AUGUST 31, 2025 | TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY







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 - SEPTEMBER 2 - 7, 2025

2	<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	+	Dorothy A Becker	
3	<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	+	Bill, Kelly, & Paul Fest	
4	<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster		Living/Deceased Kirchner	
5	<u>Fri</u>	9:00am	Sogge Home	+	Family Leo & Arlene Bartosh	
6	<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster		For the People	
7	<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	+	Bill, Kelly, & Paul Fest	
7	<u>Sun</u>	10:00am	Windom	t	Raul Juarez, Antonio Jaurez, & Raul Jaurez Gutierrez	

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
 - Amber Determan •
- Ben Byam

- Brad Baumgard •
- Margaret Juhnke •
- Joe Rivera

- Travis Muller
- John Zschetzsche
 - Larry Wagner

- Aiden Remme •
- Roxann Irwin
- Magdalen Hill

- Miguel Esquivel •
- Briar Rose Smith •
- Mike Stone

- Joan Schafer
- Lisa Rothenberger •
- **Lupita Flores**

- Pat Weir
- Joann Polzine
- Teresa Pudenz
- For our veterans & police forces
- Lanette Horkey
- For and end to abortion
- **Todd Hines**
- 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

TRI PARISH INFORMATION

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Website: www.sfxwindom.org Joan Hunter: Faith Formation Chair

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This week's readings:

Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24a; Luke 14:1, 7-14

Next week's readings:

Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17; Luke 14:25-33 ·

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

Being Humble!

Our gospel pericope of this Sunday comes from the fourteenth chapter of Luke's gospel. In verses seven through fourteen, placed before us is the story of one being invited to a banquet. When invited we are told to seat ourselves at the lowest place so that when the host comes, we may be invited to a higher position of honor. We are also warned of the opposite happening. Initially taking a place of honor, we may be asked to give our place to another. Verse 11 summarizes by saying, "For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but whoever humbles himself will be exalted."

There was a song by Mac Brown composed in 1974 entitled "It's Hard to Be Humble." The first verses have the following lyrics:

"Oh Lord, it's hard to be humble When you are perfect in every way I can't wait to look in the mirror Cause I get better lookin' each day To know me is to love me I must be a h--- of a man Oh Lord, it's hard to be humble But I'm doing the best I can.

I used to have a girlfriend But I guess she just couldn't compete With all of these love-starved women Who keep clamoring at my feet Well I could probably find me another But I guess they're all in awe of me Who cares? I never get lonesome Cause I treasure my own company.

Oh Lord, it's hard to be humble When you are perfect in every way."

If you listen to the song, it is somewhat catchy; although, I must admit that someone has a rather inflated sense of themself. To such, a dose of humility wouldn't be a bad thing. I've never had such an over-inflated sense of myself but from time to time, I forget to stay "humbly grounded." Here is one such story. At a former assignment, it was the Easter season and I was doing the Sprinkling Rite. I was having fun with the people giving

"Of all his virtues, Christ specifically commends one to us, humility, "Learn of me for I am meek and humble of heart."

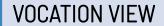
— At. Bunard of Caiwana

some of the congregation a double or triple shot of holy water. I was almost finished when I came to the last couple of pews. Wanting to give the people a "triple dose," as I was sprinkling, the aspergillum flew out of my hand, landed against the back of a pew, made a loud crashing sound, and left a mark in the pew. Luckily, the aspergillum didn't hit a soul.

As I retrieved the aspergillum, my face turned red in embarrassment. I had gotten ahead of myself, and a dose of humility was the order of the day. Fortunately, such an incident has never again occurred. Remember, stay grounded and be humble!

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster



LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - September 7, 2025

Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am			
SERVERS	Cora Haberman Nathan Madsen	Rogan Brown			
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CONTRIBUTIONS	Ryan Haberman Carrissa Haberman Erin Haberman	John Duscher Elaine Tasler			
SACRISTAN		Nadine Forman			
ROSARY	Cleo Miranowski	David Bockelmann			
VIDEO STREAMING		Nick Riordan			
GREETERS		Confirmation Students			

Parish Support Parish Support Parish Support

	Brewster 08/23		Heron Lake 08/24		Windom 08/24	
Week 08/52	\$	660	\$	3,145	\$ 2,931	
YTD	\$	6,729	\$	33,424	\$ 26,751	

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

SAT/SUN, AUGUST 23RD/24TH
COMBINATION COLLECTION
CATHOLIC HOME MISSION
NATIONAL COLLETION FOR BLACK &
NATIVE AMERICAN PEOPLE

Brewster \$ 228.00

Heron Lake \$ 246.00

Windom \$ 322.00

will be taken the weekend of SEPTEMBER 13-14 to support CNEWA and CRS in their relief efforts for GAZA. To learn more about their vital work, you can visit their websites at www.cnewa.org and

A SECOND COLLECTION

www.crs.org.

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 31st 11:00-12:00

Saint Francis Xavier Church, Windom (This is a change from the regular schedule) No Adoration on 9/7



Saturday, September 13th 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

BAPTISMS

Welcome to the family of God, Peyton Kruger, daughter of Jason & Cassandra Kruger who was baptized at St. Francis Xavier's on Saturday, Aug. 16th, 2025.

God bless her and her family. A warm welcome from Saint Francis Xavier to Peyton.

Welcome to the family of God,

Piper Kruger, daughter of Jason & Cassandra Kruger who was baptized at St. Francis Xavier's on Saturday, Aug. 16th, 2025. God bless her and her family. A warm welcome from Saint Francis Xavier to Piper.

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.

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 at least a three month preparation time. Please schedule your Quinceanera at least 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 HERON LAKE

BREWSTER

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on the 2ND SATUR-DAY of the month, The next Adoration is **SEPTEMBER 13**th from 4:00-4:45.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL- If you have not sent in your donation, please do so. Our goal is \$5,732 and thus far, \$4,578 has been given. Remember, all monies that go over our goal, will be returned to us. Last year, \$732 A BOX OF JOY may be the only Christwas returned. Your donation and in return, helps our parishes.

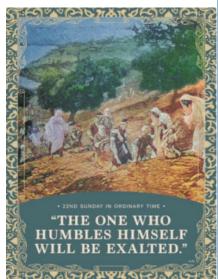
THE AUGUST COURIERS are available at the entrance of the church. Please pick yours up. Thank you

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who has contacted Molly to be a catechist this year. Our parish appreciates you giving your time and talents to our children. Molly and subs. Search your heart and give Molly a call. 507-360-4526. Thank you.

NO CONFESSION: there will be no confession on Saturday. 9/6.

NEXT SAT. NIGHT-SEPT. 6TH. following Mass, we will have the BETHLEHEM STAR OLIVE WOOD display and sell their items in the church hall. Please come and take a look at their beautiful handmade olive wood.





There will be CONFESSION AVAILABLE 1/2 HOUR BEFORE MASS ON SUN-DAYS.

COF STEAK FRY will be on Sunday, September 7th, 4:30 PM at Steger Hall. \$5.00 for COF members and burgers are free to those who do not want steak. You NEED to reserve a steak to get a steak! Please call Kevin Leopold 507-793-2894 or Dennis Salentiny 507-360-1910 to reserve your steak.

mas gift a child in need receives. helps our Diocese to address Please help your CCW with this promany needed areas in ministry, ject by picking up a Box of Joy from the church; fill it and return it to the rectory by October 5th. A list of gift item suggestions & instructions can be found next to the boxes in church entrance. They have requested that a rosary be included in each box. The postage will be paid by CCW.

ROSARIES NEEDED: CCW is looking for rosaries to include in the Box of needs a catechist for 7th grade Joy. They have requested a rosary for each box so we are looking for a total of 20. Please drop by office or bring to Dianne Freking if you are willing to help. Thank you!

> JUBILEE 2025 What is a Jubilee Year? *A Holy Year of the forgiveness of sin, conversion and joyful celebration.

> "The coming Jubilee will thus be a Holy Year marked by the hope that does not fade, our hope in God. May it help us to recover the confident trust that we require, in the Church and in society, in our interpersonal relationships, in international relations, and in our task of

promoting the dignity of all persons and respect for God's gift of creation." (Pope Francis, Spes Non Confundit 25)

For more infor-

mation about Ju-

bilee please visit the following website:

https://www.usccb.org/jubilee2025

SACRED HEART IN HERON LAKE IS A JUBILEE LOCATION WITHIN THE DIOCESE OF WINONA-ROCHESTER

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 7TH, we will have the **BETHLEHEM STAR OLIVE WOOD** display and sell their items in the church hall. Please come and take a look at their beautiful handmade olive wood.

WINDOM

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered the 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH. The next Adoration is today, AUG. 31st from 11:00-Please come adore Jesus in the 12:00. Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome. NOTE: This is a variance from the regular 1st Sunday schedule. There'll be no Adoration on Sept 7th.

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...

THE FALL FESTIVAL is set for 9/21. Please save your White Elephant items for dropping off at the church — no earlier than August 31st please. Also, no clothing or purses will be accepted. Thank you. The Fall Festival Committee is looking for someone to run the White Elephant Sale. Please bring, send or put in the collection your Big Ticket Raffle donations. If you drop them in the collection plate, please designate them as a raffle donation. Thank you. Also, there will be distribution of raffle tickets to sell before and after Mass starting this weekend. Please pick yours up. Thank you.

THE FAITH FORMATION COMMITTE is looking for teachers for the upcoming school year. Faith Formation Registration Forms have been sent out for our new year, 2025-2026. Extra registration forms are in the church hall and in the church office. Please contact Sherri Zimmerman, 507-221-0354, Vicki Ommen, 507-830-0357, or Joan Hunter, 507-831-2470 for volunteering or if you have questions.

