

WELCOME TO PRAIRIE CATHOLICS

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - July 25 & 26, 2026

MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

Saturday: 5:00 PM*

ST. COLUMBANUS – BP

Sunday: 8:30 AM

HOLY TRINITY– LITOMYSL

Sunday: 10:15 AM

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M, T, TH.....9:00 AM - 3:00 PM

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From The Desk of Father Becker

Today is the **Litomysl Festival**. Please join us for a day of good will and good food, recreation, and community. Thanks to all who prepare and serve this event!

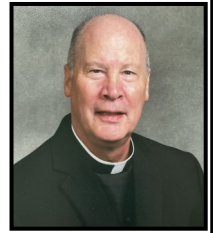
Please pray for our youth who participate in summer events this month. Recently **Steubenville North** was held in Rochester for youth and young adults, and the last week of July is **Camp Summit** in Lanesboro for our middle school students. Thanks to all who assist these events!

We wish blessings upon **First Lutheran Church** of Blooming Prairie as Pastor Heidi Heimgartner steps down Aug. 31. She has served here since 2001 and will relocate as she discerns her future. The congregation will enter a transition period as it awaits a new senior pastor.

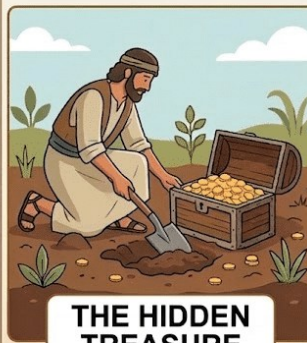
Some **facility projects** have been underway at our parishes. Please contribute generously to assist with these projects, by using a specially marked envelope ("Building Fund"). St. Columbanus has addressed tree removal and sidewalk repairs. Holy Trinity has buried their power cables for better safety and reliability. Sacred Heart is enhancing its office area for faith formation. Thank you for remembering our needs!

In your **estate planning**, please consider including your Parish and Catholic cemetery. Everyone should have a plan for the disbursement of their worldly goods at the time of their death, and no gift to the Church is too small. When we receive notification of a bequest, whether it be \$1,000 or \$50,000, it is a tremendous sign of an individual's belonging in Christ. Please contact your Parish Office or Pastor for more information.

For the **Catholic Ministries Appeal**, Sacred Heart and Holy Trinity have a way to go, yet. Any shortfall must be paid from our own parish budgets, while any overage is returned to our parishes. Please use your mailing, pick up an envelope at the entrance, or donate online. Be sure to list your parish on your check in the memo line (or online, from the dropdown menu). Thanks to all who participate in this important cause! More information is online at <https://www.givecentral.org/cma2026gen>

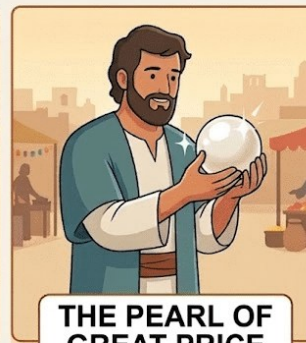


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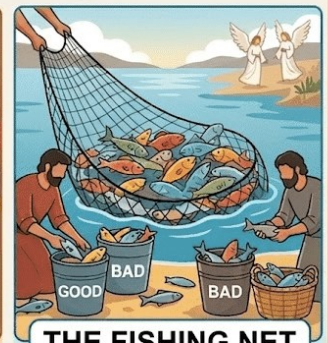
THE HIDDEN TREASURE

JESUS COMPARES THE KINGDOM TO A VALUABLE TREASURE FOUND IN A FIELD.



THE PEARL OF GREAT PRICE

A MERCHANT FINDS A PEARL SO PRECIOUS HE SELLS EVERYTHING HE OWNS TO BUY IT.



THE FISHING NET

THE NET GATHERS ALL KINDS OF FISH, AND AT THE END OF THE AGE, THEY ARE SEPARATED.

PARISH CLUSTER OF ST. COLUMBANUS, SACRED HEART, AND HOLY TRINITY

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

Week of July 27– August 2, 2026

Tues. 7/28 ~ **Holy Trinity** - 9:00 AM

Warren & Laura Stangl

Wed. 7/29 ~ **Prairie Manor** ~ 9:30 AM

Bob & Marian Becker

Fri. 7/31 ~ **St. Columbanus** ~ 8:30 AM

John H. Remker

Sat. 8/1 ~ **Sacred Heart** ~ ****5:00 PM**

Dennis Brumm

Sun. 8/2 ~ **St. Columbanus** ~ 8:30 AM

Mr. & Mrs. Edward Hebel

~ **Holy Trinity** ~ 10:15 AM

For All Parishioners of the Cluster

LITURGICAL ROLE SCHEDULE

Weekend of August 1 & 2, 2026

Sacred Heart, Hayfield

Saturday, August 1 - 5:00 PM **

Lector: Stacy Tempel

Euch. Min.: Host: Barb Wine: Sheri, Glenn

Servers: Volunteers please

Ushers: Need 4 Volunteers please

Gifts: Eric Severson Family

Greeters: Ben Tempel Family

Counters: Bill, Stacy

St. Columbanus, Blooming Prairie

Sunday, August 2 - 8:30 AM

Lector: Mary Kittelson

Euch. Min.: Shelley J., Bruce R., John B.

