

MAY 17, 2026 | THE ASCENSION 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 - MAY 19 - 24, 2026

19	<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	NO MASS
20	<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	† Leonard T & Mary Ann Leopold
21	<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	† Ed Smith
22	<u>Fri</u>	9:30am	Sogge Home	NO MASS
23	<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	Living & Deceased of the Kirchner Family
24	<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	† William Lohse
24	<u>Sun</u>	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.



TRI PARISH MASS INTENTIONS

Submit intentions to Parish Coordinator

- Maxine Frank
- Brad Baumgard
- Travis Muller
- Aiden Remme
- Miguel Esquivel
- Pat Weir
- Amber Determan
- Margaret Juhnke
- John Zschetsche
- Roxann Irwin
- Briar Rose Smith
- Lisa Rothenberger
- Joann Polzine
- Lois Rasche
- Joe Rivera
- Larry Wagner
- Magdalen Hill
- Mike Stone
- Teresa Pudenz
- Lanette Horkey
- Todd Hines
- For an end to abortion
- 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 victims of the unrest in the region of the Holy Land

TRI PARISH INFORMATION

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This week's readings:

**Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23;
 Matthew 28:16-20**

Next week's readings:

Romans 5:5; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

Aren't Birthdays Meant To Be Fun?

What has been your most enjoyable birthday? I can't give an honest answer. None really stick out for me. As children, we were allowed to have friends over on one occasion for a birthday party. What comes to mind for my party?

- Plenty of food.
- A birthday cake.
- Birthday cards.
- A few gifts.
- Game stations that my parents had set up outside.



Speaking of birthday parties, I was invited to a few of my friend's birthdays during my primary school years. What do I recall? Much of the same I already mentioned:

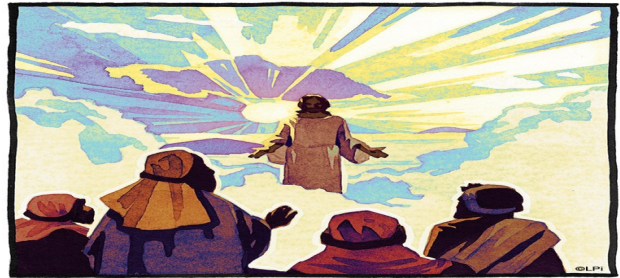
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- Birthday cards.
- A few gifts.



It is here that I pause. I don't remember game stations being set up at other birthday parties; although, I do recall time spent outside. At one birthday party, my classmate had a large mound of dirt. They had just built a new house, and the dirt pile was what remained from the excavation work. Somewhere near the top of the dirt pile, a 2 by 12 board approximately 12 feet long was set in place. Why was it there? I don't know. I remember bending over one end of the 2 by 12 when one of my classmates got a brilliant idea. They jumped on the opposite end. The next thing I know is my end of the 2 by 12 is heading for my face. It hit me square in the nose. I started bleeding from the nose and that was the end of the birthday party for me. They called my mother and I went home with a sore nose. Thus, the heading of my column, "Aren't birthdays meant to be fun?"

With his Ascension, Jesus told his disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the coming of the Holy Spirit. In the story of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles and their ministry begins. Think of all that would face them in preaching the gospel:

- Persecution
- Being driven out of cities
- Prison
- Division within their own
- Martyrdom
- Exile
- Misunderstanding
- Sleepless nights



Yet, they persevered for the Church to be what it is today. If someone asked you which day marks the birthday of the church, is it...

- A. Christmas
- B. Pentecost
- C. Ascension
- D. Easter

The correct answer is Pentecost. The Church begins with the preaching of the gospel and her mission to the ends of the earth. Unlike my story above, this birthday has a happy ending. For those who believe, eternal life is theirs. Be faithful and never fear as eternal life is the gift which awaits!

Electric Motors

Do you have any electric motors that are lying around, and you would like to be rid of? Even with the passing of my father, I would be happy to take any electric motors. You can leave them by the rectory garage in Slayton, or I can pick them up at any of the parishes. Thanks!

