

SEPTEMBER 19, 2021 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Sacred Heart Church | 321 9th Street, P.O. Box 377, Heron Lake, MN 56137 | Sunday Mass: 8:00 am
Sacred Heart Church | 516 10th Street, P.O. Box 187, Brewster, MN 56119 | Saturday Mass: 5:00 pm
St. Francis Xavier Church | 532 17th Street, P.O. Box 39, Windom, MN 56101 | Sunday Mass: 10:00 am



MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - SEPT 21—SEPT 126 2021

<u>TUES</u>	5:30PM	WINDOM	+Celestine "Sally" Ahrens
<u>WED</u>	9:00AM	HERON LAKE	+Nick Henkels & Paula E Eidhammer
<u>THUR</u>	9:00AM	BREWSTER	+Mary Anne McNab
<u>FRI</u>	9:00AM	WINDOM	+Arlene Bartosh
<u>SAT</u>	5:00PM	BREWSTER	+Jack Strouth
<u>SUN</u>	8:00AM	HERON LAKE	+Joe Salentiny
	10:00AM	WINDOM	+Greg Schoborg

Know that Fr. Pratap includes all of us in his daily prayers and private Mass intentions.

If a Mass is cancelled, Fr. Pratap will include that scheduled Mass Intention at his private daily Mass. If you prefer it be rescheduled, please let Father or your respective parish office know.

Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Submit Intentions to Parish Coordinator

* All suffering from the Coronavirus

- Healthcare , Law Enforcement & Emergency Personnel
- Rose Boomgarden
- Dennis Haberman
- Colleen Ortmann
- Gail Barlow
- Lisa Carlson
- Jim Salentiny
- Jim Stenzel
- Sogge Home Residents
- Residents of Lakeview Assisted Living
- For the souls in purgatory
- For an end to abortion

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This Week's Readings:

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James
3: 16 - 4: 3; Mark 9: 30-37

Next Weekend's Readings:

Numbers 11:25-29; James 5: 1-6;
Mark 9: 38-43, 45, 47-48



PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

There is something about being first. Whether it be first in line, first to be picked for the team, or the first one to finish their work, great satisfaction is achieved. Our egos love being first. It somehow sets us apart from everyone else, gives us a sense of pride and positions us to feel better than others. When we are first, we can glory in our efforts, skills, and achievements. Isn't that what really matters? After all, we are taught from a very young age to be proficient, stay on top, be the best at what we do, and win the praise and esteem of others. This is the stuff that makes us successful and provides us with a comfortable, satisfying life.

Jesus wants none of it. All of the details we anguish over mean little to the kingdom of God. You want to be first? Then, be a servant and welcome a child. All of this is the opposite of our often vehement pursuits. If we are serious about following Jesus and living the Gospel, then we must put the needs of others before our own. If we continue to listen only to the noise of the world, we are going to continue to believe the illusions we inherit. Those illusions come in many forms, but all have things in common: me before you, being on top and not the bottom, us versus them, personal security over universal harmony and peace. When are we going to learn that always striving to be the best and first is an empty pursuit in our struggle for happiness? While satisfying our ego with this momentary boost of esteem may feel good for a moment, is it what we really desire?

If we can break from the world's noise and create a space of sacred silence in our lives, we can begin to listen and see that we are being called in another direction. What we really desire is not the bolstering of our egos but the innocence we lost somewhere along the way. When we can be playful, joyful, and even somewhat carefree, life is good. We want our relationships to work, a place to call home, and to live peaceful lives with our sisters and brothers. Only a servant can do this. The servant's prayer seeks to detach from self-concern in order to be used by God. Rather than worrying about being first and coming out on top, we can be inspired, guided, empowered, and led to do good works. Stop worrying about being first and put greater energy into feeling joy.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Jesus made himself the servant of all. Am I willing to be a servant for Jesus' people? (Mark 9: 30-37)

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: Contact the priest 6 to 12 months in advance of the date of marriage to fill out the forms, to do FOCCUS Test and to attend Marriage Prep Mentoring sessions. Fr. Pratap is seeking married couples who are practicing Catholics, and have children, who would be willing to volunteer to help prepare our engaged couples for marriage. Please contact Fr. Pratap at 507-226-4536, or your parish office, if interested.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Contact the parish office a month in advance to fill out the form and to attend Baptism Mentoring Sessions. All Baptisms will be celebrated during Mass.

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO MASSES: Brewster— Thurs. and Sat.; Heron Lake —Wed. and Sun.; Windom—Tues., Fri. and Sun.



Why do Catholics make the Sign of the Cross?

