

MAY 25, 2025 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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 - MAY 27 - JUNE 1, 2025

27	Tues	5:30pm	Windom	NO MASS
28	Wed	9:00am	Heron Lake	COMMUNION SERVICE
29	Thurs	9:00am	Brewster	NO MASS
30	Fri	9:30am	Sogge Home	NO MASS
31	Sat	5:00pm	Brewster	For the People
1	Sun	8:00am	Heron Lake	✠ Donna Henkels
1	Sun	10:00am	Windom	✠ Donald Hoppe

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
- 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 Zschetsche
- 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

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This week's readings:

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29

Next week's readings:

Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60, Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20; John 17:20-26

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

We Are Getting Closer

If I asked you to name symbols which reference the Holy Spirit, what symbols would you provide? Here are some of the more common:

- Fire
- Air
- Water
- Wind
- Oil
- Dove



Today's gospel mentions none of the above. In two weeks, we will celebrate Pentecost and the story of the beginning of the Church. Wind and fire will be referenced in the Pentecost story from Acts of the Apostles; however, as we get closer to Pentecost, the Church asks us this weekend to reflect upon the Holy Spirit as "Advocate."

An advocate is one who pleads on behalf of another. There is one event I will never forget, and I would have handled it differently now, but you sometimes have to live and learn. When I was in college, I had someone knock on my dorm door. I opened and the man asked if he could enter. I allowed him to enter. He asked me if I knew "Tom" (although for the sake of this story and confidentiality his real name wasn't Tom). I responded, "Yes, I know Tom." He next asked, "Does 'Tom' walk with a limp." I told him, "I have never seen him walk with a limp." The man had no more questions and left.

At this stage and thinking back on the event, I am going to formulate a guess. It is my sense that "Tom" had formulated a lawsuit and was seeking money for some "accident" which caused him to "limp." Again, it is a mere guess. I never heard from the man again; although, I later realized that I could have been called as a witness to testify on behalf of the defense. If such occurred, I would have been an advocate. Pleading on behalf of the defense, my testimony would have been that "Tom" merely claimed to have had a limp.

Had the man knocked and entered my room today, I would have asked more questions, yet I was a young college kid trying to learn my way. We learn in this story of why the Holy Spirit is sometimes symbolized as an "Advocate." As an advocate, the Holy Spirit.

1. Is always with us. Always taking our side.
2. Speaks the truth. The Spirit will never speak a lie.

Such is the story of today. The Holy Spirit will never let us down. The Spirit is with us, leading us in the way of truth. Let us seek the Spirit's intercession. May my prayer be yours too, "Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit. Come, Holy Spirit."

A Short Story

A clergyman, walking down a country road, sees a young farmer struggling to right a wagon that was tipped upside down. "You look hot, my son," said the cleric. "Why don't you rest a moment, and I'll give you a hand." "No thanks," said the young man. "My father wouldn't like it." "Don't be silly," the minister said. "Everyone is entitled to a break. Come and have a drink of water." Again the young man protested that his father would be upset. Losing his patience, the clergyman said, "Your father must be a real slave driver. Tell me where I can find him and I'll give him a piece of my mind!" "Well," replied the young farmer, "He's under the wagon."

Catholic Ministries Appeal

If you haven't done so, please send in your pledge for the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Any monies raised over the goal are returned to each respective parish at 100%. Also, any monies raised over the goal are not assessed by the diocese. The Catholic Ministries Appeal is a great way for us to raise funds for our parishes. Please be generous!

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster



VOCATION VIEW Those who love me will be true to my word. My Father will love them and we will come to them. How will I respond to that love? Am I being called to priesthood or religious life?

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - June 1, 2025

Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Nathan Madsen Cora Haberman	Rogan Brown
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SACRISTANS		Nadine
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VIDEO STREAMING		Tom Riordan
GREETERS		Wayne & Debby Mau

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	Brewster 05/17	Heron Lake 05/18	Windom 05/18
Week 46/52	\$ 752	\$ 2,618	\$ 1,772
YTD	\$	\$ 162,714	\$ 142,120

2ND COLLECTION

COLLECTED MAY 10-11

Brewster	\$ 566
Heron Lake	\$ 448
Windom	\$ 366



ADORATION SCHEDULE

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



Saturday June 14th
4:00-4:45

Sacred Heart Church, Brewster

Adoration is every 1st Sun-Windom - 11-12
Adoration is every 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> The next session is in October, in LaCrescent, MN

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: The next session is October 4-5, 2025 at Schoenstatt of the Lake—Sleepy Eye, MN. Contact Miki Schultz at 507-227-8229 with questions.

