

WELCOME TO OUR CATHOLIC PARISHES

4th SUNDAY OF LENT - March 14 & 15, 2026

MASS TIMES

SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

Saturday: 4:30 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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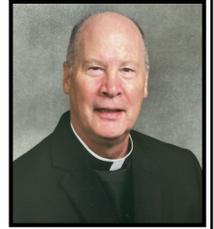
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From The Desk of Father Becker



Lent is underway. Please join in this season of faith and repentance, and watch the bulletin for opportunities to participate. These include Wednesday evening confessions and our disciplines of fast and abstinence, both of which are listed elsewhere in the bulletin. May the Lord draw all of us closer to his heart, with those preparing to join the Church. Thanks to all who beautify this season with their prayer and Christian endeavor.

A diocesan **Synod** has been underway – an official “journeying process” on Evangelization and Vocations. Bishop Barron has written a letter to the diocese offering direction – learn more in the *Courier* and online at dowr.org; hard copies are at the entrances. Let us pray for him and all who assist in this endeavor.

Some **facility projects** have been underway at our parishes. Please contribute to your parish building fund to assist with these projects, by using a specially marked envelope (“Building Fund”).

The **Seminarian Education Fund** campaign is underway. Mailings have been sent out by the diocese – please contribute graciously to support the costs of educating our future priests.

The annual **Catholic Ministries Appeal** for 2026 will launch after Easter. 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 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 forthcoming.

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.

*WHEN JESUS HAD SAID THIS,
HE SPIT ON THE GROUND,
MADE SOME MUD, AND
APPLIED IT TO THE MAN'S
EYES.*

-JOHN 9:6



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Father William Becker, Pastor

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Bookkeeper)

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Janet Miller, HT Facility Calendar

Lenten Confessions (Wednesdays at 6:30 pm until all are heard – weather permitting)

Mar. 18 – Holy Trinity - Litomysl

Mar. 25 – St. Columbanus - Blooming Prairie

Lenten Regulations: Abstinence from meat is observed on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent, by Catholics who are at least 14 years old. Fasting is observed on Ash Wednesday & Good Friday, by Catholics from the 18th until the 59th birthday. Only one full meal and two smaller meals are permitted; but no solid foods between meals (liquids are excused).

Stations of the Cross are held during Lent at Holy Trinity and Sacred Heart after Tuesday morning worship; and at St. Columbanus after Friday morning worship. Join us as we commemorate the Way of the Cross.

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

MASS INTENTIONS AND SCHEDULE

March 17 - March 22, 2026

Tue. 3/17 ~ *Holy Trinity* - 9:00 AM
Kenneth Titus

Wed. 3/18 ~ *Prairie Manor* ~ 9:30 AM
Jackie Olson

Fri. 3/20 ~ *St. Columbanus* ~ 8:30AM
Rosalie Canfield

Sat. 3/21 ~ *Sacred Heart* ~ 4:30 PM
Melanie Doward

Sun. 3/22 ~ *St. Columbanus* ~ 8:30 AM
For All Parishioners of the Cluster
~ *Holy Trinity* ~ 10:15 AM
Joe Rysavy

LITURGICAL ROLE SCHEDULE

Weekend of March 21 & 22, 2026

Sacred Heart, Hayfield -

Saturday, March 21 - 4:30 PM **

Lector: Judy Kaczmarek
 Euch. Min.: Host: Ann Wine: Stacy, Ron
 Servers: **Volunteers please**
 Ushers: **Need 4 Volunteers please**
 Gifts: Eric Severson Family
 Greeters: Roger Hahn
 Counters: Donna, Michelle

St. Columbanus, Blooming Prairie

Sunday, March 22 - 8:30 AM

Lector: Millie Burns
 Euch. Min.: Shelly J., Bev O., Al S.
 Servers: Cruz C., Henry H.
 Ushers: Dayton P., Wayne U., Clete G., Mike J.
 Gifts: Robbins Family
 Greeters: Volunteers
 Counters: Burns/Vogt (Team 2)
 Rosary: 8:00 AM

Holy Trinity, Litomys!

