

# NOVEMBER 3, 2024 | THIRTY-FIRST 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 - NOVEMBER 5 - 10, 2024

5	<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Orville Cook
6	<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	Living/Deceased of the Miranowski Family
7	<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	Living/Deceased of the Kirchner Family
8	<u>Fri</u>	9:30am	Sogge Home	✠ Greg Schoborg
9	<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	✠ Joe & Rose Weinandt
10	<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	For the People
10	<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	✠ Richard & Helen Becker

YOU ARE INVITED TO PRAY THE ROSARY 1/2 HOUR PRIOR TO MASS-ES: Brewster— Thurs. and Sat.; Heron Lake —Wed. and Sun.; Windom—Tues. and Sun.

Know that our pastor includes all of us in his daily prayers and private Mass intentions.

If a Mass is cancelled, our pastor will include that scheduled Mass Intention at his private daily Mass. If you prefer it be rescheduled, please let your respective parish office know.

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## TRI PARISH MASS INTENTIONS



### Triparish Intentions

Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Jane Wolff
- Travis Muller
- Aiden Remme
- Miguel Esquivel
- Jim Salentiny
- Maxine Frank
- Margaret Juhnke
- Briar Rose Smith
- Mike McCarvel
- Mike Stone
- Ed Smith
- Roxann Irwin
- Jim Stenzel
- Lisa Rothenberger
- For our veterans & our police forces
- For an end to abortion
- For victims of war in Ukraine
- For the souls in purgatory
- Shirley Wagner
- Ben Byam
- Larry Wagner
- Magdalen Hill
- Residents of Sogge Home, Mikkelsen, Manor, Remick Ridge
- Residents of Pine View and Lakeview Assisted Living
- For the NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC Revival YEAR OF MISSION
- For the victims of the unrest in the region of the Holy Land

### This week's readings:

Deuteronomy 6:2-6; Hebrews 7:23-28; Mark 12:28b-34

### Next week's readings:

1 Kings 17:10-16; Hebrews 9:24-28; Mark 12:38-44 or 12:41-44

# PRAYER & WORSHIP

## Weekly Words from The Rock:

### Reflections on November

As I sat down to write this column, I thought back on the month of November and what it was like for me growing up. Here are some thoughts:

1. While in primary and secondary school, it meant Thanksgiving vacation.
2. Thanksgiving always meant gathering around the kitchen table and eating turkey with all the sides. If my memory serves me correctly, we usually packed together in the family car and attended Mass on Thanksgiving.
3. Harvest was in full swing. I am struck by how times have changed. My brother usually has harvest complete and soil tilled by the end of October. Not so back in the day. The corn harvest was still in full swing.
4. When I was younger, I can remember us picking, not combining, corn. The corn was still on the ear and elevated into steel or wood bins.
5. Being a hunter, I spent time hunting ducks. A spectacle I haven't seen for years was the various flocks of mallards circling and landing in fields. As a young squirt, I would try to crawl after them or hide myself for a passing shot.
6. November meant deer hunting. Deer hunting was an all-day affair. I usually assisted my father with cleaning hog barns and grinding feed on Saturdays however during deer hunting a reprieve was given.
7. The lakes were iced over by the end of November and ice fishing was in full swing.
8. More often than not, snow was on the ground sometime during November.
9. The Novembers of yesteryear seemed colder than the more recent Novembers. Colder weather meant bundling up. All serve as great memories. From a priest's perspective, I would add the following to my November list.
  - A. All Saint's Day is a Holy Day of Obligation. It is a time to call the people together and remember the saints who have paved the way prior to us. I think of Saints like Peter, Andrew, Hubert, John Vianney, Joseph, and Mother Teresa. Their inspiration paved the way for us to live the faith Christ has laid out for us.
  - B. All Soul's Day. We all have people who have gone before us that remain in our prayers. I think about my grandparents who played an instrumental role in my vocation and the priests who helped in my vocation. The priest to whom I am most indebted was Father John Tighe. If my memory is correct, Father Tighe moved from St. Casimir's in Wells to St. Francis Xavier in Windom. You didn't mess around with Father Tighe. He demanded respect yet he encouraged me along my vocational path to priesthood. I would be remiss to not think of the people whose funerals and/or interments I celebrated over the past year.
  - C. The Sundays of November focus on the end-times. They ask us to ready ourselves for the coming of our Lord. They challenge us on how to ready ourselves in facing the Lord at our death.
  - D. With the arrival of Thanksgiving Day, I include on my thanksgiving list the gift of priesthood and the people I have been given the honor and privilege of serving.
  - E. Advent. Depending upon the year, the season of Advent begins in November with its call to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ.

To conclude this column, here is a November story for you. I was home for Thanksgiving during my college years. I saw flock after flock of mallards landing in a field which jutted up to Grandpa Schuster's farm. The temptation was too great. I grabbed my gun and headed for the corner of my grandfather's field. I didn't have permission to hunt the neighbor's property, so I leaned against the corner post which marked the intersecting property lines. For hours on end, flock after flock kept landing in the neighbor's field. While it was a majestic sight, it had a twist of frustration to it. Not a duck would come close to my location. This went on and on and on. Duck after duck passing well beyond shooting range. Then it happened. One flock passed over and I took a chance. I got lucky and one mallard found itself on the way home with me. All is true; however, what I remember the most was how cold I was. Leaning against the fence post, it snowed and snowed with a northwest wind blowing. Try to stay as still as possible in that weather. On the walk home, my dad drove out to pick me up and I was shaking from the cold. Still, the mission was accomplished.

What memories do you have of the month of November? Whatever they might be, keep them close to the vest.

Blessings to you!

Father Peter Schuster

## VOCATION VIEW

**VOCATION VIEW:** The Lord has called us to love God and our neighbor. Are you called to love by becoming a priest, brother, or sister? (Mark 12:28-34)

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

**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. Please contact your parish office, if interested.

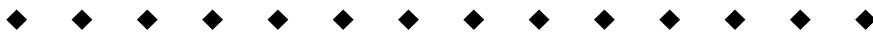
**Mankato Area Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation:** Jan 25th. St. Thomas More Newman Center, Mankato - To register, go to: <https://www.dowr.org/offices/life-marriage-family/marriage-preparation.html>

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** Contact the parish office a month in advance to fill out the form and to attend Baptism Mentoring Sessions.

# LITURGICAL LIFE

## LITURGICAL ROLES - November 10, 2024

<b>Brewster</b> Saturday   5:00 pm	<b>Heron Lake</b> Sunday   8:00 am	<b>Windom</b> Sunday   10:00 am
<b>SERVERS</b>	Samantha Krumbach Nathan Madsen	Anthony Cruz Danna Flores
<b>LECTOR</b>	Lori Henkels Kevin Leopold	Nick Riordan
<b>CANTOR</b>		Katelin Brown
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<b>SACRISTANS</b>		Sherri Zimmerman Shari Kneeland
<b>ROSARY</b>	Pat Bonnell	David Bockelmann
<b>VIDEO STREAMING</b>		Gale Symens
<b>GREETERS</b>		Barry and Vicki Ommen



### CHURCH SUPPORT

	Brewster	Heron Lake	Windom
Week 17/52	\$ 1,180	\$ 2,381	\$ 2,305
YTD	\$ 16,546	\$ 57,302	\$ 41,065

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL

	Goal	Donated
St. Francis Xavier	\$ 13,413	\$ 8,323
Sacred Heart Heron Lake	\$ 9,629	\$ 8,940
Sacred Heart Brewster	\$ 5,822	\$ 4,475



## ADORATION SCHEDULE

Sunday November 3rd  
11:00-12:00  
Saint Francis Xavier Church Windom

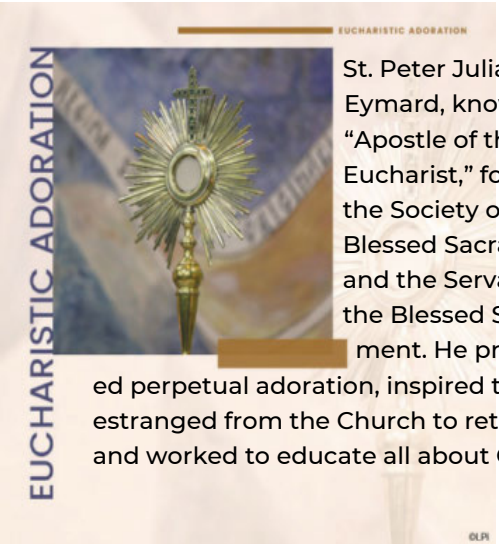


Saturday November 9th  
4:00—4:45  
Sacred Heart Church Brewster



## BAPTISMS

Axia Marcela Aguilar Mejia, daughter of Perla Yazmin Mejia Munguia, was baptized on Sunday, October 27, 2024 at Saint Francis Xavier Church in Windom. God Bless her family and a warm welcome from Saint Francis Xavier's Church.



St. Peter Julian Eymard, known as "Apostle of the Eucharist," founded the Society of the Blessed Sacrament and the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament. He promoted perpetual adoration, inspired those estranged from the Church to return, and worked to educate all about Christ.

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend, November 2-3. This collection is to assist those affected by the two recent natural disasters, Hurricane Helene and Hurricane Milton. Bishop Barron *has asked all parishes to please take up a special emergency collection.*

Catholic Charities USA is coordinating relief efforts. Catholic Charities USA, the official domestic disaster relief agency of the Catholic Church in the United States, is currently providing support and assistance to its Diocesan Catholic Charities member agencies throughout the regions that are being impacted by the past hurricanes. To learn more about supporting local efforts through Catholic Charities, go to: [www.ccsomn.org](http://www.ccsomn.org)



## INSIDE OUR PARISHES

### BREWSTER

**ADORATION AND CONFESSION** will be offered on each **SECOND SATURDAY** of the month continuing **NOV 9TH** from 4:00-4:45. Adoration in Windom is offered on the first Sunday of the month from 11-12. Please come and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

**IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT IN YOUR DONATION FOR THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL**, please do so. Sacred Heart's goal is \$5,822. We are at \$4,475. You can send it in directly or drop it in the offertory basket. CMA donation envelopes are at the entrances of the Church. Please give your fair share. Thank you.

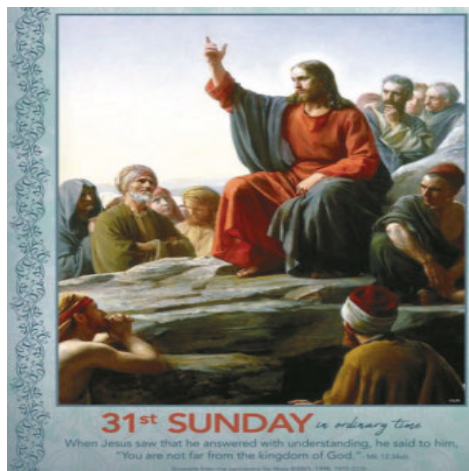
**WE NEED MONEY COUNTERS!!** Please contact Loretta. We NEED you!

**PLEASE DROP YOUR FILLED BABY BOTTLE** in the bassinet, basket or put it on the entry table as soon as possible. Thank you for participating.

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO FILLED A BOX OF JOY.** The children smiles are your reward.

**TOYS FOR TOTS** are asking for a toy donation during this holiday season. Last year Brewster Fire & Rescue came in second to Adrian EMS with collecting toys for children in Nobles County. Please donate for a happy Christmas to those less fortunate. There is a box at the entrance of the church.

**FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH IN DUNDEE** will be serving their **HARVEST SOUP LUNCH AND BAKE SALE** on Sat., Nov. 9th from 11:00-4:00 pm. \$10 includes chili, chicken noodle and vegetable beef soups, served with bread, crackers and dessert.



## HERON LAKE

There will be **CONFESSION AVAILABLE 1/2 HOUR BEFORE MASS ON SUNDAYS.**

**FOUND:** A ring has been found in the parking lot. Please call the office to claim.

**COUNCIL MEETINGS:** Wednesday, November 6th Pastoral will meet at 6 PM and Finance will meet at 6:45 PM.

**MEETING:** CCW will meet on Tuesday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 7 PM in the church basement.

**PLEASE RETURN ANY BABY BOTTLES** to the church **ASAP.** THANK YOU!

**OCTOBER CENSUS:** Thanks to all parishioners for showing up throughout October to make our census more complete!

**SEE WINDOM NEWS FOR OCIA CLASS INFORMATION.**

**PARISH DIRECTORIES** for 2024-2025 are now available to pick up in the back of church.



## WINDOM

**ADORATION AND CONFESSION** will be offered on each **FIRST SUNDAY** of the month, today, **NOV 3RD** from 11:00—12:00. Please come and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament. Please come and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

**OCIA, FORMERLY RCIA** is forming a new class session. Contact the parish office if you have any questions or wish to attend this program.

