

FEBRUARY 23, 2025 | SEVENTH 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 - FEB 25 - MAR 2, 2025

25	<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Terry Fredin
26	<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	✠ Willie Kaufman
27	<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	✠ Mike McCarvel
28	<u>Fri</u>	9:30am	Sogge Home	✠ Colleen Ortmann
1	<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	For the People
2	<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	✠ June & Jill Freking
2	<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	Lupita Flores

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 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



Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Maxine Frank
- Jane Wolff
- Travis Muller
- Aiden Remme
- Miguel Esquivel
- Jim Salentiny
- Pat Weir
- Ed Smith
- 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 YEAR OF MISSION
- For the victims of the unrest in the region of the Holy Land
- Linda Unger
- Margaret Juhnke
- John Zschetzsche
- Roxann Irwin
- Lupita Flores
- Lisa Rothenberger
- Briar Rose Smith
- For our veterans & police forces
- Brad Baumgard
- For an end to abortion
- Ben Byam
- Kent Frank
- Larry Wagner
- Magdalen Hill
- Mike Stone
- Joe Rivera
- Joan Schafer

TRI PARISH INFORMATION

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This week's readings:

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23; 1 Corinthians 15:45-49; Luke 6:27-38

Next week's readings:

Sirach 27:4-7; 1 Corinthians 15:54-58; Luke 6:39-45

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

The Rules

This column's composition centers on the rules of life. I came across a website entitled theintentionhabit.com and they provided a column on "The 10 Rules for a Happy Life." Here is what they suggest:

1. Cultivate Gratitude
2. Say Yes to the Right Things
3. Don't Live in the Past
4. Practice Self-care
5. Pursue Your Passion
6. Live Mindfully
7. Seek Balance
8. Learn Continuously
9. Be Kind
10. Embrace Change

Not content to stop there, I also came across a poster entitled "7 Rules of Life." What do you think of these?

- A. Let It Go. Never ruin a good day by thinking about a bad yesterday.
- B. Ignore Them. Don't listen to other people. Live a life that's empowering to you.
- C. Give It Time. Time heals everything.
- D. Don't Compare. The only person you should try to beat is the person you were yesterday.
- E. Stay Calm. It's okay not to have everything figured out. Know that in time, you will get there.
- F. It's On You. Only you are in charge of your happiness.
- G. Smile. Life is short. Enjoy it while you have it.

Being people of faith, what are some of the key aspects/rules of living a holy life? These are some which come to mind.

1. Put God First. When we fail to put God first, things fall apart.
2. Stay away from sin. In the "7 Rules of Life" we heard, it's on you. It is on us. We can either choose good or evil. Choose good!
3. Learn to love as God loves. God loves unconditionally, wholeheartedly, and sacrificially.

One of the key rules of a life built on holiness is called the golden rule. It is golden because it is considered the rule of all rules. Whether a person believes in God or not, it something we would all take to heart. It is in our gospel of today. Luke 6:31 reads, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." There are other ways the Golden Rule is stated. Here are two:

- Do not do to others what you would not want done to you.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.

To understand the Golden Rule is to understand ourselves. How do we want to be treated? The answer for me is all I ask of people is to treat me with dignity and respect. What does that mean? I really took it personally in school when people thought they were better than me. Being a kid, I bought into the belief. There was no worse feeling then to walk around believing in the presence of another I didn't match up. As I've matured, I learned I was living a lie. We are all human and make mistakes. God doesn't create one better than another. What God creates is uniqueness. We are all different and we all have a mission. Life's work is to figure out the mission and get to work.

I want all of you to take time this week and ask, "How do you want to be treated?" I shared my answer above. How does your answer sound?

Peace be to you! Father Peter Schuster

VOCATION VIEW

The Lord calls us to be merciful as our God is merciful. The Lord calls us to do God's will. Pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life. (Luke 6:27-38)

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - March 2, 2025

Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Katherine Krumbach Samantha Krumbach	Danna Flores
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GREETERS		Chad and Katelin Brown Family



CHURCH SUPPORT

Brewster Heron Lake Windom

Week 33/52	\$ 1,040	\$ 12,332	\$ 1,293
YTD	\$	\$ 140,007	\$ 106,190

LATIN AMERICA CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION (collection 1/25—1/26)

St. Francis Xavier	\$ 334
Sacred Heart Heron Lake	\$ 155
Sacred Heart Brewster	\$ 120



On March 5th, Ash
Wednesday's Collection
will be given to the
Church in Central and
Eastern Europe

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Sunday March 2nd
11:00-12:00

Saint Francis Xavier Church, Windom



Saturday March 8th
4:00-4:45

Sacred Heart Church, Brewster



1st Sun - Windom - 11-12
2nd Sat - Brewster - 4-4:45

Confession is 1/2 hour before every Sunday
Mass (7:30 am) at Sacred Heart, Heron Lake,
Confession is 1/2 hour before every Saturday
Mass (4:30 pm) at Sacred Heart, Brewster

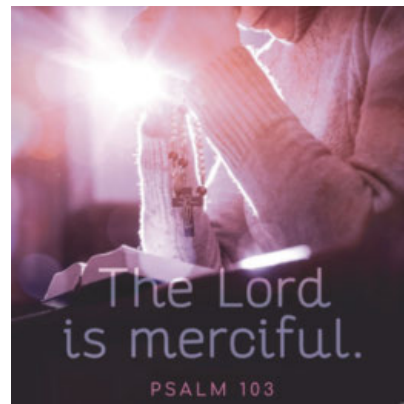
SACRAMENTAL LIFE

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: May 31st 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.