Sunday, March 22 - 10:15 AM

Lector: Melissa
 Euch. Min.: Carol, Janet, Jamie, Sr. Franchon
 Servers: Jenna H., George H., Lydia L.
 Gifts: Luke Winzenburg Family
 Ushers: Lonny, John
 Greeters: Darcy
 Rosary: Bruce



CHURCH SUPPORT

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| Sacred Heart | | |
| Mar. 8..... | \$2,127.00 | |
| St. Columbanus | | |
| Mar. 8..... | \$1,165.00 | |
| Holy Trinity | | |
| Mar. 8..... | \$1,783.00 | |

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

**March 8th - 14th is
National Sisters' Week**

(Please thank the women for answering God's call to Religious. Please pray for them often.)

A PRAYER FOR WOMEN RELIGIOUS
 Gracious God, thank you for Your presence and Your image witnessed in religious women committed to living the Gospel in our state of Minnesota. Thank you for their ministries of life-giving, compassionate service and prayer. Bless them with wisdom and vitality. May they receive the support they need to find creative ways to live out and share Your message of love, inclusively and care for all You have created. Draw them ever closer to Your Son, Jesus, so that they may radiate Your mercy, beauty, joy & peace. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Spend time with our Lord and pray for vocations in our diocese at the DOW-R Chapel in Rochester on Wednesdays from 9:00 - 10:30 am

ST. COLUMBANUS - BP



Holy Thursday, April 2 -
(Lord's Supper)
6:30 p.m.
St. Columbanus - Blooming Prairie

Good Friday, April 3 -
(Passion Liturgy)
5:30 p.m.
Holy Trinity - Litomysl

Holy Saturday, April 4 -
(Easter Vigil Mass)
7:00 p.m.
Sacred Heart - Hayfield

Easter Sunday, April 5 -
St. Columbanus - Blooming Prairie
8:30 a.m.
Holy Trinity - Litomysl
10:30 a.m.

All are Welcome!!!

The **St. Columbanus FF Program Lenten Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross** this **Wed., March 18th** beginning at **6:00pm - 7:30pm** and **Stations (7:00pm)**. All Students (Meet at church), parents, grandparents are encouraged to attend and help if asked. A **free will offering** will be collected for the **Rice Bowl Campaign**.

Confirmation Speaker Night -

(Faith Journey-Testimony-Conversation)

Join us for an inspiring evening as **Doug & Dawn Doughan** share their powerful journey of faith – one that led them from decades of Protestant ministry back into the heart of the Catholic Church, where they now serve as OCIA leaders.

Date: Wednesday, March 25, 2026

Time: 6:30PM

Location: St. Columbanus Church - (Gathering Hall - lower level)

Who is invited: Confirmation Candidates & Sponsors

Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign

Help the **St. Columbanus CCW** to stock our local food shelf, **Community Pathways of Steele County**, during the month of March!

Ways to help:

Monetary – donate money to the food shelf by writing on the envelope “food shelf” and putting it in the collection every Sunday in March.

Items – bring non-perishable food items in bags and leave in the marked bin in the west entrance every Sunday in March.

**** Reminder: foods cannot be expired.**

Frequently requested items:

- Personal care items such as deodorant, mouthwash, women's hygiene products
- Condiments such as pickles, ketchup, mustard
- Spices
- Canned meats, fruits, and vegetables

SACRED HEART- HAYFIELD

Sacred Heart Faith Formation Schedule

All classes begin on **Wednesday evenings at 6:15 PM and end at 7:15 PM**

Mar. 18 - Class with Stations

Mar. 25 - Class with Stations

Hayfield's 40th

Annual Fish Fry

Sacred Heart Catholic Church -Hayfield, MN



Friday, March 27th, 2026

5:00pm - 7:00pm

Fish Fillet, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Salad, Dessert & Beverage

Adults: \$15 Children 10 & under \$8

Take out available. We ask that you call ahead at 477-2297.

