

JULY 12, 2026 | FIFTEENTH 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 - JULY 14 - 19, 2026

14	<u>Tues</u>	5:30pm	Windom	✠ Leo & Arlene Bartosh
15	<u>Wed</u>	9:00am	Heron Lake	✠ Mary Ellen Stenzel
16	<u>Thurs</u>	9:00am	Brewster	NO MASS
17	<u>Fri</u>	9:30am	Sogge Home	NO MASS
18	<u>Sat</u>	5:00pm	Brewster	✠ Judy Quелlette
19	<u>Sun</u>	8:00am	Heron Lake	✠ William Lohse
19	<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
- Todd Hines
- 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

- 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:

Isaiah 55:10-11; Romans 8:18-23; Matthew 13:1-23 or 13:1-9

Next week's readings:

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19; Romans 8:26-27; Matthew 13:24-43 or 13:24-30

PRAYER & WORSHIP

Weekly Words from The Rock:

Is the Church Costing Too Much?

I would like share with you a Dear Abby column. It is dated but still offers an insight.

Dear Abby: In a recent column, a reader complained about the amount of money he was expected to give to the church. Perhaps this piece will provide an answer to that question. I regret I don't know who the author is, but I hope you feel it is worth sharing.

Is the Church Costing Too Much? Last Sunday another golfer sank the last putt on the 18th green and received a check for \$50,000 for four rounds of golf, plus an automobile for himself and one for his wife. This week, the papers reported a certain singer will receive \$100,000 per week for her current singing engagement. Americans spend more annually on dog food than on church contributions. It is not unusual for an individual to pay more for their country club membership than they give to the church. Is the church costing too much?

Let me share an experience with you. On June 2, 1940, a little girl was born to us. She cost us money from the moment she was born to us. As she grew from babyhood to girlhood, she cost even more – her dresses and shoes were more expensive, and we had to have the doctor through all those childhood diseases.

She was even more expensive during her school and teen years. She needed long dresses to go to parties and prom. When she went to college, we discovered, along with other parents, that all college expenses are not listed. Then after graduation, she fell in love and married. She was married in a church wedding and that, too, cost a lot of money.

Then, five months after her marriage, she suddenly sickened and within a week she was dead. She hasn't cost us a penny since the day we walked from her grave.

As long as the church is alive, it will cost money. And the more alive a church is, the more money it will cost. Only a dead church, like a dead child, is no longer expensive.

Think it over. Is the church costing too much?

Poor Fred

An old man lay sprawled across three entire seats in the movie theater.

When the usher came by and noticed this, he whispered to the old man, "Sorry sir, but you're only allowed one seat."

The old man didn't budge.

The usher became more impatient. "Sir, if you don't get up from there, I'm going to have to call the manager."

Once again, the old man just muttered and did nothing.

The usher marched briskly back up the aisle, and in a moment returned with the manager. Together the two of them tried repeatedly to move the old, disheveled man, but with no success. Finally, they summoned the police.

The officer surveyed the situation then asked, "All right buddy, what's your name?"

"Fred," the old man moaned.

"Where are you from, Fred?" asked the police officer.

With a terrible strain in his voice, and without moving, Fred replied, "The balcony..."

I just hope none of us have that type of day.

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

VOCATION VIEW

The sower went out to sow. The Lord has sown the seeds of vocations to priesthood and religious life in our parish. Be good ground! Encourage the gifts of compassion and leadership wherever you find them. (Matthew 13:1-23)

LITURGICAL LIFE

LITURGICAL ROLES - July 19, 2026

Brewster Saturday 5:00 pm	Heron Lake Sunday 8:00 am	Windom Sunday 10:00 am
SERVERS	Brynn Erickson Mara Diemer	Marcus Hoppe
LECTOR	Marlys Olson Andrea Christoffer	Tim Jenniges
CANTOR		Mary Theesfeld
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Marlys Olson Andrea Christoffer Larry Liepold Donna Damm	Tom & Sherri Zimmerman Nadine Forman
USHERS	Jason Diemer Mark Haberman Alan Freking Jeff Hotzler	Mike Bregel Mary Brown Jean Hoppe Jackie Jurgens
CONTRIBUTIONS	Kevin Leopold Colette Leopold Mark Haberman	Tom or Sherri Zimmerman Jackie Jurgens
SACRISTAN		Shari Kneeland, Sherri Zimmman
ROSARY	Pat Bonnell	David Bockelmann
VIDEO STREAMING		Nick Riordan
GREETERS		Sharon & Tim Jenniges