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

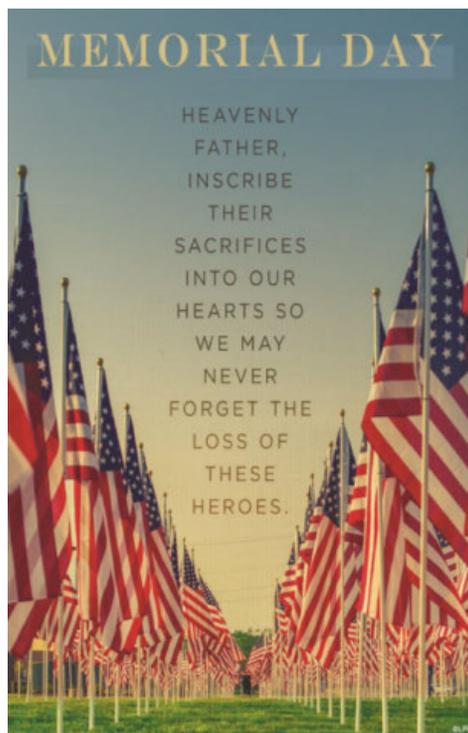
ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on the **SECOND SATURDAY** of the month, continuing **JUNE 10th** from 4:00-4:45.

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

CONGRATULATIONS to Kaiden Harberman and Levi Hennings, who have graduated from HLO and Worthington, respectively. God's blessings on their future endeavors.



PRAYER FOR PEACE: Fill us with Your peace, Lord, as you promised in Your word. Peace in our comings and goings, Peace that You are working and moving, Peace for what has happened, the places we find ourselves today, and in the future to come. Amen.



HERON LAKE

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

CONGRATULATIONS to all the graduating Seniors, especially Joelle Brunk. May God's grace follow you along your path.

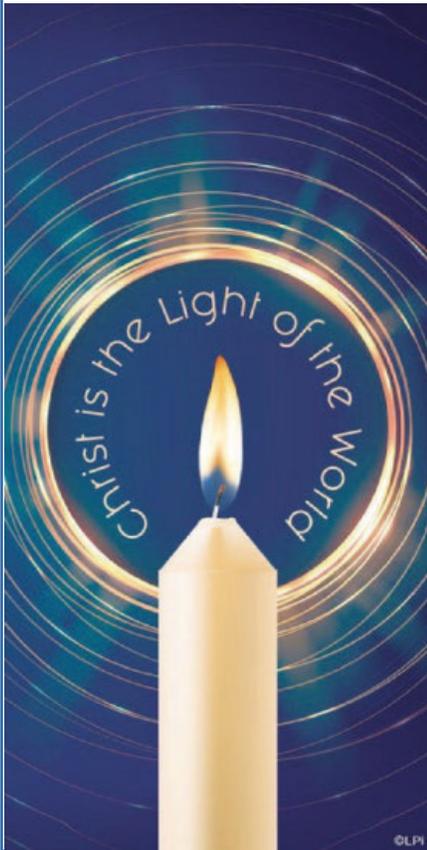
OFFICE CLOSED: The office will be closed from June 25th - July 6th. Please call Father Schuster if there is an emergency.

CEMETERY DECORATIONS:

Please remember to remove **ALL** planters and decorations that obstruct mowing before Monday, June 2nd. This includes all flowers and solar lights that are not attached to the head stone base. Anything the cemetery caretakers have to remove, after June 3rd, will be placed by the East gate for a short time. Thank you!

MEETING: Pastoral and Finance Council will meet on Wednesday, June 18th. Pastoral begins at 6:00 PM and Finance at 6:45 PM.

LITURGY ROLES: Looking to become more involved in church? Please contact Melanie if you would be interested in helping out with the rosary readings, serving, ushering, eucharist minister, lector, or contribution steward. Liturgical Roles for June/July are now available.



WINDOM

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered next **SUNDAY JUNE 1st** from 11:00 -12:00. Please come adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

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...

THERE ARE NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK: Have a wonderful Memorial Day Weekend next week.

MEALS ON WHEELS needs your help. St. Francis Xavier is responsible for delivering meals for the month of June. Please call Wanda Stone at 822 -1642 if you are able to help, even for a couple of days. This would be a great opportunity for teens to help out our community. We have two delivery routes which require a minimum of four volunteers per day. Thank you to all of those who continue to volunteer for this important and rewarding service.

THANK YOU TO THE KCS for preparing the senior breakfast. It was delicious and so appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO CLAIR VEENKER for receiving the scholarships from the Knights of Columbus and the St. Francis Xavier Parish.

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. Totus Tuus is from June 8-13.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATING SENIORS. May God bless you on your new journey and always know that St. Francis Xavier will be a spiritual home for you. Seniors pictured from left to right, Fredy Barrios, Jorge Cerda Juarez, Christopher Morales, Jack Chihak, Carter Rosow, Claire Veenker and Rayna Cazares. Not pictured: Erik Flores, Leivy Fuentes Orea, Vanesa Cerda Lopez and Hadley Sammons.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU:

Reconciliation continues to be available. All are encouraged to continue coming to confession throughout the year; or return to the sacrament of reconciliation.

