

Confirmation Catechesis Part 1 After the catechesis on Baptism, these days following the Solemnity of Pentecost invite us to reflect on the witness that the Spirit arouses in the baptized, putting their life in movement, opening it to the good of others. Jesus entrusted a great mission to His disciples: "You are the salt of the earth; you are the light of the world" (*Matthew 5:13-16*). They are images that make us think of our behavior, because the lack or excess of salt makes food unpleasant, just as the lack and or excess of light impedes our seeing. He who can truly render us salt that gives flavor and preserves from corruption, and light that illuminates the world is only the Spirit of Christ! And this is the gift we receive in the Sacrament of Confirmation or *Cresima*, on which I wish to pause and reflect with you.

It's called "Confirmation" because it confirms Baptism and reinforces its grace (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 1289); as also "*Cresima*" from the fact that we receive the Spirit through the anointing with "chrism" — oil mixed with fragrance consecrated by the Bishop —, a term that refers to "Christ," the Anointed of the Holy Spirit.

The first step is to be reborn to divine life in Baptism; one must then behave as children of God, namely, to be conformed to Christ, who works in the Holy Church, letting oneself be involved in His mission in the world. The anointing of the Holy Spirit provides for this: "without His strength, nothing is in man" (Cf. Sequence of Pentecost). We can do nothing without the strength of the Holy Spirit: it is the Spirit that gives us the strength to go forward; just as the whole life of Jesus was animated by the Spirit, so also the life of the Church and of every member of hers is under the guidance of the same Spirit.

Conceived of the Virgin by the Holy Spirit, Jesus undertakes His mission after coming out of the water of the Jordan. He is consecrated by the Spirit, who descends and remains upon Him (*Mark 1:10; John 1:32*). He declares it explicitly in the synagogue of Nazareth: it's beautiful how Jesus presents himself --His identity card -- in the synagogue of Nazareth! Let us listen to how He does it: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because He

has anointed me to preach good news to the poor" (*Luke 4:18*). Jesus presents himself in the synagogue of his village as the Anointed, He who was anointed by the Spirit. Jesus is full of the Holy Spirit and is the source of the Spirit promised by the Father (*John 15:26; Luke 24:49 Acts 1:8; 2:33*). In reality, on the evening of Easter the Risen One breathes on His disciples saying to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit" (*John 20:22*); and on the day of Pentecost the strength of the Spirit descends on the Apostles in an extraordinary way (*Acts 2:1-4*), as we know.

The "Breath" of the Risen Christ fills the lungs of the Church with life; and the mouths of the disciples "filled with the Holy Spirit" open to proclaim to all the mighty works of God (*Acts 2:1-11*).

Pentecost — is for the Church what the anointing of the Spirit, received at the Jordan, was for Christ, that is, the missionary impulse to consume one's life for the sanctification of men, to the glory of God. If the Spirit operates in every Sacrament, He does so in a special way in Confirmation that "the faithful receive as Gift of the Holy Spirit" (Paul VI.) And in the moment of carrying out the anointing, the Bishop says this word: "Receive the Holy Spirit that was given to you as gift": the Holy Spirit is the great gift of God. And all of us have the Spirit within. The Spirit is in our heart, in our soul. And the Spirit guides us in life so that we become right salt and right light for men.

If in Baptism it's the Holy Spirit that immerses us in Christ, in Confirmation it's Christ that fills us with His Spirit, consecrating us His witnesses, participants in the same principle of life and of mission, according to the celestial Father's plan.

The witness rendered by the Confirmed manifests the reception of the Spirit and docility to His creative inspiration. I wonder: how is it seen that we have received the Gift of the Spirit? <It is seen> if we carry out the works of the Spirit, if we pronounce words taught by the Spirit (Cf. *1 Corinthians 2:13*). Christian witness consists in doing only and all that the Spirit of Christ asks us, granting us the strength to carry it out. -- **Pope Francis**

NEWS FOR OUR CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

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JUNE 10, 2018 - 10TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

This Week June 11th to June 17th

Monday— St. Barnabas, Apostle

- Financial Council Mtg.— SH 5:15 pm

Tuesday

- Mass— Roseau -- 5:15 pm
- Financial/Pastoral Mtg.— St. Mary's 6:30 pm

Thursday

- Confession/Mass/Ador.— Sacred Heart 6-8p

Friday

- Vigil Prayer - +Marg Medhus - 7 PM Badger

Saturday

- Funeral - +Marg Medhus - 10:30 AM Badger

Next Sunday— Happy Father's Day!

- Special Collection for Retired Priests
- "Polish Day"- Florian, MN 10 am - 4 pm

"POLISH DAY" - Sunday, June 17 - Florian, MN. Polka Mass @ 10:30am, Benefit Dinner in parish hall from 11:30am - 1:00pm. Dolina Polish Folk Dancers and Matt Hodek & Dakota Dutchman in the P.N.A. Hall from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Water Wars & Clown for the kids. Fun for the entire family!!!

Father's Day collection for support of our retired priests is next weekend. This collection provides for the health insurance, Medicare and unreimbursed medical and dental expenses for our retired priests. Please give generously to the Father's Day Collection!

- Father's Day Cards are available at the Church entrance of all parishes

Our sympathy to the family and friends of +Marge Medhus who died this past week.

