

OCTOBER 10, 2021 | TWENTY-EIGHTH 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 12—OCT 17, 2021

<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	CS—Donald Frank
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	CS—Msgr. Francis Galles
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	CS—LeRoy & Catherine Starner
<u>Friday</u>	9:00am	Windom	CS—Al Purrington
<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	LeRoy & Catherine Starner/ Jeneva Nau
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	Ed J. Freking
	10:00am	Windom	Edward Grunewald

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:

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

Next Weekend's Readings:

Isaiah 53: 10-11; Hebrews 4: 14-16; Mark 10: 35-45 or 10: 42-45

Respect Life



PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

If we are truly in love with God, then the basics are not going to be enough. That love is going to want to be expressed in going above and beyond, in leaving the comfortable and familiar, in stretching and growing, and in following a voice other than our own. St. Teresa of Calcutta rightly instructs us that for “love to be real, it must cost, it must hurt, it must empty us of self.” Being in love with God requires more than just checking the boxes of the commandments. It requires a sincere and unconditional self-investment. Desiring God with our whole heart, mind, and soul means that I must also desire a relationship with my neighbor with that same degree of fervor.

Biases and prejudices usually occur when people are kept at a distance and treated as objects. We cannot truly know our neighbors, especially if they are different than us, if we keep them in boxes and do not listen to their stories. When we open ourselves to listen to another person’s story, we begin to realize more how similar we are than dissimilar. Being overly attached to our possessions, ideologies, agendas, lifestyles, and personal needs are absolute barriers to achieving the type of personal investment love demands. This is why following Christ can be difficult. It is less a matter of intellect and more a matter of heart and soul. It requires that we transfer our treasure from an investment in tangible secular things and move it into the Kingdom of God. It is only the gift of wisdom and discernment that can help us decide what to do and how to do it.

Contemporaries of Jesus would know that a camel could not enter through the portal of a city weighed down with the baggage it was carrying. In order to enter, the baggage must be removed so that the animal could fit through the entry way. The same is true for us. We carry a lot of excessive baggage around with us that keeps us tethered to our past histories, wounds, myopic world views, prejudices, fears, and suspicions. To invest ourselves in the Kingdom of God, do God’s work and live out our love relationship with God, we need to shed the extra weight. While it may seem that a lot of that stuff is necessary, it really is not. We are much more than the things that we think define us and more secure than we think. The more there is to hold on to and the more that we carry with us, the harder it will be to leave it all behind. Many choose not to and walk away sad because they are not ready to trust.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: *Go and sell what you have and give it to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven. Come and follow me. The rich young man left sad. How will we respond? (Mark 10: 17-30)*

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 October 16th & 17th

Brewster Saturday 5:00pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00am	Windom Sunday 10:00am
LECTOR	Marlys Olson Carmen Rasche	McKenna McNamara
CANTOR		Tom Zimmerman
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Donna Damm	Mary Benson
USHERS	John Wagner Larry Wagner Dennis Salentiny Ryan Haberman	Jean Hoppe Joan Schafer Gale Symens Patty Symens
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SACRISTANS		Sharon Jenniges Tim Jenniges
ROSARY	Marlys Olson	Mary Benson
BELLS		Braxton Brown



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W - \$410

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B -
HL - \$269
W - \$163

CHURCH SUPPORT

Category	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 14/52	\$ 1,365	\$ 2,172	\$ 2,958
YTD	\$ 15,461	\$ 38,444	\$ 37,148
Budget		55,013	
Total		\$ (16,569)	

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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If Heaven were like Harvard

There's no getting around it: life on earth can seem easier if you're rich. Most of the bodily and material needs a person could have are fulfilled if you've got a little bit of money behind you. So why doesn't this same theory apply to entering the kingdom of Heaven? Why isn't Heaven like an Ivy League school, where a connection and a hasty tuition check might open a lot of doors?