QUINCEANERA PREPARATION: When booking a QUINCEANERA and needing a 1st Reconciliation and a 1st Holy Communion. There is a three month preparation time. Please schedule your Quinceanera 3 months in advance. Thank you. It is also required that the family is a member of the parish. **TENGA EN CUENTA:** Si reserva una FIESTA DE quince años y necesita una primera reconciliación y una primera comunión, el tiempo de preparación es de tres meses. Programe su fiesta de quince años con tres meses de anticipación. También se requiere que la familia sea miembro de la parroquia.



Psalm 103

Bless the
LORD, O my
soul; and all
my being,
bless his holy
name.

David

INSIDE OUR PARISHES

BREWSTER

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered each weekend, the **SECOND SATURDAY** of the month continuing **MARCH 8** from 4:00-4:45.

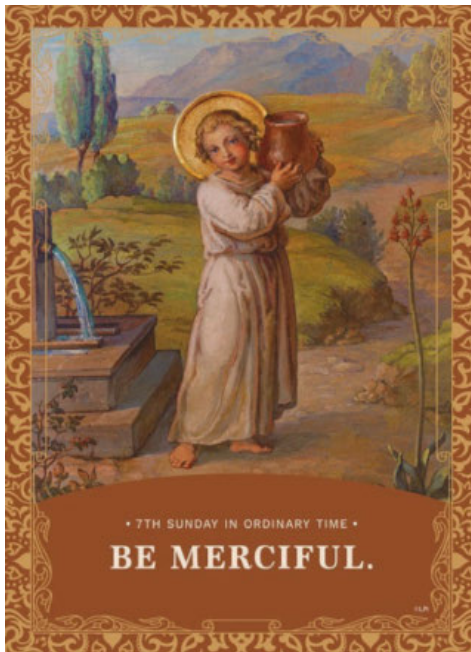
WE NEED MONEY COUNTERS!! Please contact Loretta. We NEED you!

THE FEBRUARY ISSUE OF THE DIOCESAN COURIER is available at the entrances of the Church.

IF SCHOOL IS RUNNING late or closed on Thurs, there will be no morning Mass. For Saturday Mass closing, please listen to the Worthington Radio Stations and the announcement will also be posted on Facebook.

YOUR YEAR-END CHURCH SUPPORT STATEMENTS are on the table in the front entrance and the side entrance also. Please pick yours up. Thank you.

ON MONDAY, APRIL 14TH, SACRED HEART HERON LAKE WILL BE HOSTING THE CHRISM MASS. A supper will be served to Bishop Barron and our diocesan priests. They are asking our parish for 2-3 people to assist serving the meal. Please contact Loretta if you are willing to help with this. After the meal you can attend the Chrism Mass. It really is a beautiful and holy Mass.



HERON LAKE

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

ASH WEDNESDAY: The Ash Wednesday Liturgical Roles were assigned with the assumption we would be having evening Mass, however, we will have Mass at 9 AM that morning so please let Melanie know if she needs to find someone to fill in the roles for that day. Thank you and sorry for the confusion.

MISSION QUILT SEWING will be on Tuesdays, at Steger Hall, weather permitting, starting at 1:30 PM. 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 the Rectory. Thank you!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: Fun Sunday has been set for today after Mass with a snow date of March 2nd. The theme this year is "Hooked on Jesus." Raffle donations and bingo money of \$5 per family can be given to Lisa Carlson. See you there!

FEB/MAR LITURGICAL ROLES are now available to pick up in the entrance of the church.

GREETERS: Looking for volunteers to greet parishioners as they enter for Sunday Mass. Please reach out to Melanie in the office or sign up on the sheet in the back of the church if interested! THANK YOU!

REMINDER: If school is late or closed due to adverse weather, Wednesday Mass is also cancelled. Sunday Mass cancellation will be announced on KDOM and Worthington Radio Stations, along with being posted on Facebook.



WINDOM

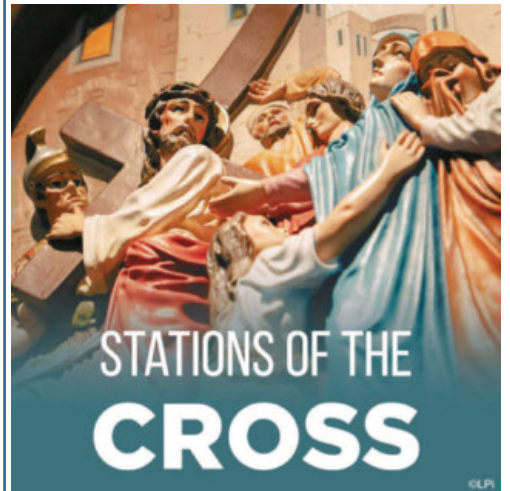
ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on each **FIRST SUNDAY** of the month. The next adoration is, **MARCH 2ND** from 11:00-12:00.

