

OCTOBER 3, 2021 | TWENTY-SEVENTH 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 - OCT 5—OCT 10, 2021

<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	Lorraine Anderson
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	Margaret Henkels
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	Judy Nelson
<u>Friday</u>	9:00am	Windom	Kenneth Winker
<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	Paul & LaVerna Schaffer
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	Rodney Miranowski
	10:00am	Windom	Paul Maras

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
- Maggie Hill
- 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:

Genesis 2: 18-24; Hebrews 2: 9-11; Mark 10: 2-16

Next Weekend's Readings:

Wisdom 7: 7-11; Hebrews 4: 12-13; Mark 10: 17-30 or 10 :17-27



PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

Archbishop Fulton Sheen said, "It takes three to make love, not two: you, your spouse, and God." Apart from the incarnation of God in Jesus Christ, nothing speaks better of God's incarnate love than marriage. God designed it this way. We place great value on love and rightly so. What we fail to realize, however, is that love, its very presence and place in our lives, is not simply part of the human package deal. Love comes from God. It is one of God's greatest gifts to human beings. When we begin to realize that our very ability to love is sacred, it changes up how we see the essence of life, and purpose and sanctity of marriage.

God is love. It stands to reason then that if we follow the path of unconditional, self-emptying love we will then stumble upon God. It is precisely this intimate wedding of God with love that gives such eloquence and honor to the love between husband and wife. As a living sign of Christ's love for the Church and for humanity, husbands and wives speak volumes of God's unconditional incarnate love for all of his children! The Divine power that brings unity and life to marriage is so strong that once joined, it really cannot be separated.

Admittedly, marriage covenants can be extremely difficult to negotiate and, at times, very painful to experience. God's perfect divinity always meets our broken and imperfect humanity. God is okay with this setup as he created it this way. Our loving is never as unconditional as God's and often tainted by our own imperfections, needs, memories, hurts, sinfulness, and weakness. All of this baggage negatively impacts even the most well-intentioned marriages, causing them to be hurtful and empty. We are love works in progress. God can succeed in perfecting our love only if we keep our eyes fixed on him as the source of that love. That's why marriage is always about three and not just two.

The Divine intimacy at the heart of marriage is what can make them celebrations of great union and happiness. Couples who are still madly in love with each other after many years, still looking at each other with that timeless twinkle in their eyes, best tell the story of God's oneness with humanity. Honor, celebrate, and support those who have accepted a vocation to marriage. Living in a world that easily pulls relationships apart, may they find hope and inspiration from their faith companions who are on the same journey!

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Young children learn much from the example of the adults in their lives. Pray today for married people, that they may be faithful to their call to married life and be an inspiration to their children (Mark 10:2-16)

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.



PARISH REGISTRATION

Why is it so important that we register in a parish? Isn't it good enough that we go to Mass?

Registration is the official way we join a parish community. Many people think that because they attend a particular parish they automatically belong. At times, young adults who have moved away for years think they are still signed up under their parents. But membership requires signing up, formally enrolling yourself in a parish. Registration is a commitment to a community, a way to be included in the religious, social, and ministerial activities of your parish. Your registration affects the parish in many ways. Census numbers can determine how many priests are assigned to a church, what benefits and obligations the community has to the diocese, and how Masses, Confessions, and devotions are planned and scheduled. Registration shows you belong. It is also necessary for certain benefits, like scheduling sacraments, obtaining sponsor certificates, and getting donation statements for taxes. Most importantly, it lets the parish count on you, to call on you to assist in its mission. Registering in your parish is a statement of faith and confidence in the life and work of your parish.

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES October 9th & 10th

Brewster Saturday 5:00pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00am	Windom Sunday 10:00am
LECTOR	Barb Hussong Diana Madsen	Candy Riordan
CANTOR		Dave Carroll
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Martha Liepold	Candy Riordan Elaine Tasler
USHERS	Cathy Henkels Judy Anderson Carmen Rasche Suzanne Iverson	Jean Hoppe Joan Schafer Gale Symens Patty Symens
CONTRIBUTIONS	Rhonda Damm Dave Freking Rose Freking	Jackie Jurgens Jacob Johnson
SACRISTANS		Sharon Jenniges Tim Jenniges
ROSARY	Cleo Miranowski	Mary Benson
BELLS		Braxton Brown



