JANUARY 21, 2024 | THIRD 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

MASS SCHEDULE & INTENTIONS - JANUARY 23-28, 2024

| <u>Tues</u> | 5:30pm | Windom | + Dorothy A. Becker |
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| <u>Wed</u> | 9:00am | Heron Lake | + Joe & Alice Salentiny |
| <u>Thurs</u> | 9:00am | Brewster | + MaryAnne McNab |
| <u>Fri</u> | 9:30am | Sogge Home | + Leo & Arlene Bartosh |
| <u>Sat</u> | 5:00pm | Brewster | + Jerry & Sylvia McCall |
| <u>Sun</u> | 8:00am | Heron Lake | + Dick & Joanie Madsen |
| <u>Sun</u> | 10:00am | Windom | + Ed Grunewald |

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. If you prefer it be rescheduled. please let Father or your respective parish office know.

Tri Parish Praver Intentions:

Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Travis Muller
- **Ed Smith**
- Ben Byam

- Aiden Remme
- Jill Freking Kay Moulder
- **Jackie Jurgens**
- Pat Bonnell Jim Stenzel
- Jim Salentiny
- Mike McCarvel
- Maxine Frank
- Lisa Rothenberger
- Margaret Juhnke
- Miguel Angel Esquivel
- For our veterans

- For victims of war in Ukraine
- For an end to abortion •
- For the souls in purgatory
- Residents of Mikkelsen Manor and Remick Ridge
- Residents of Pine View and Lakeview Assisted Living
- For the NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC Revival
- For the PARISH YEAR of the Eucharistic Revival • For the victims of the unrest in the region of the Holy Land
- · For our children and the faith formation year

NEXT WEEK give to the Combined Collection of the

CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA AND CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS This 2nd collection supports the Church in Latin America. Pray for our brothers and sisters living in Latin America and the Caribbean who face challenges especially regarding adequate education.

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This week's readings:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B); 1 Corinthians 7:29-31; Mark 1:14-20

Next week's readings:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (71B); 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28 •

3rd SUNDA

Jesus said to them, "Come after me, and I will

PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

We start telling lies around the age of three, the experts tell us. It's understandable. Lying is a god-like power. Whatever I want, I need only say it, and the world rearranges itself accordingly. It's amazing at first. But soon reality snaps back and I'm faced with a dilemma. If I remain committed to my lie I start to fracture into pieces. My words and reality drift apart, and I find myself lost in a lonely world of further falsehoods and fear of being found out.

How marvelous, then, that Jesus begins his ministry by proclaiming: "Repent!" We tend to think it means "stop doing bad things" but it doesn't. It literally means "go beyond the mind you have." Think in a new way. It's painful to admit, but some portion of my mind is addicted to lie-telling, usually to protect my ego or make life easier. To repent means to admit this tendency, to say, "I'm done lying," and to move beyond my split mind into a complete commitment to the truth. Perhaps that's why at Mass we together proclaim, "I have sinned in my thoughts, and in my words..." Repentance and truth-telling work together.

Those who know the twelve-step process of addiction recovery know this process well. The fourth step requires radical truth-telling: listing our moral defects. This isn't being scrupulous. Rather it is freedom from falsehood, and entrance into the real world. This week, I invite you to join me in this practice. Get your phone or piece of paper. Answer the question: what are your true moral defects? Write them down. Remember, the Lord knows them already and loves you. We have a sacrament where this truth-telling is celebrated: Confession. Perhaps it is finally time to go beyond our childish lies.

— Father John Muir

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Come after Me. Jesus called Andrew and Peter and James and John. He calls still in our day. Are you willing to drop your nets and follow? (Mark 1:14-20)

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.

