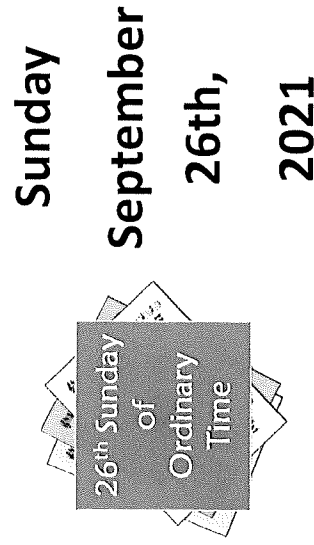




The Church of Christ the King Medford, MN

P.O. Box 120, 205 2ND AVENUE NW
MEDFORD, MN 55049 (507)-451-4845



Pastor: Fr. Jim Starasinich (507)451-4845

E-mail--pastor@stjosephowatonna.org

Fr. Starasinich is available most Mondays & Fridays at 9:30am at Christ the King Rectory & upon request

Parish Administrator: Al Christenson...(507)451-4845

Senior Priests Assisting:

Fr. Robert Herman, Fr. Joe Pete

Religious Education Director: Jenna Sammon

Contact: medfordcatholicyouth@gmail.com or (507) 456-5733

Parish Office:

Contact St. Joseph Parish, 512 S. Elm Ave, Owatonna

Phone: (507)451-4845

Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm Mon-Thurs; 9:00am-3:00pm Fri

E-mail: parishoffice@stjosephowatonna.org

Website: ctkmedfordmn.org

Parish Council:

Trustees: Martha Arnold & Mike Wencil

Council Members: Kim Huxford, Tony Durand, Judy Brady, LaVonne Cervenka, Shirley Jenó & Matt Skalicky

Finance Council: Carla Brady (Chair), Jay Chambers, Eric Finholdt, Lori Maas, Don Novak, Jerry Paschke, Mary Zabel

Christ the King Mass Schedule:

Saturday - 5:30 pm

Monday & Friday - 9:00 am

St. Joseph Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

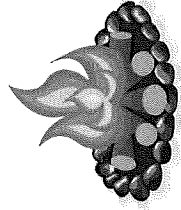
Today we see in the first reading from the Book of Numbers the attitude of Moses, who seeks no favoritism but wants only what God wants: "Would that all the people were prophets! Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!" Joshua, had to be put in his place. The same will happen to John in today's Gospel. The ways of the Lord are certainly not our ways, even when we belong to Him. Sometimes it is hard to grasp God's ways.

We see that in the church today. We are members of the Body of Christ, by virtue of the gift of baptism, and the danger is thinking we are somehow better because of that gift. Baptism puts us on a mission. We are called to be "the sacrament of salvation" for the world, or "lumen gentium" in Latin, the title of a Vatican II document which means "a light to the nations". We are called by Jesus to follow Him and He reminds us of our mission when He Himself stated, "the Son of Man did not come to be served but to be serve" (Matthew 20:28). Moses served God and Jesus served the Father. The truth has been revealed through the witness of both Moses and Jesus. Salvation is God's desire for everyone. Our mission is to bring the light of Christ to the world, allowing the Holy Spirit to guide us in the ways of love. "Would that the Lord might bestow his spirit on them all!"

God Love You!!!

Fr. Jim Starasinich

FIRE PIT FORUM
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2021
5:30 – 8:30 PM
CORPUS CHRISTI ORATORY, DEERFIELD
Address is: 9052 NW 66th St. (Steele County Rd 12)



High School, College and Young Adults are invited to join Fr. Jim for some food and refreshments as we allow the Good Lord to lead the evening around the fire pit. Bring your camping chair if you have one.

**LUELLA HEIM'S
100TH BIRTHDAY
OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATION
IS POSTPONED**

Luella's scheduled party on Sunday, September 26, has been postponed due to this past week's covid testing results. Today's 5:30pm Mass is said in celebration of Luella Heim's 100th birthday! The family moved to the Corpus Christi neighborhood in 1957; raising their family of ten children on the 'farm'. In 1990 she and Bernie moved to the Medford Manor. In December 2016, Luella moved to Medford Sr. Care where she continues to enjoy visitors, watching birds and saying her daily rosary. Birthday greetings can be sent by mail to Luella's attention at 208 3rd St NE, #E, Medford 55049.

Celebrate!

PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY

Happy Priesthood Sunday Father! Thank you for being our pastor! Thank you for bringing us all the sacraments and Jesus in the Eucharist at Mass.

Religious Education Fundraiser

We will begin to accept prepaid orders for Christmas greens now through Oct 24th. All proceeds will be given to the Religious Education program. Order forms are available at both entrances to the church with the prices listed for each item. Please drop completed forms into the collection basket in a marked envelope or drop off at the religious education building. Thank you for your continued support of this project. If you have any questions please contact Carla Brady at 507-213-6465. Please complete one order form for each person picking up items.



Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Shrine

The two-day Pilgrimage to St. Joseph Shrine and the National Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, in the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin will be **October 5 and 6, 2021**. Join Fr. Jim to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, the site of the only approved apparition of the Blessed Mother in the United States, and the Shrine of St. Joseph in the Year of St. Joseph. Cost is \$255 for double occupancy and \$285 for single occupancy, which includes hotel stay; one breakfast, one lunch, and one dinner; and bus transportation. Contact St. Joseph Parish Office by Monday, September 27th to register, 507-451-4845. Payment can be made in the church office during the weekdays.



The St. Serra Club will feature Father Swamy telling his Vocation story and call to become a priest at 6:00 pm on October 11, 2021, at the Sacred Heart Church Parish Center. At 5:00 pm, in Sacred Heart Church, before Fr. Swamy's talk, there will be a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration with prayers for more vocations to the Priesthood, Diaconate, Sisters, and Consecrated People. Our prayers also support and affirm the vocations we already have. Everyone is invited to come and pray with us and hear Fr. Swamy talk about how he became a priest. We will serve cookies at 6:00 pm, before Father's talk. Come at 5:00 pm or at 6:00 pm to join us whenever you can.



Happy Birthday

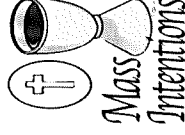
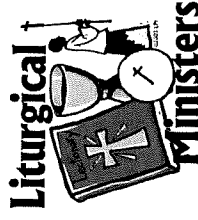
September 26th—October 2nd

**Tammy Amberg, Sherry Keller, Mike Caron,
Mae Maas, Bailey Purrier, Paul Beiser,
Adeline Smith, Luella Heim, Kyle Vatsaas**

**Saturday, October 2nd, 2021—
5:30pm**

Lector: Carla Brady
Server: Katelyn and David Paschke
EM: Volunteer
Ushers: Volunteers
Mass Intentions
Mon., Sept. 27th:
Fri., October 2st:

If able to resume your Liturgical Ministry role(s), please contact Martha Arnold, 451-3187. Thank you!



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
We are seeking candidates for the election of **PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL** members.

We welcome new people and new ideas and a diverse representation of our parish community. You must be 18 years of age, confirmed, and a member of the parish to be eligible for a position on the Council. If you would like your name to be on the ballot for the election in November, please contact Father Jim, Martha Arnold, or Kim Huxford.

**Bishop Quinn to Celebrate the Renewal of the
Consecration of the Diocese
to the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

Thursday, October 7, 2021 – On the Memorial of Our Lady of the Rosary, Bishop Quinn will renew the consecration of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, at a special 5:15 pm Mass at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Winona. The IHM Seminarists and faculty will be in attendance, along with parishioners of the Cathedral. All are welcome to this annual event.

Year of Saint Joseph

During these trying times,

These words bring consolation:

"Take courage, it is I, do not be afraid!"

(Mark 6:50)

Jesus understands our fears, our confusion, our doubts, our worries. We need to hear His voice.

Come and Listen!

Mondays and Thursdays at 7:00 PM

Continuing through October 18th

Joseph Hall

Catechesis for Adults and Youth (12 and older)

Free babysitting will be provided

September 26 - Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time:



In today's gospel Jesus tells his disciples: "Anyone who gives you a drink of water because you belong to Christ will not, I assure you, go without his reward." On September 27, the Church will celebrate the feast of St. Vincent de Paul. The members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are on the front line in laboring for the poor, they are among the first to know their real needs.

Through your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you enable the members of the Society to bring bread to the hungry as a sign of God's love. This past Tuesday, we served 105 take-out meals at Vincent's Table.

Membership-We meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. **October 4th we will be meeting at Sacred Heart Parish Center at 6:30 pm. If you would like further information on growing your spiritual life and serving those in need in our community, please join us at a meeting or contact Deb McManimon at dmcmnimon72@gmail.com. Our phone is 507-676-5508.**