

JULY 31, 2022 | 18TH 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 - AUG 2–AUG 7, 2022

<u>Tues</u>	5:30 pm	Windom	+Greg Schoborg
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	+Dorothy K. Benda
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	+Laurie Haberman
<u>Friday</u>	9:00am	Windom	+Msgr. Francis Galles
<u>Sat.</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	+Leroy & Catherine Starner
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	+Marion Freking
<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	+Ray & Lorraine Anderson

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.

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

- An end to Abortion
- Healthcare, Law Enforcement & Emergency Personnel
- Shirley Fisher
- Joan Bregel
- Dennis Haberman
- Tammy Ahlers
- Judy Kass
- Ginger (Henkels) Oloughlin
- Jill Freking
- Marilyn Fest
- Jim Salenty
- Jim Stenzel
- Sogge Home Residents
- Residents of Mikkelsen Manor, Remick Ridge, Pine View Assisted Living

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This Week's Readings:

Ecclesiastes 1: 2; 2: 21-23; Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11;
 Luke 12: 13-21

Next Weekend's Readings:

Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12;
 Luke 12: 32-48 or 12: 35-40



| Weekly Gospel Meditation

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

What makes us feel secure? Many people look to tangible forms of security that will safeguard their livelihood and prepare for their future. We tend to associate security with things: the accumulation of goods and possessions, retirement funds, savings accounts, and substantial incomes. While acquiring these promises a life with less anxiety and worry, we actually find ourselves more preoccupied and consumed with their growth and preservation. We worry more! We can easily become quasi-hoarders, consumed with obtaining more tangible crutches. Our minds and hearts are always restless, and we never seem to be at peace.

Why do we so easily give our self-worth, value, and sense of security over to things? God certainly does not deny us the pursuit of a productive and enjoyable life but where do we draw the line? A sense of well-being and happiness can easily get deferred to sometime "in the future" while we continue to wrestle with the toils of today. There is no guarantee that there will be an earthly tomorrow and all of the frenzy we bring to securing our state in life will be for naught. When we are called from this world, will we even know where to begin to look for the tranquility and repose our souls so desperately need?

We cannot be hoarders, pursuers of vanity, or greedy. They just don't work as they are too dependent on things that can fall apart. Rather than always feeling the need for more, we need to learn how to be grateful for what we have. By learning to look inward we can learn how to live lives of faithful service to others. "Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward and learning to enjoy whatever life has, and this requires transforming greed into gratitude (St. John Chrysostom)." We all need to be good stewards of what has been entrusted to our care. Grateful hearts recognize the true source of what we have and realize that our true treasure lies not in what matters to us but to God.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Grow rich in the sight of the Lord. Pray to know God's will. (Luke 12:13-21)

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.



Gospel Differences

Question:

Why do the Gospels differ in their details? I was surprised to learn that not all of the Gospels tell the same stories, for example, the Nativity. Doesn't this take away from their credibility?

Answer:

Take any event that happens, from family trips to national politics and ask two or three different people to explain what happened. You will get a different version of the same story. People tend to tell the story from their perspective, and past experience shades what we recall and how we recall it. Our choice of words and what details we leave in or out is also influenced by the audience who is listening to our tales.

The Gospel writers are no different. Each one tells the story of Jesus from their own perspective. Versions differ in some details, not because one is true and the other is not, but because each Gospel writer, or Evangelist, has a different theological point to communicate as well as a different audience for whom he is writing. He picks and chooses the details of his Gospel based on what message he is preaching, what his audience may already know, and what message they need to hear. The various details of the Gospels point more to their authenticity as a record of the church's experience and understanding of Jesus. In a good study Bible, the background notes for each Gospel contain a lot of information that helps us better understand each Evangelist and his message.

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - August 7, 2022

Brewster Sunday 5:00pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Nathan Madsen Evan Madsen	Josie DeWall Jorgia DeWall
LECTOR	Andrea Christoffer Judy Stenzel	Rita Hacker
CANTOR		Mary Theesfeld
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Andrea Christoffer	Mary Brown
USHERS	Marsha Edwards Alan Freking John Wagner Mark Fest	Serge Etse Rod Theesfeld John Zschetzche Tom Zimmerman
CONTRIBUTIONS	Kevin Leopold Collette Leopold Mark Haberman	John Duscher Betty Thiner Lenny Thiner
SACRISTANS		Jackie Jurgens Vicki Ommen
ROSARY	Judy Anderson Marsha Edwards	Mary Benson
VIDEO STREAMNG		Gale Symens

FRANCISAN MISSIONS-INDIA

B \$ 441
HL \$ 1178
W \$ 1518

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL 2022

Parish Goal \$ Received From # of Parishioners

SFX-W	\$14,463	\$10,246	50
SH-HL	9,912	10,620	27
SH-B	6,256	3,405	16

CHURCH SUPPORT

	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 04/52	\$ 1,176	\$ 566	\$ 1,668
YTD	\$4,953	\$ 4,749	\$ 5,437
Budget		\$	
Total		\$	



Priests for Life invites every Christian to say the following prayer each day for an end to abortion. The prayer emphasizes our personal commitment to speak and act on behalf of the unborn child. Rather than simply asking God to do something, it acknowledges that God wants to accomplish His will through us.:

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life,
And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.

