

WELCOME TO OUR CATHOLIC PARISHES

5th SUNDAY OF LENT - March 21 & 22, 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

W,9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

F..... CLOSED or by Appt.

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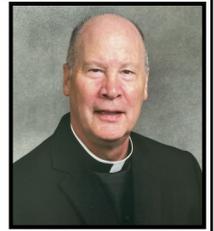
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Bookkeeper)

Theresa Bartsch, HT Secretary

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From The Desk of Father Becker

Our **Holy Week** schedule is in today's bulletin. On Holy Thursday, families are invited to wash one another's feet in the parish hall after the Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Columbanus (basins of water and towels will be provided); the collection will go toward the "Rice Bowl" appeal. On Good Friday, we will venerate the Cross during the Passion Liturgy at Holy Trinity (the assembly will follow after the priest); the collection will benefit the Holy Land's shrines. And on Saturday evening, we begin the Easter Vigil Mass with a candlelight ceremony at Sacred Heart (those with oxygen should wait in the parish hall until our handheld candles are extinguished). The Easter morning schedule will be as usual on Sundays. Thanks to all who beautify our worship through planning, decoration, ministry roles, and worship. May our participation deepen our love for our crucified and risen Lord!



The **Chrism Mass** will be held Mon., Mar. 30 at 2:00 pm at Ss. Peter & Paul Church in Mankato. All are welcome as the priests of the diocese renew their vows, and the Bishop blesses our new Holy Oils.

Extra Confessions will be held this week after the liturgies on Palm Sunday (Holy Trinity), Holy Thursday (St. Columbanus) & Good Friday (Holy Trinity).

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** 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 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 forthcoming.

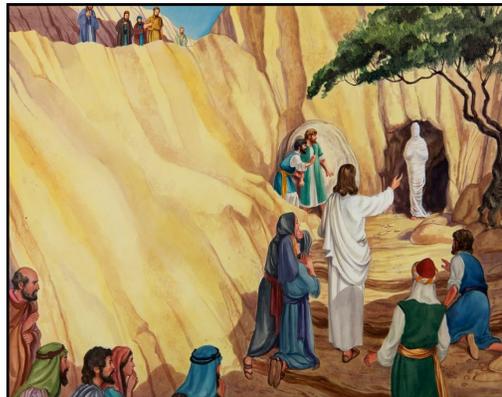
A scammer frequently impersonates our priest or other parish leaders via text or email, to ask for a favor, gift card, or secret reply – often with a sense of urgency. This is a periodic and ongoing scam, and operates nationwide. If you are uncertain about a text or email, please do not reply, but contact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

Lenten Confessions

(Wednesday at
6:30 pm until all
are heard –
weather
permitting)

March 25 –

St. Columbanus -
Blooming Prairie



After he said this,
He cried with
a loud voice,
“Lazarus, come out!” He
came out, his hands and
feet wrapped in
graveclothes, and with a
cloth around his face. “Untie
him,” Jesus told them, “and
let him go.”
John 43-44

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

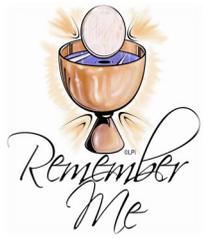
March 24 - March 29, 2026
Tue. 3/24 ~ *Holy Trinity* - 9:00 AM
 Patricia Hackert
Wed. 3/25 ~ *Prairie Manor* ~ 9:30 AM
 Jackie Olson
Fri. 3/27 ~ *St. Columbanus* ~ 8:30AM
 John & Thresia Heimerman
Sat. 3/28 ~ *Sacred Heart* ~ 4:30 PM
 Jerry Kruse
Sun. 3/29 ~ *St. Columbanus* ~ 8:30 AM
 Richard Kubista
 ~ *Holy Trinity* ~ 10:15 AM
 For All Parishioners of the Cluster

LITURGICAL ROLE SCHEDULE

Weekend of March 28 & 29, 2026
PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND
Sacred Heart, Hayfield -
Saturday, March 28 - 4:30 PM **
 Lector: Michelle Johnson Narr: Barb Aarhus
 Euch. Min.: Host: Jill Wine: Denise, Linda
 Servers: Volunteers please
 Ushers: Need 4 Volunteers please
 Gifts: Nate Tempel Family
 Greeters: Mike Butler Family
 Counters: Roger, Linda

St. Columbanus, Blooming Prairie
Sunday, March 29 - 8:30 AM
 Lector: Dennis H, Voice: Diane Rumpza
 Euch. Min.: Rodney K., Bruce R., Katie W.
 Servers: Max & Henry H.
 Ushers: Chuck W., Jim O., Kevin W., Pat O.
 Gifts: Peter Vogt Family
 Greeters: Volunteers
 Counters: Kittelson/ Schaefer (Team 3)
 Rosary: 8:00 AM

Holy Trinity, Litomys!
Sunday, March 29 - 10:15 AM
 Lector: Jamie. Bruce
 Euch. Min.: Monica, Tom, Ed, Sharon
 Servers: Syndel S., Emma L., Liam L.
 Gifts: Ed & Sharon
 Ushers: Gavin, Grady
 Greeters: Carol
 Rosary: Marie



CHURCH SUPPORT

Sacred Heart		
Mar. 15.....	\$2,594.00	
St. Columbanus		
Mar. 15.....	(No Mass)	
Holy Trinity		
Mar. 15.....	(No Mass)	

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



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
10:15 a.m.

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. 25 - Class with Stations
Apr. 1 - Class with Stations

Hayfield's 65th 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!

HOLY TRINITY - LITOMYSL

St. Columbanus FF Program Schedule
All classes begin at 6:30pm -7:30pm.
Wed., March 25 - Class (BP grades 6 & 7) Confessions
Wed., Apr. 1 - NO CLASSES - (We encourage you and your family to attend one or more Easter services during Holy Week).

All are invited to the Annual Ham Bingo on Sunday, March 29th at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Litomysl at 7pm. 20 games for \$7.00 plus a free door prize.
•Pop and popcorn will be for sale •Youth will have a Bake Sale. Come for an enjoyable evening and invite your friends and relatives along!!!



All are Welcome to 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 & All Parishioners

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.

Holy Trinity Faith Formation Schedule

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

3/25: Class (meet in the church)
4/1: Soup Supper & Shadow Stations

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



*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 Haneey, 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

9:00 am - 2:45 pm

Where: Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Litomysl

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.



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

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



Ariana's Story

Ariana was seven months pregnant when she lost her job. Unable to find a new job so late in her pregnancy, she came to Catholic Charities for help.

Our social workers were able to help her with one month of rent and connect her to resources she needed for the rest of her payments. We provided a bundle of diapers, wipes, clothes, blankets, and other newborn baby items to help her prepare for her son's birth.

She welcomed her first son in December with the peace of knowing she could provide what he needed.

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