MARCH 12, 2023 | THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT







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 - MARCH 14-19, 2023

<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	+Leo & Arlene Bartosh	
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	+George Pluard	
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	Bev Damm	
<u>Friday</u>	9:00am	Windom	+Ed Grunewald	
<u>Sat.</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	+Sylvester & Loralie Schmitz	
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	+Joe & Alice Salentiny	
<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	+Gail Barlow	

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO MASSES: Brewster— Thurs. and Sat.; Heron Lake —Wed. and Sun.; Windom—Tues. 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. <u>If you prefer it be rescheduled</u>, please let Father or your respective parish office know.

Tri Parish Prayer Intentions:

Submit Intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Margaret Juhnke
- Miguel Angel Esquivel
- Dennis Haberman
- Jill Freking
- Jim Salentiny
- Jim Stenzel
- Residents of Mikkelsen Manor, Remick Ridge, Pine View Assisted Living, Residents of Lakeview Assisted Living
- For the souls in purgatory
- For an end to abortion
- For the victims of war in Ukraine

PARISH PRIEST

Fr. Pratap Reddy Salibindla, OFM 548 17th St., P. O. Box 39, Windom, MN 56101 Cell: 507-226-4536 E-mail: triparishpriestjuly2018@gmail.com/

BREWSTER OFFICE:

Loretta Smith: Office Administrator Phone: 507-842-5584 Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30AM-4:30PM E-Mail: sacreds@centurytel.net Molly Scheidt: FF Coordinator E-mail: sacredheartbrewsterff@gmail.com

HERON LAKE OFFICE:

Melanie Krumbach: Office Administrator Phone: 507-793-2357 Hours: Tuesday-Thursday, 8:30AM-4:30PM E-mail: hlsacredheart@gmail.com Website: http://sacredheartheronlake.org Judy Stenzel: FF Coordinator E-mail: sacredhlff@yahoo.com FB: SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

WINDOM OFFICE:

Judy Green: Office Administrator Phone: 507-831-1985 Hours: Monday–Thursday, 9:00AM–3:00PM E-mail: stfxavier@windomnet.com Website: www.sfxwindom.org Katelin Brown: FF Coordinator E-mail: stfrancisff@gmail.com

This week's readings: Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2,5-8; John 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42 Next week's readings: 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14; John 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



| Weekly Gospel Meditation

3rd Sunday of Lent

When I became the pastor of a large parish, I soon found myself, for the first time in my life, riddled with anxiety, headaches, difficulty making decisions, and fatigue. I called a therapist friend and told her my symptoms and asked if she thought I needed a serious medical exam. She said, "How much water do you drink?" I told her, "I haven't had time to drink water lately." She responded, "You're chronically dehydrated. Drink eighty-five ounces a day and call me in a week." I started guzzling water and in a week all my symptoms went away. I felt great.

Like me, the people in the Exodus wanderings were dehydrated. But unlike me, they knew it. Their symptoms were bad. They fight with each other. They accuse God of being a monster who wants them and their children to die of thirst. Their thirst drives them to plot the bloody assassination of the man who rescued them. God responds by using Moses to strike a rock from which rivers of living waters flow to quench their thirst for years to come.

The Holy Spirit is the living water of love which flows from the pierced side of Jesus, the new Moses. What symptoms in your life suggest you're spiritually dehydrated? Anger at God? Cynicism at your leaders? Bitter rivalry and bickering with others? Don't panic. Of course we have those symptoms. Ask God to provide his water to quench your spiritual thirst, and he will. And all those symptoms will soon disappear.

— Father John Muir

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: No bucket? Deep well? The gifts of the living water of the spirit are yours! Jesus is the living water. Drink from that deep well; hear the good news of salvation. (John 4:5-42)

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.



The 6 Characteristics of an Everyday Stewardship for Lent - Grateful

Happy Birthday! It may or may not be your birthday now, but I know it will be coming up at some point. I hope you receive many cool presents and get to spend quality time with friends and family. On special days like birthdays, Christmas, and anniversaries, it is good to celebrate. After all, we need some fun and celebration in our lives.

But what about the day after? Presents remain, but the presence of others may be over, and it is back to the daily grind. Yesterday, you were filled with gratitude. You hold the memory of yesterday still close so that fuels you for the day. However, how about 2, 3, or 4 days from then? The truth is that many joys in this life cannot stay with us forever. They belong to a certain place in time. We will have our memories, yet those thoughts will never be a suitable substitute for the real thing.

There is one joy that remains throughout all our days: the joy we find in Jesus. What he gives us does not fade. The amazing thing about what he offers us is that it also provides a lens through which we see all things. Now we can see the smallest reasons to be grateful. We no longer have a life where we go from one celebration to another with the ordinary in between. All life and time are extraordinary! All gifts, great and small, are precious. This offering seems too good to be true, so what's the catch? Like all gifts given to us, for the gift to have meaning, we must be willing to receive it. The choice is yours. You can live in the ordinary, or you can revel in the extraordinary, now and forever.

