

January 18, 2026

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, Jan 17, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Sue Loerzel
Sat, Jan 17, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † John & Elaine Loeffen
Sun, Jan 18, 8:00AM (St. Henry) Family of Barb Martodam
Sun, Jan 18, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Elaine Pietsch
Sun, Jan 18, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
Sun, Jan 18, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Ted & Evelyn Guck
Tue, Jan 20, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Ambrose & Marge Altstadt
Tue, Jan 20, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Art Riestenberg
Wed, Jan 21, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † James & Irene Love
Wed, Jan 21, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) † Lucille Schik
Thu, Jan 22, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Ray Weickert
Thu, Jan 22, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Hofland Brothers
Fri, Jan 23, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Rose M Guck
Fri, Jan 23, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Leonida Fritz
Sat, Jan 24, 5:00PM (St. Henry) For the People
Sat, Jan 24, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Jim Melcher
Sun, Jan 25, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Merle Thompson
Sun, Jan 25, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Marion & † David Jaroszewski
Sun, Jan 25, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Susan Richard
Sun, Jan 25, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Mary Klein



All Northern Cross ACC offices will be closed on Tuesday, January 20th due to a staff retreat. In case of an emergency call: 218-346-4240 *Press 7

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon



“Therefore God has highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and earth and under the earth.” -Phil 2:9-10



Through the generosity of the December children's collections we donated \$687.27 to the Perham backpack program. \$175 fills a backpack for one child every weekend for a full school year. 150 small bags filled with nutritious food are sent home with students each week. The February children's collections will be designated to the New York Mills backpack program.

ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS



BLACKSTONE GRILL RAFFLE!
\$5 per chance or 3 chances for \$10
 You could win this Blackstone grill along with all its contents. The raffle is sponsored by St. Lawrence Christian Women with all proceeds going toward the 2026 St. Lawrence Festival. Chances will be on sale after Mass, in the parish office, or contact Marlene Boedigheimer at 218-457-1588. Drawing will be on February 15th.

There are Personal Care Bags hanging in the hallway by the kitchen. Some are empty, some have a few items in them, and some only need one or a few items to complete the list attached to the bag. Please feel free to add the items needed and check them off the list. Full bags of necessities will be collected and given to a variety of agencies in the area who give them to people in difficult circumstances who are in transition. Thank you for your generosity.



Register now for the third annual **Diocesan Festival of Families at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell on February 22, from 9:00AM-3:00PM**. There will be something for the whole family: Parent, teen, and children's sessions, carnival, prizes, family activities, and Mass with Bishop Neary. Bring your whole family for only \$25! Register link: <https://stcdio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/>

Children's Collections: The January Children's Collections will be designated to the Tom and Geetha Chitta- Foundation for Children in Need. Thousands of children are assisted through schools in **India**-children who are orphaned due to HIV/AIDS; trafficking;...Geetha is also a doctor and she does facial reconstruction surgeries for cleft palates and such. Amazing missioners!



Cemetery News Rick Guck is the sexton of St Lawrence Cemetery. Please, contact Rick (218-849-5488) or the parish office (218-346-7729) with any questions regarding cemetery plots.

Pastor: Fr. Omar Guanchez, E-mail: fatheromar@ncacc.net
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Nathaniel Daubner, E-mail: fathernathaniel@ncacc.net
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46404 County Highway 14
Perham, MN 56573

Phone: (218) 346-7729 **Fax:** (218) 346-5946
Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00AM-Noon
Email: sandi@ncacc.net

Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com

ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation

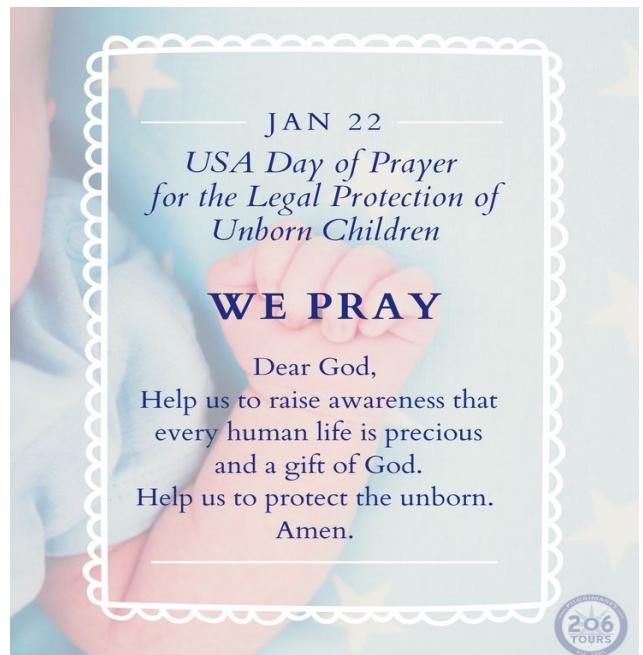
Wed., January 21: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., January 28: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., February 4: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM; Adoration

Stephanie VonRuden-Faith Formation Director
218-298-1050 or steph@ncacc.net

Welcome to
 Michael & Rebecca Muston
 who recently registered as new members
 of the St. Lawrence parish family.



WINTER WEATHER POLICY
 When school is cancelled due to weather, there will be no Masses, no Adoration, and offices will be closed at all the NCACC parishes. If school is two hours late, Adoration will begin at noon and all morning Masses will be cancelled, but evening Masses may take place, if weather permits. For any other weather related announcements refer to My parish app or the NCACC Facebook page.



SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS



**Sacred Heart
Parish Life/Liturgy Committee Meeting**
Tuesday, January 20th
(after 7:00PM Mass)



**Sunday, January 18
1:00 PM**



**Sacred Heart Church of Dent, MN.
FOOD/FUN/CASH PRIZES/DOOR PRIZES
Hosted by Sacred Heart Christian Mothers**



**Sacred Heart Christian Mothers Meeting:
Tuesday, January 27th
after the 7:00PM Mass.**

New members are always welcome!



Plan with Faith, Live with Mercy

Bishop Neary is inviting all parishioners to take part in a new diocesan initiative to help Catholics prepare for the future with confidence and care. Through a partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, the Diocese of Saint Cloud is offering free access to a trusted online platform where you can:

- Create a Last Will and Testament
- Plan a funeral rooted in Catholic tradition
- Consider a bequest to your parish or diocesan ministries

This is a simple and meaningful way to care for your loved ones and live out our call to stewardship. For more information, visit <https://mycatholicwill.com/stcdio>

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Contact the Parish Offices

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 at Sacred Heart, St. Lawrence and Holy Cross; Third Saturday from 6:00PM– 7:00PM at Holy Cross. Tuesday & Thursday, 8:15AM-8:45AM; Saturday, 4:00PM—4:45PM (Before 5:00PM Mass) at St. Henry

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick: Contact the Parish Offices

Trustees: Brenda Aschnewitz & Jan Januszewski (Sacred Heart); Jack Werner & Andy Klinnert (St. Lawrence); Mark Halbakken & Lisa Hemmelgarn (St. Henry); Dawn Swanz & Jason Schik (Holy Cross)

Northern Cross Area Catholic Community Pastoral Council Members: Chelsey Hendrickx, Dawn Swanz, Dan Schik (Holy Cross); Brenda Aschnewitz, Mark Riestenberg, Kenny Moenkendick (Sacred Heart) Gina Cavanagh, Ken Guck, Jason Smith (St. Henry); Sandi Carrlson, Jack Werner, Caleb Carrlson (St. Lawrence)



**Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Dent
36963 State Highway 108
Dent, MN 56528**

Phone: (218) 758-2700

Office Hours: Monday and Thursday 9:00AM-1:00PM

Email: sandi@ncacc.net

Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com



**FAITH
Formation**

SACRED HEART

Wed., January 21: 1-11; 7:00PM

**Wed., January 28: 1-11; 7:00PM; 11th grade
and parents Confirmation Learning Centers**

**Wed., February 4: 1-11; 7:00PM; Color Ro-
sary at 8:00PM**

**Diane Sazama-Faith Formation Director
218-849-7520 or email woolyacres@arvig.net**

“Seeds to Grow” Sacred Heart “Seeds to Grow” is for those who are sick, injured or are in need of financial assistance due to their medical circumstances. If you know of anyone who needs our help, please submit a request to Sacred Heart Church, Dent, or call Mary at 218-758-2032. Request forms are available on the Sacred Heart bulletin board.

Upcoming Women’s Retreat: Women of Valor

When: January 30 - February 1, 2026

Where: Sisters of St. Francis Retreat & Conference Center

Hankinson, ND

Cost: \$300 Includes accommodations and meals

To Register visit www.ecclesiadomestica.net or email ecclesiaretreats@ecclesiadomestica.net

Cemetery News

Tim Stoll (218-841-4251) and John Kratzke (218-758-2275) (Sacred Heart) and Mark Riestenberg (218-731-2867) (St Joseph) are the sextons of Sacred Heart and St. Joseph Cemeteries. Please, contact them or the parish office (218-758-2700) with any questions regarding cemetery plots.



Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winner  this week. 1-16-26-Kate and Jeff Mosca-\$100

Fun Fair 2026

We will be having our Fun Fair at the school on Sunday, March 15 from 11-2:30. We are in need of donations for our raffle, auctions, and to offset expenses. If you are able to help, please let us know by contacting Jason at 218-346-6190 or sthenryschool@arvig.net. You can also just stop by the school as well. All raffle prizes will need to be known by the end of January 26th so we can print the tickets. Thanks for your assistance, and we hope to see you at the Fun Fair on March 15.

If you are interested in enrolling your preschooler at our preschool for the fall of 2026-27, please reach out to Miss Missy at mmickelson.sthenryschool@arvig.net. We have a 3-year-old program and a 4-5 year-old program. Our preschool fills up fast, so reach out as soon as you can.

Jason Smith, Principal
218-346-6190 or sthenryschool@arvig.net

Honoring Marriage Day will be held on May 2nd, 2026 at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Sartell, MN, for all married couples. Couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60 plus years of marriage in 2026 will receive special recognition. Please let your parish office know if you are celebrating these anniversary years no later than January 31, so we can send the information to the diocese.

NCACC Parishioners: Please know of our heartfelt gratitude for all the support, prayers, and generosity of gifts we received over Christmas. Your thoughtfulness and appreciation is overwhelming and greatly appreciated by us. Thank you!

-Deacon Richard and Deacon Randy

Thank you to all those who attended my sister's funeral on Tuesday. It meant a lot. A special thanks to Fr. Nathaniel and Fr. Omar for coming.

-Joe Byer

All Who are Burdened-Healing Retreat Jan 23-25, 2026 at Nazareth Retreat House, Crookston

Are you burdened with an addiction, a recent trauma, or carrying a heavy burden from the past, or are needing a time of renewal? Then this retreat is for you!

Sunday, January 25 will close with a healing service from 1-3 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Crookston with Bishop Andrew Cozzens

The healing service is open to the public for those who were unable to attend the retreat.

Sponsored by: Jesus Heals Ministry



Wed., January 21: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., January 28: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., February 4: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Michelle Sazama, DRE
218-849-9660 or michelle@ncacc.net



Steubenville Youth Conference 2026 registration is OPEN for students currently in 8th-12th Grade! Join us in Rochester, MN, July 12th-14th. Spaces are limited. Register via the Northern Cross Youth Group Facebook page or contact Michelle (michelle@ncacc.net). Watch the bulletin and your email for meeting dates and time. To financially support our students (tax-deductible), drop off donations marked "Steubenville Youth Conference" at any parish office or collection basket. Thank you for all the support you give to the Youth in our Parishes!

Education Contest

The 2025-2026 National Catholic Daughters Education Contest themes this year are: The Least of These; Matthew 25:40 or The Least of These; Lifting Others Up. Youth grades 4-12 are invited to submit an entry. Local Court St. Rita #409 is hosting the contest. Forms will be available at each parish or by calling Leanne Stoll, 758-3050. The deadline is February 1st. Cash awards are given for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

Community Outreach Ministry is in need of queen beds in good condition, small couch, dressers, kitchen table & chairs for families in our area. Please call Cindy Olson at 218-849-8658 if you have these items.

Requirements for having your first child baptized are: registration at a parish and attendance of a pre-baptism class. This class is normally offered on the 3rd Saturday of each month. The next class will be offered on **Saturday, February 21st** at 9:00AM in St. Henry's conference room. If you want your child baptized but have not yet attended the required class, please call the parish office at 218-346-4240. Pre-registration is required.



Cemetery News Mike Johnson (St. Stan) (218) 849-0501 and Ron Berns (St. Henry) (218) 298-0545 are the sextons of St. Stan and St. Henry Cemeteries. Please contact them with any questions regarding cemetery plots.

HOLY CROSS NEWS

Adoration is held on the third Saturday of the month at 6:00PM.

2026 Contribution envelopes are in your mailboxes.

Usher sign up sheet for 2026 is on the table in the entry. Sign up as a family, group, etc.

Holy Cross Fish Fries will be February 20th & 27th. Sign up sheets are out if you are able to help.

Church cleaners for January are: Aynsley Kern, Christina Kickhafer, Sarah Peeters, Mary Peeters, and Faith Tumberg

Whist at St. John's (Corliss) Tuesday at 1:00PM

Cards will be played every Thursday at 1:00PM. 

Faith Formation Schedule

Wed., Jan 21: Class 4:15-5:15PM



Wed., Jan 28: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

Wed., Feb 4: Class 4:15-5:15PM

Text App to 55321
to download our parish app!
Search for "Northern Cross Area
Catholic Community"



Cemetery News Sexton for Holy Cross cemetery is Edgar Hendrickx who can be contacted at 298-2434 or 385-3850.



2025 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Please remember the diocesan ministries that, through your generosity, continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. They are not possible without your help. Please keep them thriving by making a gift at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

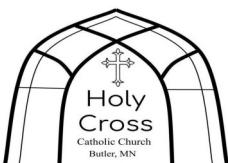
OFFICE HOURS: (HOLY CROSS): Call Faye Hendrickx:

(218) 385-3850

(SACRED HEART): Monday & Thursday : From 9:00 AM-1:00PM, (218) 758-2700

(ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesday & Wednesday: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 346-7729

(ST. HENRY): Monday-Friday: From 8:30 AM—1:00PM, (218) 346-4240



Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Joyce (Huebsch) Bauer, Kathi Schmitz, Keith Friedsam, Dave Hammers, Joe Berns

All military personnel, especially: Derick Burr, Greg Hirshey, Sandra Silbernagel, Nicholas Melz, Miguel Martinez, Noah Zeleny, Tyler Van Watermulen, Andrew Schlosser

Always remember in prayer our leaders in faith, especially: Pope Leo XIV, Bishop Patrick Neary, Bishop Emeritus Donald Kettler, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Fr. Omar Guanchez, and Fr. Nathaniel Daubner.



REBOOT event with Chris Stefanik will be held at the Wadena Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday,

February 11th, 2026. Chris is an incredibly dynamic and energetic speaker with a beautiful message of joy! We invite you to join us for this life-changing event! Tickets are on sale now and can be found by scanning the QR code or by visiting [HTTPS://BUYTICKETS.AT/REALLIFECATHOLIC/1765324](https://buylickets.at/reallifecatholic/1765324).



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January For Prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

New School Capital Campaign Update

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| Complete Project | \$8,100,000.00 |
| Pledged | \$8,345,442.00 |
| Pledges to be Received | \$373,736.00 |
| Received | \$7,971,706.00 |
| Monies Received 01-12 | \$6,648.00 |
| Households Contributing | 350 |

Readings for the Week

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| Monday | 1 Sm 15:16-23 | Mk 2:18-22 |
| Tuesday | 1 Sm 16:1-13 | Mk 2:23-28 |
| Wednesday | 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 | Mk 3:1-6 |
| Thursday | 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 | Mk 3:7-12 |
| Friday | 1 Sm 24:3-21 | Mk 3:13-19 |
| Saturday | 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 | Mk 3:20-21 |
| Sunday | Is 8:23—9:3 | 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 |
| | Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17 | |

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Parish Website: <https://www.parishfaith.com/holy-cross---butler>

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| <p>CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. RITA PERHAM, MN Serving the community for 105 years To JOIN, CONTACT REGENT LEANNE STOLL AT 218-758-3050</p> |  <p>FLORENCE HAMMERS RENTAL PROPERTIES Perham, MN 218-346-6770</p> | <p>FIVE STAR STORAGE East Industrial Park, Perham Secure Location, Rodent Deterrent Call for your inside or secure outside storage needs. 218-346-7925</p> |  <p>OVERLAND INSURANCE AGENCY 255 3rd Ave SE Perham, MN 56573 218-346-6250 www.overlandinsurance.com</p> |
|  <p>5:30 am - 3 pm (Mon-Sat) 8 am - 2 pm (Sun) 136 W. Main St Perham (218) 346-5920</p> |  <p>central market  Open 24 hours a day 7 days a week Keystone Inc. 211 Market Drive Perham, MN 56573 Phone: 218-346-6750 Fax: 218-346-6752 thefreshplace.com</p> |  <p>HAMMERS CONSTRUCTION www.hci-mn.com 218-346-2195</p> | <p>ROHDE INSURANCE SERVICES Writing all lines of insurance.   WESTERN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF MINNESOTA 218-739-3295 Mickey Rohde, Dianne Rohde-Szarke & staff</p> |
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Stewardship as a Way of Life:

“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” Isaiah 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

