

# SAINT LUKE - SACRED HEART CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Joe Adams, Sam Hughes, Betty Garside  
Frank Kowalczak, Karen Hansen

## Finance Council:

Paul Zimmerman, Joey Boesl, Karen Adams

## EVENT CALANDAR

Saturday Feb. 12 5:00 p.m Paul and Rita Zimmerman  
36 Year Anniversary

### NO THURSDAY MORNING MASS

Saturday Feb. 19 5:00 p.m Dawn Squillace  
Requested by Paul and Rita Zimmerman

### CONFESSION BEFORE SAT. EVENING MASS 4:30 pm

ADORATION: Mondays from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

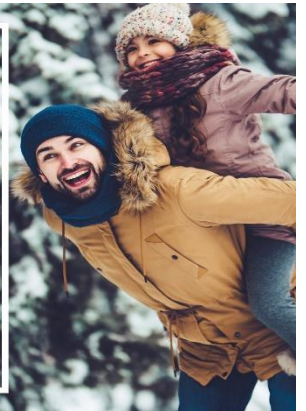
\*All are welcome to visit during these hours

## 6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# BLESSED

"Blessed are you when people hate you,  
and when they exclude and insult you,  
and denounce your name as evil  
on account of the Son of Man."

- Lk 6:22



Dear Parishioners of Spring Valley, Elmwood and Boyceville,

As we celebrate the sixth Sunday of Ordinary time, the church invites us to place our trust in God and in his only son Jesus Christ. Through his resurrection, Christ conquered death and strengthened our faith and hope of eternal life.

Today's first reading from the book of Jeremiah succinctly reminds us of the consequences of trusting solely on our abilities, on our human strength and on human beings: "Cursed is the one who trusts in human beings, who seeks his strength in flesh, whose heart turns away from the Lord." Through this, we are reminded that all these will fail us because, our success and survival do not depend solely on them.

Placing our trust in God is the best approach to life. Certainly, we must make efforts and do what we must do as humans. However, we must not forget that, it is God who sustains, confirms and blesses our ways and efforts. We must be conscious of the fact that without him, we are nothing.

To place one's trust in God is a great source of blessing and interior joy. Hence, the psalmist reminds us that: "Those who trust in the Lord are like mount Zion that can never be shaken" (Ps 125:1)

In the second reading, Paul equally makes the same point. Our hope must not be totally placed on this world or on our efforts alone, but on Christ who through his resurrection has strengthened our hope of eternity.

Hence, Paul tells us: "If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are the most pitiable people of all." In other words, life does not end here. There is something beyond this world, and only our hope in the resurrected Christ will take us there. Simply put, our journey with Christ does not end here, it transcends this world.

Today's gospel begins with a blessing for those who are ready to do God's will. The beatitude is a great song which calls us to a life of virtue, reflection and total surrender to God's will. These blessings are for those who are totally and willingly ready to place everything in God's hands. The beatitudes also remind us that all we do and work for here will gain us eternal life.

The good news for us today is nothing in this world can rob us of our peace of mind and interior joy, because our trust is not in this world, nor in man. Rather, our trust is in the crucified and risen Christ, the savior and hope of the world. The psalmist summarized this good news for us: "Happy the man who has placed his trust in the Lord."

Yours sincerely in Christ Jesus,

Rev. Arockia Amirtha Raj Stanislaus.

**"We walk by faith, even when we cannot see" 2 Corinthians 5:7**

**Everything is a gift from God.**

You may drop your envelopes in the offertory box which is on the back table in church, or you may mail your contribution to St

Luke at: PO Box 316, Boyceville, WI 54725

Loose Collections	Envelope Collection	Special Collections
\$ 48.00	\$ 1,170.00	\$ 50.00 (Retired Religious)

Web address: [www.saintlukebv.org](http://www.saintlukebv.org)

**For the faithful departed we pray:**

Dustin Berends, Frances Knopps, Anthony Robert Squillace, Frank Hellman, Dawn Squillace, Margaret Poeschel

**For the sick we pray:**

Mark Nelson – Infection  
Karen Erickson ~ MS  
Jeanne Wendt ~ Recovery from Illness  
Tom Humpal ~ Recovery from injury  
Karen (sister-in-law to Karen Hansen)  
\*Continued prayer for Options for Women

**Father Amir will be gone on vacation from February 5<sup>th</sup> until February 21<sup>st</sup>. There will be NO WEEKDAY MASSES**

Father Tim (Brother Michael's nephew)  
Feb.12/13 and Feb.19/20  
*Praying for Father's safe travels*

**BECOME INVOLVED: MEMBERSHIP AND SACRAMENTAL**

**Joining Our Parish:** If you are new to the parish, please call the parish office to register. We are glad you are here.

**Celebrating Baptism:** Baptism is celebrated throughout much of the liturgical year. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please call the parish office, 715-643-3081 for more information. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation class.

**Caring for the Sick:** If you or a loved one are seriously ill, homebound or anticipating surgery, please call 715-598-4877 or email Father Amir at [pastor@svecatholic.org](mailto:pastor@svecatholic.org) to schedule a visit and/or the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

**Celebrating Marriage:** We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact Father Amir to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn more about marriage preparation.

**Becoming Catholic:** If you are baptized in another Christian tradition and seek to become Catholic, or are interested in becoming a Christian through baptism, contact Father Amir at [pastor@svecatholic.org](mailto:pastor@svecatholic.org).



**2021-2022 Annual Appeal**

Target Amount	6,725.00
Amount Pledged	4,213.00
Unpledged	2,512.00

**Mark your calendars for Ash Wednesday and Holy week Masses:**

March 2nd Ash Wednesday:  
8:30 a.m. in Boyceville  
3:45 p.m. in Spring Valley  
7:00 p.m. in Elmwood

**40 days of Mass during Lent** - Father will be saying an additional weekday Mass on Monday mornings at 10 a.m. in Elmwood starting on March 7th.

**40 hours Adoration**— Per Archbishop Fulton Sheen, a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration is a sharing in the work of Redemption. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held in Boyceville with Mass at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday April 3rd and Adoration running from 6 pm to Tuesday, April 5th with Mass at 10 am. We hope many will be able to participate from our parishes.



**Pray for Dobbs,** Pray for our Supreme Court Justices by Name Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health is the Supreme Court case that could overturn Roe v. Wade—the decision that made abortion legal in all 50 states. Nine Justices stand between-life and death for millions of innocent children and their mothers, with a ruling expected in June.

**WEST CAP FOOD PANTRY**

They are accepting all food items and especially looking for Personal Care and Hygiene products Please leave in the basket at the back of church and we will deliver it to the food pantry. Thank You

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE**  
The Knights are selling raffle tickets.  
Please find a Knight and get your tickets today.  
See them for info

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SOUP SUPPER**  
February 26<sup>th</sup>  
After Mass – All are welcome

*February 12-13, 2022*