I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion,
Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death
by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.

Today I commit myself
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,
Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement,



One 'Hail Mary' said
with a loving heart
has the power to
stop wars, bring
nature into harmony
with God's plan,
convert an unbeliever
save a vocation,
deliver a soul from purgatory,
and change the future forever.

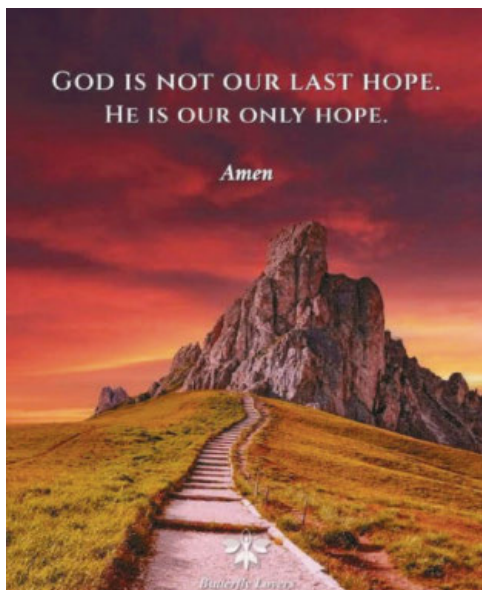
INSIDE OUR PARISHES

BREWSTER

SURVEYS have been mailed out to all parishioners, regarding our attendance and your opinions on other subjects concerning our Church. There is a stamped self-addressed envelope for you to return the survey. These surveys are anonymous, no signatures are added. It is up to ALL PARISHIONERS to make sure our parish sustains its viability. We can't do it without everyone's participation. There is also a survey on the web that you can fill out at <https://s.surveyplanet.com/ohwo6jxk>, instead of the survey that was mailed to you. This survey is not the same, but similar. Whichever you choose, please do fill it out. We ask you to send the survey back to our Church by August 1st. Thank you for your cooperation.

THANK YOU to everyone who has donated to the 2022 Catholic Ministries Appeal. The CMA is a primary source of funding to help sustain and expand ministries in the parishes, Catholic schools, Newman Centers, Catholic Charities and programs and departments of the diocesan church. 16 families have donated for a total of \$3405. Our goal is \$6256. Please help make our goal, by donating to this necessary appeal.

NEEDED—Bus Drivers in the Round Lake - Brewster area. If interested, please call Lamar at Palmer Bus Service at 507-329-5878.



HERON LAKE

CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS STEAK FRY is scheduled for Wednesday, August 10th at 5:00 PM in the Church School. Please call Kevin Leopold 793-2894 or Dennis Salentiny 360-1910 to reserve a steak. Ribeye steaks will be served with a \$5 donation with burgers available, as well. Thank you!

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY TO CLETUS FREKING. Please join the family in celebrating Cletus in the Church Hall after Mass on today.

COFFEE & ROLLS will be served on Sunday, August 7th in the Church Hall with a short presentation by the **Finance Council** on the restoration of the church roof.

LITURGICAL ROLES for August and September now available to pick up on tables in church entrance.

FLOWER DONATIONS APPRECIATED: If you have flowers from your gardens or wish to purchase and donate flowers for altar décor throughout the summer months, please contact Sara Bartosh or Mackenzie Erickson. Thank you!

DON'T FORGET TO RSVP for the Centennial Celebration on Sunday, August 21st, 2022. There will be coffee and rolls from 8-9:30, church tours from 8-10 Mass by the Bishop at 10:30, and a meal to follow at Heron Lake Community Center. The catered dinner at the community center is complimentary courtesy of the Centennial Celebration fundraising. We ask that everyone who is planning on coming RSVP so we know how many to plan on for the meal. There are sheets available in the back of the church to RSVP. Thank you!

RAFFLE TICKETS for a beautiful quilt made by Delores Pelzel for the Centennial Celebration have been mailed out. Please return by August 21st.

WE ARE COLLECTING church memorabilia to have on display during the Centennial Celebration. If you have any photos or items that you would like to share, please contact Mackenzie Erickson.

FYI: There are green folding chairs in storage looking for a new home. If interested, please contact the church office.

WINDOM

THE FALL FESTIVAL is coming up soon. Now is a good time to start putting items aside for the White Elephant sale.

PLEASE RETURN your survey by August 13th. If you did not receive a survey in the mail, please pick one up from the table in the hall OR go to <https://s.surveyplanet.com/xkok1fm1> and complete the survey on-line. The survey is completely anonymous and the results will be shared once they are tabulated. This is your chance to voice your concerns or let us know what you like about our Church. Thank you!

