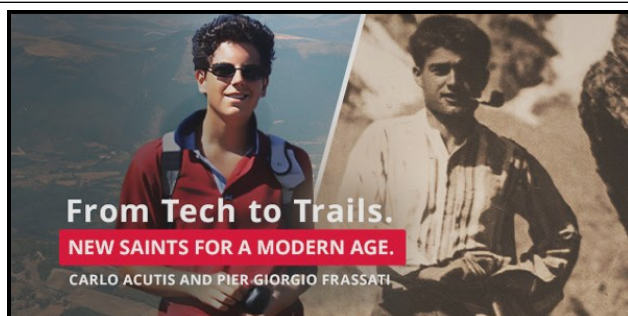


ST. COLUMBANUS - BP

Faith Formation registration forms are available at St. Columbanus for the 2025 – 2026 calendar year on the center table. Please return your completed form and payment to Diane Rumpza for the **PreK through Confirmation classes**. You can also drop off payment and the form at the SC office or in Sunday's collection basket in an envelope marked "FF Program."

CLASSES START OCTOBER 1ST



On **Sunday, September 7, 2025**, the Church will canonize two inspiring young saints: **Carlo Acutis**, the first Millennial Saint and **Pier Giorgio Frassati**, "The Man of the Beatitudes."

EWTN brings you front-row access to the Jubilee Year's most extraordinary moments—including the historic Canonizations of Blessed Carlo Acutis and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati. Wherever you are—in Rome, at home, or on the go—experience history and watch live on Sunday, September 7 at **3:00AM ET/12:00AM PT** or catch the replay at **6:00 PM ET/3:00 PM PT** on the [EWTN App](#), streaming devices, or at [EWTN.com](#).

Save the Date!

Deacon Scot Berkley will be speaking **Monday, Sept. 8, at 6:30 pm in Joseph Hall, at St. Joseph Parish, 512 S. Elm, Owatonna** on "Let's talk about Deacon's." A broader look at deacons in general and in our diocese. There will be a holy hour of Adoration for Vocations at 5 pm in the church. Pizza will be served at 6 pm and Deacon Scot speaks afterwards.

Come and bring a friend!

No priests, no Eucharist, no church. JESUS COMMANDED US to pray for vocations with his words, "Pray, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Mt. 9:38).

Take on prayer for vocations as your personal effort to increase the number of priests, sisters, brothers, and lay ministers. Thank God for our vocations and to ask him to keep our priests, deacon, and religious healthy and close to him. **1st Saturday Adoration for Vocations is available for you after 8 AM 1st Saturday Sept 6 mass at St. Joseph, about 8:40 AM, in the Community Adoration Chapel.** Ask someone to come and pray with you!



Prayers and Congratulations to the following students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on

**Wednesday, September 3, at
Holy Trinity Church - Litomysl at 7:00 PM.**

St. Columbanus - Blooming Prairie

Karley Arndt.....daughter of Trevor & Leslie Arndt

Makenna Brown.....daughter of Jared & Deb Brown

Efren Hernandez.....son of Efren & Brenda Hernandez

Brayton Ingvalson.....son of Mike & Katie Ingvalson

Max Sorensen.....son of Anthony & Natalie Sorensen

Sacred Heart - Hayfield

Nicole Darnell.....daughter of Dean & Pam Darnell

Lydia Hoebing.....daughter of Todd & Brooke Hoebing

Kennady Rutledge.....daughter of Matt & Donna Rutledge

Holy Trinity - Litomysl

Gracelyn Anderson.....daughter of Troy & Monica Anderson

Alexandra Herget.....daughter of Matt & Jamie Herget

Avry Hoffman.....daughter of Dave & Becky Hoffman

Brynna Ingvaldson.....daughter of Tait & Jennifer Ingvaldson

Olivia Kubicek.....daughter of Josh & Tianna Kubicek

Conor Rennie.....son of Luke & Amanda Rennie

Isabella Schiller.....daughter of Tony & Heather Schiller

Jayden Wencil.....daughter of Wayne & Linnea Wencil

May the gifts of the Holy Spirit strengthen you, making you a witness of Christ's love. May you always live your faith with joy.
Gods blessings to you all.

SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

Sacred Heart

Volunteers Needed

~We could use a little help from parishioners to weed the garden, even if you have only 20 minutes to help.

~Sacred Heart is short on just about every category on the assignment sheet, **but the hardest hit is the counters, we are short 3 counters! It usually takes about 20 minutes**, and we do it when the team of two available. We also need Lectors, EOM, Gifts, Greeters as well. If you are willing to be a counter, or one of the other ministries (or know of someone who would like to be) please encourage them to give **Barb** a call at (507-438-9982). As is the case with all these positions, the more people we have the less often your turn comes around. These groups have been very flexible, which makes things easy.

22nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME — August 30 & 31, 2025

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 & Frank Volicek, Jackie Olson, Tom Walters, Garrett Weckworth, Krew Haase

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, Pat Towey Sr.,
Dennis Tempel, Jerry Amundson,
Kathy Blanchard, Dawn Hugeback

*All Military members and their families as well.

AREA EVENT

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7:00am – 7:00pm Each Day!
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Can We Chew Gum at Mass?

Question: Does chewing gum break the fast before Communion?

Answer:

If you look in Canon Law or in the Catechism, there is no mention of chewing gum. I guess it does not rate the attention of the universal church! The Church requires us to fast for one hour before we receive the Eucharist. Basically, we are to refrain from food and drink, not including water or medicine. There are also exceptions for people who are ill. Overall, the fast is intended for us to prepare ourselves to receive the Eucharist and in some small way to literally as well as spiritually hunger for what we are about to receive. Chewing gum, while not really food, does at least break the spirit of the fast. Besides that, it is a distraction and rude. What do you do with the gum when it is time to receive Communion? People have actually come to the altar chewing away, oblivious to what they were doing or Who they were receiving. At best, it is distracting and irreverent. At worst, it adds a barrier to giving our best to receiving God's best.

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24TH ANNUAL BLOOMING PRAIRIE CANCER AUCTION

ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE BP CANCER GROUP 50108 #27-1252726

SEPTEMBER 5TH & 6TH
2 BIG NIGHTS - FRIDAY & SATURDAY
UNDER THE BIG TENT OUTSIDE OF THE BLOOMING PRAIRIE CUE COMPANY

2025 BPCG SHIRTS

AVAILABLE IN OTHER COLORS & STYLES! SCAN THE QR CODE TO SHOP!
STORE AVAILABLE 8/1-8/20

FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE AUCTION

6:30 PM UNDER THE BIG TENT

SATURDAY EVENTS

4:00 PM FAMILY BINGO
GREAT PRIZES & FUN FOR ALL!
6:30 PM LIVE AUCTION

BID ON A 2026-2027 TRIP TO FORT MEYERS BEACH!

OTHER GREAT TRIPS FEATURED, TOO!
CATCH A STAY AT YOUR CHOICE OF ONE OF TWO FANTASTIC HOMES JUST A BLOCK AWAY FROM THE PRESTINE WHITE BEACHES OF FORT MEYERS!
DATES AVAILABLE BETWEEN MAY 1ST 2026 / 27 - DECEMBER 15TH 2026/27
UNITS FEATURING: 2 BEDROOMS & HIDE-A-BED • 1 EXTD POOL • STKI BAR

ANNUAL PRIHODA CANCER AUCTION RAFFLE

TICKETS - \$10 EACH
1ST PRIZE: \$1000
2ND PRIZE: \$300
3RD PRIZE: \$200

THIS YEAR'S RAFFLE IN MEMORY OF STEVE PRIHODA
THANKS TO FAMILY & FRIENDS!
DRAWING SEPTEMBER 6TH
10:30 PM - BP CANCER AUCTION
USED SUP. BE PRESENT TO WIN - X-02034

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JOIN US FOR PREMIER SPORTSMAN'S BINGO!

FEATURING ADDITIONAL HIGHER END PRIZES FOR SPORTSMEN OF ALL CALIBER!
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 4TH
UNDER THE BIG TENT - THE CUE COMPANY
- DOORS AT 6:00 PM -
- STARTS AT 7:00 PM -
\$76 FOR 10 GAMES - TICKETS ARE LIMITED! MUST BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER