

December 1st, 2019, First Sunday of Advent

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

St. Lawrence Mass Schedule:

Sunday, December 1st 10:30AM *†Joyce Guck*

EM: Patty Doll, Kayla Jahnke, Cecile Olson

Lector: Ken Young

Ushers: Loren & Donna Guck, Joe Hayden, Dennis Brandt

Server: Jack Fudge

Gifts: Ron & Wanda Wallace

Sacristan: Patty Doll

Sunday, December 1st 4:00PM *For the People*

EM: Stephanie Von Ruden, Jerry Huebsch, Elaine Beyer

Lector: Conrad Mack

Ushers: Leon & Judy Westhoff

Servers: Herman & Elliot Frost

Gifts: Jesse & Rita Erickson

Sacristan: Jerry Huebsch

Wednesday, December 4th 8:30AM *†Jim Vetter*

Friday, December 6th 8:30AM *†Butch Iten*

Sunday, December 8th 10:30AM *†Donald Walter*

EM: Ron & Linda Bjelland

Lector: Andy Klinnert

Ushers: Loren & Donna Guck, Joe Hayden, Dennis Brandt

Servers: Hannah Hunter, Britney Loerzel

Gifts: Jacob & Karlee Werner Family

Sacristans: Jack & Angie Werner

Sunday, December 8th 4:00PM *†Bob Jennings*

EM: Patty Doll, Marlene Boedigheimer

Lector: Caleb Carrlson

Ushers: Leon & Judy Westhoff

Servers: Jessica & Camden Lenz

Gifts: Paul & Diane Klinnert

Sacristans: Caleb & Sandi Carrlson

FINANCIAL BLESSING (ST. LAWRENCE)

Adult.....\$2115.00

Youth.....6.43

Loose.....472.00

Military (AMS).....100.00

Memorial.....1000.00

All Saints.....60.00

Total\$3753.43

Steeple Fund.....\$100.00

Building Fund.....\$10,000.00

Thank you for remembering St. Lawrence church with your stewardship throughout the year.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday Noon

Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:

Saturday, November 30th 4:00PM *†Bob Herges*

EM: Pam & Dan Nodsle, Kristi Delage

Lector: Mark Riestenberg

Ushers: Tom Sazama, Steve Lee

Servers: Troy Sazama, Carson Byer

Gifts: Merle & Kim Byer Family

Sunday, December 1st 8:30AM *†Rose Guck*

EM: Andrea Lewis, Brenda Aschnewitz, Cindy Kratzke

Lector: Kenny Moenkedick

Ushers: John & JJ Kratzke

Servers: Isaac & Alex Adams

Gifts: Kevin & Brenda Aschnewitz

Tuesday, December 3rd 7:00PM *Andy & Katy Moenkedick Family*

Thursday, December 5th NO Mass *Vocation Mass at Sacred Heart at 7:00PM*

Saturday, December 7th 4:00PM *†John Tschida*

EM: Pat Helmeke, Pam Nodsle

Lector: Tom Musgrave

Ushers: Dan Nodsle, Brad Helmeke

Servers: Kya, Logan & Abigail Olstad

Gifts: Pam & Dan Nodsle

Sunday, December 8th 8:30AM *†Marcella Silbernagel/For the People*

EM: Kenny Moenkedick, Katrina Nordick

Lector: Aaron Wegscheid

Ushers: Bill & Andrea Lewis

Servers: Isaac & Alex Adams, Isabella Schultz

Gifts: Van & Sue Kalinoski

FINANCIAL BLESSING (SACRED HEART)

Adult.....\$1749.00

Youth.....18.00

Loose.....436.00

All Saints.....20.00

Christmas Flowers.....80.00

Military (AMS).....80.00

Total\$2383.00

Thank you for remembering Sacred Heart church with your stewardship throughout the year.