The cross is the sign of our salvation, and as such, it is a profound symbol of the infinite love that Jesus bears for both his Father and for us. All supernatural grace flows from Christ's total gift of self, made manifest upon the wood of Calvary. And so, when we make the Sign of the Cross over ourselves, or the priest uses the Sign of the Cross in the celebration of the sacraments or sacramentals, we are being reminded of the source of our salvation — the sacrifice of Christ. It is by means of this radical self-emptying that the very life of God has been made available to us. So, whether it is through the imposition of holy water, the blessing at the end of Mass, the beginning of the rosary or the reception of absolution in confession, we proudly and devoutly make the Sign of the Cross to proclaim the triumph of the Lord and our trust in his power to save. There is also the very pious practice of making the Sign of the Cross when we pass by a Church in which the Blessed Sacrament is reposed, or when we pass by a cemetery. In both of these instances, like the aforementioned list, the Sign of the Cross is a reminder to us of the love of God, who has given all so that we might know, love and serve him, both in this life and in the next.

Father Erickson is pastor of Transfiguration in Oakdale.

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES September 25th & 26th

Brewster
Saturday | 5:00pm

LECTOR

CANTOR

**EUCCHARISTIC
MINISTERS**

USHERS

CONTRIBUTIONS

SACRISTANS

ROSARY

BELLS

Heron Lake
Sunday | 8:00am

**Joanne Waldron
Judy Stenzel**

**Donna Damm
Suzanne Iverson**

**Jeff Hotzler
Larry Liepold
Marsha Edwards
Dennis Salentiny**

**Marty Henkels
Cathy Henkels
Jason Freking
Tracy Freking**

**Pat Bonnell
Burt Bonnell**

Windom
Sunday | 10:00am

Heather Bristow

Mary Theesfeld

**Mary Benson
Pat Spencer**

**Malon Thompson
John Zschetzsche
Dave Green & Sons**

**Heather Bristow
Kevin Bristow
Sherri Zimmerman
Tom Zimmerman**

**Shari Kneeland
Sherri Zimmerman**

Mary Benson

Braxton Brown

Fransican Mission

B - \$203
HL - \$ 40
W- \$ 315

CHURCH SUPPORT

Category	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 11/52	\$ 1,082	\$ 7,703	\$ 1,927
YTD	\$ 12,306	\$ 30,668	\$ 29,002
Budget		39,297 NA	
Total		\$ (8,629)	

THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2021

	Parish Goal	\$ Received	From # of Parishioners
SFX-W	\$14,970	\$12,422	53
SH-HL	\$ 9,531	\$ 9,855	34
SH-B	\$ 6,148	\$ 3,290	20

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BAPTISMS

Welcome to the Family of God.....

June Lorraine, daughter of Jason and Anna Diemer, who was baptized on Sunday, September 12th, at Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake.

Ellie Rae, daughter of Joshua and Dawnelle Goblisch, who was baptized on Sunday, September 5th, at St. Francis Xavier Church in Windom.

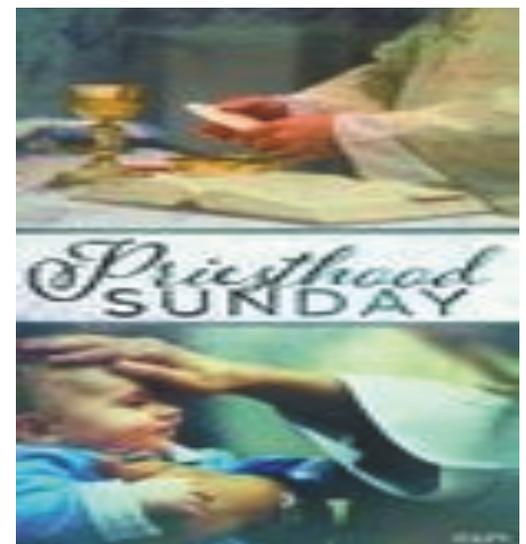
Evandy Johanna Santos Ramirez, daughter of Alfredo Santos and Gloria Ramirez, who was baptized on Saturday, September 11th, at St. Francis Xavier Church in Windom



FUNERALS

Eternal rest grant unto

Rita Zinnel, who died on Friday, September 10th. The funeral service was held on Saturday, September 18th at Sacred Heart Church, Brewster, with burial at Worthington Memorial Gardens Cemetery. May her soul and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen. We remember her loved ones in prayer.



That we may never take the presence of our priests for granted, as we cherish the celebration of the Mass and are nourished by the Eucharist, we pay to the Lord.

INSIDE OUR PARISHES

BREWSTER

SACRED HEART CHURCH is in need of a Faith Formation Coordinator. This is a paid position that will require you to lead and work in the different areas that form our childrens' faith in the Catholic Church. If you are interested in this position, please contact Father Pratap, Dawn Murphy or Loretta Smith.

THE WINONA CCW CONVENTION will be held on Saturday, September 25th in Winona. Registration forms are on the entrance table of the church. Please call Bev McCarvel at 360-6906 if you are interested in going. Our CCW will pay your registration fee.