SPECIAL MASSES ARE ENCOURAGED AT ST. FRANCIS XAVIER. If implementing extra music and/or additional languages into the Mass readings, the arrangements need to be in the book 6 weeks prior to the event to coordinate the Mass plan and get approval of the readings, music, etc...

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THE MN KNIGHTS FOUNDATION RAFFLE TICKETS are available. See Tim Jenniges if you are interested. They are \$5.00 each. Tickets will be available for purchase through 3/12/2025.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will take place before Mass for the first 5 weeks of Lent. Please Plan to attend. All ages welcome.



WEEKDAY MASS CANCELLATIONS: If school is cancelled, *due to weather*, on Fridays, Mass at the Sogge Home is also cancelled. If school is cancelled on Tuesday, Fr. Schuster said he will still come weather permitting. Also on Tuesday, if school is cancelled, Fr. Antony could celebrate Mass in Windom if he isn't away. Please call the church office if you have any questions. If Judy isn't in the office, please call Fr. Schuster or Fr. Antony, (the phone numbers are on the front of the bulletin); or Judy's cell, 507-822-6497.

NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

DAY ON THE HILL:

Interested in joining people from faith communities around the state to share their values with our elected officials? Join us for the Joint Religious Legislative Coalition (JRLC) Day on the Hill! It will be held on February 27 at Central Presbyterian Church in St. Paul. We'll gather for fellowship, hear from speakers, learn about JRLC's policy priorities and get advocacy tips before heading up the hill to the Capitol for more programming in the Rotunda and visits with your lawmakers. Don't miss this incredible day of interfaith advocacy for social justice! More info at jrlc.org/



EUCCHARISTIC RIVAL: THE YEAR OF MISSION



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.

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

DISCIPLESHIP QUADS/BIBLE STUDY GROUPS FOR MEN AND WOMEN:

'Discipleship Quads' are a group of four men or women who meet together over the course of a year to study Scripture, dig deeply into the Faith and grow together in fellowship. We are opening this opportunity up to all our area parishes and hoping to connect like minded Catholic men and women to create new relationships. There is a guided program used in a Quad group. **(Learn more at <https://steubenvilleconferences.net/discipleship-quads/>)**

If being involved in a study group like this is something you may enjoy doing, please contact Peg Olsem (stgabrielfaith@gmail.com) or Marcie Cowan (faith@acmatholic.org), and we will get your name on a list for a possible new group. **ALL** are most welcome! Once we have enough folks to create a "Quad" group, we will connect you with one another, and your group, together, can determine the best meeting times/locations for yourselves. The webinar link to Quad information is: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zijGJT0IPHY&t=5s>

2025 ADULT FAITH & LAY FORMATION EVENT

Holy Family

RETREATS & PILGRIMAGE

DATES & LOCATIONS

HOLY FAMILY RETREAT
Date: Saturday, February 8th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: St. Edward Parish in Austin, MN
ST. JOSEPH RETREAT
Date: Saturday, March 15th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: St. Joseph Parish in Owatonna, MN
ST. MARY RETREAT
Date: Saturday, April 12th, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Location: SS. Peter & Paul Parish in Blue Earth, MN
WALK TO MARY PILGRIMAGE
Date: Friday, May 2nd to Sunday, May 4th
Location: Champion, WI

LEARN MORE AND REGISTER HERE!
www.dowr.org/event-details/3769

Shadow Stations of the Cross

Presented by St. Ann-Slayton, St. Gabriel-Fulda, IHM-Currie, & St. Anthony-Westbrook Confirmation Class--
Wednesday,
March 12, 2025, 7 pm
St. Ann, Slayton, MN

One performance only!!

EVERYONE WELCOME!



SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST, IONA MN

MARDI GRAS CELEBRATION

Iona Township Hall and Community Center Iona, MN

(formerly known as St. Columba Hall)

Saturday, March 1, 2025 6-8pm

SOMETHING FOR ALL AGES

All the favorites-- CAKE WALK--MINNOW RACES--THE BLESSING STATION --KISS THE PIG CONTEST--COTTON CANDY- FINGERNAIL PAINTING--New this year: DIGITAL PICTURES- PLUS MUCH MORE!

GREAT menu--Low prices
Smoked pork sandwiches
Nachos w/meat and cheese
Grilled hot dogs Chips
Dessert Bars
Pop/water/Gatorade



Ash Wednesday Schedule

March 5th

9:00 AM Sacred Heart Heron Lake

5:15 PM St. Francis Xavier Church Windom

7:00 PM Sacred Heart Church Brewster



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