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - May 24, 2026

Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Katherine Krumbach Bristol VandeKamp	Marcus Hoppe
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VIDEO STREAMING		Tom Zimmerman
GREETERS		Lupita & Danna Flores



	Brewster 5/09	Heron Lake 5/10	Windom 5/10
Week 45/52	\$ 585	\$ 2,841	\$ 7,626
YTD	24,561	147,749	130,199

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

CATHOLIC CHARITIES MOTHER'S DAY, MAY 10TH	
Brewster	\$ 340
Heron Lake	\$ 367
Windom	\$ 434

By supporting **Catholic Charities** on this weekend you are helping bring stability, and relief to people right here in our diocese. Every gift stays *local*, touching lives in meaningful and lasting ways.

ADORATION SCHEDULE

1st Sunday of each month
11:00-12:00
Saint Francis Xavier, Windom



2nd Saturday of each month
4:00-4:45
Sacred Heart Church, Brewster

Confession is first Sunday during Adoration in Windom

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) and during Adoration second Saturday at Sacred Heart, Brewster.

QUINCEANERA

"Is there a Quinceanera in your near future? This is a reminder that we need at least three (3) months notice for this celebration. For more details and requirements, please contact the office.

¿Hay una Quinceañera en tu futuro cercano? Este es un recordatorio de que necesitamos al menos un aviso de tres (3) meses para esta celebración. Para obtener más detalles y requisitos, comuníquese con la oficina."

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.



Sacred Heart in Brewster would like to welcome Tucker David Stenzel, son of Derek and Mara, to the family. Tucker was baptized on Saturday, May 2, 2026.

WITH JOYFUL HEARTS,
WE WELCOME OUR
NEWLY BAPTIZED.

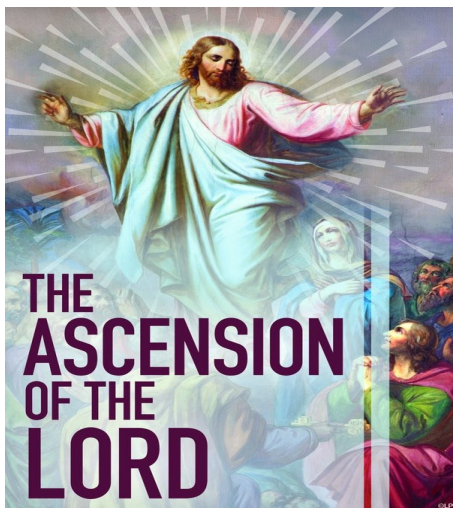
BREWSTER

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

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

THANK YOU to all the children who participated in the procession to honor the Blessed Virgin at Mass last Saturday night. A SPECIAL thanks to Kasey Nelson for crowning the Blessed Virgin.

RECENT CHANGES HAVE taken place with the Catholic Foundation (CMA). Checks should be made payable to : **Diocese of Winona-Rochester**. It is very helpful if donors include **CMA- Brewster in the memo line**. The CMA appeal, as always, remains a tremendous benefit for our parishes when goals are met and overage funds are returned.



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

BACCALAUREATE will be celebrated today with coffee & rolls after Mass. Congratulations to our graduating seniors: **Cameron Brunk, Renae Salentiny, Jonah Becker and Alex Kueny**. Good Luck with your future endeavors and always keep the Lord by your side.

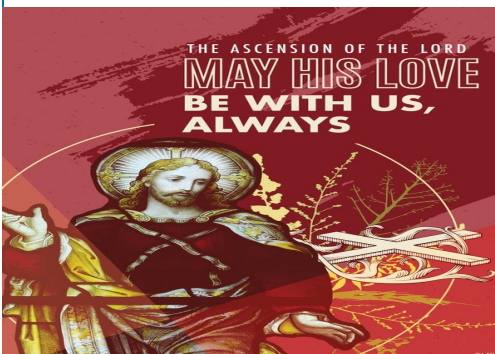
COLLECTION ENVELOPES: Please let Melanie in the office know if you do not use your collection envelopes. Thanks!

CEMETERY DECORATIONS: Please remember to remove **ALL** planters and decorations that obstruct mowing before Monday, June 1st. 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 2nd, will be placed by the East gate for a short time. Thank you!

SECOND COLLECTION for seminarian Joseph Bartosh will take place on Sunday, May 31st.

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Americas is marking its 250th birthday with planned celebrations and events, such as the National Day of Prayer and Fasting on May 17. Pope Leo XIV is urging Americans to deepen their prayer lives and renew evangelization as our country approaches its 250th Anniversary. The **NCCW Spirituality Commission** proposes that one way to mark our nation's 250th would be with a "250 Pledge." Each day, for 250 days, let us pray to the Lord for peace in our lives, our communities, our country, and our world. It is a simple, yet profoundly meaningful way to lift up our nation in prayer and turn to God with the same faith and hope as our founding fathers.



ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered the **1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**. The next Adoration is **June 7th** from 11:00-12:00. Please come adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

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Parochial Vicar
Rev. Jordan Danielson: appointed Parochial Vicar of Sacred Heart Parish in Brewster, Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Currie, St. Gabriel Parish in Fulda, Sacred Heart Parish in Heron Lake, St. Ann Parish in Slayton, St. Anthony Parish in Westbrook, and St. Francis Xavier Parish in Windom, effective July 1, 2026.

Congratulation Seniors — "Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go." —Joshua 1:9

Totus Tuus is being offered in St. Gabriel-Fulda for grades 1-6 and St. Ann-Slayton for grades 7-12 on June 7-12th. Registrations are available at the church entrances.

MEALS ON WHEELS needs your help. St. Francis Xavier is responsible for delivering meals for the month of June. Please call Wanda Stone at 507-822-1642 . If you are able to help, even for a couple of days. This would be a great opportunity for teens to help 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.

There will **No Mass** on Tuesday, May 19th in Windom, Friday, May 22nd at the Sogge Home and no Mass Tuesday, May 26th in Windom or Wednesday, May 27th in Heron Lake.

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.



Thank You for Your Support!

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who supported our appeal this year. Your donations stay in our diocese and help us carry out vital work—providing shelter for the homeless, caring for families, and advocating for the vulnerable. **Without your support, we couldn't**

fulfill our mission of answering God's call to serve others.

If you missed the second collection, don't worry—it's not too late to be a part of the mission. **You can still make a difference** by donating online at www.ccsomn.org or mailing in your donation using the appeal mailer. Donations will continue to be accepted throughout May.

Thank you for being a part of this mission. Your kindness and generosity make it possible for us to reach those who need us most in our communities.



The cost of educating one seminarian averages \$45,000 per year, totaling over \$1 million annually. This financial burden can be a major obstacle for those discerning a priestly vocation.

That's why I'm asking for your support. **Your gift to the Seminarian Education Fund** directly helps form future priests-men who will preach the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and shepherd our parishes for generations to come.

Let us not allow financial hardship to stand in the way of God's work. With your generosity and God's grace, we will continue to cultivate a rich harvest of vocations in southern Minnesota.

Thank you for your faith, your prayers, and our support.

Sincerely in Christ,
Most Rev. Robert Barron
Bishop of Winona-Rochester

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, the **church website**, signs at the church, announcements or even the bulletin when able. Thank you for your understanding.

DIOCESE OF WINONA-ROCHESTER PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Heavenly Father, Giver of all good things, Your Son told us to beg You to send workers into Your rich harvest, and so we have the confidence to ask You to raise up an abundance of priests in the Diocese of Winona-Rochester. Send us good and holy men to respond to your call to lay down their lives in service to Your people. We know that the Church comes from priests. Therefore, Gracious God, send us priests to build up Your church, through Jesus who is High Priest and Lord forever and ever. Amen.

Remick Ridge Estates is looking for an individual or couple who would like to lead a weekly Bible Study for our residents. We are open to dates/times. Please call Brenda at 507-831-0745.

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