation. Using our talent in parish ministry and contributing money to support our parish mission is important, but it’s more important to spend time in prayer with God daily and discern how He is calling us to be generous with all of our gifts. Not just the visible ones, but the invisible ones like love, mercy and forgiveness.



Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of October 21, the Bishop’s Annual Appeal for 2024 has raised total cash and pledges of \$1,345,284 toward our goal of \$1,450,000 (96.09%). This was made possible through the generous donations of 7,461 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese. Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

HEALING FROM A LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

Have you suffered a significant loss? A death?



Beginning Tuesday, November 12th from 4:00-5:20 pm at Sacred Heart. Deacon Joe Kresky will facilitate about four sessions supporting those healing from a loss. For questions or to sign up, call or text Deacon Joe at 320-292-4857.

FALL CASH & GIFT CARDS BINGO

SUNDAY, November 10, 2024

St. Francis Xavier School Cafeteria Sartell

1:00 p.m.
Doors open at 12:30 pm

\$10.00 per card
Includes 24 games - snacks available

Proceeds will be used to help with needs throughout the surrounding areas.

This event is sponsored by:
St. Monica’s Christian Women of St. Francis Xavier Parish, Sartell

FUNERAL BLESSINGS

Remember in your prayers the families of Robert 'Bob' Ferche, who passed away on October 23, from St. Stephen.



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

CATHOLIC ADVOCACY NETWORK

Join the Catholic Advocacy Network. The Network is an initiative of the Minnesota Catholic Conference (MCC). When you sign up, you will receive a bi-weekly email of resources that will provide formation on the Catholic faith and information on issues impacting life, dignity, and the common good. MCC also sends occasional action alerts that equip you to take action to transform Minnesota by contacting your elected officials on key issues. To join, go to mncatholic.org/join. You can also text CAN to 651-998-7322.

KING'S HOUSE RETREATS

A Saturday Day Away, November 16, 8:30 am – 3:30 pm
Take time to be with the Lord. Our day is designed to offer more time to be in prayer and quiet with planned events should you choose to attend. Events include a morning conference, afternoon guided meditation and a Holy Hour before we end with Mass. Lunch is included. Suggested donation \$30-\$60. Registration required. Online at www.kingshouse.com/events or call us at 763-682-1394.

Dec 3–Advent Wine & The Word; 7-8 pm in the Dining RM
Join us to reflect on the season of Advent as we prepare for the coming of Christ, the Lord of Love, and “Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.” Isaiah 9:6. Serving wine from Buffalo Rock Winery, non-alcohol beverages and light snacks. Free-will offerings accepted. Call to let us know you are coming at 763-682-1394, or register online.

Dec 4- Midweek Advent Day Away – Wednesday – Join us for a day of silent prayer and reflection. This is YOUR time with the Lord. The meditations and liturgies are offered as optional events should you choose to attend. Lunch included. 8:30 to 4 pm. Suggested donation \$30-60 per person. Register online at kingshouse.com/events or call 763-682-1394.

Dec 13-15 - Advent Silent Weekend Retreat for Men & Women, presented by Susan Stabile
“ADVENT: A SEASON OF DARKNESS AND LIGHT”
Whether we think of Advent in terms of the Israelites awaiting the birth of the Messiah, our own awaiting for Christmas, or our waiting for Christ to come again, Advent is a time of both darkness and hope. In the silence and darkness that can feel like absence, we wait in joyful hope for what we know will come. It is not a passive waiting, but one that asks us to engage in active preparation to welcome the Light of Christ into our world. This retreat offers the opportunity to experience and learn from the place of silence and absence and reflect on what it means to actively participate in birthing Christ the Light into the world. Check in on Friday, Dec 13 after 4 pm, retreat starts at 8. Retreat ends after lunch on Sunday. \$50 deposit required. Register online at kingshouse.com/events.

YOUNG ADULTS

Bible Study

The next Bible Study is at Annunciation on Thursday, November 7th starting at 7 PM. Join us for chapter 3 of *Christus Vivit with Pope Francis!*

Theology on Draft

Join us as we partner with the Diocese of St. Cloud for our next Theology on Draft on Thursday, November 14th at El Loro in Sauk Rapids from 6-8 PM. Our speaker will be Cathy Heying, sharing her story of leaving professional ministry to be a mechanic in Minneapolis.

YOUNGLIFE

YoungLife Volunteer / Core Team Breakfast

If you are volunteering with Wyldlife Clubs, Contact Ministry or praying, please join us. Sacred Heart for 9 AM Mass and a breakfast after Mass hosted by the YoungLife core team. RSVP is helpful to Jason Prigge by Wednesday, October 30th.