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - March 19, 2023

Brewster Saturday 5:00pn	Heron I Sunday	_ake 7 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS		Erickson n Erickson	Rogan Brown Jorgia DeWall
LECTOR	Diana N Carmer	ladsen 1 Rasche	Candace Riordan
CANTOR			Mary Theesfeld
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Saman Vandel		Deb Mau
USHERS	Katie Ja Marty H	Janssen anssen Ienkels Ienkels	Gale Symens Patti Symens Michael Bregel Tom Riordan
CONTRIBUTIONS	Rhonda	Damm a Damm .eopold	Betty or Lenny Thiner Elaine Tasler
SACRISTANS			Tim and Sharon Jenniges
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Total

Budget

\$55,393

FUNERALS

Eternal rest grant unto

Ferdinand "Ferdie" Haberman passed away on February 21, 2023 and his funeral was held on February 27, 2023 at Sacred Heart Brewster.

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William "Willie" Kaufman, who passed away on February 24. A funeral service was held on Friday, March 3rd at Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake.

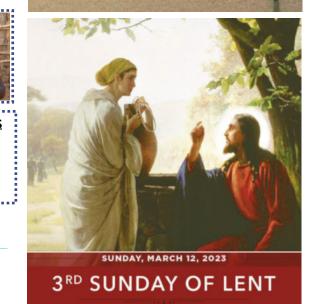
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen. We remember all of their loved ones in prayer.

REST IN PEACE

PRAYER FOR THE SOULS OF THE DEPARTED

Almighty Eternal God, in Your fatherly goodness, be kind to the soul of Your servant, (Name). Cleanse him/her whom You have called from this world of all his/her faults, take him/her into the Realm of Light and Peace and into the Community of Your Saints, and give him/her his/her share of Eternal Delight in Your Kingdom. God, You Creator and Saviour of all the faithful, forgive all the sins of all Your servants' souls. Let them receive forgiveness through our pious prayer, for which they have always been yearning. For this we pray

through Jesus, Our Lord. Amen.



Jesus answered and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." - Jn 4:10

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\$78,130

INSIDE OUR PARISHES HERON LAKE

BREWSTER

AS WE CONTINUE our Lenten journey with Christ, join us on Tuesday, March 14th, beginning at 6:00 pm. The rosary will be prayed, followed by the readings of the day and a meal served by the Leadership Commission. Please join us.

MEETINGS: Pastoral Council will meet at 6:30 PM and Finance Council at 7 PM on Thursday, March 15th.

FR PRATAP WILL HEAR CONFESS-SION for the Faith Formation Students, grades 2-6 and their parents on Wed., March 15th beginning at 6:30.

WE ARE IN NEED OF Communion ministers, lectors and ushers. Please become an essential minister of the Mass. Contact Loretta. Thank you.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to take part in the **NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIV-AL**. Our diocese will be offering opportunities to deepen our love for the Eucharistic Lord. Our parish contact is Bev McCarvel. She will be leading us with opportunities on how to renew and heal ourselves and the United States.

PLEASE REMEMBER to sign up for the HOLY LAND & JORDAN TOUR. The tour is scheduled for Sept. 18-29, 2023. The deadline to sign up is June 20th.

WHEN SCHOOL IS LATE OR CLOSED, there will be no Thurs. morning mass. Announcements for the 5:00 Sat. night Mass cancellation will be on the Worthington radio stations and the Sacred Heart Facebook page. When FF classes are cancelled, Molly will put this announcement on the Sacred Heart FF Facebook page.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE RICE BOWLS are available at the entrances of the Church. Your donations will help support local and global hunger and poverty. Please use them.



MEETINGS: Pastoral Council will meet at 6 PM and the Finance Council will meet at 6:45 PM on Thursday, March 23rd.

COFFEE AND ROLLS: Coffee and rolls will be served by Mary Olsem & Sandy Madsen on Sunday, March 19.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be led by the 7th/8th grade students on Wednesday, March 15th at 7 PM. There will not be Mass. FF classes will meet immediately after Stations.

CONFESSION for Faith Formation children will be Wednesday, March 22nd beginning at 6:30 PM. First Reconciliation will be Saturday, March 25th starting at 11 AM.

DITTY BAGS: Please participate in this worthwhile CCW Lenten project, helping the less fortunate with the list of personal hygiene items attached to the bag. Filled ditty bags should be returned to the tubs at church by Palm Sunday, April 2nd.

GROWING IN FAITH: The Southwest Area Council of Catholic Women invite you to attend Growing In Faith on Saturday, April 1, 2023. RSVP's are due by March 20, 2023. Registration sheets available in church entrance. Sacred Heart will pay the registration fee for any CCW member that signs up to attend.

EVERYONE IS INVITED to take part in the **NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL** Our diocese will be offering opportunities to deepen our love for the Eucharistic Lord. Please see the bulletin boards for information about registration. Early registration is available until March 31st. Please see our parish contact John Stenzel if you have any questions.

FAITH FORMATION Lenten project will include each family taking a Rice Bowl home for their donations. Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl is a Lenten Almsgiving Program to support their work in over 100 countries each year. 25% of donations to the Rice Bowl stay in the local diocese, supporting hunger and poverty alleviation efforts. The other 75% benefits those suffering overseas. Please support project Rice Bowl; you may also use the envelope available in your packets.