Eucharistic Formation Resources: Learn Platform for Eucharistic Formation of individuals. Participate in these programs. Go to: https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/learn-resources You can jump in and start watching video content, watch a small group study, observe a free course by Bishop Cozzens, watch a podcast or sign up for the Revival Spark Series. Another Eucharistic formation program available is from the "Heart of the Revival". Sign up for dynamic weekly reflections, videos, and resources from trusted voices in every corner of the Church. Go to:

https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/heart-of-the-revival-newsletter

Everyday Stewardship:

I use GPS wherever I go and it serves me well most of the time. However, sometimes it leads me to a place that does not exist. Then there are those times when I am about to turn and the man inside my phone shouts out, "GPS signal lost" or "Rerouting!" The problem is when the area is unfamiliar to me, I have no choice but to listen. I could try to get where I am going by simple intuition or pulling over to look at a paper map, but I don't trust my sense of direction and haven't bought a paper map in close to a decade.

Many people move through life without any direction. They find themselves constantly rerouting and wondering when they will ever get to a satisfying final destination. What they need is a compass and a companion for the journey, yet they have no idea how to get either.

Prayer can serve as a compass and it connects us to a companion for the journey. Stewardship living is impossible without prayer. If we count on our own will and believe we can become fruitful without daily contact with the divine we can find ourselves looking for directions more than moving toward a destination. God through prayer will help us see all we have as gift. God through prayer will lead us away from materialism and selfishness toward freedom and generosity. Even when we fall to sin, the path back is clearer. God's GPS signal is never really lost.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - January 28, 2024

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|-------------------------------|---|--|--|
| Brewster Saturday 5:00pm | Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am | Windom Sunday 10:00 am | |
| SERVERS | Nathan Madsen Sam Krumbach | Rogan Brown Jorgia DeWall | |
| LECTOR | Joanne Waldron Melanie Krumbach | Rita Hacker | |
| CANTOR | | Katelin Brown | |
| EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | Joanne Waldron Melanie Krumbach Marlys Olson Kevin Leopold | Jean Hoppe | |
| USHERS | Jason Diemer Mark Wagner Robert Liepold Martha Liepold | Brian Busch Michael Bregel Rod Theesfeld John Zschetzsche | |
| CONTRIBUTIONS | Kraig Leopold Sharon Leopold Andrew Rasche Annie Rasche | Tom or Sherri Zimmerman John Duscher | |
| SACRISTANS | | Nadine Forman Judy Green | |

GREETERS

ROSARY

VIDEO STREAMNG

Marlys Olson

Judy Green

David Bockelmann

Nick Riordan

Laurie and Jake Redmond Pat Spencer

CHURCH SUPPORT

| | Brewster | Heron Lake | Windom |
|------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Week 29/52 | \$ O | \$ O | \$ 6,323 |
| YTD | \$ 41,548 | \$ 81,126 | \$ 90,297 |
| YTD Budget | \$ 59,674 | \$ 92,162 | \$ 142,212 |
| Total | \$ (18,126) | \$ (11,036) | \$ (51,915) |
| Budget | \$ 107,000 | \$ 165,242 | \$ 255,000 |

The Church in Latin American and
Catholic Communications Campaign
Collection on 4th Sunday in January

Brewster Heron Lake Windom \$ 40.00

Pre Cana Dates for 2024

- · January 27, 2024 St. Thomas More Newman Center, MSU, Mankato
- · March 2, 2024 St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles
- · May 18, 2024 St. Thomas More Newman Center, MSU, Mankato



FEBRUARY 23-24, 2024 | ALVERNA CENTER, WINONA \$95/couple

\$150/ couple (with overnight accommodation)

Includes Friday evening refreshments, Saturday breakfast and lunch



Adoration Schedule

Saturday January 27th 11:00-12:00

Sacred Heart Church Heron Lake

Saturday February 3rd 9:00-12:00

Saint Francis Xavier Windom

Saturday Feb 10th 11:00-12:00

Sacred Heart Church Brewster



INSIDE OUR PARISHES HERON LAKE

BREWSTER

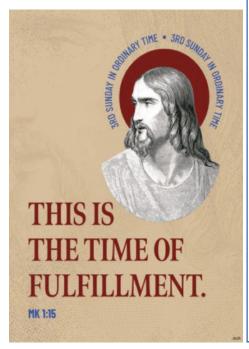
ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on each SECOND SATUR-DAY of the month continuing Feb 10th at 11-12. Windom is the 1st Sat. of the month from 9-12 and Heron Lake is the last Sat. of the month from 11-12. Please come and spend some time with our Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

SACRED HEART PARISH sends our prayers, healing thoughts, and love to MIKE MCCARVEL and his family. Please go on Caring Bridge to follow Mike's progress and send him healing wishes. If you would like to send Mike a card, please send it to his home address, 39574 160th St. Brewster.