Servers: Max H.

Ushers: Chuck W., Jim O., Kevin W., Pat O.

Gifts: Peter Vogt Family

Greeters: Volunteers

Counters: Rumpza/ Krell (Team 1)

Rosary: 8:00 AM

Holy Trinity, Litomys!

Sunday, August 2 - 10:15 AM

Lector: Bruce

Euch. Min.: Melissa, Leona, Carol, Brian

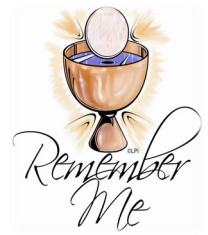
Servers: Ava R., Aria U., Addison R.

Gifts: Troy Anderson Family

Ushers: Ed, Luke

Greeters: Cheryl & Katelyn

Rosary: Al



CHURCH SUPPORT

Sacred Heart

July 19.....\$1,628.00

St. Columbanus

July 19.....\$3,140.00

Holy Trinity

July 19.....\$1,723.00

THANK YOU
FOR YOUR
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PARISH SERVICES

Reconciliation/ Confession

*By appointment available.

Offered **before Mass** at SC, SH and **after Mass** at HT

Baptism

Please call the office to register a date for baptism. First time baptisms requires viewing a preparation video session.

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA)

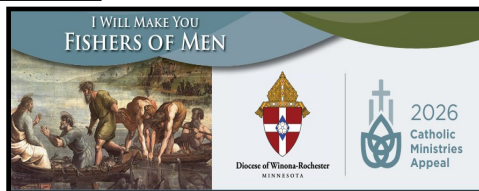
Call the Rectory

Marriage

Contact the SC Parish Office at least 6 months prior to proposed wedding date. Preparation program is required.

Care of the Sick/ Christian Burial

Call your Parish office



Red indicates update
amounts and donors

Catholic Ministries Appeal

As of July 20, 2026

Church	Goal	Received	Donor #'s
St. Columbanus -	\$11,662.00	\$12,290.00	(38)
Holy Trinity -	\$9,463.00	\$7,760.00	(17)
Sacred Heart -	\$7,351.00	\$6,756.00	(20)

Scan the QR code to your smartphone to contribute online to the Diocese of Winona-Rochester CMA. Any overage gets returned to your parish. Let's reach our goals and beyond!!!

Thank you!



17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

ST. COLUMBANUS - BP



Faith Formation Classes will soon be upon us!

If you know any families in the Blooming Prairie area or outside the area who are Catholic and may be interested in enrolling their child or children in our 2026-2027 Faith Formation classes beginning this fall. Please have them reach out to Diane Rumpza at scbpfaithformation22@gmail.com.

Watch for Registration forms on the center table. Those parents who had children registered last year should be receiving an email soon from Diane.

SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

Sacred Heart - Hayfield has a Facebook page

The name of our page is: Sacred Heart Catholic Church Hayfield MN.

REMINDER FOR SACRED HEART LADIES

The sign-up sheets are available at each entrance for you to sign up for the **Aug. 19** salad luncheon. You may also sign up online at: <https://tinyurl.com/45a7yrdy>.



FINAL SUMMER

SALAD LUNCHEON & RAFFLE

RAFFLE DRAWING AT 1 PM
Need not be present to win!

Sacred Heart Church, Hayfield

Wednesday, August 19, 2026

11:00 AM-1:00 PM

BAR-B-Q, SALADS & DESSERT

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\$8.00 FOR ADULTS
\$4.00 FOR 13 AND UNDER
Extra BBQ - \$1.00



St. Isidore Knights Family Picnic

is scheduled for
Tuesday, August 11th, 2025,
beginning at
6:00 pm at BP City Park.



The meat will be provided. We ask each family who attends to bring a dish to pass. A beverage will be provided (Kool-Aid/ lemonade), or bring your own beverage.

All current members and potential new members are welcome!!!