A BOX OF JOY is waiting for you to fill for a Haitian child. With the devastating earthquake Haiti has just experienced, your gift may be the only bright spot for this child at Christmas. Please pick up a box or two from the table at the entrance of the church and return it by Oct. 24th. A list of gift items will help you fill your box for either a boy or girl. The CCW will pay the postage, so please do not include your check. Thank you.

HAVE YOU RUN OUT of notecards for Sympathy, Thinking of you, Get Well, Birthday and other occasions? Remember the beautiful notecards with Aiden Remme kneeling at St. Mary's chapel in Rochester? They are still available. Please contact Loretta, at her office and she would be very happy to supply you with your needs. 10 notecards for \$10 is a great price to give these as gifts or to keep for yourself.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES will begin on **Wed., Oct 6**. There is an opening for a half-time 3rd grade catechist. Please young mothers/fathers, take this opportunity to help our young children develop their faith life. You will be pleasantly surprised how much you will learn and enjoy the time spent with children. Please call Dawn Murphy at 507-360-0401.

HERON LAKE

PASTORAL AND FINANCE COUNCILS will meet on **Thursday, Sept. 23rd**. Pastoral meeting will be at 6:00pm, followed by Finance at 7:00pm, in the church hall.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES will begin in October. Elementary classes will begin Sunday, October 3rd, after Mass until 10:00 am. High School classes begin Wed., October 6th from 7:00 -8:00 pm. There will be no gathering at the beginning of classes at this time. Students will go directly to their rooms. We will follow protocols of the public school. If public school goes to wearing masks or distance learning, Faith Formation will do likewise.

PLEASE CONTACT CARMEN if you are ready to resume serving in a liturgical role as lector, usher, eucharistic minister or leading rosary. The parish lost many volunteers during the past 17 months and would so appreciate having past, and new, volunteers back. Thanks!

THE CCW is in the process of updating the 2021-2022 Parish Directory. Please let Collette Diemer know of any changes needed by contacting her at ckdiemer@mvtvwireless.com or 793-2582 by the September 15th deadline. You may also notify the parish office. Please update cell phone number if you've dropped your landline.

CCW IS IN NEED of members to fill the office of Vice-President and Secretary. Meetings are quarterly and we have 2 fundraisers per year; quilt raffle and Fun Sunday. If you could find it in your heart to consider donating a few hours of your time, it would be greatly appreciated by your parish.

A BOX OF JOY may be the only Christmas gift a Haitian child in need receives. Please help your CCW with this project by picking up a Box of Joy from the church; fill it and return it by October 24th. A list of gift item suggestions & instructions are attached to the boxes found on tables in the church entrance. The postage will be paid by CCW.

WINONA-R CCW Convention will be held in Winona on **Saturday, Sept. 25th**. If you would like to attend, the CCW will pay your \$30 registration fee. Contact Barb Hussong 853-4523, or Dianne Freking 793-2754, to car pool.

WINDOM

MEETINGS:

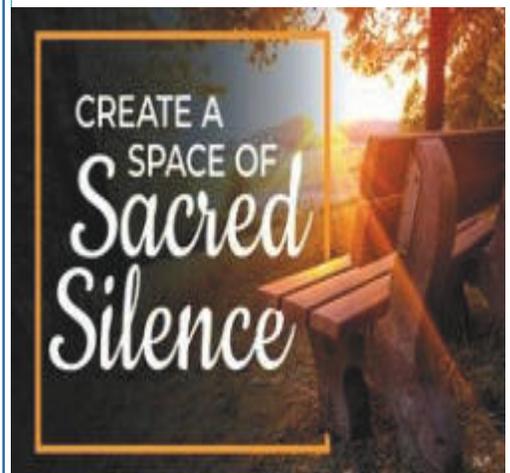
THE LITURGY COMMITTEE will meet on Tuesday, October 4th, at 6:15 PM.

A REGISTRATION OPEN HOUSE for the St. Francis Xavier Parish Faith Formation Program will be held on **September 22nd at 6:30pm** in the parish hall. This will be an evening to register, ask questions, meet catechists, and enjoy socializing with other families from our parish. Please plan to attend this evening. All forms should be returned by then. **Classes will start on September 26th.** Forms were emailed out and we will have forms available at the open house as well.

YOU SHOULD HAVE received your Sept/Oct contribution envelopes in the mail. Please let the office know. If you have not received your envelopes.

IF YOU ARE NEW to the Parish, please stop by the office to get a registration form. Also, if you no longer live with Mom & Dad, you should register. **If your email address or phone number has changed, please let the office know so your record can be updated.** The office email address is: stfxavier@windomnet.com

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED in joining our Social Ministry Roundtable, which brings together people from all the parishes in our Deanery to network, share ideas, get to know one another and support each other, please let Pat know. A meeting will be scheduled soon.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

FRANCISCAN MISSION INDIA: Please remember to use your September envelope to help support the lepers and poor of India. We can make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters there.

