

NOVEMBER 10, 2024 | THIRTY-SECOND 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 12 - 17, 2024

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|----|--------------|---------|------------|--------------------------|
| 12 | Tues | 5:30pm | Windom | ✠ Al Purrington |
| 13 | Wed | 9:00am | Heron Lake | ✠ Leonard T. Leopold |
| 14 | Thurs | 9:00am | Brewster | ✠ Joe & Marie McCarvel |
| 15 | Fri | 9:30am | Sogge Home | ✠ Francis DeWanz |
| 16 | Sat | 5:00pm | Brewster | ✠ Ferdie & Lois Haberman |
| 17 | Sun | 8:00am | Heron Lake | ✠ Ray Burns |
| 17 | Sun | 10:00am | Windom | For the People |

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.

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
- Lupita Flores
- 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

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This week's readings:

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

Next week's readings:

Daniel 12:1-3; Hebrews 10:11-14, 18; Mark 13:24-32

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

Questions

One of the focuses of the month of November is end-times. Speaking of questions regarding end-times, I am going to share with you some questions and answers from the book *Did Adam and Eve Have Belly Buttons and 199 other questions from Catholic Teenagers*.

Question 102 (page 136): How good do you have to be to go to heaven?

Answer: You cannot be good enough on your own to deserve to go to heaven (Romans 3:23). The Bible and the Catholic Church teach that a person cannot, strictly speaking, *earn* his or her way into heaven (Romans 3:20). Salvation is the free gift of God through Jesus Christ (Ephesians 2:8-9). But we must accept and freely cooperate with this gift (Galatian 5:6). God's grace can transform us so we can live holy lives and receive heaven as the "reward" for our faithfulness to Him (2 Corinthians 5:17). Salvation means being in proper relationship with God – believing, trusting, and loving God, giving ourselves to Him wholly and freely. Baptism puts us in that relationship by communicating to us the forgiveness of Christ and the grace of being a son or daughter of God (John 3:5). However, just because we have been baptized does not guarantee we will go to heaven. We can alienate ourselves from God if we willingly disobey God's law and turn our backs on Him through mortal sin. Even so, God is always willing to forgive us, especially through the sacrament of reconciliation where Christ cleanses us from our sins and reconciles us to Himself.

Question 103 (page 137): Should we do good things to be saved or because we are saved?

Answer: First, let us be clear on how we are saved. We are saved by grace through faith in Christ (Ephesians 2:8-9), not by our own efforts. In this sense, works *can't* save us. But we must cooperate with grace; faith must be completed by our love and obedience in order to be living, saving faith. Here, works or Christian obedience, motivated by the love of God and neighbor, come into play. Without such works, our faith is dead and cannot save us. So our cooperation – our "work" in a very limited sense – is necessary for salvation. Yet even our cooperation is a matter of grace. As St. Paul wrote, "Work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for God is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure (Philippians 2:12-13). Even when we cooperate with God by doing good, it is God who is inspiring, enabling, and moving us to do so. Our part is to say "yes" and to love God with our whole heart, mind, and strength by active obedience. One thing to keep in mind: Being saved is more than a "one-time event." It is a process. There are "three tenses" to salvation. If someone asks, "Are you saved?" you should answer: "I have been saved from my sins through Christ's death and resurrection. I am being saved as I cooperate with God's grace. And I will be saved so long as I do not reject God's love and I die in His friendship (that is, in a state of grace)." Salvation is a past, present, and future reality.

Question 109 (pages 142-143): Why are people afraid of death?

Answer: There are probably several reasons. Some people have difficulty believing that if they love God and serve Him on earth He will embrace them at the time of death. Also, there is a natural fear of the unknown, even if you have faith. In addition, almost every death scene we see in the movies and on television is not a pleasant experience. If we were to continually see the joyful faces of the canonized saints at the time of their death, our fear of death would greatly decrease, if not disappear. It would be a good practice to meditate on the joy of seeing God at the time of our death. Scripture says, "For as a man [thinks]...so is he" (Proverbs 23:7). If we think and pray about what a joyful experience heaven will be, God will give us the grace to firmly believe it. One should also develop a devotion to St. Joseph, who is the patron of a happy death.

Question 114 (pages 146-147): Are there different levels of heaven?

Answer: The Catholic Church teaches there are different levels of joy in heaven because there are different levels of reward (Matthew 20:21). This difference, though, does not cause any jealousy or distance between the saints, because all are perfected in charity and perfectly happy in the presence of God. Here is a frequently used analogy: Imagine your soul is like a glass. In heaven, some people will have a large "glass"; others will have a small "glass." Those with large glasses can have more of God's love poured into them (that is, poured into their soul) because they loved more perfectly on earth. They prepared their soul to receive more of God. The person with a smaller "glass" can hold less of God's love but will still be completely filled with Him. Yet, he or she will want for nothing and will not be jealous of those who receive more of God's love.