There are copies of BEAUTIFUL EU-CHARIST at the entrances of the Church. Please take one home and take one to a friend or family member. This is a Christmas gift from Sacred Heart.

The JANUARY ISSUE OF THE DIOCE-SAN COURIER is available at the entrances of the church. Please take one home to keep updated to what is happening in the area churches.

YOUR YEAR-END CHURCH SUP-PORT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are available at the entrances of the church. Please pick yours up. Thank you.



CONTINUING ON FEBRUARY 24TH the last Saturday of each month, ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be in Heron Lake from 11-12. Please spend time adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome. Adoration and Confession is also available on the 1st Saturday of each month at Saint Francis Xavier Church from 9-12 and the 2nd Saturday of each month at Sacred Heart Brewster from 11-12.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Fun Sunday has been set for February 4th with a snow date of February 11th. Raffle donations can be given to Lisa Carlson and raffle tickets have been mailed. We are asking for \$5 donation from each family for bingo prizes, as well.

ALL YOUTH FORESTERS will receive \$10 worth of game tickets on Fun Sunday, February 4th. See Mackenzie Erickson at the ticket sale booth to receive your tickets.

YEAR-END CONTRIBUTION STATE-MENTS have been mailed. Thank you!

MISSION QUILT SEWING will be on Tuesdays, at Steger Hall, weather permitting, starting on January 16th. Extra hands make light work! Do you have any old drapes, mattress pads or blankets that could be used for batting? We could, also, use good used sheets or fabric for the quilt backs. Please drop these items at the Church, Steger Hall or Rectory. Thank you!

COMMUNION FOR THE HOME BOUND: We are looking for individuals that are willing to bring communion to the home bound weekly. Also, if you or someone you know is home bound and would like to receive communion please let the office, Melanie, Fr. Pratap, or a council member know.



WINDOM

ADORATION IS ON THE 1ST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM 9-12. Adoration is also available at Brewster the 2nd Saturday of the Month and in Heron Lake, the last Saturday of the month. Spend time adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome. Confession is available from 11-12.

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A LITURGICAL ROLE. Your participation is welcome. Ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in your decision to be a resource for bringing the celebration of the Holy Mass to our parishioners. Sign up sheets are in the main entrance of the church or call the church office 8:30—1:30 Monday—Friday.

PLEASE PICK UP YOUR 2023 CONTRIBU-TION STATEMENTS after Church on 01/21. They will be mailed out Monday 1/22.

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who continues to fill a ditty bag or donate food for the Windom Area Sharing Center! St. Francis Xavier Church's added an additional donation of 100 lbs of food this week. Please keep in mind that the ditty bag and food donations to the sharing center is an ongoing project so please fill a bag or bring food donations when you can. Again, thank you!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR FAITH FORMATION classes for their drive to collect socks, a total of 255 socks were donated to the needy. THE FAITH FOR-MATION CLASSES WILL NOW BE COL-LECTING MITTENS AND GLOVES for the needy and homeless. Please donate any size for any age, for men, women and children. Hang your donated mittens and gloves on the mantel in the church hallway. Thank you.

THERE IS COFFEE AND ROLLS THIS SUN-DAY, January 21st after Mass. Thank you to Gale and Patty Symens for hosting.

