

AUGUST 14, 2022 | 20TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY



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



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MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - AUG 16- AUG 21, 2022

<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	+Donald Frank
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	+George Pluard
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	+Mary Ellen Kelly
<u>Friday</u>	9:00am	Windom	+Thomas Brown
<u>Sat.</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	+MaryAnne McNab
<u>Sun</u>	10:30am	Heron Lake	+Rodney Miranowski
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Windom	+Nancy Reinitz

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
- Shirley Fisher
- Pat Lund
- 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

This Week's Readings:

Jeremiah 38: 4-6, 8-10; Hebrews 12: 1-4; Luke 12: 49-53

Next Weekend's Readings:

Isaiah 66: 18-21; Psalm 117: 1,2; Luke 13: 22-30



PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Following Jesus sometimes means being rejected by others. Speak an encouraging word this week to someone you know who is trying to follow Jesus through the fire. Say a prayer for those who are discerning a call to priesthood or religious life. (Luke 12: 49-53)

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.



A Steward's Growing Pains

Have you ever written a check or seen the charge on the credit card machine that had far too many zeros on it for your comfort?

The brakes finally give up on the car you were hoping to nurse through the season. The water heater dies on the coldest week of the year. A medical procedure wasn't totally covered by insurance. We've all been here in this place, being asked to part with a not-so-small sum of money for a not-so-fun reason.

It's a little easier to bear when you're forking over dollar signs for a fun vacation or even a worthy cause like your child's education. But when it's something you weren't expecting, something negative, that uneasiness in the pit of your stomach can quickly become despair.

The next time this happens to you, embrace it. Celebrate it. Wrap your arms around it and welcome it as a growing pain.

We are often asked, in life, to give more than we wish. Our loved ones demand greater patience than we think we have. Our prayer life is stalling, and we feel God isn't holding up His end of the communication bargain. The daily grind seems to be grinding us down. We feel that uneasiness in the pit of our stomach, just as we do when we part with money we thought belonged solely to us.

That place of uncertainty propels us in life, in stewardship, in relationship. All forward motion comes from that feeling. Put out your hands and let yourself be thrust into the pit — He will stoop to take you out from the mud. Spread your arms on your cross — joy is waiting for you.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - August 21, 2022

Brewster Sunday 5:00pm	Heron Lake Sunday 10:30 am	Windom Sunday 8:00 am
SERVERS	Joseph Bartosh Thomas Bartosh Braeden Erickson	Rogan Brown Marcus Hoppe
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ROSARY	Pat Bonnell Burt Bonnell	Mary Benson
VIDEO STREAMNG		Jamie Symens



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	3,605	18

CHURCH SUPPORT

	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 06/52	\$1,435	\$ 2,283	\$2,576
YTD	\$8,469	\$15,900	\$8,013
Budget		\$	
Total		\$	

FUNERALS

Eternal rest grant unto

Charles "Chuck" Henry Pelzel died on July 6, 2022. A funeral Mass was held on Friday, August 5th at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Heron Lake with burial at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Heron Lake.

Norma Joan Liepold died on July 25, 2022. A funeral Mass was held on Saturday, August 6th at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Heron Lake with burial at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Heron Lake.

May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.
We remember their loved ones in prayer.



The Assumption: A Sign of Hope

Is the resurrection a concept or reality? For many of us, the resurrection of the dead may be a stray idea recite in the Nicene Creed. Heaven we discuss. But resurrection? The feast of the Assumption is a reminder to us that heaven gets even better! We pray that the souls of the faithful departed would soon be united to God in heaven. The truth is, the separation between our souls and our bodies was not God's original plan for things. It's one of the results of the Fall, of original sin. At the end of time and Jesus' second coming, our bodies and souls will be reunited. Lest we forget, Mary's Assumption is the reminder. Today, we celebrate that Mary is enjoying what we, too, hope to participate in — complete joy in heaven with our God, experienced body and soul. Today and every day, let's pray for those who have died and that we may meet them again in the heavenly kingdom.



INSIDE OUR PARISHES

BREWSTER

MEETINGS:

CCW MEETING—Tues., Aug. 16th at 7:00pm. Please plan to attend.

FINANCE AND PASTORAL COUNCILS will meet on Thurs., Aug. 25th, beginning with the Pastoral at 6:30 PM and the Finance at 7 PM.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY WISHES to Bev Damm. May God's love and grace give her comfort and peace.

THE CHILDREN'S OFFERTORY is beginning again. Please have your children come forward at offertory time and put the donations in the basket that Father Pratap will be holding. Thank you.

SACRED HEART BREWSTER congratulates Sacred Heart Heron Lake on the celebration of their 100 years of proclaiming their faith and building the Kingdom of God. We pray that your church will continue to grow in the presence of our Lord, in wisdom and grace.