'Like Us' on Facebook

Be sure to go like our page on Facebook: Granite City Wyldlife

Wyldlife Winter Camp

Calling all students in grades 6-8! Come to Castaway with us for the best weekend of your life: Friday, December 6 - Sunday, December 8th. Cost is \$120. Registration turn around is quick, so don't miss out! Contact Jason Prigge if you are interested in heading to camp.

YoungLife Training

If you have discerned that you are ready to be a part of bringing YoungLife WyldLife to our ACC by entering into the world of young people, it is time to get started. Online training is beginning. Please contact Jason Prigge to get access to the training.

Jason Prigge: jprigge@sacredheartsaukrapids.org 320-281-9486

Prayer Team Needed

Don't forget to join us for Prayer on Wednesdays at Noon! Scan for Zoom Link:



FF-CATHOLIC FAMILY SURVEY

The Catholic Family Survey will help your parish better understand your family and your life as a parent. The survey results are very important. They will be used to create an ACC plan for supporting parents of children and young people, and for engaging the whole family in faith formation - from birth through high school graduation. The survey will only take 8-10 minutes to complete. We appreciate your time and contribution!



THE CHOSEN-SEASON 4-SARTELL

Viewing & Discussion Group -Come for one or come for all! November 6, 20, 27 & Dec 4, 11
8:45 am in Xavier Hall -St. Francis Xavier Room
On the first Wednesday of the month we will start at 9:30 am due to morning Mass hospitality for birthdays and anniversaries.

ST. STEPHEN

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Financial Offering for Oct 26-27

Adult	\$ 2,496.00
Adult Online Oct 19-25	\$ 418.00
Plate	\$ 359.00
Total	\$ 3,273.00
Total Hurricane Relief to date	\$ 1,857.00
Total World Mission collection to date	\$ 295.00
Catholic Charities to date	\$ 285.00

Ushers:

Nov 9-Peter Schumer, Karen & Gene Skaj

Nov 10-Jake Rothstein, Nancy & Tom Vouk



Remember in your prayers those who passed away this past year and their families & friends: Lillian Dullinger, Diane Berndt, Holly Justin, Louis Counter Sr., David Friedrich, Bernard Ferche, Loretta Pogatchnik, Adeline Yurczyk, James Honer, Jason Trobec, Hugo Weyrens, Raymond Schultenover and Elaine Kowitz.

Ladies...Let's Gather will meet on Sunday, November 3, from 6:00-7:00 pm in the annex. This month we will be discussing Ziporah.

St. Stephen American Legion Auxiliary meeting will be Tuesday, November 5, at 7:30 pm at the Rusty Nail.

Adoration: The church will be open for Adoration on Thursday, November 7, from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. Come, spend some quiet time in prayer with Jesus.

Are you missing your coat? If you attended the Helping Hands Health Fair on October 17 and are missing a coat, please contact Helping Hands.

Faith Formation - Youth Group. Contact Danna Gasperlin: A teacher is needed for grade 4-please consider sharing your faith with our students.

November 6: class for grades 1-4 & Confirmation. The meal will be Tater Tot hotdish, fruit, juice/water, dessert.

Giving Tree: Gift tags are available at the entrances of church for our annual Giving Tree. Take a tag, purchase the item, tape the tag to the item and return to church from November 23-December 8 and place by the Giving Tree. Your generosity in past years has touched many lives. Let's continue to spread the spirit of Christmas others.

Parish Council nominations: Interested in being on the Parish Council? Know of someone you think would be a good Parish Council member? Write your/their name on the paper in the pew and put in the collection basket. The terms of three members will be up at the end of the year. All nominations will be contacted. Terms are for three years. The council meets every other month.

Help needed with Boiler Maintenance: someone to check the boiler in church during the winter months. You would need to get a boiler license.



Well n Fit exercise class: A fun social time, while maintaining strength with chair, low impact cardio and balance exercises.

New Fall/winter hours: Wednesday & Friday, 9:30-10:30 am in the Parish Hall.

Holdingsford Helping Hands Outreach:

Senior Dining: Wednesday's at **The Rusty Nail** (October-December) at noon followed by 500. Cost-\$6.00 per meal.

Monthly Lunch & Learn: Thursday, December 19

SACRED HEART PARISH

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Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

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

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for the Week of October 27, 2024

Financial not available at time of printing. Will be added in a future bulletin.

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Art & Environment Committee Meeting
Our new Art & Environment Committee will meet on Thursday, November 7th in Room D to plan Advent and Christmas. Please join us if you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry.

Relics at Sacred Heart Ever curious what relics of the saints we have here at Sacred Heart? We will again have relics of St. John Bosco, St. Ignatius Loyola, and many others displayed for veneration during the month of November. These are first-class relics (a part of the physical body of a saint, approved by the Vatican as authentic). There are also two other classes of relics: second-class relics are items owned or used by the saint, and third-class relics are objects that have been touched to a first-class relic. The veneration of relics is grounded in Catholic faith that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who lives and works in us all, and especially in the saints' lives in ways that inspire hope and imitation of their faith and charity. When venerating a relic, you can spend a few moments in quiet prayer and devotion. You can also touch the relic and ask for intercession of the saints for any intentions you might have. We give thanks to God for the saint's holy lives and pray for the grace to imitate them!

