

APRIL 13, 2025 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



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 - APRIL 14 - 20, 2025

14	Mon	2:00pm	Heron Lake	CHRISM MASS
15	Tues	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Richard & Helen Becker
16	Wed	9:00am	Heron Lake	✠ Gary Burns
17	Thurs	7:00pm	Heron Lake	For the People
18	Fri	3:30pm	Brewster	
18	Fri	5:00pm	Heron Lake	
18	Fri	7:00pm	Windom	
19	Sat	8:00pm	Heron Lake	For the People
20	Sun	8:00am	Brewster	For the People
20	Sun	10:00am	Windom	For the People

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.

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TRI PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Maxine Frank
- Brad Baumgard
- Travis Muller
- Aiden Remme
- Miguel Esquivel
- Jim Salentiny
- Pat Weir
- For our veterans & police forces
- For an end to abortion
- 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
- Joan Schafer
- Margaret Juhnke
- John Zschetzsche
- Roxann Irwin
- Briar Rose Smith
- Lisa Rothenberger
- Joann Polzine
- Ben Byam
- Joe Rivera
- Larry Wagner
- Magdalen Hill
- Mike Stone
- Lupita Flores
- For victims of war in Ukraine



This week's readings:

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14-23:56 or 23:1-49

Next week's readings:

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; John 20:1-9

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

This Is It...

Think of how much we reference the phrase, "This is it." Let me share with you some ways:

1. This is it. We are finally to the championship game of the NCAA tournament.
2. This is it. It is Super Bowl Sunday.
3. This is it. It is time for the fishing opener.
4. This is it. The golf course is open for the season.
5. This is it. It is April 15th and I must pay my taxes.
6. This is it. It is time to plant my garden.
7. This is it. It is the end of the school year.
8. This is it. It is time for our first track meet.
9. This is it. It is time for a well-earned vacation.
10. This is it. It is once again time for the first mowing of the lawn.

For the Church, this is literally it. This is Holy Week. This is the week that marks the story of the Church. If the story of the Savior is marked by a day, the story of the events leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection is defined by a week. Let us take a closer look at the week.

Palm Sunday

What always catches my attention on Palm Sunday is the stance of the crowd. In the gospel which begins our Mass, the people "Hail" their king. Jesus has arrived at the outskirts of Jerusalem. They know there is a mood in the air, something is adrift. Something is about to happen. Will Jesus,

- A. Bring justice amid so much injustice?
- B. Overthrow the Roman government?
- C. Put power back in the hands of those to whom it belongs?

As we learn in the Passion story of that day, the mood of the crowd changes violently. Realizing Jesus' power lay elsewhere, their words are jolting, "Crucify him. Crucify him." Think of that for a moment. What would it take for each of us to yell out the death of another? And not just any type of death but death by crucifixion?

Holy Thursday

I would ask all of you to read the Farewell Discourse in John's gospel (John chapters 14–17). Holy Thursday is marked by the word "last." Think about it:

- A. Jesus' last night on earth.
- B. Jesus' last supper with his disciples.
- C. Jesus' last conversation with his disciples before his death.

Little would one know that while much of Holy Thursday would be marked by the "last" it would also prepare us for the "first."

Good Friday

I can understand the "good" which comes from Good Friday; however, who can't help but be moved by the horror of this day. Because of our sins, we placed God on the cross. In the Passion Narratives, we hear words like:

- Darkness.
- Tearing. The veil in the sanctuary being torn in two.
- Anger.
- Earthquake.
- Mocking.
- Ridicule.

And the list could go on and on. Only in the mighty workings of God, can any "good" be found in all of this. For that to happen, we must wait for the word I mentioned above, the "first." It is that word "first" which will be my focus of next week. Until then, have a blessed Holy Week!