PLEASE MAIL IN your survey if you haven't done so yet. Your opinions and comments are vital for the Church to serve you. Thank you.

WE NEED YOUR support for the 2022 Catholic Ministry. Our goal is \$6256, and we have received \$3605 with 18 donations. Please send in your donation to help the necessary programs in our diocese and rural churches.

THANK YOU to Pam Clarke for again planting the flowers outside of the Church and to Mary Hartlep for watering them so diligently. They beautifully adorn the entrance.

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

HERON LAKE

DON'T FORGET ABOUT 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.

GOD'S BLESSINGS to George & Collette Diemer of Sacred Heart, Heron Lake, as they celebrated 50 years of marriage June 24th of this year. The family is hosting an open house event on Saturday, August 27th from 4-7PM at the family farm. Please join them in sharing memories of the past and creating new ones. No gifts please – they have 50+ years of treasures accumulated and your presence would be the greatest gift.

SACRED HEART PARISH in Heron Lake is looking for someone who is willing to teach Faith Formation Classes for grades 5th & 6th. If you or someone you know would do so please contact Judy Stenzel at judystenzel13@yahoo.com or 507-360-2049.

A BOX OF JOY may be the only Christmas gift a 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 to the rectory by October 14th. A list of gift item suggestions & instructions can be found next to the boxes in church entrance. The postage will be paid by CCW.

WINDOM

MASS TIME CHANGE—SUNDAY, 8 / 21
ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH—8 AM
SACRED HEART CHURCH, HERON LAKE—10:30 AM

PLEASE COMPLETE and return the form for the Parish Fall Bazaar asap. The raffle tickets need to be ordered soon.

IF YOU HAVEN'T DONATED to the Catholic Ministry Appeal, please consider doing so. Our goal is for this year is \$14,463. 50 families have donated \$10,246. Thank you to everyone who has donated so far.

WE WILL BE putting a new Liturgical Ministry list together soon. If you are interested in serving in a liturgical role, please let Pat know. If you want to be removed from the list, please let Pat know that also.

THE FAMILY ROOM is once again available if you need to take your child out of church. The streaming equipment has been moved to another room.

REMINDER: There is a box in the Church hall entry for donations of non-perishable items for the Sharing Center (Food Shelf). Please, no outdated items.

HAPPY 55TH ANNIVERSARY to Sam and Ginny Hill on their 55th Anniversary on August 17th.

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.

FOR SALE: 3 Epson Printers, work well, purchased August, 2018. Can be seen in the office during work hours. Make an offer.

COFFEE AND ROLLS will be hosted by Dave and Judy Green family following Mass today. The coffee and rolls have been donated by Donna Dewanz in honor of her 92nd birthday. Everyone is welcome.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

WELCOME TO OUR NEW BISHOP ROBERT BARRON, INSTALLED ON JULY 29, 2022. AND BEST WISHES TO BISHOP JOHN QUINN ON RETIREMENT.



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AT RECEPTION IN HONOR OF BRAXTON,
WHO LEFT FOR SAINT JOSE SANCHEZ DEL RIO
MINOR SEMINARY IN MANKATO THIS PAST WEEKEND,
AUGUST 8TH. PLEASE KEEP BRAXTON IN YOUR
PRAYERS AS HE BEGINS HIS JOURNEY TO FOLLOW
GOD'S WILL.

Respect Life – Save the Date

September 10: *National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children* at St. Mary's Cemetery from 10:00 am to 11:00 am. For information on a location near you, see www.abortionmemorials.com.

September 28 – November 6: *40 Days for Life*: across the country and world! Over 21,989 lives saved since 2007! Documented). See www.40daysforlife.com for a location near you.

October 2 – Respect Life Sunday and *National Life Chain*: 2:00 – 3:15 pm. New location, details to come. For general information, see www.lifechain.net.

October 15: *Public Rosary Rally* for our country, near Anniversary of *Miracle of the Sun!* Noon to 1:00 pm, details to come.

MASS TIME CHANGES:

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21st—ST FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH—8 AM
SACRED HEART CHURCH, HERON LAKE—10:30 AM

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.

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The Diocese of Winona-Rochester, in recognition and gratitude of your years of marriage, requests the honor of your presence at the Diocesan Marriage Anniversary Mass: Sunday, August 28, 2022. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will take place at two o'clock in the afternoon at St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1315 12th Avenue NW Rochester, MN 55901, followed by a Light Reception including the presentation of Anniversary Certificates. Family and friends are encouraged to attend! Register AT <https://www.dow-r.org/event-details>

Help local children in need start the school year by providing school supplies! Heron Lake Caring Connections Facebook Group is Collecting School Supplies! We are looking for donations of school supplies for 40 children that we serve from families in need from the Heron Lake/Okabena Area. Drops off your donated items by August 25th at:

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