HOLY TRINITY - LITOMYSL

Everyone is invited to the
54th Annual LITOMYSL SUMMER FESTIVAL at
Holy Trinity Catholic Church taking place
TODAY, (July 26th)

after the 10:15AM Polka Mass

~ The Owatonna KC Choir will sing at 9:30 am.
~ All **EVENTS** begin at 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM
(See last weeks bulletin for full event schedule or go to www.stcolumbanuschurch.org to view bulletin)

WE'LL SEE YOU THERE!!!

The Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly Meeting will be held on

Tuesday, July 28th at St. Patrick in LeRoy.

Registration is at 5:30 pm, Mass 6 pm followed by a supper and meeting with a speaker. The Box of Joy boxes will be available for pickup at the meeting. **All women are welcomed!**

The Illusions of Modern Field Hunting

In our contemporary, hyper-connected world, you are constantly bombarded with alternative “fields” to buy. Culture relentlessly insists that security is found in financial independence, that identity is forged through personal branding, and that fulfillment is achieved by keeping your options perpetually open. To a society obsessed with radical autonomy and immediate gratification, committing to a life of celibacy, poverty, and obedience looks like absolute foolishness. It appears as a subtraction—a narrowing of life.

However, the modern landscape is crowded with what last Sunday's Gospel called “weeds”—anxieties, endless choices, and superficial connections that mask a deep, societal loneliness.

True freedom does not come from having every option available; it comes from finding the one option that actually matters.

The quiet, persistent calling you feel is an encounter with that Pearl of Great Price. Your vocation is not a list of deprivations; it is a profound expansion of love. By clearing away the clutter of competing attachments, you are making room to fully possess the ultimate prize.

We are seeking a few more adult Catechists (teachers) for our Faith Formation Program for the 2026–2027 school year. Classes meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30–7:30 PM, running from mid-September through the end of April. All materials are provided, and you will have plenty of time to prepare before classes begin. Please take some time to pray and consider this opportunity. If you feel called to serve, please contact **Darcy Kubat** - Holy Trinity Faith Formation Director. I'm happy to answer any questions!!



Here and Now

A FAITH RETREAT FOR TEENS

Join us on
Saturday, August 8th
10am-7:30pm

Holy Trinity Litomysl
8946 SE 24th Ave Owatonna

Ever wondered “can seminarians watch Instagram reels?” or “what the heck does the Pope do?” Let's dive deeper into Catholic topics that are relevant Here and Now.
For 7th-12th graders wondering how we live in the world but not of the world, join us on August 8th!

What to expect:

- ☑ Controversial church topics addressed
- ☑ Lunch and supper provided
- ☑ Testimonies and small groups
- ☑ Jeopardy and snacks!

To register, use the QR code. Please contact faith formation director Darcy Kubat with questions litomyslfaithformation@gmail.com (507) 458-4682



\$10/student or \$20/family



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



St. Columbanus Prayer Team:

Please contact **Kay Zellmer at 507-438-0554** for any private or public requests. Private means that only the team will be praying and public means that the person prayed for will be named in the bulletin for congregational and team prayers.

Please include the following in your prayers: **Kerry & Peg Stensvold, Morgen Snider, Wally & Jean Wilke, Judy Remker, Diane Volicek, Tom Walters, Krew Haase, Sue Zwiener, Layla Coleman, Bev Stensvold, and Fran Njos-Bramstedt**

Please keep those parishioners who are away at college or studying online in your prayers as they work towards their career choice.

Sacred Heart Prayer Team:

Prayer: Public (bulletin) – Barb Aarhus, 507- 477-2458

Prayer Chain: (private) – Barb Schimek, 507– 696-6775

Please include the following in your prayers:

Chris Hahn, Michele Klennert, Dennis Tempel, Jerry Amundson, Kathy Blanchard, Dawn Hugeback, Doug Sheely, Jerry Becker, Brenda Becker AND

All Military members and their families as well.

Prayer Service - Tuesday at 8:30 am at SH-Hayfield

Holy Trinity Prayer Chain:

If you have any prayer requests please contact **Carol P. - (507) 583-7848** or **Marie Kubicek - (507) 451-2663** --- **Pray for the following: RoxAnn Nelson, Nathan Lawrence, Myron Kaplan, Mary Starman, Tom Kaplan, Jim Deml, Jean Beaver, Luke Broulik, Michael Czarnowski, Dale Waltz, Jason Ptacek, Doug Goff, Bill Lewison, Otto Marquardt, Sue Zwiener, Sister JoAnn Haney, David Tharaldson, Ray Busho, David Goodnature, Jim Klecker – And all the special intentions.**

Prayer Service –Tuesday at 9 am at Holy Trinity – Litomysl

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