

# Our Parish Communities

January 3, 2021

The Epiphany of the Lord



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Secretary : Sandi Kollar

Pastoral Council President: Kenny Moenedick  
Religious Coordinator: Joe & Diane Sazama  
Trustees: Brenda Aschnewitz  
Jan Januszewski

Music Director: Diana Porath  
Christian Mothers/Women: Cindy Kratzke  
Seeds to Grow: Rita York  
Cemetery Coordinators: Tim Stoll (Dent)  
John Kratzke (Dent)  
Mark Riestenberg (St. Joseph)

## St. Lawrence Church in Rush Lake

Secretary: Jeannie Guck  
Sandi Kollar

Pastoral Council President: Mark Murdock  
Religious Coordinator: Sandi Carrlson  
Trustees: Jack Werner  
Andy Klinnert

Christian Mothers/Women: Lisa Werner  
Parish Life: Lisa Werner  
Music Director: Russ Kadow  
Cemetery Coordinators: Rick Guck & Loren Guck  
Liturgy: Patty Doll

**OFFICE HOURS (SACRED HEART): Mondays, Thursdays & Fridays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 758-2700**

**OFFICE HOURS (ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesdays & Wednesdays: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 346-7729**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Contact the Pastor, (218) 758-2888**

**SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY:** Diocesan Policy requires that the Pastor be contacted at least 6 months before the anticipated date of marriage to allow time for premarital inventory, instructions and planning.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** ½ Hour before Weekend Masses.

**PARISH WEBSITE:** [sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com](http://sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com)

# January 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021, The Epiphany of the Lord MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

## St. Lawrence Mass Schedule:

- Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 10:30AM** *For the People*
- Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 4:00PM** *fRose Guck*
- Wednesday, January 6<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM** *Living & fDeceased Catholic Daughters*
- Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM** *fRita Yaggie*
- Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 10:30AM** *fIrene Frost*
- Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 4:00PM** *fMary Wigginton*

## Sacred Heart Mass Schedule:

- Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:00PM** *fFr. Leo Otto*
- Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:30AM** *fDeland Porath*
- Monday, January 4<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM** *Living & fDeceased Catholic United Financial Members*
- Tuesday, January 5<sup>th</sup> 7:00PM** *fCarl Kuester*
- Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM** *fFaye Stevens-LaMoreaux*
- Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> 4:00PM** *fLeonard Hendrickson*
- Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup> 8:30AM** *fJosh Hanson*

### FINANCIAL BLESSING (ST. LAWRENCE)

Adult.....	\$2130.00
Loose.....	371.48
Online.....	410.00
Religious Retirement.....	20.00
Christmas.....	4810.00
Votive Lights.....	30.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	200.00
Christmas Flowers.....	28.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$7999.48</b>



*Thank you for remembering St. Lawrence church with your stewardship throughout the year.*

### FINANCIAL BLESSING (SACRED HEART)

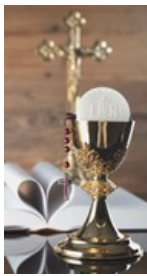
Adult.....	\$2113.00
Loose.....	939.00
Online.....	900.00
Religious Retirement.....	25.00
Christmas.....	4663.00
Christmas Flowers.....	90.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$8730.00</b>



**Restricted Donation.....\$20,000.00**

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### Spiritual Communion Prayer



“My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You”. Amen

### Readings for The Epiphany of the Lord

*Isaiah 60:1-6, 21:1-3; Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;  
Ephesians: 3:2-3a, 5-6; Matthew 2:1-12*

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Sacred Heart: Saturday, 4:00PM; Sunday, 8:30AM  
St. Lawrence: Sunday, 10:30AM; Sunday, 4:00PM



**THE 2021 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES ARE IN YOUR MAIL BOXES AT BOTH ST. LAWRENCE AND SACRED HEART. PLEASE PICK THEM UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU.**



### SACRED HEART AND ST. LAWRENCE ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is a convenient and safe way to make a one-time or recurring donation to Sacred Heart or St. Lawrence churches. Getting started is easy—just visit our website at [sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com](http://sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com) and click on the “Give Now to Sacred Heart” button for Sacred Heart or click on the “Give Now to St. Lawrence” button for St. Lawrence found in the welcome section of the website.

Fr. George



**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday Noon**

All in-person Faith Formation classes and youth gatherings have been suspended until the end of January per order of Bishop Kettler. Parents please continue to help your children grow in faith at home through prayer and their religion books.

**Prayer Corner**

Please pray for those who are ill, and all of our parishioners and visitors in need of prayer, that they may have an abundance of comfort in God's healing, especially:

Lois Porath Mary Riestenberg Tacito  
Lupe Scott Elaine Pietsch Joel Carlson  
Jim Stenger Roger Doll Karen Omberg

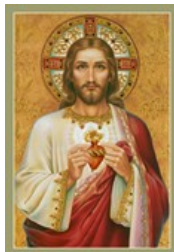


Always remember in prayer our blessed leaders in faith, especially: Pope Francis, Bishop Donald Kettler, Fr. Matthew Kuhn, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Dcn Mark Stenger and Fr. George.

**Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January**



*Evangelization-Human Fraternity:* May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.



January is dedicated as the Month of the Holy Name of Jesus. This month reminds us of the power of Jesus' name.

**The "Jesus Prayer"**

"O Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

*Invocation of the Holy Name of Jesus*

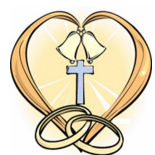
"Blessed be the most holy Name of Jesus without end!"

*Congratulations to*

*Angela Berry*

*&*

*Brady Ballard*



who were united in Holy Matrimony at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. May God bless their marriage with love and happiness for many years to come.

**Baby Jesus Shower**



Sacred Heart Christian Mothers are collecting baby items to be donated to the needy. Items can be placed under the tree in the gathering space.

**2021 Marriage Prep Course Weekend:** The Marriage Prep Course weekend will be held at the St. Henry's Area School library on January 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021. The fee is \$175.00 per couple. For more information, or to register, please contact the St. Henry's Parish Office for a registration form.

**What Mass Means: How Sacrifice and Real Presence Are Life-Changing**

Friday, January 22, Theology Day presentation from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Fr. Anthony Ruff, OSB is the presenter. Event is Free. Registration is required. Visit [www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday), call 320-363-3560, or email [theologyday@csbsju.edu](mailto:theologyday@csbsju.edu) to register.

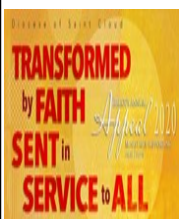


It has been a tradition in the Catholic Church to hand out blessed chalk at the Masses for Epiphany, and then use the blessed chalk as part of blessing one's home in the New Year. The home blessing can be done as follows: Use the blessed chalk to write: 20+C+M+B+21 above the doorways: 2021 for the year; C, M, B for the 3 Magi-Casper, Melchior, and Balthasar – and for Christus Mansionem Benedicat, Latin for "May Christ Bless this House." As you are writing, pray the following prayer: *Lord God of heaven and earth, You revealed Your only-begotten Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who inhabit it. Fill us with the light of Christ, that our concern for others may reflect your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

**Energy Assistance**



The Energy Assistance Program helps low-income households pay their home heating bills. Deadline to apply for help with heat or electric costs is May 31, 2021. To request an application call MAHUBE-OTWA at: 632-3600 Wadena; 739-3011 Fergus Falls; 847-1385 Detroit Lakes or Toll Free 1-888-458-1385.



**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** Let us look with hope to the new year. May 2021 be a year that witnesses the vitality of our parishes within our Area Catholic Communities and the ability of our diocesan ministries to continue to touch the lives of the faithful in meaningful ways. More information at [www.stedio.org/appeal](http://www.stedio.org/appeal).



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### Membership Information

We extend our hearts and hands in Christian fellowship to all who celebrate with us at St. Lawrence & Sacred Heart. If we may assist you, please fill out the form below and drop it off at one of the parish offices, put it in the collection or mail it to us.

If you are new to the parish, please complete the information below and a form will be mailed to you so that you can become a registered member.

- I am Catholic; I would like to become a member.
- I am not Catholic but am interested in learning more about the Catholic faith.
- I have moved; here is my new address.
- I am going to the hospital; please call me.
- I am homebound; please visit me.

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
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 Phone \_\_\_\_\_



The Feast of the Epiphany commemorates the visit of the wise men to worship the baby Jesus. Tradition tells us that their names were Caspar, Melchior and Balthasar. The men were astrologers who were looking for the star that would lead them to the promised Messiah. This was prophesied in the Book of Micah. According to the Gospel narratives, the wise men brought gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh with them. These gifts were very meaningful. Gold was a precious and expensive gift, and showed how important Jesus was. Frankincense is a sweet perfume which was often burned in the temple to worship God. It was a sign that Jesus should be worshipped. Myrrh was used to keep things fresh, and it was used by the women to anoint Jesus' body when he died. By bringing it as a gift to Jesus, the wise men foretold His suffering and death.



St. Henry's Area School Our first drawing for \$100 in 2021 will take place on Friday, 1-1-21. Those results will be in next week's bulletin. Thank you for purchasing the calendars and helping out the school.

Information about Fun Fair 2021 will be coming in the next couple of weeks.

Our students will be completing a 2-week distance learning period after Christmas vacation with the hopes of proactively keeping Covid out of the building following the holidays. We will return to school on Tuesday, January 19, 2021.

### New School Capital Campaign Update:

Goal Phase II	\$7,500,000.00
Goal Phase I	\$6,100,000.00
Pledged	\$5,683,749.00
Needed	\$1,816,251.00
Received	\$4,954,443.00
Pledges Received 12-27	\$11,420.00

### 9 Days for Life



Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, 9 Days for Life, Thursday, January 21 – Friday, January 29. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at [9daysforlife.com](http://9daysforlife.com).

**“God sees every one of us,  
He creates every soul...  
FOR A PURPOSE.”**

**St. John Neumann (1811-1860)**

**Sunday TV Mass For the Diocese of St. Cloud  
can be found at [www.stclio.org/tvmass](http://www.stclio.org/tvmass).**



These last months have been incredibly difficult on all of us and marriages have suffered! Please let us help you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the January 9-10 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org) for additional information or call 651.454.3238.



Stewardship  
*a way of life*

### Stewardship as a Way of Life:

*“... they fell down and worshipped him. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh ...” Matthew 2:11*

Notice the order of events in the Magi's visit. First, they knelt before Jesus and prayed to Him. Then they presented Him with their gifts. We, too, must take time to pray before we present our gifts to the Lord. We never know what God may be asking us to share!



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