



## Sacred Heart Catholic Community of Wilton

July 12, 2026 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

### PARISH COMMUNITY

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[www.sacredheartwilton.com](http://www.sacredheartwilton.com) • Mass: Sunday morning 9:00 am

Fellowship Hall..... (218) 751-8446

### BOOKKEEPER

Deb Heineman.....(218) 444-3287

### BULLETIN INFORMATION

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Please call or email bulletin info by 7:00 pm on Thursdays.

If you wish to receive the bulletins via email, please contact  
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### CEMETERY

Shelly Fredriksen .....(218) 556-8023  
Richard Anderson.....(218) 467-3275  
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### COMMUNITY OUTREACH & HALL RENTAL

Shelly Fredriksen .....(218) 556-8023  
If you would like to use the church or social hall for an event, (wedding, reunion, etc) please contact Shelly to schedule and for rental information.

### FUNERALS

LeAnn Agnes.....(218) 289-2351

### LITURGY

Candy Barthel .....(218) 224-3466  
Ann Illies.....(218) 751-9254  
Lois Jenkins .....(218) 444-8140

### MAINTENANCE ADVISOR

Christopher Agnes.....(218) 401-4116

### MUSIC MINISTERS

Deb Smith.....(218) 387-5322  
Mardelle Mohs .....(715) 699-1384

### PASTORAL COUNCIL

Symon Schindler-Syme

Mary Sorenson.....(218) 368-7895  
Jennifer Trammell.....(218) 556-5945  
Ruth Walters .....(218) 308-1265

Regular meetings are the third Sunday of Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sep., and Nov. starting at 7:00 pm in the church social hall.

### PARISH OUTREACH

Deb Heineman.....(218) 444-3287

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact Fr. John for information.

### TRUSTEES

Richard Anderson  
Cheryl Pauly

### ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBERS

If you have changed your phone number, address or email address, please let Shelly know so the church records can be updated. It is helpful when notification about weather related announcements need to go out. Thank you for your help.

### BAPTISM

Please contact Father John. When a date is set, please contact Ruth Walters.

### BUSY BAGS

There are Busy Bags available for children during Mass. They are on the bulletin rack.

### CALLING TREE

If church is cancelled due to weather, an email notice will be sent. If you don't have email and would like to have a phone call for cancellations, please give your phone number to Zelda or Polly. Thank you.

### HEARING HELP

If you need assistance in hearing, there are hearing devices available for Mass.

### KEEP US INFORMED

Please keep the priests and other church members informed of the hospitalized, sick or shut-ins or a recent family death. Contact Zelda Cartier or Deb Heineman for a visit from a Eucharistic Minister or a card.

### MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like Mass to be said for someone, please contact Ruth at (218) 308-1265 or fill out a Mass Intentions envelope found in the bulletin rack and give to Ruth.

## SACRED HEART COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church.

No matter your current family or marital situation.

No matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality.

No matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue -

You belong to Jesus Christ  
and you belong to us!

You are invited, accepted and respected here at Sacred Heart.

We want to share our Roman Catholic way of faith and life in Christ with you!

### NEW PARISHIONERS

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please see Shelly Fredriksen to register.

### RECONCILIATION

Please contact Father John to schedule.

### SERVING CREWS

If it is your month to serve on the cleaning crew, and you are unable to help, please find a substitute to take over for you.

### TRADITION

The first Sunday of the month, Potluck immediately following Mass.

*Everyone Welcome!*

### VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Diocese of Crookston  
Cindy Hulst, LSW  
24 hour confidential number:  
(218) 281-7895

### SCHOLARSHIP

Sacred Heart has established a Youth Scholarship Fund to help with tuition for our young people who choose to attend parochial school. If you would like to donate to the fund, please indicate (either on the memo line of your check, on an envelope, or by post-it note) that the donation is for youth scholarships.

*Restrooms are located at the far end of the social hall, and in the nursery. The nursery is available for anyone with small children, so that all may participate in celebrating Mass.*

*If you are in need of a gluten free host, please let the Sacristan know*

*Please pray for those who have been called to leave their families in service to our country.*

### LIGHTS & DOORS

If you are last person in church please make sure lights are off and the doors are locked.