	Brewster 7/04	Heron Lake 7/05	Windom 7/05
Week 01/52	\$ 1,315	\$ 1,248	\$ 2,114
YTD	1,315	1,248	2,114

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

MISSION SUNDAY: JULY 18 & 19

Brewster	\$
Heron Lake	\$
Windom	\$

The Missionary Cooperative Plan (MCP) is a coordinated U.S. Catholic program where parishes host visiting missionaries to share their faith stories and appeal for prayerful and financial support.

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

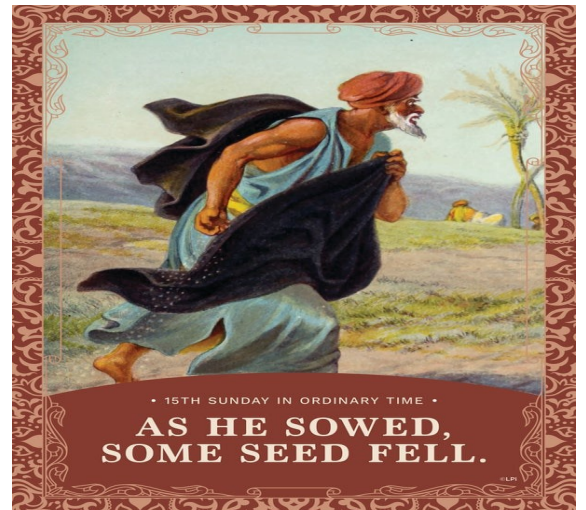
"Is there a Quinceanera in your near future? This is a reminder that we need at least three (3) months notice for this celebration. For more details and requirements, please contact the office.

¿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.



BREWSTER

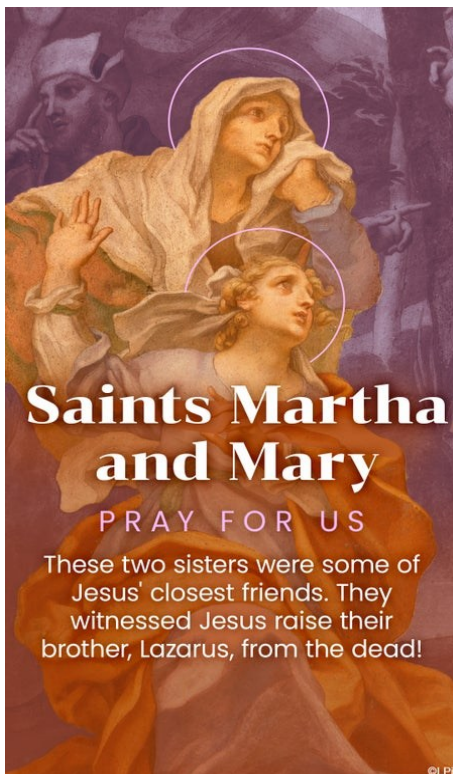
ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered on the **2ND SATURDAY of the month**. The next Adoration is **July 11th** from 4:00-4:45.

The parish of **SACRED HEART BREWSTER** would like to extend our sincere appreciation to Father Antony for sharing his genuine love and beauty of God's Holy word and the Eucharist with us. We pray that you will always share this God given gift with those who are present with you. God's Blessings, Father.

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

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.

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Saints Martha and Mary
PRAY FOR US
These two sisters were some of Jesus' closest friends. They witnessed Jesus raise their brother, Lazarus, from the dead!

