



Sacred Heart Catholic Community of Wilton

October 25, 2026 • Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

PARISH COMMUNITY

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www.sacredheartwilton.com • Mass: Sunday morning 9:00 am

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

BULLETIN INFORMATION

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

Shelly Fredriksen (218) 556-8023
Richard Anderson..... (218) 467-3275

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

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Lois Jenkins (218) 444-8140
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MUSIC MINISTERS

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL

Joe Rucinski
Symon Schindler-Syme
Mary Sorenson..... (218) 368-7895
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Theresa Wilander
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

8:30 am prior to Mass.

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.

10/25/26

Reading I Exodus 22:20-26

Resp. Psalm Psalm 18:2-4, 47, 51

Reading II I Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Gospel Matthew 22:34-40

10/26/26

Reading I Ephesians 4:32-5:8

Resp. Psalm Psalm 1:1-4, 6

Gospel Luke 13:10-17

10/27/26

Reading I Ephesians 5:21-33

Resp. Psalm Psalm 128:1-5

Gospel Luke 13:18-19

10/28/26

Reading I Ephesians 2:19-22

Resp. Psalm Psalm 19:2-5

Gospel Luke 6:12-16

10/29/26

Reading I Ephesians 6:10-20

Resp. Psalm Psalm 144:1b, 2, 9-10

Gospel Luke 13:31-35

10/30/26

Reading I Philippians 1:1-11

Resp. Psalm Psalm 111:1-6

Gospel Luke 14:1-6

10/31/26

Reading I Philippians 1:18b-26

Resp. Psalm Psalm 42:2, 3, 5cdef

Gospel Luke 14:1, 7-11



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

November 1 Potluck

Following Mass.

November Serving Crew

Polly Scotland, John & Mary Sorensen

November 14 Craft Show

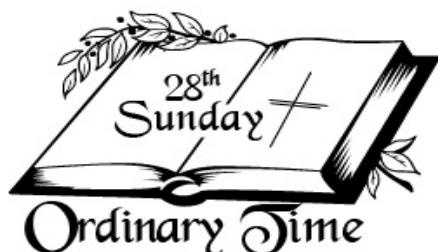
9 am - 2 pm

November 15 Second Collection

Campaign for Human Development

CRAFT SHOW

The annual craft show will be on Saturday, November 14th from 9 am - 2 pm. Don't forget to check out and the sign up sheets on the back table. If you have any questions see or all Karen Shafer at (218) 968-2488.



Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS

In Memory Of

Jerry Cartier

By Jerry Cartier

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 ANNIVERSARY!

• October 26 •

LEE & POLLY SCOTLAND

PE/INTERVENTIONIST TEACHER

St Mary's Mission School in Red Lake is hiring a PE/Interventionist teacher for the 2026-2027 school year. The position can be full or part time. We offer competitive wages and full benefits. For more information about the position, please contact Alyssa Schindler at principal@stmarysmision.org

MINISTERS, LECTORS, PRAYER LEADERS AND MINISTERS OF EXTRAORDINARY HOLY COMMUNION

Fr. John invites Current Ministers of Lector/Prayer Leader & Announcer and Ministers of Extraordinary Holy Communion; And NEW FOLKS to a little conversation after Mass Sunday, October 25.

New folks to these liturgical ministries at Sacred Heart are most WELCOME and will be added to the schedule by Advent.

Lois Jenkins makes the schedule for Lectors and Prayer Leaders and Ruth Walters makes the schedule for Ministers of Holy Communion and Greeters, servers, et al.

If you cannot make it this time, but wish to continue your ministry or begin a new ministry, please let Lois or Fr. John know.

Lectors will receive new Lector workbooks!



OCTOBER 25

Greeters.....Lorraine Galland

Altar Server.....Joseph Smith

Announcers & Readers.....Gloria Collyard

John Carrlson, Joe Rucinski

Ushers.....Theresa Wilander

Carol Bjelland

Eucharistic Ministers.....Evie Johnson

John Trammell, Kathy Carrlson

NOVEMBER 1

Greeters.....Lorraine Galland

Altar Server.....John Carrlson

Announcers & Readers.....Megan Fuller

Vange Anderson, Ann Illies

Ushers.....John Trammell

John Sorensen

Eucharistic Ministers.....Lorraine Galland

Evie Johnson, Kathy Carrlson

NOVEMBER 8

Greeters.....Ann Illies

Altar Server.....Brenalen Fredriksen-Holm

Announcers & Readers.....Joe Rucinski

Josie Proulx, Ann Illies

Ushers.....Karl Oestreich

Zach Thoma

Eucharistic Ministers.....Theresa Wilander

Stephanie Downey, Karen Shafer

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.**

"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-39

Stewardship is not just about taking care of others. It involves the first commandment as well. How well do you take care of your relationship with God? How often do you take time to be with God in prayer?