MASS SCHEDULE

Sacred Heart: Saturday, 4:00PM

Sunday, 8:30AM

St. Lawrence: Sunday, 10:30AM

Sunday, 4:00PM



Sacred Heart Church in Dent

St. Lawrence Church in Rush Lake

Administrator: Fr. George Michael, VC. 218-758-2888

Father's e-mail: gmichaelvc@gmail.com

Deacon: Deacon Mark Stenger

Secretary :

Sandi Kollar

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Jeannie Guck

Sandi Kollar

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Kenny Moenkedick

Pastoral Council President:

Mark Murdock

Religious Coordinator:

Joe & Diane Sazama

Religious Coordinator:

Sandi Carrlson

Trustees:

Brenda Aschnewitz

Trustees:

Jack Werner

Jan Januszewski

Andy Klinnert

Music Director:

Diana Porath

Christian Mothers/Women:

Lisa Werner

Christian Mothers/Women:

Cindy Kratzke

Parish Life:

Lisa Werner

Seeds to Grow:

Rita York

Music Director:

Russ Kadow

Cemetery Coordinators:

Tim Stoll (Dent)

Cemetery Coordinators:

Rick Guck & Loren Guck

John Kratzke (Dent)

Liturgy:

Patty Doll

Ray Guck (St. Joseph)

OFFICE HOURS (SACRED HEART): Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 758-2700

OFFICE HOURS (ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesdays & Wednesdays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 346-7729

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Contact the Pastor, (218) 758-2888

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Diocesan Policy requires that the Pastor be contacted at least 6 months before the anticipated date of marriage to allow time for premarital inventory, instructions and planning.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: ½ Hour before Weekend Masses.

Northern Cross ACC Updates

Northern Cross Area Catholic Community will be having a joint Parish Pastoral Council Meeting (St. Lawrence, Sacred Heart, St. Henry's and Holy Cross) on Monday December 2nd at 7:00 PM at St Henry's to present Northern Cross Area Catholic Communities recommendations.

A Widow's Walk Group: meets the 2nd Thursday of the month at 5:00 pm for dinner and fellowship. Contact Char Holzer-218-298-0646 benchar@arvig.net or Judy Christopherson-218-298-0797 jc.myrock@hotmail.com.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS



The parishes of *St. Lawrence* and *Sacred Heart* invite everyone who is interested in helping decorate the churches this Christmas with a poinsettia flower to use the "Christmas Flowers" envelopes. Envelopes provide an "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" space for dedications. Thank you for helping to make our churches beautiful for the birth of our Lord. Please return your envelopes by Sunday, December 15th.

"The Lord will bestow His bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase."

Psalms 85: 13

Prayer Corner

Please pray for those who are ill, and all of our parishioners and visitors in need of prayer, that they may have an abundance of comfort in God's healing, especially:

Lois Porath

Leah Langner

Dick Dykhoff

Bill & Sherri Bucholz

Elaine Pietsch

Jennifer Thene

Joan Iten



Always remember in prayer our blessed leaders in faith, especially: Pope Francis, Bishop Donald Kettler, Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Dcn Mark Stenger and Fr. George.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December

Universal: That every country determine to take the necessary measures to make the future of the very young, especially those who suffer, a priority.



VOCATIONS MASS

Thursday, December 5th

Sacred Heart, Dent

6:00PM-Adoration/Confession/7:00PM-Mass

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated with holy Mass on Monday, December 9th at 8:30AM at St. Lawrence Church. This feast day is not a holy day of obligation this year.



Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Dent

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Dent, MN 56528

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Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com



ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS

December 10: Christian Mothers Christmas Party; 6:30PM @ Perham Living.
 December 15: Parish Bake Sale & Pot Luck; after 10:30AM Mass.
 December 15: Parish Bake Sale; after 4:00PM Mass.
 December 19: Pastoral Council Meeting; 7:00PM.
 December 29: Parish Breakfast (Group 1); after 10:30AM Mass



ST. LAWRENCE

Wed., Dec. 4: Class (all); 7:00PM; Reconciliation.
Wed., Dec. 11: Class (all); 7:00PM; Rosary led by Grade 10.
Wed., Dec. 18: Class (all); 7:00PM.
Wed., Dec. 25: NO CLASS-MERRY CHRISTMAS.