DON'T MISS THE **JOY** THE LORD WANTS YOU TO HAVE!

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION is available in the tri-parish, during adoration, on the 1st Sunday in Windom from 11-12 AM, also in Brewster on the 2nd Saturday from 4:00-4:45 PM and in Heron Lake before Mass on Sundays at 7:30 AM. Reconciliation is also before Mass on Saturdays at 4:30 PM in Brewster.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Sunday June 22, following the 10:00am Mass at St. Ann, they will be holding a priest appreciation & congratulations on 30yrs of priestly ordination for Fr. Peter Schuster. The Slayton cluster of St. Ann, St. Gabriel, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Anthony; the tri-parish of St. Francis Xavier, Sacred Heart, Heron Lake & Sacred Heart Brewster; and any others are all invited to come. A lunch of Bar-B-Qs, chips, cake, and beverages will be served. Please watch the bulletin for more details as the date approaches. *June 22*. If you are unable to make it, cards can be mailed to Father's attention at St. Ann Church, 2747 29th St, Slayton, MN 56172.



EUCCHARISTIC RIVAL: THE YEAR OF MISSION

In Acts, we see a lot of characteristics of everyday stewardship. We see the Apostles mindfully acknowledge the lack of peace that is posed by problems like false teachings. They prayerfully confront the obstacles to salvation posed by these issues. Always, always, always, their main objective is to reveal the will of God, remaining committed to the truth while helping newcomers find avenues to salvation.

So be it with us.

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WEEK DAY MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE: The weekdays of May 26th through May 30th, and June 9th through June 13th; there will be **no weekday Masses**, in the Windom-Heron Lake-Brewster tri-parish. Our regular weekday Mass schedule will resume on the week of June 16th. See page 1 of the bulletin for the current schedule of the weekday's Masses.

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.

MEMORIAL DAY, MAY 26th: PRAYER FOR THE FALLEN
Prayer for the Fallen

God our creator and sustainer,
today our country brings to our memory
those who have defended this nation in
times of trouble.

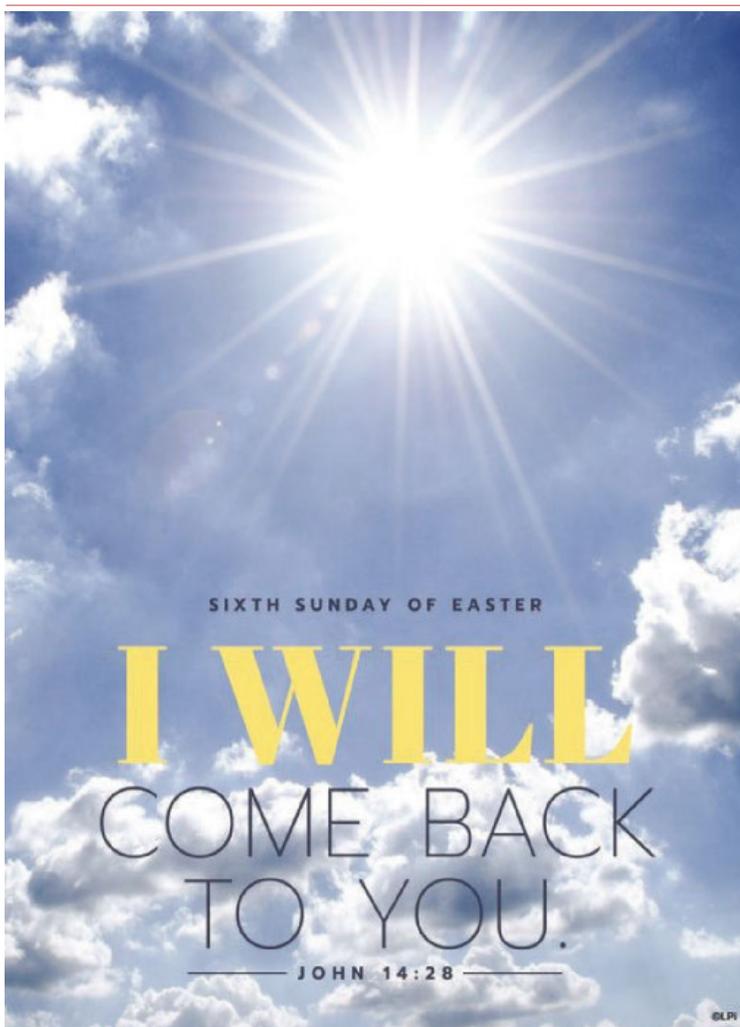


They have sacrificed their lives to protect
our shores
from those who would limit our freedoms
or enslave us to ways that are against your will.
Bring all those who have died in service to our country
into your heavenly presence.

We humbly call down your blessing on those still serving;
grant your heavenly protection to these men and women,
and open your Sacred Heart to give them peace and
comfort.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

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