Blessings to you!

Father Peter Schuster

VOCATION VIEW

VOCATION VIEW: The widow in today's Gospel experienced a miracle of trust. Trust the Lord; then watch for the miracle of plenty in your life. (Mark 12:38-44)

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 17, 2024

| | | |
|---------------------------------------|---|---|
| Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm | Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am | Windom Sunday 10:00 am |
| SERVERS | Brynn Erickson Cora Haberman | Rogan Brown Josianna DeWall |
| LECTOR | Judy Stenzel Melanie Krumbach | Heather Bristow |
| CANTOR | | Nadine Forman |
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| USHERS | Alan Freking Dave Brunk Thomas Krumbach Melanie Krumbach | Chad Brown Mary Brown Tom Zimmerman Claire Veenker |
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| SACRISTANS | | Sherri Zimmerman Shari Kneeland |
| ROSARY | Cleo Miranowski | David Bockelmann |
| VIDEO STREAMING | | Tom Riordan |
| GREETERS | | Lenny and Betty Thiner |

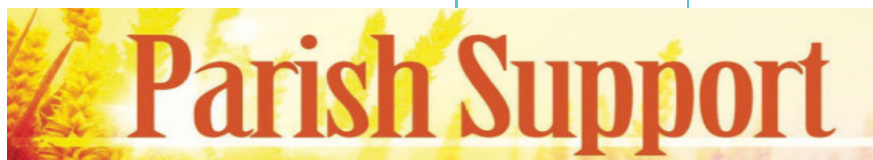


CHURCH SUPPORT

| | Brewster | Heron Lake | Windom |
|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Week 18/52 | \$ 1,831 | \$ 8,727 | \$ 2,288 |
| YTD | \$ 18,377 | \$ 66,029 | \$ 43,353 |

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 | \$ 4,625 |

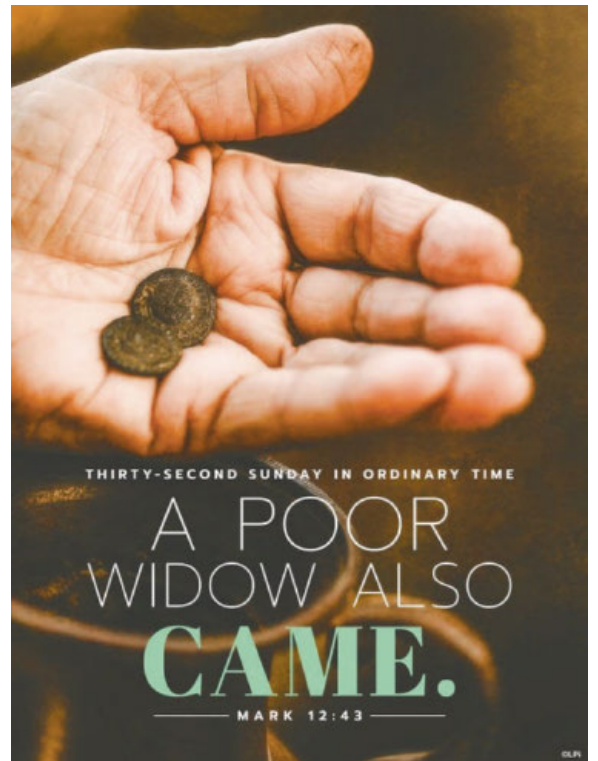


ADORATION SCHEDULE

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



Sunday December 1st
11:00-12:00
Saint Francis Xavier Church, Windom



HURRICANE RELIEF SUPPORT
Collection 11/2—11/3

Thank You.

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| Windom | \$428.00 |
| Brewster | \$241.00 |
| Heron Lake | \$656.00 |

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!

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.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE "BABY BOTTLE" CAMPAIGN. Catholic Charities had over 60 churches and schools participate to support the Mother and Child Assistance Fund. Thank you for helping make this possible.



HERON LAKE

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

FOUND: A ring has been found in the parking lot. Call the office to claim.

MEETING: CCW will meet on Tuesday, November 12th at 7 PM in the church basement.

SEE WINDOM NEWS FOR OCIA CLASS INFORMATION.

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

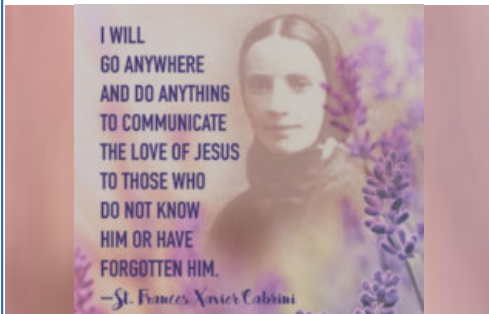
OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed from December 25th through January 5th. Please get all end of year contributions to the office by December 23rd. Thank you.

NO FAITH FORMATION: There will be no Faith Formation classes on Wednesday, November 27th or Sunday, December 1st.