THANK YOU TO MARY BENSON for your many years of dedicated service to our church as volunteer and sacristan. You are a blessing to our church.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES



Next week our Parishes support the Church in Latin America. For Many living in Latin America and the Caribbean, a rising secular culture, difficult rural terrain, and a shortage of ministers make it difficult for people to practice the faith. Your donations fund catechesis, marriage and family life programs, and seminarian formation, so that people can grow closer to Christ. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection to share your faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Thank you.

In addition, the collection next week supports the Catholic Communication Campaign. The CCC helps the Church spread the Gospel message in the U.S. and in developing countries using modern media tools to inform, inspire, and enlighten.



NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PROCESSION - MAY 31-JUNE 7

A procession is being planned involving 10 churches in the Rochester-Winona area. View the route by scanning the QR code. More information about how to participate will be made available as we get closer to May. Contact Aaron Lofy at alofy@dowr.org with any questions.



THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Eucharistic revival– Consider going to the National Eucharistic Congress, Indianapolis, Indiana, July 17-21, 2024. For more information, go to https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/ and click on the Congress tab. Our Tri-Parish galvanizers are: Brewster—Bev McCarvel, H.L.—John Stenzel, Windom—Judy Green.

THE DIOCESE OF WINONA- ROCHESTER 's Pilgrimage is full. Consider attending the National Eucharistic Congres with a group of friends or family. THE CONGRESS IS ONLY SIX MONTHS AWAY. We're approaching a HUGE moment for the Church in the United States! In exactly six months, Catholics from every corner of America will gather for a National Eucharistic Congress for the first time in 83 years. At this historic event, God has promised to provide his people with the healing we long for, shower us with a massive outpouring of new grace, and anoint us for a new missionary chapter that will set the world on fire with Eucharistic love! Are you ready for a new moment of Eucharistic encounter and mission in America? Coming is an act of deep faith—we promise you will be sent out with undeniable hope and joy! To register go to: www.eucaristiccongress.org and click on the register button.

THE YEAR OF THE PARISH: We are in the year of the parish. The formation of the PARISH TEAM begins with you. Please consider joining others from your parish to be part of the founding members that pray for the parish, learn about and attend parish and diocesan activities, and get together to be disciples, who like the first disciples, were called by God. Ask the Lord to inspire you to be utilized and by doing so, have a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Revival Contact Person: If you have questions or concerns related to the Parish Year of the Eucharistic Revival or the National Congress, contact Zach Rawson, zrawson@dowr.org.

RESPECT LIFE:

MASS FOR LIFE - Sunday, January 21, 2024 Bishop Barron will celebrate the annual Mass for Life at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church (221 First Avenue S., Mazeppa, MN) at 10:00am.

2024 MCCL MARCH FOR LIFE JANUARY 22ND 2024

MCCL's annual March for Life will take on a renewed importance in 2024—and you are needed there! The March will kick off a pivotal year for Minnesota's pro-life movement. But it will also serve as a sobering commemoration of unborn children and a powerful message to the public and to elected officials at the Capitol. Plan now to attend. Further information will be forthcoming at https://www.mccl.org/march

WHEN IS NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR THE UNBORN?

We especially hold January 22nd, the grim anniversary of Roe v. Wade, now the National Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children, in prayer as we remember the many lives lost to abortion.

As the family goes, so goes the nation, and so goes the whole world in which we live. St. JOHN PAUL II Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

LIVE YOUR FAITH:

Do you like to drive? United Community Action Partnership has a volunteer driver program in your community. Volunteer drivers help get people to appointments and social outings so they can continue to live independently and active within the community. Email Amanda at communityconnection@unitedcapmn.org or give her a call at 507-847-2632 ext. 1119 if interested.

HALLOW

Hallow has terrific Lenten programs to help you in your Lenten journey and prayer life. Hallow is a powerful resource for Christians everywhere looking to grow deeper in their relationship with God. You can meditate on the daily Gospel reading, the Rosary and more. https://hallow.com/ You can try it for free for 30 days then it's \$69.99 for the year.

Testimonial: $\star\star\star\star\star\star$ "I went from practically not praying at all to **praying twice a day**."





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