OCIA: (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith? See page 5 of this bulletin for info on OCIA. Thank you.

THERE WILL BE COFFEE AND ROLLS on Sunday, 9/7 in recognition of sending of our Confirmation Students who will be Confirmed on Saturday, 9/13. All are welcome.

THE K OF C WILL MEET ON 9/9 AT 7:00 PM at the Church in the Knights room.

C.L.A.S. the Catholic Ladies Afternoon Social will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of September, 9/9 at 2:00 pm. All ladies welcome.

NEXT SUNDAY, SEPT. 7TH, following Mass, we will have the BETHLEHEM STAR OLIVE WOOD display and sell their items in the church hall. Please come and take a look at their beautiful handmade

olive wood.

WINDOM MINISTERIAL PRE-SENTS:

A Free Movie. "Sound of Hope". The E Free Church is sponsoring September's free movie at the Windom State Theater on September 14th at 1:00 PM.



NOTES FOR ALL PARISHES

FIRST FRIDAY is a promotion of devotion to the sacred heart of Jesus. This Fri. 9/3 can be a beginning of a nine month devotion. If you wish to practice a First Fridays devotion, and have a deep devotion to His Sacred Heart, on the first Friday of the Month, attend Mass and receive communion in a state of grace. You, the communicant, should have the intention, at least implicitly, of making reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for all the sinfulness and ingratitude of men. Mass is at 9:30 at the Sogge Home. Go to: https://tinyurl.com/3ybauref for more information.

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. (Brewster will not have confession on September 6th.)

OCIA: (Order of Christian Initiation for Adults) Do you want to learn more about the Catholic faith? Do you want to understand your faith better? Are you a baptized Catholic who has not received all the Sacraments? Would you like a lifelong encounter with Jesus? Our "no strings attached" inquiry session will be held **Sunday, September 7**th at the church hall. Contact Judy Green at 507-822-6497 or email secretaryfrancis2024@gmail.com for more information and to let us know you are attending. Thank you.

REGISTER FOR ST. FRANCIS XAVIER OCCUPANTS PROGRAM The Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) is 5+ months of prayer, learning, and reflection designed for those seeking to become Catholic, those seeking the sacrament of Confirmation, and for those simply exploring the Catholic faith, it is open to all adults ages 18+ and serves Windom, Heron Lake and Brewster. An inquiry session is planned for September 7th, at 6:30pm in the church hall. Registrations can be found in the church hall or ask in the church office. Classes are Sunday evenings starting at 6:30 p.m. in the Church Hall meeting room. Classes begin October 19, 2025 and continue until the Easter Vigil April 4th.

EUCHARISTIC REVIVIAL: THE YEAR OF MISSION

As Pope Leo XIV expressed in his prayer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus released this month: "Lord, I come to your tender heart today.... I desire to know you more, to contemplate you in the Gospel, to be with you and learn from you.... Change, shape, and transform our plans, so that we seek only you in every circumstance: in prayer, in work, in encounters, and in our daily routine. From this encounter, send us out on mission, a mission of compassion for the world in which you are the source from which all consolation flows. Amen."

MANAGING EDITOR of "Heart of the Revival Newsletter". Read more from Kathryn J. Hermes at: eucharisticrevival.org/blog Also while there, subscribe to the newsletter: eucharisticrevival.org/heart-of-the-revival-newsletter

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Regarding the weekday Mass schedule; funerals and vacations scheduled intermittently may affect weekday Masses and there may be cancellations. Please be patient as we learn of these schedule changes. We will update you as best we can via facebook, signs at the church, announcements or even the bulletin when able. Thank you for your understanding. There will be no Mass Sept 30th-Oct 2nd for Presbyterial Days.

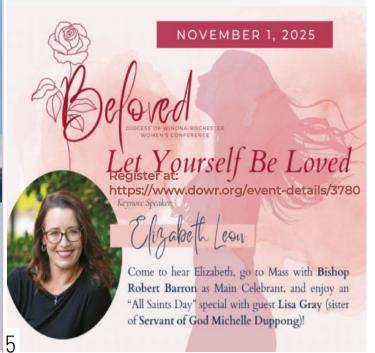
Mankato Area Pre-Cana Marriage Preparation: Oct 25th Church of the Crucifixion, La Crescent, MN. Go to: https://www.dowr.org/offices/life-marriage-family/marriage-preparation.html The next session is January 31st, at St. John Vianney, Fairmont, MN.

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.

SAVE THE DATE

This year's diocesan women's conference, "Beloved" is being held at St. Ann's Church in Janesville, MN.

Watch the bulletin or go to our Winona-Rochester Diocesan Website for information on this and additional events in the Diocese.





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