



February 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, Jan 31, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Dave Stigman
 Sat, Jan 31, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Renee Doll
 Sun, Feb 1, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Feb 1, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Gordon Dykhoff
 Sun, Feb 1, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Renee Doll
 Sun, Feb 1, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Steve Doll
 Mon, Feb 2, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Joyce Doll
 Tue, Feb 3, 8:45AM (St. Henry) No Mass
 Tue, Feb 3, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Terry Strehlow
 Wed, Feb 4, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Rita Yaggie
 Wed, Feb 4, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) † Nick Rohr
 Thu, Feb 5, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Frank Herges
 Thu, Feb 5, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Jim & Margaret Huebsch
 Fri, Feb 6, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Nick Hofland
 Fri, Feb 6, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † George Altstadt
 Sat, Feb 7, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Marie Malikowski
 Sat, Feb 7, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Joe Ebner
 Sun, Feb 8, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Lorie Siebels & † Larry Kempenich Jr.
 Sun, Feb 8, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Kelly Wagenman
 Sun, Feb 8, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Feb 8, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Joe Schwartz-fisher

thank
you!

Through the generosity of the January children's collections we donated \$460.07 to the Tom and Geetha Chitta- Foundation for Children in Need in India.



Candlemas Day is on February 2nd. It is another name for the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. Mass is at 10:00AM at St. Henry's. Forty days after His birth, Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the temple for the rites of purification and dedication. On Candlemas, many Christians receive blessed candles that are used for the rest of the year in their homes and serve as a symbol of Jesus Christ, who referred to Himself as the Light of the World. Candlemas Day was also important in the lives of farmers. An old English song went as follows: "If Candlemas be fair and bright, / Come, Winter, have another flight. / If Candlemas brings clouds and rain, / Go, Winter, and come not again." So, if the bright sun "overshadows" the brightness of Candlemas Day, there will be more winter. However, if the light of Candlemas Day radiates through the gloom and darkness of the day, the end of winter is near.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon

Financial Blessing for January 24th

Adult.....	590.00	Plate.....	26.00
Votives.....	9.00		
		Total.....	625.00

Thank you for remembering Holy Cross Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

Financial Blessing for January 25th

Adult.....	1,690.00	Plate.....	449.50
Youth.....	16.50	Elec. Transfers....	275.00
Votives.....	109.00		
		Total.....	2,540.00

Thank you for remembering Sacred Heart Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

Financial Blessing for January 24th & 25th

Adult.....	6,928.00	Plate.....	1,415.50
Children's Basket.....	45.81	Elec. Transfers....	4,868.00
Other.....	1,827.25		
		Total.....	15,084.56

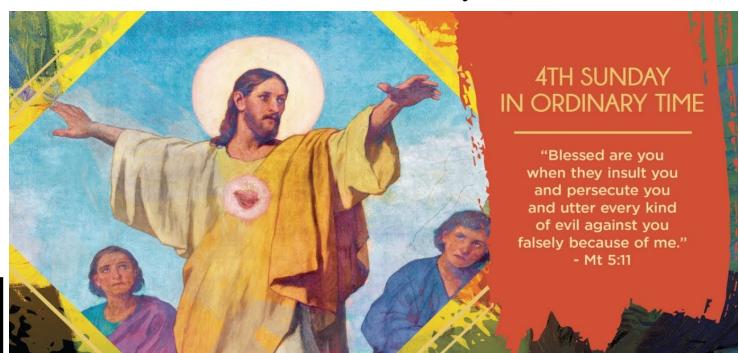
Thank you for remembering St. Henry Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

Financial Blessing for January 25th

Adult.....	1,525.00	Youth.....	8.00
Elec. Transfers.....	240.00	Plate.....	442.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	70.00	Cen. MN Cath.....	17.00
Fuel & Heat.....	100.00		
		Total.....	2,402.00

Thank you for remembering St. Lawrence Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

The feast of St. Blaise, patron saint of throat ailments, is on Tuesday, February 3rd. Fr. Omar and Fr. Nathaniel will be blessing throats at the 7:00PM Mass at Sacred Heart, Dent on that day.



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.