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster

VOCATION

Blest are they who come in the name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, brother, or sister? (Luke 19:28-40)

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - April 19-20, 2025

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	Brewster 04/05	Heron Lake 04/06	Windom 04/06
Week 40/52	\$ 1,508	\$ 2,390	\$ 5,524
YTD	\$	\$ 151,902	\$ 128,695

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

(collection on 3/29-30)

St. Francis Xavier	\$ 409
Sacred Heart Heron Lake	\$ 190
Sacred Heart Brewster	\$ 345



**PALM SUNDAY
OF THE
PASSION OF
THE LORD**

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Saturday April 12th
4:00-4:45
Sacred Heart Church, Brewster



Sunday May 4th
11:00-12:00



Saint Francis Xavier Church, Windom

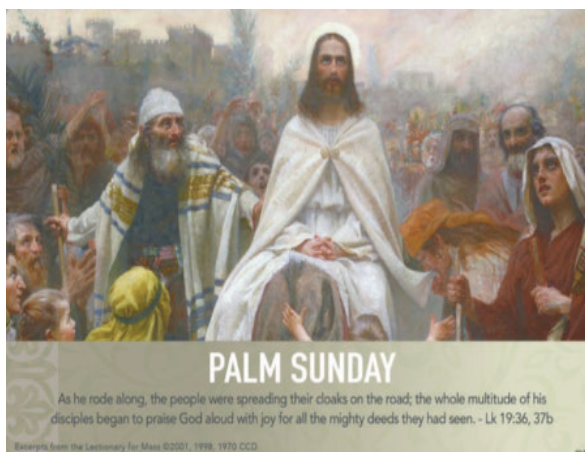
1st Sun-Windom - 11-12 2nd Sat-Brewster - 4-4:45

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

ALL PARISHES in the **TRIPARISH:**

There will be an Early Bulletin Submission Deadline on April 14th of this week.



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.

INSIDE OUR PARISHES

BREWSTER

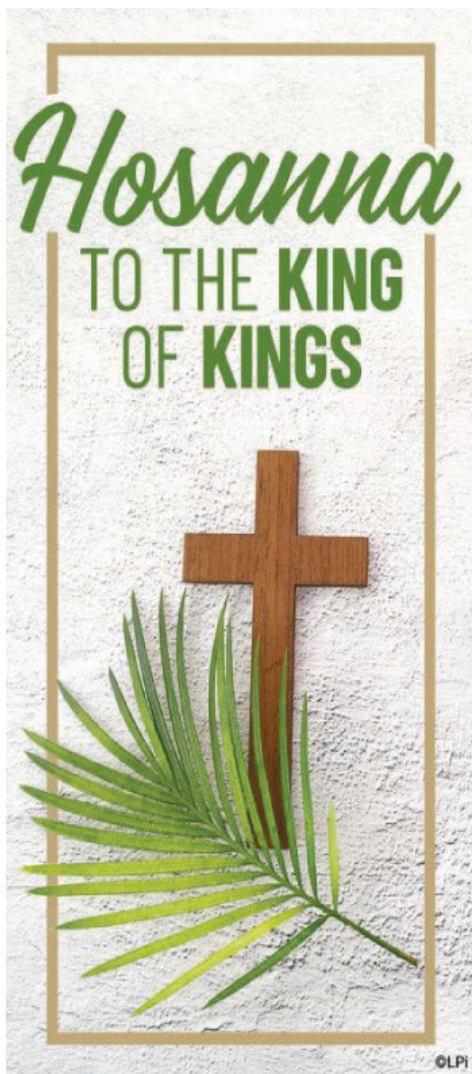
ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on the **SECOND SATURDAY** of the month **APRIL 12th** from 4:00-4:45.

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

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND THE CHRISM MASS on Monday, April 14th at 2pm at Sacred Heart Heron Lake. Everyone is encouraged to attend this beautiful Mass.

THANK YOU to the Sacred Heart Brewster CCW for hosting the Area WCCW meeting. Special thanks to Bev and Melonie for their leadership in planning the event and the ladies who made the delicious food. It was all so very nice.

THANK YOU to all who read the Daily Readings and the Stations of the Cross on Tuesday evenings during Lent. A special thank you to Bibi who leads the rosary during Lent and before every Mass.



HERON LAKE

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

COF PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Catholic Order Of Foresters will be hosting their annual Pancake Breakfast today, Palm Sunday. If you are willing, they are looking for a few extra hands to just show up and help. **THANK YOU!**

CCW will be doing a quilt raffle again this year, quilt made by Delores Pelzel. Tickets have been mailed.

CHRISM MASS: Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake will be hosting the Chrism Mass this year on Monday, April 14th at 2 PM. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

RICE BOWL: Please return Rice Bowls ASAP! Thank you!