WINDOM

HOLY LAND & JORDAN TOUR—If you are planning to take part in the tour, please sign up as soon as possible. The deadline to sign up is June 20th. The tour is scheduled for Sept. 18—29, 2023.

PLEASE SEE THE BULLETIN BOARD in the Church Entries for information about registration for the EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL. See Judy Green for early registration which is until 03/31.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR Good Friday and Easter Sunday Liturgical Ministries Roles. Sign up sheets are in the main church entry.

WINDOM ECUMENICAL LENTEN SERVICES are continuing to be held at the 1st Presbyterian Church at noon on March 15, 22 and 29. Please join for service followed by lunch.

"NO GREATER LOVE" MOVIE SERIES will be presented in the church hall at 6:15 pm on Tuesdays during Lent from Feb 28th—March 28th. For more information, contact Katelin Brown.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be Wednesday, March 15, 22, 29 and April 5th at 6:30 pm.

LENTEN SUPPERS Wednesdays, March 15, and 22. 5:30—6:30 pm in the parish Hall.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS meet March 14th at 7:00pm

RICE BOWLS have been placed at the church entrances. Please use these to collect money during lent and utilize the Rice Bowl Envelope in your Church Offering Packet.

On March 19th, members of the LIT-TLE PORTION SECULAR FRANCIS-CAN FRATERNITY FROM MARSHALL. Minnesota will be at the 10 am Mass at St. Francis Xavier. Secular Franciscans are members of the Franciscan family who have the vocation to follow Christ by following the example of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis himself began this lay order over 800 years ago. At that time men were joining him in a holy life separate from the world, and those men later became the Order of Friars Minor (Fr. Pratap is a priest of the OFM). Please attend Coffee and Rolls after Mass on Sunday, March 19th to learn more about the Little Portion Secular Franciscan Fraternity

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NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

Members of the LITTLE PORTION SECULAR FRANCISCAN FRATERNITY from Marshall, Minnesota will be at the 10 am Mass at St. Francis Xavier, on March 19th and invite those interested in knowing more about the Secular Franciscans to visit with them after Mass. Secular Franciscans are members of the Franciscan family who have the vocation to follow Christ by following the example of St. Francis of Assisi. St. Francis himself began this lay order over 800 years ago. At that time men were joining him in a holy life separate from the world, and those men later became the Order of Friars Minor (Fr. Pratap is a priest of the OFM). Women came to live a cloistered life with St. Clare of Assisi, and this order is now known as the Poor Clares. But laypersons who couldn't leave their families and stations in society also came to St. Francis and asked for a rule of life. And so, the Secular Franciscans (third Order) was born and continues to this day. Please join us on Sunday the 19th to learn more about this particular path of faith for laypersons to "bring life to the gospel, and the gospel to life". Brochures with more information will be available at the parishes of the cluster.

UPCOMING ENGAGING IN-PERSON OPPORTUNITIES TO WORK AND PRAY FOR.

<u>Adoration</u>: Join us on the First Fridays from January to May any time from 9 A.M.– 4 P.M. at the Capitol in the Governor's Dining Room. In April, Adoration will take place on the 14th due to Good Friday. Pray for our legislators and state to promote the common good. (Next opportunity, April 7, 2023).

<u>Capitol Thursdays</u>: Happening on the second and fourth Thursday of each month from 10:00-11:30 AM. You'll learn to advocate for policies that pursue a consistent ethic of life, have a Capitol tour, and meet with your legislators. (Next opportunity March 23, 2023).

JUNE 10TH, IN MANKATO, MN. EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL. For more information, see your respective Parish Galvanizers; Brewster—Bev McCarvel, Heron Lake—John Stenzel, and Windom—Judy Green. Please pick up the Eucharistic Prayer Cards at the entries of the Churches and pray for the Eucharistic Revival of the Diocese of Winona. **Early Registration is March 31st** for parishioners in the Winona Diocese. Please consider coming to the Eucharistic Revival Congress.

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ECUMENICAL NOON LENTEN SERVICES IN WINDOM

You are invited to join your sisters and brothers in Christ at the First Presbyterian Church at noon during Lent for worship and lunch. This year the theme revolves around the 250th anniversary of the hymn "Amazing Grace." The worship service will start at noon followed by lunch. The schedule is as follows:

> March 15—Mike McInnis from the United Methodist Church will lead worship and UMC will serve lunch March 22—Mary Theesfeld from St. Francis Xavier Church will lead worship and SFX will serve lunch. March 29—Adam Roberts from the American Lutheran Church will lead worship and the FPC will serve lunch



THE MINNESOTA KNIGHTS FOUNDATION is selling Raffle Tickets. See Tim Jenniges if you are interested in purchasing tickets to support this worthy foundation.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday, March 18th Fr. Pratap will hear confession 11:00 – 12:00 in Windom. Saturday, March 25th Fr. Pratap will hear confession 11:00 – 12:00 in Heron Lake. Saturday, April 1st Fr. Pratap will hear confession for 1st Reconciliation in Windom from 11:00–12:00 all are welcome

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