Super Bowl Party

The St. Lawrence Saints Relay for Life Team will be hosting their 16th annual Super Bowl Party at the home of Albert & Lisa Werner on Sunday Feb 8th at 4:30pm. \$20 will get you a square on the board. Another \$10 will get you in for a great evening of food, fun, and friendship. All are invited. Contact Ruth (218-731-1426) or Kayla (218-371-8237) for details.



St. Lawrence Café
Open Wednesday, February 11th
 Bring a dish to share and join us for breakfast after the 8:30AM Mass.

Catholic Men's Conference

The Annual Catholic Men's Conference is less than one month away! Be a part of a day of life-changing inspiration designed to strengthen your faith and connect with other men. The conference will be held on Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. John's University in Collegeville. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your relationship with the Lord through inspiring speakers and opportunities for prayer, Reconciliation, and Mass. Register at: <https://stcdio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2026/>

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.

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Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00AM-Noon
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ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation

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

Wed., February 11: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

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

ST. LAWRENCE WORLD MARRIAGE DAY LUNCH

Sunday, February 15
 (after 10:30AM Mass)



Children's Collections: The February Children's Collections will be designated for the New York Mills Backpack Program.

A great New Year resolution is to TAKE time for yourself. Take time now and register for a **Lenten Retreat**. The upcoming Lenten Retreat **"Praying for the Prodigal"** will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Morris, MN and includes speakers, Jason Prigge and Roxane Salonen, the Chaplet to St. Monica, Mass, and of course, lunch. Fee is \$25 by March 2 or \$30 at the door. Feel free to invite your spouse and friends.

Diocesan Festival of Families: Join us at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell on February 22 from 9:00AM-3:00PM for a day of family fun and learning. Parents will choose which breakout sessions to attend while children and teens are engaged in their own learning. Then parents and children will reunite for whole family activities! Enjoy the day together while celebrating our Catholic faith. Register your family for only \$25 at: <https://stcdio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/>

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 Christian Mothers

Coffee & Rolls

Sunday, February 8th
(after 8:30AM Mass)
All are welcome!

Beginning Experience, a non-profit Christian Support Group for Divorced, Widowed or Separated people, begins a 10 Week Session "COPING WITH LIFE ALONE" Monday, March 9, 2026 in Fergus Falls. This group is not a dating club, we are here to help others that have suffered a loss. All facilitators are volunteers who have experienced a divorce, been widowed or are separated from their partner. Call 218-560-1686 to sign up and for more information. (If there's no answer leave your name and phone number and we will call you back).



Plan with Faith, Live with Mercy

Church News 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/stedio>

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 Aschnerwitz & 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 Aschnerwitz, 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

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

Email: sandi@ncacc.net

Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com



**FAITH
Formation**

SACRED HEART

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

Wed., February 11: 1-11; 7:00PM; 2nd Grade
Reconciliation Learning Centers

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



Sacred Heart Church of Dent Parish Bingo

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15; 1:00 PM

in the Sacred Heart Social Hall

FOOD/FUN/CASH PRIZES/DOOR PRIZES
Hosted by Sacred Heart Christian Mothers

Singers Wanted for Community Lenten Cantata

Rehearsals will begin soon for the Community Lenten Cantata. Adam Tervola Hultberg will be our director, and we will sing the cantata "On a Hill Too Far Away". Performance dates are Sunday, March 29 at 3:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in New York Mills and Wednesday, April 1 at 6:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Perham. All are invited to join us! Our first rehearsal will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday, February 15, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Perham. If interested, just show up on February 15.

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. 1-30-26-Jim and Peg Riepe -\$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 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. Thanks for your assistance, and we hope to see you at the Fun Fair on March 15.

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Catholic Schools' Week a success. Thank you for volunteering and praying for our school.

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



*The Northern Cross ACC Parishes
wish to extend deepest sympathy to
family and friends of
Larry VanWatermolen
who passed away recently.
May Larry know eternal peace
and joy in heaven and may God grant
comfort to his family and friends.*



Catholic Daughters Court St. Rita #409 will have their monthly meeting at 7pm February 3rd in the St. Henry's church basement. All women interested in joining are welcome to attend.



Coffee is available for purchase at St. Henry! We offer medium roast ground, French roast beans, and dark roast ground for \$12 for a 1-pound bag. We purchase the coffee from the Church of Saint Andrew, Elk River, who grinds and roasts the coffee beans purchased directly from the farmers in Guatemala.