SACRED HEART MARCH FOOD DRIVE

The **Sacred Heart March Food Drive** runs from **March 1 to April 6**.

You may leave your non-perishable items on the counter at the main entrance. Stretch your donation. Financial donations go further due to access to food banks and discount purchasing programs, allowing food shelves to purchase items most needed by the Hayfield Community Food Pantry. Checks should be made out to Cedar Creek Church with “Food Pantry” on the memo line and drop it in the collection basket. Thank you!

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIAL ENVELOPES



The Flower Donation Envelopes are available at your parishes. Please fill the envelope out with your information and place it in the collection basket on Sunday's during Lent and prior to Easter Sunday at your parish. You may also drop them off at your parish office.

HOLY TRINITY - LITOMYSL

Holy Trinity Faith Formation Schedule

Please meet in the church on **Wednesday's at 6:30PM**

3/18: Class (meet in the church) Confessions

3/25: Class (meet in the church)

4/1: Soup Supper & Shadow Stations

The **Women's Council of Holy Trinity** is sponsoring a Women's Retreat entitled: *“Hope and Healing Rooted in the Beatitudes”*.

The retreat will take place at Holy Trinity, Litomysl,

Saturday, May 2, 8:30 a.m. to 2:45 p.m.

A warm welcome is extended to the women of Sacred Heart and St. Columbanus parishes.

March 14th and 15th, Dawn Ritter and Sister Franchon will be present before and after Mass to answer questions and accept registrations.

Nurses/EMTs– Camp Summit needs nurses/ EMTs for our first week of camp. Week one runs July 25- 30th. The nursing team ensures the safety and care of all the middle school youth, high school youth, and adult volunteers at camp. The nursing team will provide general first aid, help youth through illnesses, injuries, homesickness, and help chaperones with medications and medical emergencies as needed. Visit our website at campsummitwinona.org to learn more about Camp Summit. If interested or would like more information, please email campsummitwinona@gmail.com

4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



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 Volicsek, Tom Walters, Krew Haase, Sue Zwiener

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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DOW-R and other AREA EVENTS

Upcoming Events in the DOW-R

Open Hearts: Young Women's Discernment Day: March 21, 2026 at Lourdes High School, Rochester

Chrism Mass: March 30, 2026, Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Mankato

Walk to Mary Pilgrimage: May 1 - 3, 2026

Called & Sent: June 4-5, 2026, St. Mary's University, Winona

Ordination to the Diaconate: May 23, 2026 at 10:00 am the Co-Cathedral of St. John the Evangelist, Rochester

Ordination to the Priesthood: June 5, 2026 at 2:00 pm at the Basilica of St. Stanislaus Kostka, Winona



*Holy Trinity Women's Retreat
Hope and Healing Rooted in the Beatitudes*

A time for reflection, spiritual growth and sacred self-care

Why This Retreat?

In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus shared the heart of the Christian spiritual life. The Beatitudes, featured at the start of this sermon, provide a clear expression of Jesus' vision for how we should live with God and with one another. This retreat will look at many of the Beatitudes, including:

*Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy
Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God
Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted
Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God*
Matthew 5:7-9

What to Expect

During this retreat, you will have the opportunity to experience:
Large group inspiration - Private reflection - Community Building - Personal Growth Choices

Sister JoAnn Haney, a sister of St. Francis from Rochester, will give the main address and help facilitate the group interaction.

Retreat Details:

When: Saturday, May 2 8:30 am - 9:00 am Registration/ Pastries/ Coffee
9:00 am - 2:45 pm Retreat

Where: Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Lilyons

Things to Know: Lunch provided, Good Will Donation Appreciated, Collected at Lunch

I am planning to attend the "Hope and Healing Rooted in the Beatitudes" retreat on May 2nd.

Name _____ Phone Number _____ Email _____

I would like to bring one guest with me to the retreat:

Name _____ Phone Number _____ Email _____

*Please return this portion of the registration form at church on March 1st or 8th or go online at tinyurl.com/womenhopeandhealing or call Dawn at (507) 456-8401 to register.

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