

# WELCOME TO PRAIRIE CATHOLICS

## 4TH SUNDAY of EASTER - APRIL 25 & 26, 2026

### MASS TIMES

#### SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

**Saturday: 4:30 PM**

#### ST. COLUMBANUS – BP

**Sunday: 8:30 AM**

#### HOLY TRINITY- LITOMYSL

**Sunday: 10:15 AM**

### St. Columbanus Church

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### Office Hours:

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

W, .....9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

F..... CLOSED or by Appt.

### Sacred Heart Church

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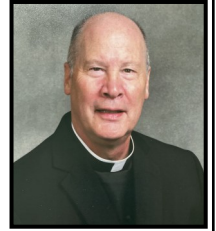
### St. Mary's Church – (Oratory)

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### *From The Desk of Father Becker*

Eastertide celebrates not only events long past, but the Risen One alive in our hearts now – his dying and rising in us, as we turn from sin and experience his risen life and the way of faithful love. Thanks to all who have served the liturgies of this sacred season!



**First Communion** is this weekend in our parishes. We thank all who form these children for the Breaking of the Bread, especially their parents and catechists. May we all remain faithful to the Table of the Lord – it is the greatest gift we can offer our children and youth!

The annual **Catholic Ministries Appeal** will be underway soon. You will each receive a mailing with details about our diocesan ministries, and the important work that your contributions support each year. You will be asked to list your parish online (or on your check in the memo line), since each parish has a monetary goal to meet. Any shortfall must be paid from your own parish budget, while any overage is returned to your parish. More information is online at <https://www.givecentral.org/cma2026gen>

**PARKING LOT:** At St. Columbanus, we have re-designated the parking lot spaces closest to the church for those with any mobility challenge – even if you don't have a handicap parking permit. Feel free to use these spaces as needed. At funerals, it would be best to reserve them for handicap permits only; but for general Sunday usage, any mobility challenge will suffice. Please contact the office for questions.

A scammer frequently impersonates our priest or other parish leaders via text or email, to ask for a favor, gift card, or secret reply – often with a sense of urgency. This is a periodic and ongoing scam, and operates nationwide. If you are uncertain about a text or email, please do not reply, but contact us by phone during office hours.

“Amen amen,  
I say to you.”



### 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.” - Jn 10:2-3

### Parish Staff

Father William Becker, Pastor

Barb Aarhus, SH Secretary

Dolores Weberg, SC Secretary

Bre Anne Scheid, (SC,SH, HT-Bookkeeper)

Theresa Bartsch, HT Secretary

Janet Miller, HT Facility Calendar



The Good  
Shepard  
has Risen!

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

**MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE**

**April 28 - May 4, 2026**

**Tue. 4/28 ~ Sacred Heart - 9:00 AM**  
Leonard Darnel

**Wed. 4/29 ~ Prairie Manor ~ 9:30 AM**  
Bob & Marian Becker

**Fri. 5/1 ~ St. Columbanus ~ 8:30 AM**  
John & Thesia Heimerman

**Sat. 5/2 ~ Sacred Heart ~ 4:30 PM**  
Dennis Bumm

**Sun. 5/3 ~ St. Columbanus ~ 8:30 AM**  
For All Parishioners of the Cluster  
~ **Holy Trinity ~ 10:15 AM**  
Gordon Spinler

**LITURGICAL ROLE SCHEDULE**

**Weekend of May 2 & 3, 2026**

**Sacred Heart, Hayfield -**

**Saturday, May 2 - 4:30 PM \*\***

Lector: Roger Hahn  
 Euch. Min.: Host: Denise Wine: Sheri, Glenn  
 Servers: Volunteers please  
 Ushers: Need 4 Volunteers please  
 Gifts: Ann Johnson  
 Greeters: Dave Kaczmarek Family  
 Counters: Roger & Linda

**St. Columbanus, Blooming Prairie**

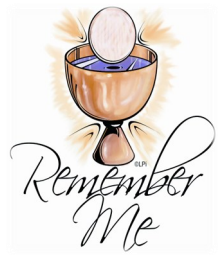
**Sunday, May 3 - 8:30 AM**

Lector: Jenny Hendrickson  
 Euch. Min.: Peter V., Katie W., Rodney K.  
 Servers:  
 Ushers: Chuck W., Pat O., Kevin W., Wayne U.  
 Gifts: Tim Trotman Family  
 Greeters: Volunteers  
 Counters: Esplans (Team 4)  
 Rosary: 8:00 AM

**Holy Trinity, Litomysl**

**Sunday, May 3 - 10:15 AM**

Lector: Rose Ann  
 Euch. Min.: Olivia, Amber, Jen, Erza  
 Servers: Jenna H., George H., Lydia L.  
 Gifts: Jake Miller Family  
 Ushers: Gavin & Grady  
 Greeters: Justin & Amber  
 Rosary: Marie



**CHURCH SUPPORT**

<b>Sacred Heart</b>		
April 19.....	\$738.00	
<b>St. Columbanus</b>		
April 19.....	\$1,797.50	
<b>Holy Trinity</b>		
April 19.....	\$1,559.00	

**PARISH SERVICES**

**Reconciliation/ Confession**

\*By appointment.  
 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



**Knights of Columbus, St. Isidore Council #4323,** is offering a KC Scholarship to graduating seniors in our Tri-Cluster Parishes.