7/12/26

Reading I Isaiah 55:10-11  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 65:10-14  
Reading II Romans 8:18-23  
Gospel Matthew 13:1-23

7/13/26

Reading I Isaiah 1:10-17  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 50:8-9, 16-17, 21, 23  
Gospel Matthew 10:34-11:1

7/14/26

Reading I Isaiah 7:1-9  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 48:2-8  
Gospel Matthew 11:20-24

7/15/26

Reading I Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 94:5-10, 14-15  
Gospel Matthew 11:25-27

7/16/26

Reading I Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 102:13-21  
Gospel Matthew 11:28-30

7/17/26

Reading I Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8  
Responsorial Psalm Isaiah 38:10-12, 16  
Gospel Matthew 12:1-8

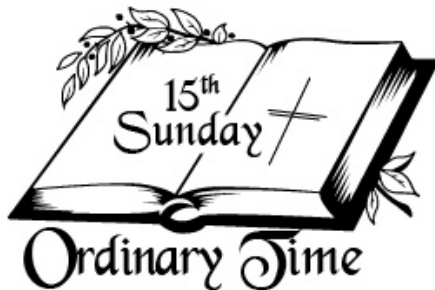
7/18/26

Reading I Micah 2:1-5  
Responsorial Psalm Psalm 10:1-4, 7-8, 14  
Gospel Matthew 12:14-21



**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

- July 12 Second Collection  
Peter's Pence
- August 2 Second Collection  
Capital Improvements
- Potluck  
Following Mass.
- August Serving Crew
- August 7 Memorial Service •
- Clark Chambers  
11:00 am, St. Philip's



Mass Intentions

**MASS INTENTIONS**

For healing for  
**Kay Lisak-Buck**

**PLEASE NOTE**

If your birthday or anniversary did not appear in the bulletin, this is not an oversight. Anyone who did not request this information to be included in the bulletin on their parish registration form is not included. Please check with Shelly Fredriksen to make sure your information is up to date.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

• July 18 •  
**LEE SKUNES**



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!**

• July 18 •  
**DAVE & NATALIE FRANK**

**FINANCES**

July 5, 2026

**General Account**

Children.....	\$0.00
Adults.....	\$1,415.00
Loose.....	\$81.00
Bemidji Co-op.....	\$100.57

**Capital Improvement Account**

Donations.....	\$189.00
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**Youth Scholarships**

Donation.....	\$30.00
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**Cemetery Fund**

Donation.....	\$75.00
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**MOVING SALE**

John and Candy 45499 - 275th Ave, Guthrie - Fri, Sat, Sun - 8:00 - 6:00 in shop, garage, screen house and under canopy. Garden viewing is encouraged. Cold water, chairs and shade available.



JULY 12

Greeters..... Jim Sparke  
 Altar Server..... Brenalen Fredriksen-Holm  
 Announcers & Readers..... Joe Rucinski  
 Alyssa Schindler, Kathy Dreher  
 Ushers..... Theresa Wilander  
 Carol Bjelland  
 Eucharistic Ministers..... Theresa Wilander  
 Mary Sorensen, Evie Johnson

JULY 19

Greeters..... Ann Illies  
 Altar Server..... Teagan Rucinski  
 Announcers & Readers..... Gloria Collyard  
 Joe Rucinski, Molly Vollbrecht  
 Ushers..... John Trammell  
 John Sorensen  
 Eucharistic Ministers..... Lorraine Galland  
 John Trammell, Kathy Carrlson

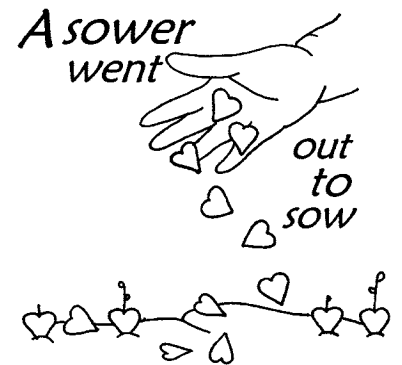
JULY 26

Greeters..... Lorraine Galland  
 Altar Server..... Parker Fuller  
 Announcers & Readers..... Vange Anderson  
 Megan Fuller, Ann Illies  
 Ushers..... Karl Oestreich  
 Zach Thoma  
 Eucharistic Ministers..... Karen Shafer  
 Stephanie Downey, Carol Bjelland

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS**

The person who is listed first in the bulletin should bring the ciborium from the tabernacle to the altar and offer the body of Christ to those coming for communion. The other two listed should offer the cup with the Blood of Christ.

- **Eucharistic Ministers, please remember to gather the vessels after Mass and clean them for the next week in the Sacristy.**
- **The Eucharistic Minister who brings the eucharist from the tabernacle to the altar is responsible for returning the key for the tabernacle to the sacristy.**



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Reminder: please notify Ruth when loved ones no longer need to be on our prayer list.