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HL - \$169
W - \$163

CHURCH SUPPORT

Category	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 13/52	\$ 839	\$ 677	\$ 1,551
YTD	\$ 14,096	\$ 36,272	\$ 34,190
Budget		51,085	
Total		\$ (14,813)	

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	\$ 5,240	22

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Therein lies the...rib

"If I were God..." is a dangerous way to start a sentence, but how many of us do this? Probably more regularly than we would like to admit. Even if we don't verbalize the sentiment, we likely think it from time to time. Most of us finish that statement with some genius, original idea for eradicating difficulty and pain from the world. If I were God, I wouldn't let anyone go hungry. If I were God, all wealth would be equally distributed. If I were God, war wouldn't exist.

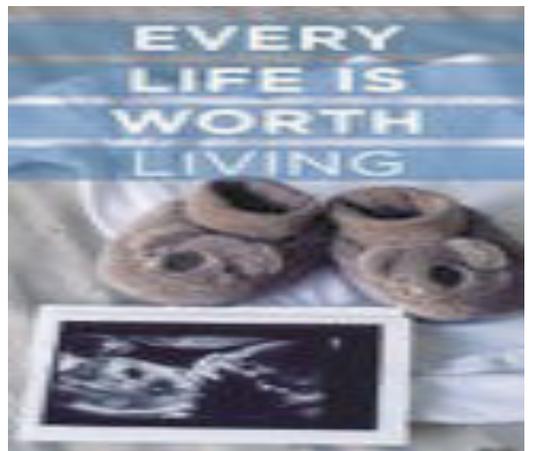
I imagine that, when we think thoughts like these, God shakes His head and wonders why we don't look a little harder at the whole of His creation — because I can promise you, it's never lacking.

When Adam had a need for a companion, God used what was available: Adam's rib. Everything that He had put into place was already perfect, already complete. Woman was a new creation, but not a new species. Adam searched through all of creation to find the perfect mate, but God had tucked the answer inside of His creation all along.

I'm guilty of it as much as anyone else — looking to Heaven with a chip on my shoulder. "Why haven't you sent me what I need? I've been asking over and over again." But have I even thought to look inside of myself?

Where is the rib you are missing today? What are the opportunities God has set before you? What are the needs that He is ready to fulfill, if only you would stop wasting time lamenting all the solutions that don't fit the bill?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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 children's faith in the Catholic Church. If you are interested in this position, please contact Father Pratap, Dawn Murphy or Loretta Smith.

OUR CCW WILL MEET on Thursday, Oct. 7th at 7:00PM. Please attend as we plan our monthly suppers and other items to be discussed. It's time to gather socially with good friends and great food.

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.

DIOCESAN RESPECT LIFE PROJECT, 2021 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN, sponsored by the Diocese of Winona-Rochester and Catholic Charities Pregnancy, Parenting and Adoption Program is asking for your tax deductible donation. Please pick up your baby bottle at the entrances of the church and fill them with your spare coins. Donations will go directly to women across Southern Minnesota who are choosing Life For Their Babies. Please return your bottle by Oct. 30th. Thank you for your generosity.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES begin Wed., Oct. 6th at 6:30, for grades K-10th. Please pray for our students and catechists that the Holy Spirit will shower them with the graces to be open to the Word of God and be kind and respectful to each other. A heartfelt thank you to all the catechists who again are offering their time and talents to help our children grow in their faith.

HERON LAKE

COFFEE & ROLLS will be served following Mass on CCW Sunday, Oct. 10th. The Rich and Dianne Freking family will be hosting. Please come!

SACRED HEART PARISH is looking for someone to do the seasonal church decorating. Please contact the parish office or Fr. Pratap, if interested. We wish to thank Mary Mathias for her many years of service in making our church a beautiful place in which to worship and celebrate.

PLEASE TURN IN your child's Faith Formation registration form if you have not already done so.

REMINDER: Please return your filled Box of Joy by Oct 24th, to the back table in Church entrance. Thanks!

THE LITURGY ROLES for the months of Oct. and Nov. are available for you to pick up from the church entrance. They are also available for viewing on our website. Please visit us at <http://sacredheartheronlake.org> and click on Liturgy Roles under the Bulletins Tab.

