

FEBRUARY 11, 2024 | SIXTH 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 - FEBRUARY 13-18, 2024

<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Lonnie Ahrens
<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Brewster	✠ Jack Strouth
<u>Wed</u>	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Al Purrington
<u>Wed</u>	7:00pm	Heron Lake	✠ Marvin Liepold
<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	Living/Deceased Members Kirchner Family
<u>Fri</u>	9:30am	Sogge Home	✠ Ben & Dorothy Becker
<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	✠ Dick & Joanne Spada
<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	For Intentions of Eugene & Kathy Walter
<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	✠ Helen Haugen

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 Prayer Intentions:

Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Travis Muller
- Aiden Remme
- Jackie Jurgens
- Jim Salentiny
- Maxine Frank
- Margaret Juhnke
- Briar Rose Smith
- Mike McCarvel
- Ed Smith
- Jill Freking
- Jim Stenzel
- Lisa Rothenberger
- Miguel A Esquivel
- Ben Byam
- Kay Moulder
- Pat Bonnell
- Ben Byam
- Mary Mathias
- For an end to abortion
- For victims of war in Ukraine
- For the souls in purgatory
- Residents of Sogge Home, Mikkelsen, Manor, Remick Ridge
- Residents of Pine View and Lakeview Assisted Living
- For the NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC Revival & PARISH YEAR
- For the victims of the unrest in the region of the Holy Land
- For our children & the faith formation year
- For our veterans

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This week's readings:

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46 (77B); 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1;
 Mark 1:40-45

Next week's readings:

Genesis 9:8-15 (23B); 1 Peter 3:18-22; Mark 1:12-15

ON ASH WEDNESDAY there will be a second collection for the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe**

**6th SUNDAY
 IN ORDINARY TIME**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." - Mk 1:40-41

PRAYER & WORSHIP

| Weekly Gospel Meditation

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Recently I had a skin rash, and it was awful. (Please don't tell anyone.) I am embarrassed to admit that I didn't handle it well. Complaining, whining, begging for sympathy, and crying were my responses to the merciless itching and burning. In the aftermath, a silver lining emerged. I feel a new heartfelt sympathy for all those vexed with chronic skin problems. If you've ever had a seemingly unending skin problem, you know how that sympathy flows up from deep inside.

This gut-level compassion is something like what the Gospel describes in Jesus when the sore-covered leper says, *"If you will it, you can make me clean."* At this, just before the healing, Jesus was *"moved with compassion."* The Greek word used here is strong and earthy, closer to "his bowels and guts trembled with the deepest emotions of sadness, pity, and love." In Jesus, God heals our infirmities not from a divine distance but by learning what it *feels like* to be us. He acquires first-hand experience of what it costs us to be afflicted and still be faithful to God. He sympathizes with the burning, itching, and blistering of human existence in the deepest, first-hand way. To discover that is to touch Jesus' heart.

What in your life, right now, is breaking out like diseased skin? What is getting worse the more you try to soothe it? Perhaps only you feel it. Or maybe it's exposed to all. A bad habit, broken relationship, loneliness, fear of failure, self-hatred? Name it, and then find a way to bring it confidently to Jesus who will *feel what we are feeling*, and thereby heal us.

— Father John Muir

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

VOCATION VIEW: Make the story public! Tell the world what Jesus has done for you. Consider a life of preaching, teaching, and service as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. (Mark 1:40-45)

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 Unfailing Goodness of God

I have always wondered why Jesus told the cleansed leper not to publicize how he had been healed by the Son of God. It's not that I can't understand why Jesus would want to keep the matter quiet — after all, he knew that as soon as people heard, he would be mobbed with requests for healings, and his movements restricted.

What gets me is the fact that Jesus simply must have realized the leper would not listen to him. Why give someone a command you know they will ignore? It's a complicated question, and when I reflect on it, I can't help but connect it to another equally complicated question: why does God, all-good and all-knowing, allow bad things to happen?