Respect Life

The **Pro-Life Novena for Unborn Babies** takes place September 29—October 7. You are invited to offer a daily rosary for the protection of preborn babies in the womb. For information see www.SaintMichaelTheArchangelOrganization.org. The **National Life Chain** event is October 3 from 2:00 to 3:15 pm. Come join us for a peaceful hour of prayer to end abortion and to witness to the over 63 million pre-born babies lost to the holocaust of abortion. Signs are provided. Bring your family, friends, and lawn chair if you wish! **New Location this year:** Central Pack (corner of Main & Broadway), Winona. For a location near you: www.lifechain.net. Call Kathy Foerster at (507) 313-6880 for questions.

Is God calling you to be a Secular Franciscan? The Little Portion Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order invites you to Come and See. The Secular Franciscan Order is the Order established by St Francis for men and women who wished to live a life closer to Christ. Franciscans bring gospel to life, and life to the gospel. The sessions are an opportunity to learn more about the Order and decide if you may be called to this way of life. The first Session will be held Sunday, September 19th at 1 p.m. at the Campus Religious Center at SMSU in Marshall. We will hold additional sessions October 17th and November 21st. It isn't necessary to attend all three sessions, so plan to come when you can.

If you would like more information, please contact Sandy Tuszynski 507-763-3184 or Annette Rohlik 507-747-2181.

The Rosary Coast to Coast event began on Sunday, August 15, on the *Feast of the Assumption*. It was also the start of the 54-Day Novena, ending on October 7, the *Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary*. Join our country in offering a Rosary, with the intention of returning our nation to God and to holiness. For info, see www.RosaryCoastToCoast.com.

POSITION OPENING:

Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake is seeking a Parish Administrator for this Fall. The preferred candidate will have experience in basic accounting / payroll, be a practicing Catholic willing to learn the church accounting system, have basic computer knowledge including Microsoft programs, and be willing to work in an office setting. An employee benefit package is offered. The office is located at 321 9th St., in Heron Lake, MN. A job application may be obtained from the church office or by calling 507-793-2357. Send resume and credentials by October 1, 2021 to: Fr. Pratap Salibindla at PO Box 377, Heron Lake, MN.

Bulletin announcements should be submitted by 2:00 PM on Tuesdays. Send your requests to your respective parish office administrator.

A recent natural disaster has recently affected our brothers and sisters in Christ. A massive earthquake and tropical storm that hit Haiti has created widespread destruction. We are asking you to respond with the Catholic community across the United States to a special emergency collection. Catholic Relief Services is the official international relief agency of the U.S. Catholic Church and is already responding to urgent needs for shelter, water, and food of those affected by this disaster. Checks should be made payable to your local parish. For more information, go to www.usccb.org or to Catholic Relief Services at <https://support.crs.org/donate/haiti-earthquake>

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT - St. Francis Xavier Church has a gentleman who is seeking religious asylum in the U.S. His family will join him soon. He will be moving into an apartment and currently has nothing. He will need furniture, radio, kitchen utensils, beds and bedding, cleaning supplies, etc. If you have items to donate, please contact Jackie Jurgens or Pat Spencer. Thank you!

Worthington Deanery COVID Relief Fund – Back in June of 2020, with the initial great outbreak of COVID in Southwestern MN, Catholic Charities created a fund in the Worthington Deanery to help those who lost income because of COVID. These were people who didn't receive stimulus checks or unemployment – those who had "fallen through the cracks". The money came from the donations of people concerned about their neighbors. We started with 3 donations totaling \$5000, and the donations continued. Since we began, we have been able to distribute over \$50,000 to 114 families in all of the 6 counties in the Worthington Deanery – helping with housing and/or utilities, an average of \$442.85 per household. Now the money in that fund is depleted, but our thanks go out to all of you who reached out to help those in need in our local area. We are most grateful for your generosity!

HELP SAVE LIVES in Jackson, MN You can protect mothers and children by joining this worldwide mobilization! Through prayer and fasting, peaceful vigils and community outreach, 40 Days for Life has inspired 1,000,000+ volunteers!

Here's how to take part: • Vigil location: 821 3rd St (Autos on 71) Jackson, MN 56143 • Vigil hours: 6am to 6pm daily (sign up for 1 hour time slots) • Local contact: (Holly Nestegard 507-841-0633, bradholly2000@yahoo.com) •

Upcoming events: --September 23rd, 7pm, Robin Sertell (abortion survivor) Good Shepherd Hall, Jackson, MN

--October 21st, Jason Gray concert 7pm at JCC High School

Learn more and get involved by visiting our campaign: 40daysforlife.com/JacksonMN

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