THE FAMILY OF JIM STENZEL would like to thank everyone for all the food that was brought to the house, the help, and the visits. Thanks to Carroll Freking for all the times he took Jim to Mankato for treatments and the numerous times I was taken to appointments by wonderful parishioners and friends since the funeral. It all means the world to us, just like Jim did. His smile, jokes, and big heart will never be forgotten. God Love You. -Patricia Stenzel



FOR ALL PARISHES

Holy Thursday—04/17/2025
Heron Lake ONLY—7:00 PM

Good Friday—04/18/2025
Brewster—3:30 PM
Heron Lake—5:00 PM
Windom—7:00 PM

Easter Vigil (Sat.) - 04/19/2025
Heron Lake ONLY—8:00 PM

Easter Sunday—04/20/2025
Brewster—8:00 AM
Windom—10:00 AM

WINDOM

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered **SUNDAY MAY 14th** from 11:00-12:00. Please **THIS YEAR'S CHRISM MASS** is hosted by Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake on Monday April 14th. All are welcome.

THERE IS NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES FOR STUDENTS on April 16th.

THE FAITH FORMATION STUDENTS ARE COLLECTING TOWELS for the Sharing Center. Please be generous and throw in a towel, imitating the compassion of Jesus. The collection baskets are in the hall at the feet of the 3 wooden crosses and will be collected until Easter. There is only about a week left. Thank you to all who have supported this wonderful project. Let's keep up the great work.

PLEASE PICK UP A RICE BOWL at the entrances of the church to contribute to Catholic Relief Services' Lenten campaign. Please return by 4/27.

WINDOM AREA MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION presents, **"JESUS REVOLUTION"** a **FREE MOVIE APRIL 13th**, at 1:00 at the Windom State Theater. The Movie is "Jesus Revolution" and the setting for the movie is in the late 1960's through the early 1970's in Southern California and highlights three people who sparked a massive evangelical youth movement.

TOTUS TUUS FLYERS are at both the main entrance and the hall entrance of the church. Contact Vicki, 507-830-0357; Sherri Zimmerman, 507-221-0354; or Joan Hunter, 507-831-2470 with questions.

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER SCHOLARSHIP—St. Francis is offering a scholarship to the seniors of our parish. Applications are available in the church office. Please return the filled-out forms to the office or to Joan Hunter by May 7th 2025. The scholarship will be awarded at the Baccalaureate service May 18th.




NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES


APRIL 18TH, GOOD FRIDAY, THE REGULAR COLLECTION GOES TO THE HOLY LAND.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection is the collection taken on Good Friday to support Christians in the Holy Land. The collection supports the work of the Franciscans in the sacred shrines, ministers to the parishes, provides formation and education in the communities and schools, and cares for the basic needs of people in the Holy Land. It also provides humanitarian aid to refugees. The collection is overseen by the Vatican and is taken up by parishes around the world. Please give generously to this worthwhile cause.




**PONTIFICAL
GOOD FRIDAY
COLLECTION**

Friday
April 18
2025



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DATES & LOCATIONS

WALK TO MARY PILGRIMAGE
Date: Friday, May 2nd to
Sunday, May 4th
Location: Champion, WI

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EUCCHARISTIC RIVIAL: THE YEAR OF MISSION

How can you exercise the gift of faith in every area of your life, trusting completely in God's plan for you? How is Jesus inviting you to leave the "tombs" of your past so that you can walk in greater freedom during this Easter Season?

THE CHRISM MASS

Sacred Heart Church in Heron Lake will be hosting the Chrism Mass this year on Monday, April 14th at 2:00 PM. Please plan to attend. All ages are welcome.



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. This year's theme is "ANSWERING GOD'S CALL"

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

THE SYNOD. Bishop Barron asks that parishioners participate in a survey during the season of Lent prior to holding regional gathering of parish delegates and appointed members from all over the Diocese. The survey is online and accessible via the QR code. You may also access the survey through the dowr.org webpage.



TWO REPRESENTATIVES from **EACH** parish are needed to serve on a Synod for Evangelization & Vocations that will be taking place in Mankato Aug 21 starting at 4pm - Aug 22, full day. You **MUST** be available during these days/times. Limited hotel rooms are available. Please contact Dana: 507-836-8030 if you are interested in serving. Each church **MUST** have 2 representatives.



ON ASH WEDNESDAY and throughout Lent, we are called to repentance and deeper communion with God and neighbor through prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

In a special way, Lenten almsgiving enables us to grow in generosity, actively participate in the body of Christ and respond to God's call to love and care for others.

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