



November 30, 2025

First Sunday of Advent

Sat, Nov 29, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) Catholic United Financial Members

Sat, Nov 29, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Robert & Harriet Daiker

Sat, Nov 29, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Charles & Marie Rutten

Sun, Nov 30, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Arnold & Delores Lachowitz

Sun, Nov 30, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Josh Hanson

Sun, Nov 30, 10:00AM (St. Henry) Family of Barb Martodam

Sun, Nov 30, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Vickie Rutten

Sun, Nov 30, 11:45AM (St. Henry - Spanish Mass) For the People

Tue, Dec 2, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Urban Fritz

Tue, Dec 2, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Robert Herges

Wed, Dec 3, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Judy Schmelz

Wed, Dec 3, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) For the Christian Mothers

Thu, Dec 4, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Kelly Wagenman

Thu, Dec 4, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Donnie Foltz

Fri, Dec 5, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Gregory Januszewski

Fri, Dec 5, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Leonida Fritz

Sat, Dec 6, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Deacon Mark Stenger

Sat, Dec 6, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Jim Szarke

Sat, Dec 6, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Charlie Kirk

Sun, Dec 7, 8:00AM (St. Henry) Mass of Thanksgiving—Joe & Kathy Hemmelgarn

Sun, Dec 7, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Les Konley

Sun, Dec 7, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Richard Lorenz

Sun, Dec 7, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Ethan & Marlene Curtis

Sun, Dec 7, 11:45AM (St. Henry - Spanish Mass) For the People

Sun, Dec 7, 7:00PM Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass (Holy Cross) † Mike Minten

Financial Blessing for November 22nd

Adult.....	515.00	Plate.....	115.00
Votives.....	24.00	Flowers.....	70.00
Donation.....	30.00		

Total.....754.00

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

Financial Blessing for November 22nd & 23rd

Adult.....	1,533.00	Plate.....	565.00
Youth.....	22.00	Elec. Transfers.....	275.00
Sausage Supper.....	2,557.00	Votives.....	218.00

Total.....5,170.00

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

Financial Blessing for November 22nd & 23rd

Adult.....	4,945.00	Plate.....	770.00
Children's Basket.....	39.15	Elec. Transfers....	4,221.00
Christmas Flowers.....	25.00	Votives.....	28.00
Bldg Improvement.....	50.00	Fall Collection.....	300.00
Imm. Conception.....	10.00		

Total.....10,388.15

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

Financial Blessing for November 23rd

Adult.....	5,210.60	Youth.....	15.00
Elec. Transfers.....	500.00	Plate.....	852.00
Donation.....	70.00		

Total.....6,647.60

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

Mass Schedule for The Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)

Sunday, December 7th: 7:00PM Holy Cross
(Vigil Mass)

Monday, December 8th: 8:45AM St. Henry
12 Noon St. Lawrence
7:00PM Sacred Heart

All Northern Cross ACC parish offices will be closed on Monday, December 8th. There will be no adoration at St. Henry's on that day. There will be no Northern Cross ACC Masses on Tuesday, December 9th.



KEEP AWAKE

First Sunday of Advent



BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon.

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.



St. Lawrence Christmas Potluck/Bake Sale/St. Nick Sunday, December 7th (after 10:30AM Mass)

All work groups provide baked goods for the bake sale and may share a dish at the Potluck. Parish Life members are also asked to bring a main dish to share at the Potluck. Please, no desserts, as desserts can be purchased at the bake sale.

St. Lawrence Café
Open Wednesday, December 10th
Bring a dish to share and join us for breakfast after the 8:30AM Mass.



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception
December 8



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 2nd Saturday of each month. The next class will be offered on **Saturday, December 13th** 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.

ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation

Wed., December 3: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., December 10: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM;
Confessions (grades 3-12)
Wed., December 17: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

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



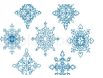
Birthday Boxes for the Food Shelf

In honor of Jesus' birthday St. Lawrence Faith Formation students are collecting items to create Birthday Boxes for our local food shelves.

Collection dates: November 30-December 14
December 7: A second collection will be taken at the 10:30AM Mass to help purchase additional supplies. See the insert or bulletin board for more information.

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.



Voices of Hope - Bishop's Annual Appeal: As we enter the holy season of Advent, let us prepare our hearts for Christ's coming with hope and generosity. Your support for your parishes and Area Catholic Communities help bring Christ's light to those who seek a closer relationship with God. Please also remember the diocesan ministries that serve your faith communities by making a gift to the Bishop's Annual Appeal at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal

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	Em: 218-346-4240 *Press 7
Parochial Vicar:	Fr. Nathaniel Daubner, E-mail: fathernathaniel@ncacc.net	Phone: 218-758-2888
Deacons:	Deacon Richard Quistorff; deaconrichard@ncacc.net	Phone: 720-688-1015
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St. Lawrence Catholic Church of Rush Lake

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



SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS



Please join Sacred Heart Christian Mothers for an **Advent Scriptural Rosary** on Saturday, December 6th before the 4:00PM Mass and Sunday, December 7th before the 8:30AM Mass.