Northern Cross Area Catholic Community



Wed., February 4: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., February 11: No Class
Wed., February 18: All Grades; Ash Wednesday Mass at 7PM

Michelle Sazama, DRE
218-849-9660 or michelle@ncacc.net

Catholic Schoolhouse, a new local homeschool program, is currently registering families for the 2026/2027 academic year in Wadena. More than an academic co-op, Catholic Schoolhouse is a structured program meeting weekly for homeschooled that includes chorus, two hours of classroom instruction, hands-on science, art projects, and opportunities for socializing after class. Interested families, please contact Morgan Roth at morganroth0904@gmail.com.

Join the Team at Love INC! Our partners at Love INC of Greater East Otter Tail County are growing! They are currently seeking a **Connection Center Coordinator** to join their mission of mobilizing local churches to transform lives and communities In the Name of Christ. If you have a heart for relational ministry and serving our neighbors, view the full job description and application details by emailing Emily at director.loveinceot@gmail.com.



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.

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



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.

St. Henry's Catholic Church of Perham
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Northern Cross Area Catholic Community

HOLY CROSS NEWS

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

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

Games Night after Mass on February 7. Bring a snack to share.

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

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



Faith Formation Schedule

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

Wed., Feb 11: Class 4:15-5:15PM

Wed., Feb 18: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Ash Wednesday

 Take the night off from cooking and support the Holy Cross, Butler youth.

Valentine's Day Family Spaghetti Dinner

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

6:15 to 7:15PM

Free Will Offering

Sponsored by Holy Cross Faith Formation Youth



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

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.

Prayers of Thanksgiving for the healing of Teresa and also Pete. Thank You Jesus!

Dear God, we thank you for the gift of healing as we continue to pray for the healing of all those who are sick at this time.

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.

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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for February For children with incurable diseases

Let us pray that children suffering from incurable diseases and their families receive the necessary medical care and support, never losing strength and hope.

New School Capital Campaign Update

Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,345,742.00
Pledges to be Received	\$373,636.00
Received	\$7,972,106.00
Monies Received 01-26	\$150.00
Households Contributing	350

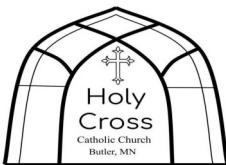
Readings for the Week

Monday	Mal 3:1-4	Heb 2:14-18
	Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32	
Tuesday	2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30-19:3	Mk 5:21-43
Wednesday	2 Sm 24:2, 9-17	Mk 6:1-6
Thursday	1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12	Mk 6:7-13
Friday	Sir 47:2-11	Mk 6:14-29
Saturday	1 Kgs 3:4-13	Mk 6:30-34
Sunday	Is 58:7-10	1 Cor 2:1-5
	Mt 5:13-16	

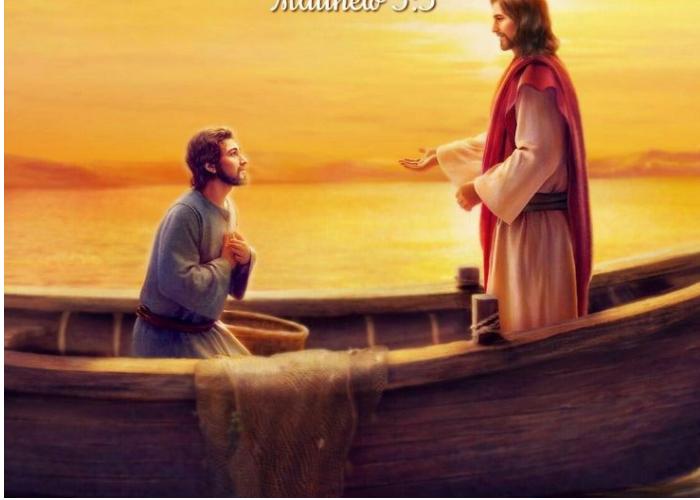
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Stewardship as a Way of Life: <i>"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven." Matthew 5:3</i>	 Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 5:3 		
<p>The phrase “poor in spirit” can be confusing. Think of it in this sense – poor in spirit means depending on God’s providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy). Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.</p>			