Jim Aakre  
Barb Arbuckle  
Sandra Brown  
Kristy Christianson  
Curt Connelly  
Bill Downs  
Alys Ann Edwards  
Blake Edwards  
Harriet Elsberd  
Dennis Enright  
Marty Fallon  
Sophia Forchass  
Lorraine Galland  
Briggs Geisen  
Brandi Green  
Brandon Hart  
Johanna Heineman  
Harlan Johnson  
Van Johnson  
Whitey Kloepfner  
Rosie Larson  
Mike Lien  
Margie Lisak  
Kay Lisak-Buck  
Julianne Little  
Lydia  
Kate Mayo  
Seth & Lochlan McClusky  
Brody Moen  
Delores Orth  
Elizabeth Parthun  
Joe Raiter  
Janice Renner  
Lubchek Ryzhyy  
Larry Schmidt  
Cathy Simenson  
Kevin Smethers  
Calvin Smith  
John Sorensen  
John Swanson  
Peggy Thayer  
Debbie Theis Miller  
Katie Van Der Meer  
Gary Vold  
Madonna Welter



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## GROWING UP RIGHT

Most of us gain a sense of right and wrong in our childhood. We learn the rules of fair play, expecting others to respect the same standards. Unfortunately we soon learn that the world doesn't play by those rules. People who lie or cheat get ahead, are rewarded for their bad behavior, while those with stronger moral codes are left behind. How can this be, we demand. When will they get their "comeuppance"?

Today's gospel teaches that some wrongdoers will be left to flourish among the righteous. Those "weeds" are untouched so that the good plants nearby remain unharmed and come safely to harvest. As we grow together in the same fields we cannot see as God does. We are not capable of judging who should be weeded out and who left till harvest. It becomes a test of our faith that some who do evil will be allowed to prosper. We must rest on God's promise that even on the day of harvest He will be winnowing the fields, separating the wheat from the weeds. In His love and mercy, He will know best who has "grown up right" and who has not.

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## WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART?

Albert Einstein is reported to have said, "Sometimes, the thinking that has got us so far is inadequate to handle the problems of the place our thinking has got us to!" That might be why Jesus spoke in parables. These "stories with a twist" have the ability to alter our perceptions and help us break free of the thinking that has got us thus far.

- How would I answer the disciples' question, "Why do you speak to them in parables?"
- Does today's parable of the sower and the seed engage my spiritual imagination?
- At my worst, what kind of "soil" am I likely to be: rocky, thorny, hard-worn?
- In what areas of my life am I likely to "look but not see" and "hear but not understand"?

## MEASURING THE CROP

Every once in a while it is good for city folks to take a long drive into the country and see the row after row, acre after acre of crops growing. It helps them to realize what the farmers know, that it is hard work to raise the food we take for granted. It is hard work from the time of planting until the fruits and vegetables are in the bins of the grocery stores.

According to folklore, the corn is supposed to be "knee high by the Fourth of July." So last week would be an indication of how bountiful the harvest will be. Every planting is a risk for the farmer.

God takes the same risk with us. The seeds of faith have been planted carefully in us. How will they grow? What type of ground did they fall on? How much fruit will we bear? How is it all being nurtured?

Sometimes we go to the store and pick up six ears of corn, taking for granted that they will be there for us. And sometimes we take our faith for granted as well, instead of working hard to produce what God is asking of us. We need to do what needs to be done, showing our care and concern for others through prayer and action so that we will bear the fruit we know we should.

*Father Dominic Grassi*

## SAFE ENVIRONMENTS RETRAT

Please join us for our upcoming Safe Environment Retreat on Thursday, August 6, 2026.

To RSVP Safe Environment Retreat by August 1, 2026

Event Agenda & Highlights  
Time: 9:30 am – 2:00 pm

Where: Pastoral Center

Mass and Adoration

Expert guest speaker focusing on Human Trafficking awareness

New Faith Formation and Circle of Grace training information

Lunch will be provided

## Sunday, Jul 12, 2026

### Gardening lessons

If the word of God is like a seed, and Christ is the sower, what is the soil? Our hearts and minds. When we talk about the word of God, we can mean many things: the gospel message, scripture, the Incarnation, the creative spirit of God that goes forth to create and inspire. If this word finds us open and receptive and willing to respond, it bears good fruit. The word calls us to hear, understand, believe, and act accordingly. One of the challenges of faith is to be the good soil. Cultivate it in your life.

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23 (103).