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

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

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
Dale Granrud Jr.
Brandi Green
Brandon Hart
Johanna Heineman
Harlan Johnson
Van Johnson
Whitey Kloeppner
Rosie Larson
Mike Lien
Margie Lisak
Kay Lisak-Buck
Julianne Little
Lydia
Kate Mayo
Seth & Lochlan McClusky
Brody Moen
Elizabeth Parthun
Joe Raiter
Janice Renner
Lubchek Ryzhy
Larry Schmidt
Cathy Simenson
Kevin Smethers
Calvin Smith
John Sorensen
John Swanson
Peggy Thayer
Debbie Theis Miller
Katie Van Der Meer
Gary Vold
Mike & Rosemarie Weber
Madonna Welter



October is the month of
the Rosary



Join us for a pre-Advent webinar to help you prepare for a grounded and meaningful Advent season and prayer life beyond. On Thursday, November 12 at 11:00AM CT, we'll welcome to the virtual stage, Kathleen A. Cahalan, leader of Daily Lectio on the Ritual App and the author of the new book *Pressing In On the Word of God: A Guide to Lectio Divina*.

Joined by Aelred Senna, OSB, publisher of *Give Us This Day*, Kathleen will share tips and guidance for using lectio divina for pondering the Word, reflecting on one's experiences, and listening deeply to how God is speaking in every facet of life. They'll also discuss how you can use the new *Give Us This Day* Prayer Journal to enhance your practice of lectio divina this Advent and into the new year.

Mark your calendar!

November 12, 2026

11:00AM-12:00PM Central Time

Online via Zoom

You must register to attend!

Can't make it? After the event, we'll send a recording of the conversation to all registrants.

To Register go to:

https://csbsju.zoom.us/webinar/register/4517912977179/WN_J8ghACQjRLy4W6TEJBcjw?utm_campaign=55711086-LP%202026-11-12%20WEBINAR%20Welcoming%20the%20Word%20of%20God%20this%20Advent&utm_medium=email&hsenc=p2ANqtz-_FDQkDQ15Ifxw-CefkO2ty2U-KK2AGyVvW1rn5J-Kj-p5N0vr-cB8X1Si0SRqeS3tto3lWK9VU-T62s2dn-7WX8qbkFnXw&_hsmi=444548078&utm_content=444548078&utm_source=hs_email#/registration



ADVENTURES IN LIFELONG LEARNING

Adventures in Lifelong Learning is organized exclusively to provide opportunities for continued lifelong learning in the Bemidji area. It is intended that ALL programs will assist participants to improve their critical thinking skills and appreciate the diversity of human experience through presentation.

Bemidji ALL: since 1994

Tuesday, October 27, 2026 – Dr. Kirsten Sage, MD: Supportive and Palliative Care

Dr. Sage will introduce the group to the key concepts of palliative care and how it can support quality of life for people living with serious illnesses. Participants will learn about advance care planning, including how to start thinking about their own wishes/values (or help a family member) and ways to communicate these preferences with loved ones and healthcare teams. The session will also explain healthcare directives and POLST forms, highlighting how these tools help ensure medical care aligns with an individual's wishes. [Book preparation: "That Good Night" is helpful.]

Fall, 2026: 8 Tuesdays, 10-11:30 am at The Bemidji Eagles, starting 9/29/26 - 11/17/26
Please, bring your own coffee/tea/water cups.

DONATIONS

If you would prefer making electronic donations rather than checks or cash, please see Deb Heineman for instructions on how to set up automatic payments by your bank.

HOLD IN PRAYER

Please pray for the children preparing for First Reconciliation:

Coty Halstad
Gannon Thoma
Grayson Fuller
Haddie Daniels

THE BOOK OF THE NAMES OF THE DEAD

Catholics believe that we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses" (Hebrews 12:1) in the communion of saints. We pray for our dearly departed loved ones as a spiritual work of mercy, so that they will take their place in the halls of heaven and will join with the eternal prayers of the angels and saints who rejoice at the banquet of the Lamb.

As a way to remember our deceased loved ones, you are invited to record the names of those who have died in *The Book of the Names of the Dead* beginning Sunday, October 25.

This book is a reminder that we do not stop praying for the dead, 'who have gone before us with the sign of faith' at their funeral or memorial.

This book will be reverently display for your thoughtful listing of your beloved dead throughout November, the Month of All Souls.