Contact Troy Anderson for more information or for an application at 507-363-1701, or [yorte21@gmail.com](mailto:yorte21@gmail.com).

Applications are due by May 31.

## ST. COLUMBANUS - BP

### St. Columbanus FF Program Schedule

**Sun. April 26 - MAY CROWNING –**

We encourage the students who wish to participate in presenting a flower to the Virgin Mary to arrive at the back of the church 15 minutes before Mass begins.



*All are welcome to Plant Bingo!*



**Saturday, May 2, 2026 @ 10:30 AM**

**St. Columbanus Church Hall**

\$20 for 15 games, extra cards \$1 each

Each bingo wins a plant!

Salad Luncheon provided by the CCW @ noon

\$10 per person for a variety of salads, desserts, beverages.

## SACRED HEART– HAYFIELD

### Sacred Heart Faith Formation Schedule

**Saturday, Apr. 25 - First Communion**

**Apr. 29- Last Class; May Crowning**

## HOLY TRINITY - LITOMYSL

### Holy Trinity Faith Formation Schedule

**4/29: Last Class**

### BEAUTIFUL MOTHER'S DAY SPIRITUAL

BOUQUET CARDS will be available at

Holy Trinity Church on the following Sundays:

**April 26, May 3 & 10.**

A wonderful gift for the special woman in your life – mother, grandmother, wife, daughter, daughter-in-law, aunt or special friend (*living or deceased*). The cards come with an envelope which is placed in a basket by the altar with prayers remembered at Masses for the month of May.



An offering of \$5 is requested with proceeds going to the Steele County shelter for homeless women and families. This is a project of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Owatonna #1180.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS....

The purpose of World Day of Prayer for Vocations is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). As a climax to a prayer that is continually offered throughout the Church, it affirms the primacy of faith and grace in all that concerns vocations to the priesthood and to the consecrated life. While appreciating all vocations, the Church concentrates its attention this day on vocations to the ordained ministries (priesthood and diaconate), consecrated life in all its forms (male and female religious life, societies of apostolic life, consecrated virginity), secular institutes in their diversity of services and membership, and to the missionary life.

**World Day of Prayer will be observed on Sunday, April 26, 2026 also known as "Good Shepherd Sunday."** The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfill the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send laborers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

2026 marks the **53rd Anniversary** of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

### Prayer for Vocations (Pray every day)

God our Father, You made each of us to use our gifts in the Body of Christ. We ask that You inspire young people whom you call to priesthood and consecrated life to courageously follow Your will. Send workers into Your great harvest so that the Gospel is preached, the poor are served with love, the suffering are comforted, and Your people are strengthened by the sacraments. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen



**JOIN US THIS MORNING AFTER MASS**  
**Sunday, April 26th for our Annual Kid's Carnival at**  
**St. Columbanus Church beginning at**  
**9:30 AM - 11:00 AM in the gathering hall.**



**Coffee and Sweet treats will be available!!**

**Sponsored by St. Columbanus CCW**

**EVERYONE (Men, Women, and Kids) are Invited**  
to **Plant Bingo** on  
**Saturday, May 2, starting at 10:30 AM!**

- We are asking for **salad donations** for the salad luncheon following bingo as well. The luncheon cost will be \$10.



If you can donate a salad, please contact **Millie Burns** at **507- 438-2483** – thank you!

- The next **St. Columbanus CCW meeting** will be on **Wednesday, May 6, at 7:00pm** in the church hall. All women of the parish are invited to attend.

~ **Austin Area Council of Catholic Women Quarterly** meeting will be held on **Tuesday, April 28th** at St. Ignatius Catholic Church in Spring Valley. Registration is **5:30 pm** with **Mass** at **6 pm** followed by a supper, meeting and speaker. All women are welcomed!

**4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



# 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, Donna Wigham, Layla Coleman**

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**  
\*All Military members and their families as well.

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## 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, Sheri Anderson, Jason Ptacek, Doug Goff, Bill Lewison, Otto Marquardt, Sue Zwiener, Sister JoAnn Haney, Donna Wigham**

– And all the special intentions.

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

## Diocese of Winona - Rochester

The office of Stewardship and Development has been working closely with the new online giving provider; GiveCentral, to create landing pages (see list below). The pages are now created and live. See the links to each page below.

Seminarian Education Fund:

<https://www.givecentral.org/dowrsemed>

Catholic Ministries Appeal:

<https://www.givecentral.org/cma2026gen>

TV Mass:

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