"On the day of judgement when you will reward all according to their deeds, we beseech you, O Lord God, to make worthy the faithful departed who received you, the food of life, to meet you with joyful countenance.
--- Maronite Liturgy

Sun, June 10th— 10th Sun of OT

Today's Gospel demands our conversion. Conversion is a two-step process. It requires a change of heart and then a turning around of sorts. It is both an interior and exterior change, moving one closer to God. It could be likened to re-aligning yourself to follow your north-facing compass—it first requires a knowledge that you are no longer headed north, and then the willingness to change paths in order to head north. — Formed.org (Opening the Word)

"Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister & mother."
(Mark 3:35)

Adults: In what way could you widen the circle of your family to include someone in need?

Kids: Whom could you invite to share a happy time with your family?

Mass Schedule and Dates for June 12th to June 17th

Tuesday, June 12	Roseau	5:15pm	Deceased Family & Friends
Wednesday, June 13	Badger	9:00am	++Willie & Evelyn Schmalz // Family & Friends
Thursday, June 14	Roseau	6:30pm	+Ladislav Kucar // P & I Gocik
Friday, June 15	LifeCare	10:00am	Special Intentions
Saturday, June 16	Roseau	5:00pm	+Katherine Benedict //Jon & Steph Walter
Sunday, June 17	Falun	7:15am	For all Fathers
	Badger	9:00am	For the Parishioners
	Roseau	10:30am	For all Fathers



A FATHER'S DAY PRAYER

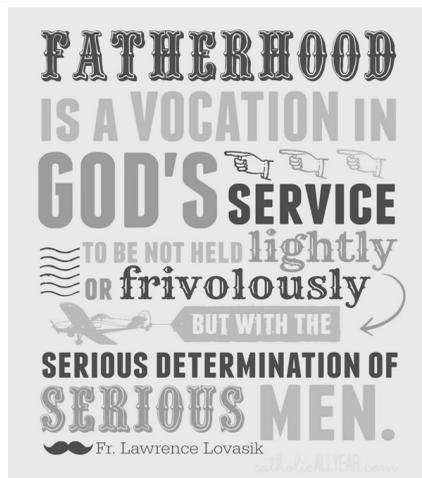
“St. Joseph, guardian of Jesus and chaste husband of Mary, you passed your life in loving fulfillment of duty. You supported the holy family of Nazareth with the work of your hands.

Kindly protect those who trustingly come to you. You know their aspirations, their hardships, their hopes. They look to you because they know you will understand and protect them. You too knew trial, labor and weariness.

But amid the worries of material life your soul was full of deep peace and sang out in true joy through intimacy with God's Son entrusted to you and with Mary, his tender Mother.

Assure those you protect that they do not labor alone. Teach them to find Jesus near them and to watch over him faithfully as you have done.”

Pope John XXIII



June 3, 2018	Sacred Hrt.	St. Mary's	St. Philips
Adults	(42) 1459.00	(24) \$1,054	745.00
Youth	1.00		3.00
Loose Plate	537.00	\$121.00	47.00
Retired Priests	25.00		-
Cemetery Fnd	240.00	\$45.00	-
Bldg. Maint.	50.00		-
Cemetery Mem.		\$95.00	
Youth Ministry	127.00		-
Total	2439.00	\$1,315.00	795.00
SH DD	(May) 825.00	-	-

SACRED HEART PARISH, ROSEAU



Upcoming Youth Events:

July 8-12 -- JPII Jr. High Camp - Wk 1
July 27-29 -- Steubenville Conference
Wed. July 25 - Gr. 7-12 - Lock-in
Aug 6-9th– Vacation Bible School– R

Raffle Tickets for Capital Campaign Once again we will be selling raffle tickets with proceeds going toward the building renovation.



Tickets will be handed out after the Masses and will also be available for pick up in the office. Last year we raised almost \$10,000!!! Hopefully we can do it again!!! The family that turns in the most tickets by church night at the fair will receive \$100 cash!! Good Luck.

(Please turn tickets into the office, put them into the collection plate, or give to one of the raffle team members: Amanda Kvien, Donna Dostal, Judy Hanson, Kristi Dahl).

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR

Sacred Heart Any donated flowers can be placed in a vase in front of one of the statues on Saturday prior to Mass.

Thank you for sharing your blessings.

Catholic singles--, check out this website to grow your faith: nationalcatholicsingles.com

Building Renovation Team Update

On June 6th the team met with the interested contractors and opened their bids. All bids were higher than expected. The architect is going over the bids to make sure everything looks kosher. The Building Renovation team will be setting up a meeting with the Capitol Campaign committee to decide on how to proceed.

-- Judy Hanson and Team

Readings & Reflections: 11th Sunday OT

Both the first reading from Ezekiel and the Gospel reading point to God's power to turn small and seemingly insignificant things into works of great beauty, strength, and abundance. Ezekiel imagines this as God planting a tender shoot which becomes a majestic cedar tree. Jesus uses the image of the tiny mustard seed growing into a large plant that provides a haven for birds.

- In what area of your life are you privileged to see God's work in progress?
- How or where are you asked to plant the seeds of God's Kingdom?

Sundays at Sacred Heart 9:15am

Additional Sacristans Needed – Esp. on Sun. at Roseau Talk to Lynn Kartes or to Fr. John if you are interested or would like to try out this ministry.

ST. PHILIP'S PARISH, FALUN

Lunch List:

- June 24 Christy & Toni
- July 1 Jennifer & Sue

ST. MARY'S PARISH, BADGER

Volunteers are needed to help mow grass at the St. Mary Parish cemetery this summer. The sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. Please sign up to take on week or month at a time! Thank you for helping!

Mass at St. Aloysius Church of Leo on Thursday, June 21st at 5:30pm.
All are welcome!