Sunday, Oct 25, 2026

The greatest of these is love

They asked Jesus which was the greatest commandment of all the commandments of God. In answer, he quoted them a line from one of the most well-known Jewish prayers, the Shema: "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might." Jews say the Shema in the morning and evening, before reading the Torah on Sabbaths and festivals, and at the end of the holiest day of Yom Kippur. Jesus added another commandment: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." To do God's will is to love God and one another with everything you have. It's really as simple as that.

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Exodus 22:20-26; 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10; Matthew 22:34-40 (148). "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"

Monday, Oct 26, 2026

Love works weekends

Jesus was a bit of a scowler and it made the leaders of the synagogue crazy. Like the ultimate bureaucrat who says, "Sorry, but this isn't the right day" or, "Too bad, you filled out the wrong form—no help for you today," rule keepers do not like rule breakers. But Jesus shows that God wants to relieve us of our burdens, not add to them. Jesus was forever pointing out that laws were made for humankind, and not humankind for the laws. Love is the rule that trumps all else. How might you extend love and service to another this week?

Ephesians 4:32-5:8; Luke 13:10-17 (479). "Be kind to one another, compassionate, forgiving one another as God has forgiven you in Christ."

Tuesday, Oct 27, 2026

Time to do an image search

The creative process can be maddening, as writer's block attests. But evidently Jesus didn't have this problem. Day after day he came up with rich images for the reign of God: seeds and weeds, dragnets and householders. The daily work of fishers, farmers, and women in the kitchen remind him of the Kingdom. Surely Jesus had the mother lode of examples right before his eyes, watching the woman who made his early home what it was. Pope John Paul II added a "kingdom of God"—or luminous mystery—to the Rosary to remind us that we don't have to go far to see God's reign in action. Look around your own household or place of work: Where do you see God's reign being revealed?

Ephesians 5:21-33; Luke 13:18-21 (480). "To what shall I compare the Kingdom of God? It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of wheat flour."

Wednesday, Oct 28, 2026

Ten—no, make it twelve

OK, say you're Jesus. (For most of us, this is a big stretch.) And say it's your task to choose the friends who are going to be with you for the rest of your life, literally, right up to the last meal. You're going to share a common purse, work and play and pray together. You'll get to share a joke with this bunch, too, not to mention the struggles and the tears. How do you make such a

momentous decision? Jesus chose prayer as his method of discernment. When faced with serious choices, prayer is the key. As Padre Pio said, "Prayer is the best weapon we have; it is the key to God's heart."

FEAST OF SIMON AND JUDE, APOSTLES

Ephesians 2:19-22; Luke 6:12-16 (666). "He spent the night in prayer to God. When day came, he called his disciples to himself, and from them he chose Twelve."

Thursday, Oct 29, 2026

A mother's love

Most of us are used to calling God our Father, as Jesus did. But others have written about the mothering nature of God as well. Julian of Norwich, a 15th-century English mystic, developed images of God functioning as both father and mother of creation. She also called Jesus our Mother, for he feeds us out of his body as a mother does her offspring. Isaiah may have been first to consider how God resembles the mother eagle who encourages her nestlings to independent flight. Jesus himself spoke of the urge to protect the unwitting people of Jerusalem as a hen gathers her chicks. Become aware of the motherly embrace of God in your life. Then offer that nurturing grace to others.

Ephesians 6:10-20; Luke 13:31-35 (482). "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord."

Friday, Oct 30, 2026

All in good time

"How sour sweet music is / When time is broke and no proportion kept / So is it in the music of men's lives." In this passage from Richard II, William Shakespeare was commenting on the critical ingredient of time in our lives: the necessary pauses and silences that keep everything from happening at once. Sometimes the most critical ingredient in a venture—whether it's a new career, a cake in the oven, or our own spiritual journey—is time. Today is a day to practice patience with ourselves for being wherever we are right now, and for not yet having arrived where we want to be.

Philippians 1:1-11; Luke 14:1-6 (483). "I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus."

Saturday, Oct 31, 2026

Sitting in the humble seat

Humility is an often-misunderstood virtue. Some might think it's the opposite of pride. But author Nilton Bonder wisely points out that humility is the "equilibrium point" between pride and a total lack of self-esteem, both of which involve self-absorption. Humility is simply learning to "get out of the way" and allow God to act in and through us. As an old proverb has it, humility is not thinking less of yourself, but thinking of yourself less. Begin by doing something thoughtful for someone else today. Then humbly pray for an increase of humility.

Philippians 1:18b-26; Luke 14:1, 7-11 (484). "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, ... go and take the lowest place."

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



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