St. Lawrence Christian Mothers' Christmas Party

Tuesday, December 10th
 Perham Living Town Center
 6:30PM-meeting
 7:00PM-party

CCD Christmas bags will be filled before the meeting.



St. Lawrence Christmas Pot Luck Lunch

Sunday, December 15th
 after 10:30AM Mass
 Main dish will be provided.
 Bring a side dish to share.



St. Lawrence Christmas Bake Sale

December 15th after Mass
 (10:30AM & 4:00PM).
 All groups are asked to bring baked goods.
A great way to buy some Christmas treats!!

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Monday, December 9th: 8:30AM

EM: Ron & Linda Bjelland, Patty Doll
 Lector: Marlene Boedigheimer
 Ushers: Ted & Joyce Rohweller
 Servers: Jack Werner, Herb Guck
 Gifts: Ted & Joyce Rohweller
 Sacristan: Patty Doll



This feast day is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: To donate to the Bishop's Annual Appeal, visit www.stedio.org/annualappeal or mail a gift to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

There will be a Money Counter Meeting on Sunday, December 1st after the 10:30AM Mass.



Dear St. Lawrence Parishioners,

As you may know, the beautiful steeple on our church has been engaged in a battle with a devious gang of Pileated woodpeckers for nearly a decade. The official name of a group of woodpeckers is a "Descent". I wonder if that is why they are trying to "bring down" our steeple?

In any case, many of you have stepped up in the past to help us preserve, restore and defend the spire on our beloved landmark and house of worship. You have given generously of your time, talent and treasure and, at times, we thought we had won the war. However, our battle victories were only short-lived, and the beady-eyed adversaries returned again and again with their powerful band of tower tormenters.

So, it is time to bring out the big guns. We believe that the only way to permanently prohibit these persistent pests is by installing strong and sturdy steel siding. This solution comes with a significant price tag-estimated at around \$34,000. So once again, we are asking for help.

Please consider a donation to our Building Fund to help offset the expense of this necessary construction project to protect our church from future generations of winged intruders, the elements and any additional threats. We sincerely appreciate any amount that you can give.

Fr. George

Received as of 11/24/2019: \$23,390.00

The new "All Is Calm" room is ready for use by any family with small children who are in need of it. It is equipped with a monitor and speakers so you will be able to hear and watch the Mass and is located in the parish hall next to the coat rack.



As we count our blessings this year, please remember the area food shelves. There have been more visits to the food shelves in 2019 than in any other year. Thank you for remembering them and sustaining them with gifts of food and money especially during this holiday season. The Bridge Pantry in Perham is open every Tuesday from 8-noon. The New York Mills Food Shelf is open the last Monday of every month (except it is open December 23rd instead of the 30th) from 9-noon.



The Bridge Mobile Pantry will be in:

Richville (10:00AM-Noon @ Methodist Church) & Ottertail (1:30-3:00PM @ Ottertail Community Center) on Tuesday, December 3rd and in Vergas (10:00AM-Noon @ St. John's Lutheran Church) & Dent (1:30-3:00PM @ Methodist Church) on Wednesday, December 4th.



St. Lawrence Catholic Church of Rush Lake
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 Perham, MN 56573

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SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS

December 5: Vocation Mass; 7:00PM.

December 8: Parish Brunch; after 8:30 AM Mass.

December 17: Pastoral Council Meeting; after 7:00PM Mass



**Sacred Heart Christian Mothers
Parish Breakfast
Sunday, December 8th
(after the 8:30AM Mass)**

A special welcome to the 2019 new members of Sacred Heart Parish: **Leonard & Betty Van Watermolen, Donald & Terry Janes, Scott & Connie Berry, and Shane, Kya & Logan Olstad.**

Everyone is welcome!