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

PRAYER CHAIN: Colleen Freking is taking over the prayer chain for Sacred Heart in Heron Lake for Maurita Volk. Please call the office or Colleen with your prayer requests. Also, if you would like to a member of the prayer chain please contact the office or Colleen. **THANK YOU** to Maurita Volk for your time and dedication to this mission over the years.

The **SOUTHWEST AREA DIOCESAN CCW** is looking for a Commission Chair. A commission chair reads a report from the Diocesan newsletter at each area meeting. They are, also, looking for the position of Vice President. They would like to return to a 2 year term. If interested contact the office or Barb Hus-song.

DO YOU LOVE TO SING? The Sacred Heart Choir is looking for new members to enhance the Mass with their beautiful voices. Please reach out if interested.

FAITH FORMATION: Sacred Heart is seeking a teacher for the 7th/8th grade Faith Formation classes for the 2026/2027 school year. Please reach out to Judy Stenzel or Melanie in the office if interested or have questions.

PHONE/ADDRESS UPDATES: Please let Melanie know if you have any updates to addresses or phone numbers that may be out of date in the system or directory. Thank you!

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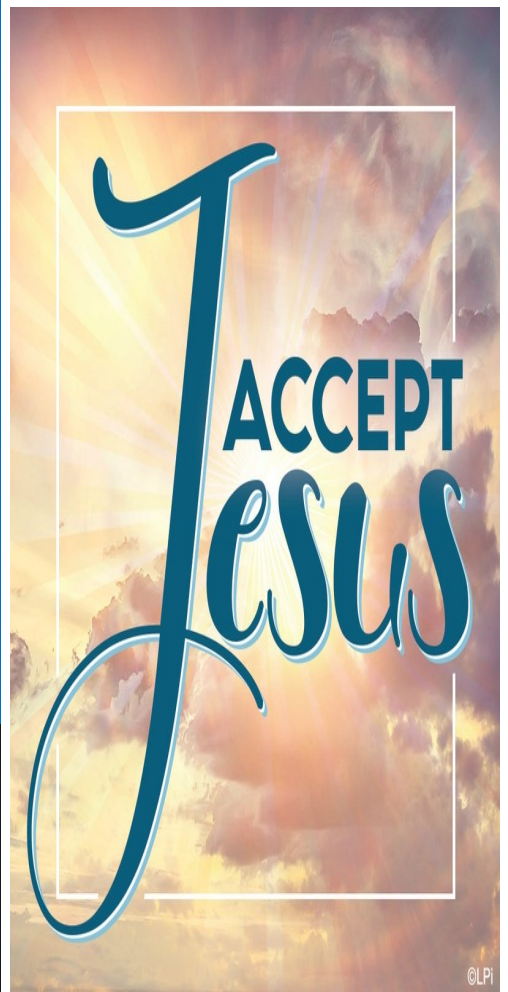
JOIN US IN
PRAYER

ADORATION AND CONFESSION will be offered the **1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**. The next Adoration is **August 2nd** from 11:00-12:00. Please come adore Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All ages are welcome.

Our religious education program is seeking a **few dedicated volunteers to teach** our youth classes. Please contact Sherri Zimmerman at 507-221-0354 if interested

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ACCEPT Jesus

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.

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.

Mikkelsen Manor invites all seniors to join us Fridays at 2:00 pm for Bingo fun with our residents! Call Brenda with any questions, 507-831-0745.

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.

15th Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

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"The seed sown among thorns is the one who hears the word, but then worldly anxiety and the lure of riches choke the word and it bears no fruit. But the seed sown on rich soil is the one who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold."

- Mt 13:22-23

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JULY

MONTH OF THE
PRECIOUS BLOOD OF
JESUS

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Did you know that Catholics dedicate July to the Precious Blood of Jesus? This beautiful devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus is rooted in the earliest days of Christianity. Jesus, thank you for your selfless sacrifice and the gift of your redeeming love!

08.15.26 | 10:00 A.M.

Marriage Anniversary Mass

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH | LAKE CRYSTAL, MN
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