Children's Liturgy of the Word CLOW is for Pre-K (with an adult) through grade 3 takes place at the 9 AM Mass on Sundays. We have leaders but we are needing assistant leaders to be in the room with the main leader to assist with kiddos. Contact Jason Prigge to learn more!

YEAR END GIVING

As the end of the year is getting closer, many people begin thinking of year end gifts. Please keep Sacred Heart in mind for your charitable donations. For those who qualify, IRA roll-overs can possibly have some tax advantages. Please see your financial advisor or accountant for such possibilities. Another way to give regularly is by electronic giving. That can be set up for weekly, monthly or quarterly donations. Even one time gifts if you so choose. Go to the parish website at www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org to donate. It is easy to set up! Thank you for your commitment and generous support of Sacred Heart and our parish ministries.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Grounded Youth Ministry October Theme: Grounded in Unity

Upcoming Grounded dates:

*Sun. November 10th (Grades 9-12) | 5-7 PM

*Wed. November 13th (Grades 6-8 & Parents) | 7:30-9 PM

7th Grade Grounded Small Group Leader Wanted

Consider joining the Grounded family and walking with our middle schoolers in their faith journey. Training and support provided, contact Jason Prigge.

Teen Choir Teen Choir is back and getting ready for their first Mass of the season. All teens, regardless of musical abilities, are invited to practice on Sunday, November 17th at 6 PM. We will be singing on the following Sunday, November 24th at the 9 AM Mass. Lets be Grounded in the Mass, together!

Metro Night Join us for the first metro night of the season! All students in grades 6-12 are invited for Pizza, Bazooka Ball and more at Cathedral High School on Friday, November 22nd from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. Metro Nights are hosted and sponsored by local youth ministers in the St. Cloud area, anyone is welcome.

Turkey Bowl 2024 The fourth annual game between the (0-3) Youth Group and the (3-0) Young Adults will take place on Wednesday, November 27th at SCSU Husky Dome. Gates open at 6 PM for a 6:30 PM kick-off. High School students will be taking on the young adults while middle school will be playing at half-time. Registration can be found on our Linktree or website! Fans are most welcome, bring a chair and dress warm as the dome can be chilly. If you have any questions, please contact Jason Prigge.



UPCOMING EVENTS

November 4; 6:30pm—Men's Group

November 5; 6:30pm—Social Concerns Meeting Rm D

November 6; 9am—Wednesday Bible Study

1pm—Prayer Blanket Ministries

5:30pm—Kids Choir Rehearsal

6:30pm—Peer Ministry Meeting

6:30pm—Faith Formation K-8

November 7; 1pm—Art & Environment Meeting

6pm—Youth Ministry Team Meeting

7pm—Young Adult Bible Study

November 8; 6pm—Chosen (SH)

November 9; 3:30pm—Reconciliation

6pm—Parish Potluck

November 10; 5pm—Grounded (9-12)

7pm—9th Grade Session 6

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please add Fay Matthies 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.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Due to the bulletin schedule, Financial Stewardship for Sunday, October 27th will be in next weeks bulletin.

Mass Schedule

Sun. November 10th, 2024

Lector: Lora Knafla and Bob Rajkowski
Eucharist: Katie Lentner(H), Jason Zwilling(C), Lloyd Lyon(C)
Servers: Noah and Kelsey Lentner
Greeters: Chuck Wocken, Carson Zwilling, Mason Zwilling and Spencer Ackerman
Ushers: Jenny Zwilling, Peter Ackerman, Spencer Ackerman and Chuck Wocken



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Cassandra Scapanski, Michael Schyma, Randy Popp, Jack Zwilling, Randy Miller, Allyson Carstensen-Boe, Austin Molitor, Corey Molitor.

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.

CHOIR PRACTICE On Monday evenings at 6:30 pm in the choir loft.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Wed. Nov. 6th, Class - All Souls Remembrance. Everyone invited to walk the cemetery with the religious education classes.



CONGRATULATION TO OUR CONFIRMATION STUDENTS who will receive the Holy Spirit through Confirmation at Sacred Heart Church, Sauk Rapids today, Sunday, November 3rd at 2:00pm.

May they be strengthened in their Christian faith and renewed in their baptismal commitment.