**Women's Advent Retreat
"Finding Time for God in our Daily Lives"**

Saturday, December 7th

8:00 AM—Noon

St. Henry's Church, Perham

Presenter: Cheryl Prososki

Free Will Offering

Register at St. Henry's Parish Office-346-4240



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with the following fundraisers in the past couple of weeks: Apple Pie Sale, Bake Sale, and Turkey Bingo. We appreciate your help in providing a Catholic education to all those who desire it.

Save the Date: Our annual Christmas program will be on Wednesday, December 11th at 1:30 and 7:00 at St. Henry's Church.

Our 2020 calendars will be available soon. The calendars are \$50 and support the efforts at the school. With the purchase of the calendar, you are entered in a weekly \$100 drawing and a \$50 drawing every other week. Calendars will be available after Masses as soon as they are printed. If you'd like to reserve a calendar, please call or email the school at 218-346-6190 or sthenryschool@arvig.net.

New School Capital Campaign Update:

Goal	\$7,343,900.00
Pledged	\$4,583,620.00
Needed	\$2,760,280.00
Received	\$1,654,310.00
Pledges Received 11-24	\$7,323.00
Proceeds from Bake Sale at St. Henry	\$2,753.00



Give in thanksgiving. Please join in thanking thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's collection for the **Retirement Fund for Religious** helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.



SACRED HEART

Wed., Dec. 4: Class (1-11); 7:00PM; Rosary @ 8:00PM.

Wed., Dec. 11: Class (1-11); 7:00PM; Reconciliation (3-11)

Wed., Dec. 18: Class (1-11); 7:00PM; Christmas Activity Night.

Wed., Dec. 25: NO CLASS-MERRY CHRISTMAS.



FIRST WEEK OF ADVENT

O Jesus, make my heart open to the word of God; make my heart open to goodness; make my heart open to the beauty of God every day; make my heart open to You. You knock at my heart to enter and grant me peace, peace of the soul. Let me open my heart to You! Amen.

~Pope Francis

AROUND THE AREA:

A Christmas Gathering: Sun., Dec. 1; 2:00-4:00PM; Concert & Bake Sale; Vergas Event Center; \$10 Admission; proceeds go to American Cancer Society.

Bingo & Raffle: Sun., Dec. 1; 1:30PM; Sacred Heart Church, Urbank.

Women's Advent Retreat: Sat., Dec. 7; 8:00AM-noon; St. Henry's Church; Register at 218-346-4240. Free will offering.

Marriage Encounter: Dec. 7-8; Mt. Olivet Conference & Retreat Center, Farmington; Register at: www.mariages.org or call 651-454-3238.

Baby Jesus Christmas Party: Sun., Dec. 8; 1-2:30PM; St. Henry's Perham

KC Breakfast: Sun., Dec. 8; 8:30AM-Noon; St. Henry's, Perham.

Christmas Carols of Amor: Wed., Dec. 11; soup-6PM; sing-along-6:45; Zion Lutheran Church, Amor.

Patrick Murphy Concert: Fri., Dec. 20; 7:00PM; Zion Lutheran Church, Amor.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter: Feb. 7-9; Buffalo, MN or Windom, MN; Contact: Alan & Missy Block at 888-455-3496 or northmnwwme.org



Senior Day Christmas Gathering

Tuesday, December 3rd at 1:00PM

New York Mills City Hall Ballroom

**Enjoy the Christmas Story read in Finnish, jazz band entertainment and snacks.*



"BABY JESUS CHRISTMAS PARTY" is Sunday, December 8th from 1:00-2:30PM at St. Henry's Church, Perham. All children are welcome to come celebrate the true reason for the season. Contact: Courtney Rooney (218-371-7942). Anyone interested in donating plain sugar cookies for the kids to decorate, let Courtney know.



Christmas Poinsettias & Wreaths

The KCs are selling poinsettias & wreaths. Place your order with any Knight by Dec. 2. Dates for pick up: Dec. 7 & 8. Contact: Roger Altstadt (218-329-1890).