Yes, God is all-good and all-knowing. So when He gives us free will, He knows what we will do with it. However, He is also all-powerful. He can and will bring good from any situation, any tragedy, or even any instance where someone ignores Him.

Was it a sin for this leper to do other than what Jesus had said? That's a heavy question for a Sunday morning! But it's plain to see that, even though this man ignored Jesus' command, God still used his actions. How many were brought to Christ because of the news spread by this leper!

As someone trying to live out a stewardship way of life, what is God requesting of you right now?

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - February 18, 2024

Brewster Saturday 5:00pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Nolan Madsen Nathan Madsen	Jorgia DeWall Seth Hoppe
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VIDEO STREAMNG		Tom Zimmerman
GREETERS		Danna & Lupita Flores



CHURCH SUPPORT

	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 32/52	\$ 1,123	\$ 2,154	\$ 2,598
YTD	\$ 43,696	\$ 92,366	\$ 96,839
YTD Budget	\$ 65,846	\$ 101,696	\$ 156,923
Total	\$ (22,150)	\$ (9,330)	\$ (60,084)
Budget	\$ 107,000	\$ 165,242	\$ 255,000

Thank you for your generosity toward 01/28/24 week's collection for the **CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN (CCC)**. Your support helps the CCC connect millions with Christ. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/ccc #iGiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds for the collection—see usccb.igivecatholictogether.org.

The Church in Latin America 50% and CCC 50% Collection on 4th Sunday in Jan

Brewster	\$ 134
Heron Lake	\$ 254
Windom	\$ 282



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Pre Cana Dates for 2024

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

Adoration Schedule

Saturday Feb 10th

11:00-12:00

Sacred Heart Church Brewster

Saturday February 24th

11:00-12:00

Sacred Heart Church Heron Lake

Saturday March 2nd

9:00-12:00

Saint Francis Xavier Windom

Thank you for your generous support for 01/28/24 week's **COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN LATIN AMERICA**. As a parish, we collected \$670 to share the faith with our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean, so they in turn can share the Good News in their communities. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/latin-america #GiveCatholicTogether also accepts funds for the collection. See usccb.igivecatholictogether.org. Your gift makes a difference!

BREWSTER

UPDATE ON THE SACRISTY AND KITCHEN----The electrician gave us a thumbs up to use the lights in the kitchen. Grothe gave us a thumbs up on the rug in the sacristy. It does not have to be replaced. The kitchen ceiling tiles do need to be replaced. Several have fallen and others are saturated. All in all, we are in pretty good shape. Praise be to God!

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on each **SECOND SATURDAY** 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.



There are copies of **BEAUTIFUL EUCHARIST** 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 **FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE DIOCESAN 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 SUPPORT FINANCIAL STATEMENTS are available at the entrances of the church. Please pick yours up. Thank you.

FINANCE AND PARISH COUNCILS will meet on Thurs., Feb. 15th, beginning at 6:30 with the Pastoral and 7:00 with the Finance. Please attend.

THANK YOU FROM THE MCCARVELS-We would like to thank everyone at Sacred Heart who gave the McCarvel family a place to gather. A place of friendship, sincere sympathy and love. We all felt it. We genuinely appreciate all the work that was put into it. Your love will never be forgotten. The McCarvel family.

INSIDE OUR PARISHES

HERON LAKE

CONTINUING ON FEBRUARY 24TH the *last* Saturday of each month, **ADORATION AND CONFESSION** will be in Heron Lake from 11-12. 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.

MEETING: CCW will meet on Tuesday, February 13th at 7 PM.

POINSETTIAS: If you are interested in a poinsettia please help yourself after Mass today in the Church.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped or contributed to Fun Sunday on February 4th. It was a wonderful day!

There is a **SCHOLARSHIP** available for any **CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS** member that is due by February 16th. Please contact Dennis Salentiny with any questions.