Spencer (Charles) Ackerman
Ava (Elizabeth) Krajsa
Lane (James) Piotrowski
Mariah (Marie) Simmons

Kendra (Catherine) Carlson
Noah (George) Lentner
Kole (Anthony) Robinson
Tucker (Amborse) Simmon

Also a big Thank you to their sponsors: Lisa Ackerman, Lisa Meehl, Sue Heim, Corey Molitor, Mike Mumm, Jeff Olesch, Lou Kuklok, Leo Diederich and their Catechists: Jean Bemboom, Lloyd Lyon and Katie Lentner.

THANK YOU to the Confirmation Students and all the parishioners that came out and helped with the clean up of the Cemetery a few weeks ago. All the help getting the much needed work done was very much appreciated.



QUILT & TURKEY BINGO & RAFFLE Sun. Nov. 24th at 7pm at Sts Peter & Paul Church, Gilman, MN. Free lunch and door prizes. Sponsored by Catholic United Financial.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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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 10/27/2024.....	\$29,420.04
Excess (Deficit)	\$8,073.89
YTD Collection Budget	\$362,884.55
YTD Collected	\$344,079.55
Excess (Deficit).....	\$(18,805.00)

COATS FOR KIDS



The Knights of Columbus will once again be collecting new and gently used coats. Coats can be for youth and adults. The box for the donation will be in the gathering place from October 1—November 24.

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The lector workbooks are available in the parish office. Each book is \$5 to help offset the cost.

SAINT MONICA CHRISTIAN WOMEN

Saint Monica Christian Women will meet on Tuesday, November 12 at 6:30 PM in Xavier Hall. All women of the parish are invited.

CEMETERY NEWS

Many families like to decorate gravesites for Christmas. Rules are relaxed for this, but be sure to secure items and then plan on removing items by the weekend of January 6th & 7th. Items left on the gravesites after that will be removed and discarded.

SFX SCHOOL VETERANS DAY CELEBRATION

In Honor of Those Who Serve and Have Served!
The students and staff of St. Francis Xavier School would like to extend an invitation to veterans and their families for our Veterans Day Celebration on Friday, November 8, 2024. We will begin with Mass at 8:30am followed by refreshments. Veterans are encouraged to wear BDU or military regalia. Please RSVP by November 4 to the school office at 320-252-9940 or email schooloffice@sfx61.org. Please let us now the name of the Veteran(s), branch(es) served in, if you are related to a member of school and number of people attending. Thank you for helping us honor our veterans and YOU!



ELECTRONIC GIVING

A nice way to make contributions to St. Francis is by way of electronic giving. We have forms at the entrances to the gathering place that can be completed and returned to the parish office. Or, you can go online to www.stfrancissartell.org and click on the **Donate Now** button. That will take you to a secure site where you give one time or set up periodic giving - weekly, monthly, quarterly or other. You will find regular Sunday Offering, Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving and more. Many banks have "bill pay" options where you can set up giving as well. Any way you do it, electronic giving is secure and saves paper and postage and more. We can stop sending you envelopes OR send you "specials only" envelopes that have the Christmas, Easter, other holy days and special collections that take place during the year. For some donors, there may be tax advantages to transferring RMD's from your IRA accounts directly to St. Francis Xavier. Please see your financial advisor or accountant for proper guidance in such matters. Thank you to all you support St. Francis Xavier with your generosity. Our parish is blessed!

BLOOD DRIVE

Thursday, November 21, 2024 12:30pm-6:30pm in the SFX Gathering Space. You can register now to give blood by contacting Greg 320-250-9137 or schlossergregory@gmail.com



**May the Souls of the Faithful Departed,
through the Mercy of God
Rest In Peace**

<i>Devin Johnston</i>	<i>Julie Kosloske</i>
<i>Steven Schmitt</i>	<i>Arlene Rhode</i>
<i>Joyce Ethen</i>	<i>Susan M. Johnson</i>
<i>Patricia "Pat" Koenig</i>	<i>Douglas Bettenberg</i>
<i>Dale A. Bidinger</i>	<i>Linda A. Dingmann</i>
<i>Donna Pallansch</i>	<i>Norma Jean Cihlar</i>
<i>Janice "Jan" Roering</i>	<i>Mark Becker</i>
<i>Kevin Johnstone</i>	<i>Mark Opatz</i>
<i>Jimmy "Jim" Schultz</i>	<i>Carol Rose Rengel</i>
<i>David A. Heim</i>	<i>Donna Rajowski</i>
<i>Mary Jane Burton</i>	<i>Patty Grelson</i>
<i>Weston Lentner</i>	<i>Darlene Engebretson</i>
<i>Clarence Rueter</i>	<i>Larry "Happy" Traut</i>
<i>Ralph Dehler</i>	<i>Jan Bettenberg</i>
<i>Marcel Knapek</i>	<i>Nicole Bunting</i>
<i>Regis "Rick" Lafleur</i>	<i>Hugo B. Weyrens</i>
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