**MEALS ON WHEELS** needs your help. St. Francis Xavier is responsible for delivering meals for the month of November. Please call Wanda Stone at 822 -1642 if you are able to help, even for a couple of days. We have three delivery routes which require a minimum of six volunteers per day. Thank you to all of those who continue to volunteer for this important and rewarding service.

**BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN:** Please turn in your baby bottles this week. Thank you to all who have already turned in your baby bottles.

**THE SOGGE GOOD SAMARITAN AND MIKKELSEN MANOR ARE DOING THE "SHARING CHRISTMAS JOY"** again this year. Flyers are up in both entrances of the church. If you are interested in being involved in this project contact Pat Spencer at 507-831-4528 or Sherri Zimmerman at 507-221-0354

**ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 6TH, THE FAITH FORMATION** will be hosting the seminarians from Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Mankato. Also, the sisters and aspirants will be coming from the Servants of the Lord and Virgin of Matara in St. James. This gives our parish youth an opportunity to learn, interact and witness seminary life and culture. Faith Formation students will be meeting with them and all Junior and Seniors are welcome to come.

**NEW SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER LADIES SOCIAL**

Catholic Ladies Afternoon Social (CLAS)

We've got CLAS!

2nd **TUE**sday of every month @ 2:00 (2-2-2)

The next gathering is in the church hall on November 12th. Come for fun, games & socializing. Don't wait for an invitation - just show up!

# NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

**INTERNATIONAL SURVIVOR OF SUICIDE LOSS DAY EVENT**, November 23, 2024, from 10:00-2:00 at LaCanne's Family Celebration of Life Center, Jackson. You are not alone; come together to find connection, understanding, and hope through shared experience. For questions or to register, contact [stigmafree@dvhhs.org](mailto:stigmafree@dvhhs.org).



**Remember Daylights Savings Time Ends soon.** It's almost time to turn the clocks back, as daylight saving time (DST) ends at 2 a.m. local time on Sunday, Nov. 3, 2024.



**ELECTION DAY IS NOVEMBER 5TH:**



## **EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL NEWS:** Reflections On the Eucharist

The Eucharist is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Christ, so the whole Christ is truly, really, and substantially present.

Christ is present at the moment of consecration, and endures as long as the Eucharistic species exist. So the Eucharist is adored during and outside of Mass.

We see the full presence of Christ in the Eucharist, not through our senses, but through the deeper perception of faith.

**A WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND** is a private weekend away from the distractions of daily life for couples in good marriages. Give your marriage this gift! The next available weekend in Windom is Feb. 14-16, 2025. Contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229. To register, visit our website: <https://southmnwwme.org/applyWeekend.php?/hl=en> choose Feb 14-16 Windom Shalom Hills Farm.

## **RCIA NEWS: (NOW OCIA)**

The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults, or RCIA, as it has been more commonly referred to, has a name change to **ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS, OR OCIA**, per the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

The name change applies both to the process by which one enters the Church and the course/book that contains the ritual text and prayers for those steps.

In order to become a Catholic, individuals go through several rites with the final being at the Easter Vigil when they are welcomed into the Catholic Church.

If you are someone you know would like to know more, contact your parish office for more information.

A graphic for a diaper distribution. On the left, a blue box contains the text "Pop-up Diaper Distribution" in white, and "507-387-5586 x 2" in yellow. On the right is a photograph of a smiling baby sitting on the floor, wearing a white diaper.

**Free Diapers, Pull-ups, and wipes!**

**\*\*\*NEW LOCATION:** Nobles County Library  
407 12th St Worthington, MN

Date: First Tuesday of every month

Time: 12-2pm

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