SCAM EMAILS/TEXTS: Just a reminder that if you receive an email or text message that seems to come from Father Pratap, please check the email address or phone number to see if it matches his. If it is not his number or email, **DO NOT RESPOND!** Father Pratap will reach out personally if there is something he needs from you, so if in doubt please check with the office before responding.

MISSION QUILT SEWING will be on Tuesdays, at Steger Hall, weather permitting. 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!

WINDOM

ADORATION IS 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 from 11-12. Spend time adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

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.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ARE CONTINUING TO COLLECT MITTENS AND GLOVES for the needy and homeless for another week and a half. Please donate any size for any age, for men, women and children. Hang your donated mittens and gloves on the mantle in the church hallway.

"We would like to express our sincere thanks to St. Francis Xavier Church members for your continued donations of food and the ditty bags full of much needed personal items. A special thank you to the Faith Formation students for your collections for socks and gloves. It is hard to find the words to let you know how grateful we are for your kindness."

-Windom Area Sharing Center
-The Kids Closet



PLEASE GIVE TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL. By doing so, Saint Francis Xavier parish will meet their annual parish goal. You can go to Catholic Ministries Appeal www.dowr.org/donate.html

Holy Land Olive Art from Omaha, Nebraska
Will be at the Triparish on February 10-11th

Please stop in your church hall to see their collection of art made by artists from the Holy Land.
Brewster, Saturday before and after Mass (times subject to change)
Heron Lake, Sunday before Mass (times subject to change)
Windom, after Mass (times subject to change)

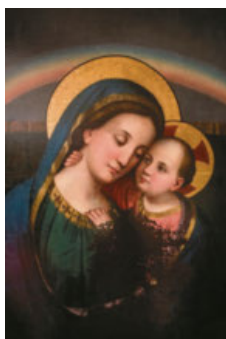
NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

ON ASH WEDNESDAY Our special collection supports the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Your donation helps restore the Church and build the future in more than 25 countries still struggling to recover from former communist rule and now the war in Ukraine. Funds from this collection support reconstruction, education, formation, and poverty outreach. Thank you for your generosity to the upcoming collection. For more information, please visit www.usccb.org/ccee.

(<https://usccb.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/usccb-church-in-central-and-eastern-europe>) also accepts funds for this collection, if you prefer to donate online. (#iGiveCatholicTogether)

PRAY AS A COMMUNITY FOR THE CHURCH IN CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE

That God will give strength to those who serve and give relief to those who suffer.



Merciful and living God, we ask you to bless those in Central and Eastern Europe who have suffered oppression because of their faith. Help us to stand in solidarity with them and to be beacons of hope as they renew their faith communities. May the strength of their faith inspire us to persevere in ours. For this, we ask the intercession of the Albanian martyrs. When faced with political persecution, these men and women remained faithful and gave their lives for love of you. May their sacrifice be a witness of the power of the Resurrection. We ask you to grant us the same spirit of hope that rose up in them. Bless us with the same spirit of fortitude that was unfailing in them. Fill us with the same spirit of love that only you can give. Amen



Your people shall rebuild the ancient ruins: the foundation from ages past you shall raise up; "Repairer of the breach," they shall call you, "Restorer of ruined dwellings." -Isaiah 58:12

THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Eucharistic revival- Consider going to the National Eucharistic Revival, Indianapolis, Indiana, in July of 2024 from the 17th-21st. Parish Galvanizers are: Brewster—Bev McCarvel, H.L.—John Stenzel, Windom—Judy Green.

For more information, go to <https://www.eucharisticrevival.org/> and click on the Congress tab.

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.

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ASH WEDNESDAY

FEBRUARY 14

Tri-parish of Saint Francis Xavier Windom, Sacred Heart Heron Lake and Sacred Heart Brewster schedule:

Brewster—9:00 am

Windom—5:30 pm

Heron Lake—7:00pm

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