*"The seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it."*

## Monday, Jul 13, 2026

### Peace has its dividing lines

Those who side with Christ will find themselves unexpectedly at odds with members of their own household as well as friends, neighbors, and political leaders. As Pope Leo XIV said, "Anyone who is a disciple of Christ, the Prince of Peace, is never on the side of those who once wielded the sword and today drop bombs." Religious principles divide as often as they unite. Be prepared for opposition in tender places, including your own heart as you bring the sword to your old selfish ways and navigate the path of true peace.

Isaiah 1:10-17; Matthew 10:34-11:1 (389). *"I have come to bring not peace but the sword."*

## Tuesday, Jul 14, 2026

### A small but powerful light

Blessed Kateri was a child of the often hostile social and political collision of the Old European world with the Native American New World. Kateri, part of the Mohawk tribe, wore this confrontation physically upon her face, being marred and half-blinded by the small pox carried over by Europeans. However, as Jesuit missionary Father Pierre Cholenec reported, at her deathbed the face so disfigured by the world suddenly became transfigured by Christ. She became so beautiful before death that the French priest could only conclude she had been received into heaven at that moment. Kateri experienced a kind of transfiguration. Through this experience she was claimed as a citizen not of the world old or new, but of the heavenly kingdom. Where are our ultimate allegiances?

MEMORIAL OF KATERI TEKAKWITHA

Isaiah 7:1-9; Matthew 11:20-24 (390). *"Will you be exalted to heaven?"*

## Wednesday, Jul 15, 2026

### Take a look in the mirror

The theologian and Doctor of the Church Saint Bonaventure (1221-74) is often called the second founder of the Franciscans, because he held the order together in the critical generation after Saint Francis of Assisi. Bonaventure viewed the natural world as a reflection of God, where created things act as mirrors of the Creator's beauty and wisdom: "Every creature is a divine word because it proclaims God." He believed that seeing Christ in all created things and contemplating Christ's sacrifice on the cross

would inspire gratitude, praise, and joy among Christians and eventually lead to union with Christ. Take steps toward that union by looking lovingly upon the creatures—human and otherwise—whom you encounter each day.

MEMORIAL OF BONAVENTURE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH

Isaiah 10:5-7, 13b-16; Matthew 11:25-27 (391). *"I give praise to you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth."*

## Thursday, Jul 16, 2026

### Faith brings many blessings

When it comes to God's blessings, Matthew's gospel highlights the spiritual blessings Christ promises: "Blessed are they who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be satisfied" (Matthew 5:6). Luke, on the other hand, emphasizes the physical blessings Jesus brings to his people: "Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied" (Luke 6:21). Both kinds of hunger are real. In the face of injustice, seeing the scales set right brings relief, just as food satisfies physical hunger. But how do we endure the time between what should be and what is? That is where faith comes in. Trust in God's promises, and let that hope sustain you.

Isaiah 26:7-9, 12, 16-19; Matthew 11:28-30 (392). *"You will find rest for yourselves."*

## Friday, Jul 17, 2026

### Kindly look around

The Greek words *Kyrie eleison* are some of the most ancient—and powerful—words of the Christian liturgy: "Lord, have mercy." Typically we find these words in the penitential rite where the church asks God's mercy and forgiveness. But these words are not just for penance; they are words of life and encouragement to the weary soul. It is as if we are saying, "Look kindly upon me." This call for mercy is not just directed toward God; it is also part of the fabric of our relationships with ourselves and the world. We can look kindly upon ourselves, instead of berating ourselves for what we didn't get done. We can look kindly upon those around us filled with fear and hatred. We can look kindly upon the fragile Earth and God's good creation. Mercy is calling you everywhere you turn.

Isaiah 38:1-6, 21-22, 7-8; Matthew 12:1-8 (393). *"I desire mercy, not sacrifice."*

## Saturday, Jul 18, 2026

### See Mary's timeless witness

A fair amount of confusion exists around the subject of Marian apparitions. Do Catholics believe in them? Perhaps the best answer would be: "Some do and some don't." In rare cases the Catholic Church may judge an apparition to be worthy of belief, but that belief is never required of Catholics. According to the Marianum Pontifical Institute in Rome, of the 295 reported apparitions studied by the Holy See through the centuries, only 12 have been approved as worthy of belief. Such an apparition is believed to offer evidence of Mary's continuing presence in the life of the church. Whether we choose to believe an apparition or not, we can see that Mary offers a timeless witness of the full response to God's plan for our lives: "Thy will be done."

MEMORIAL OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Micah 2:1-5; Matthew 12:14-21 (394). *"Behold, my servant whom I have chosen."*

*Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time*



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