THANK YOU: Let's give a **HUGE THANK YOU** to **JEFF HOTZLER** to start out this month of Thanksgiving. Jeff keeps everything running behind the scenes, so if you see him remember to say "thanks!"

IF YOU HAVE NOT SENT IN YOUR DONATION FOR THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL, please do so. Sacred Heart's goal is \$9,629. We are at \$8,940. Anything over that amount comes directly to the church. 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.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be a 2nd collection next weekend for the Campaign for Human Development.



ST. FRANCIS XAVIER CABRINI'S FEAST DAY is Wednesday, November 13th. She dreamed of being a missionary. She first served Italian Immigrant populations, from New York to Chicago, and across the U.S. She is the first U.S. citizen to be canonized and is the Universal Patron of Immigrants.

WINDOM

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on each **FIRST SUNDAY** of the month. The next adoration is **DEC 1ST** from 11:00—12:00. Please come and spend some time with the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

OCIA, FORMERLY RCIA has formed a new class session. Contact the parish office if you have any questions or wish to attend this program. 507-831-1985

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN: Thank you to all who have already turned in your baby bottles. If you still have a baby bottle, please turn it in this week.

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

NEW SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER LADIES SOCIAL
Catholic Ladies Afternoon Social (CLAS)

TUESday Nov. 12 @ 2:00 in the church hall. Bring one item for the food shelf if you want.

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS will meet on Tuesday Nov. 12th at 7:00 pm.

PLEASE GIVE TO THE CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL. For those who have already donated, thank you. See page 3 for St. Francis Xavier's goal and where we are at in meeting that goal.

WINDOM WILL HAVE A REGULAR DAILY MASS SCHEDULE the week of Thanksgiving. There will be a Thanksgiving Mass in Brewster on Thursday, November 28th at 9:00am.

THE WINDOM WOMEN OF TODAY IS SPONSORING THE CHRISTMAS CHEER BOX again this year. A box is in the Church Hall entrance to accept donations for this worthwhile cause. Suggestions are new hats, mittens, toys, stocking stuffers, clothes, stuffed animals, etc., from infants to 18 years old. We also take small gift cards for teens too. Money donations are also accepted to be able to purchase in areas that didn't get much donated to. All items need to be turned in by Dec 11th.

THERE WILL BE A 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK, Nov 17th for the Campaign for Human Development. Please give as you are able. Thank you.

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.



EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL NEWS: Reflections On the Eucharist

Jesus invites us to receive Him, so humbly we respond, "Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed."

When we receive the Eucharist, a foretaste of Heaven, we are united through the Church with the Blessed Virgin Mary and all the saints.

Receiving Christ in the Eucharist unites us with his Sacred Heart, strengthens us for the pilgrimage of life, and makes us long for eternal life.

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 or 507-227-8229. To register, visit our website:

<https://southmnwwme.org/applyWeekend.php?hl=en>
choose Feb 14-16 Windom Shalom Hills Farm.

2024

Catholic Ministries Appeal

The Catholic Ministries Appeal offers a unique opportunity for you to give back to the God of Love, from whom all things are given. Grow closer to Christ by doing your part to build up the Kingdom of God in southern Minnesota. The Appeal funds ministries to invite more than 38,000 households each year to encounter Christ and embrace His Church. Through your support, the Catholic Ministries Appeal funds diocesan-led ministries throughout the 20 counties of southern Minnesota. Thank you for providing opportunities to thousands of people to draw closer to Christ because of your generosity. If you haven't yet contributed, please give. Your generosity to the Catholic Ministries Appeal from year to year is so greatly appreciated! You are making a difference in our Catholic community through faith-enriching ministries that take place throughout each year. Your gift makes a direct impact in supporting these ministries that are leading people closer to Christ.

You may also give online at: <https://catholicismn.org>

THANKSGIVING MASS SCHEDULE: 9:00 AM 11/28 **SACRED HEART CHURCH BREWSTER** Thanksgiving Mass



SACRED HEART CHURCH, HERON LAKE and **SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CHURCH, WINDOM** will have their regular daily Mass schedules during the week of Thanksgiving.

CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT.

The 2nd collection for the Campaign for Human Development is on the weekend of November 16-17. The Catholic Church teaches the fundamental importance of paying workers a living wage that allows them to meet their basic needs. Your support of CCHD helps develop funds that assist in programs that allow workers to earn living wages and establish economic roots in communities that badly need greater employment and earning opportunities.





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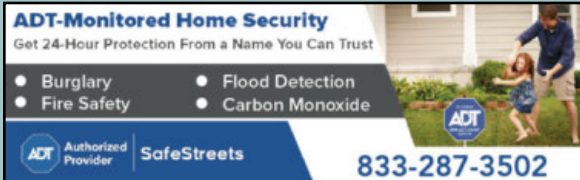
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