OUR CCW is still asking for a volunteer to fill the Vice President position. We wish to thank Lisa Carlson for taking CCW Secretary, and Mackenzie Erickson for her past service in that position.

DIOCESAN CENSUS: Each Sunday in October attendance will be taken by a head count. Parents – Please bring your children to Sunday Mass before Faith Formation class.

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Please pick up your baby bottle to help Catholic Charities' Mother & Child Assistance Fund provide women who are considering adoption and/or parenting with financial assistance. Fill the bottle with your spare change during the month of October. Each gift of support will help women and babies across Southern Minnesota! Please join your CCW in supporting this worthwhile project.

TO OUR FF TEACHERS we offer the support of our prayers as you teach the Catholic faith and introduce our children to Jesus. May your work bring you joy and may you have the satisfaction of seeing your labors bear fruit! Thank you for volunteering your time and talents.

Respect Life
Sunday

WINDOM

MEETINGS:

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

2021 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN begins today, **RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY**. Empty baby bottles are available at the church entrances. Please take one, fill with your spare change, and return. Money collected will be sent to Catholic Charities by November 30th. This is a perfect project to offer support to women across So. Minnesota who choose life over abortion.

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. The next meeting is scheduled for October 19th on Zoom. We will meet in the office at 7 pm.

A HUGE THANK YOU to Debby Mau for Chairing the Festival this year, the various Committee Chairs and everyone who worked or donated items, food or time to make the Fall Festival a success. Your help and support are greatly appreciated!

RAFFLE WINNERS are posted on the bulletin boards in the Church entries.

A BLACK TOTE full of toys was found following the Fall Festival. It says PLUM COOKMG COMPANY on it. It can be claimed at the office.

COFFEE AND ROLLS will be served following Mass today. Gale & Patty Symens and Mike & Sue Curley are hosting. Please join us!

"Faith formation is more than a subject to be taught- it is an invitation to a way of life"

- Joe Paprocki

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

FR. PRATAP WILL BE GONE FROM TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12th TO TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23rd. FR. WILL BE TRAVELING TO INDIA TO VISIT HIS FAMILY. PLEASE PRAY FOR A SAFE TRIP FOR FR. PRATAP.

Respect Life

The **National Life Chain** event is today, (October 3rd) on Respect Life Sunday! Come join us for a peaceful hour of prayer to end abortion and to witness to the over 63 million pre-born babies tragically killed. Signs are provided. Bring your family, friends, and lawn chair if you wish! **New location this year:** Central Park (corner of Main & Broadway), Winona from 2:00 to 3:15 pm. For a location near you: www.lifechain.net. Call Kathy Foerster at (507) 313-6880 for questions.

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.

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.

Catholic Charities of Southern MN is offering 2 new ZOOM studies beginning in October! Choose from: *Solidarity: We are Our Neighbors' Keepers* (led by Sydelle McCabe – Mondays at 7:00PM, beginning October 11th), or *Harm, Healing, and Human Dignity: A Catholic Encounter with Restorative Justice* (led by Lisa Kremer – Thursdays at 7:00PM, beginning October 21st). For more information or to register, contact Lisa at lkremer@ccsommn.org – 507-360-3423. More information can be found at our website: ccsommn.org

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!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Pick up your baby bottle to help Catholic Charities' Mother and Child Assistance Fund provide women who are considering adoption and/or parenting with financial assistance. Each gift of support will help women and babies right here in Southern Minnesota!

When new and expectant mothers apply for financial assistance, they not only receive help with rent or utilities, they also learn important financial literacy skills and receive parenting education. They gain support from a caring social worker and have opportunities to meet other new parents for support and community.

"This grant will give me time to get things in order and search for a job. I know I'll have somewhere safe to go and that my baby will be safe, too." ~ Jacqueline

If you prefer, mail your donation directly to Catholic Charities Baby Bottle Campaign, PO Box 379, Winona MN 55987 or give online at www.ccsommn.org/donate and designate donation to Baby Bottle Campaign in the notes section.

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

MARY JO COPELAND TRAILER: Open on Tuesday, Oct. 12th, from 5—7pm; Saturday, Oct. 16th, from 9—11 am.

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

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