Serge Etse's asylum interview has been scheduled for August 2 at 1:45 p.m. in Omaha. Serge fled persecution in his home country of Togo in July, 2021. He only left his country when his government attempted to take his life. Please keep Serge in your prayers that he may be granted asylum and finally be able to bring his family here.

THANK YOU to the Windom Knights of Columbus for sponsoring and serving the hamburger/hotdog potluck dinner at St Francis Xavier on Sunday July 24th for Braxton Brown as he makes preparations for a going off to seminary prep school.

THANK YOU to the Windom Knights of Columbus for their time and labor in trimming bushes & trees along with other minor tasks at the St Francis Xavier Cemetery on Tuesday, July 26th.

START PLANNING now so you can help at the Knight's of Columbus food stand at the Cottonwood Co. Fair, Aug. 10-13. Your help is greatly appreciated!

PLEASE CONSIDER volunteering to host coffee and rolls. We need hosts for August and September.

IF YOU ARE OR YOU KNOW of anyone who is having a birthday or anniversary, please let Pat know so it can be added to the announcements.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

Respect Life – Save the Date!

The 10th annual National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children will be Saturday, September 10th across the country. Especially now that *Roe v. Wade* has been overturned, our country must continue to mourn the millions of children killed by abortion as we work state by state to extend legal protection to children in the womb. Visiting these gravesites and memorial markers also offers hope and healing to women who have had abortions and people who have been hurt by abortion such as fathers and grandparents who were never allowed to grieve the death of a child hurt by abortion.

This is sponsored nationally by *Priests for Life*, *Pro-Life Action League* and *Citizens for a Pro-Life Society*. For locations of gravesites and more information, see www.nationaldayofremembrance.org.

EUCCHARISTIC RETREAT: The Witness of the Eucharist retreat is open to all Catholic adults and will be held August 5-7 at IHM Seminary in Winona. It will focus on how the Lord "witnesses" to us in the Eucharist, and how the Eucharist is a source for our own witness. Fr. Jonathan Fasnacht and Dr. Susan Windley-Daoust are co-leaders. Registration is open and space is limited! \$110 for the weekend (room and board), or \$60 for commuters. Please register by July 25th.

"I am reaching out to share about an event called Vatican Unveiled that is happening up here in Duluth this August 19th-21st. Stella Maris and Star of the North Maternity Home are teaming up to exhibit the largest papal artifact collection outside of the Vatican. There will be some really amazing items on display like acacia wood from the original chair of St. Peter, JP II's chasuble from WYD in Denver, conclave seals, and so much more. We will even have items from notable saints, Catholic theologians, and Swiss Guard gear.

The display will be open at the DECC (The Duluth Entertainment Convention Center) from 9am - 5pm on August 19th-20th and 10am - 4pm on the 21st. There will also be special events including daily seminars from the curator, Father Rich Kunst, on how he procured his collection. There is also a VIP event on the 19th with a talk from Pawn Stars, Mark Hall-Patton.

It really is going to be an extraordinary event that explores the history of the church and the effects that each Pope had in history. Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions or concerns feel free to call the Stella Maris High School at (218)-724-6201 or email us at hello@vaticanunveiled.com " Veronica Hunder, Administrative Assistant, Stella Maris Academy

OFFICE POSITION OPENING:

St. Francis Xavier Church in Windom is seeking a Parish Office Administrator. Must be a practicing Catholic, have basic computer knowledge including Microsoft programs, and be willing to work in an office setting. The office is located at 532 17th St., Windom, MN. A job application may be obtained from the Church office or by calling 507-831-1985. Send resume and credentials to St. Francis Xavier Church, PO Box 39, Windom, MN 56101 by October 28, 2022.

Everyday Stewardship

There are times in our lives that we get the chance to see a glimpse of heaven. It may be through the love of another, loved one or stranger. Sometimes it may even be an event that seems unexplainable, perhaps even supernatural. These occurrences may be the answer to prayer or they may surprise us by coming out of nowhere. But no matter their nature or origin, they give us hope and strength to carry on through life.

When we journey on a pathway of stewardship, we are bound to experience moments of grace where we see even the smallest seeds we planted grow into something amazing. At these moments, we are reminded that God is real and that our stewardship is not in vain. The giving of our gifts and talents is not just a response to God's calling. The giving is one way that God breaks through into the lives of others. As we use what God has given us for his glory, he uses us as instruments of grace to be truly present to others.

The greatest example of this occurs at the Mass. Through the hands of an ordained priest taking the gifts of bread and wine, God is really present with us. When we then take Christ into our bodies, we accept the offer to take him into the world to others. The world cannot see Jesus in us with human eyes, but through our works of stewardship, they can see Jesus in us. One could say they even have a chance to see a glimpse of heaven.

Join us for the Centennial Celebration of Sacred Heart Church – Heron Lake

Sunday, August 21, 2022
Celebration of Mass - 10:30 AM
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