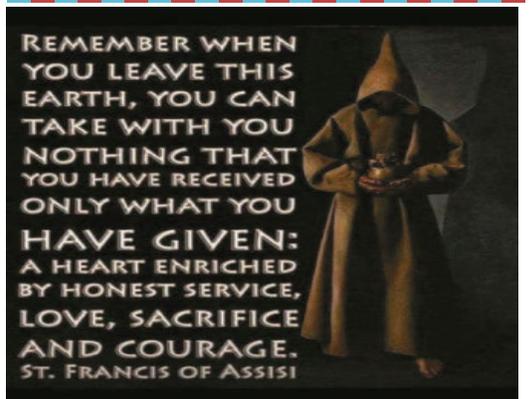
When you think about it, the virtues required to enter Heaven — things like charity and justice and courage — should be even closer within the grasp of those who never had to worry about where their food is coming from. In theory, your capacity for good works should only increase with the resources at your disposal.

The same is true for stewardship potential. Let's say I've got a lot of talent. Maybe I've got a lot of free time. On paper, it should be easier for me to give freely of these gifts, because I have the luxury that eluded the widow and her two coins: I can see my ample gift being put into action, when so many can only offer what they have and remind themselves that God sees it and appreciates it.

But here we get into the mess of humanity: if we have a lot of something, it means we have a lot of something we could use any way we want. And then we hear the whisper of the serpent: Think of what this (money, time, talent) could do for you.

May we pray for God to give us the heart of the widow, no matter our resources.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



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.

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 are up and running. 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 giving their time and talents to help our children grow in their faith.



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://sacredhearttheronlake.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 and then return it to the cradle in church entrance by Nov. 7th. Thank you for joining your CCW in supporting this 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.

Jason Gray Concert will be held **October 21st at 7:00 p.m. at the Jackson County Central High School Auditorium. This is a free Concert for families/ or students. If anyone needs a ride, contact Colleen Freking 507-329-0747 or LeAnn Salenty 507-360-3758.**

COMMUNION :

BY MOUTH: The front pews are reserved for parishioners who choose to receive the Eucharist by mouth. If you receive by mouth, PLEASE move to a front pew and the Eucharistic Minister will bring the Eucharist to you after everyone in line has been served. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated!

UNABLE TO GO TO THE FRONT: If you need to have the Eucharist brought to the back of the Church, please let one of the ushers know so they can alert the Eucharistic Ministers.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES have begun for another year. Thank you to our catechists, both new and old, who have agreed to use their time and talents to teach our children about Jesus and our Catholic faith. Please pray for our students and catechists that they may have a successful and rewarding year.

OCTOBER CENSUS is underway once again. A head count will be taken every Sunday in October. Every person counts! Please be here!

2021 BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN has begun. Empty baby bottles are available at the church entrances. Please take one, fill with your spare change, and return by November 7th. 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. Thank you for your support.

RAFFLE WINNERS are posted on the bulletin boards in the Church entries. Prizes may be picked up in the office. Check front page for office hrs.

LOST AND FOUND:

BLUE ROSARY in small plastic blue holder.

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.

RED JACKET Hanging in the Church hall.

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.

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Respect Life

Both men and women of all ages have become entangled in the lies and pain of pornography use and even addiction, which has devastating effects on the user and his or her spouse and family.

It is important that those who are using pornography and those that are affected by a spouse's use receive the support and healing that they need. To learn more, see www.foryourmarriage.org. Click on **For Your Marriage**, then **Overcoming Obstacles and then Pornography** for articles and resources. Another great resource is through the Diocese of Winona. Go to www.dowr.org, then Marriage, Life, & Family, and lastly, Men's Ministries.

POSITION OPENING:

Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake is seeking a Parish Administrator. 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 November 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

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: --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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Unbound Prayer Day: Find Freedom in Christ, October 16, 9am-3pm, St. Charles Borromeo Church. Do you feel stuck in your spiritual life? Do you have difficulty forgiving? Do you sense you are blocked from receiving God's love? God created you for freedom. Unbound prayer helps you pray for it! Diocese of Winona-Rochester Unbound ministry directors Dcn. John and Nancy Hust will be giving a talk on "the five keys" of Unbound prayer ministry through the day, and help people pray for deeper joy and freedom in Jesus Christ. Those attending will have the option to receive prayer through trained teams on site and by appointment afterward, if they wish.

No cost but there will be a free will offering onsite for the lunch. More info/register here: <https://www.dowr.org/offices/missionary-discipleship/unbound.html>

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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