The parish of *Sacred Heart* invites everyone who is interested in helping decorate the church this Christmas with a poinsettia flower to use the "Christmas Flower" envelope in your envelope box. Envelopes have space for "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" dedications. If you don't have an envelope you can put your request and donation in a white envelope with the name of the persons you are remembering and your name in the collection basket.



FAITH
Formation

SACRED HEART

Wed., December 3: 1-11; 7:00PM; Grades 3-11

Confession night

Wed., December 10: Pre/K-11; 7:00PM; Christmas Fun Night

Wed., December 17: 1-11; 7:00PM

Diane Sazama-Faith Formation Director

218-849-7520 or email woolyacres@arvig.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.

During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we also check in to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when he comes again. Talk to your family about how you are doing in attending to your spiritual life as a family. Recommit yourselves to praying daily, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again.



*God of Love,
Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us.
He is a sign of your love.
Help us walk in that love during the weeks of Advent,
As we wait and prepare for his coming.
We pray in the name of Jesus, our Savior.
Amen.*

Excerpted from [A Prayer Book of Catholic Devotions](#).

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, John Kratzke, 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



Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winners this week. 11-28-25-Everett Wegscheid-\$100.



The calendars are at the printers and will be available soon. They will be available after Masses at St. Henry's and in the school and church offices for \$50 each. Each purchase gives you the opportunity to win \$100 every Friday and \$50 every other Wednesday, and you can win multiple times. 225 calendars are available. They will be available until January 2nd. They make great gifts. Thank you for supporting this fundraiser.

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



Wedding Banns III
Ravin Saldaña
& Michael Christopherson



Homebound Eucharistic Ministers Training will take place on **Saturday, December 6, 2025 at 10am at St. Lawrence**. This training will prepare ministers to bring communion to the sick and homebound of our community. As always, we are in need of people from each of the four churches to assist us with this ministry. If you have questions or are looking for more information, please reach out to Fr. Omar or Fr. Nathaniel.



Richville United Methodist Church is in need of kids clothing, bedding, and kitchen items. You can drop donations off Tuesdays at Noon.

JOIN US AT THE TEC CENTER FOR A MINI-RETREAT!

LIVING ADVENT

DECEMBER 6-7

BY STAYING CONNECTED WITH THE CM TEC COMMUNITY, WE ARE REMINDED OF GOD'S LOVE AND PROMISE, FILLING OUR HEARTS WITH HOPE AND PEACE AS WE PREPARE FOR THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS

OPEN TO ANYONE WHO HAS MADE A TEC RETREAT! SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE OR VIA SOCIAL MEDIA.



Northern Cross Area Catholic Community

St. Henry



Wed., December 3: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., December 10: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., December 17: No Class

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



After all Masses on December 6 & 7, our Mission Circle will be selling hand and machine-embroidered dish towels, Christmas items, doll dresses, dish cloths, table runners and many other items. Items make perfect Christmas or birthday gifts for your loved ones. Come! Check it out and off your list!

BABY JESUS BIRTHDAY PARTY

Sunday, December 7th
St. Henry's Church Basement
11:15 AM-1:00 PM



Come for crafts, stories, games and song!
Jesus is the REASON FOR THE SEASON
Contact Courtney with questions 218-371-7942

Christmas Decorating—Volunteers Needed!
Help is needed at St. Henry on Sunday, December 21st at 1PM to decorate our church for Christmas. We are still looking for new volunteers to lead the decorating. If you are able to lead or help decorate, please let the parish office know. Thank you!



Catholic Daughters Court St. Rita #409 will have their December meeting and potluck fun night on **December 2nd at 6pm in the St. Henry's Church Basement**. Bring a \$10 gift. All women welcome.

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 homeschoolers that includes chorus, two hours of classroom instruction, hands-on science, art projects, and opportunities for socializing after class. Please join us December 11 at St. Ann's for an information night, or contact Morgan at morganroth0904@gmail.com.

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.

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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.



Poinsettias can once again be ordered for Christmas in honor or in memory of someone; the cost will be \$10 and can be put in the collection or given to Faye.

Financial statement for the fall bazaar is done and we had profit of \$17,434.27; good job everyone

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



Faith Formation Schedule



Wed., Dec 3: Class 4:15-5:15PM/ Christmas Program Practice; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

Wed., Dec 10: Class 4:15-5:15PM/ Christmas Program Practice

Sat., Dec 13: Christmas Program (1/2 hour before Mass)

Wed., Dec 17: Class 4:15-5:15PM/ Advent Confessions Grades 3+ ; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

The Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
My spirit rejoices in God my Savior,
For He has looked with favor on His lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed:
The Almighty has done great things for me,
And holy is His Name.
He has mercy on those who fear Him,
In every generation.
He has shown the strength of His arm.
He has scattered the proud in their conceit.
He has cast down the mighty from their throne,
And has lifted up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things,
And the rich He has sent away empty.
He has come to the help of His servant Israel,
For He has remembered His promise of mercy.
The promise He made to our fathers,
To Abraham and his children forever.



Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Joyce (Huebsch) Bauer, Tait Bormann, Keith Friedsam, Renee Doll, Susan Loerzel

All military personnel, especially: Derick Burr, Greg Hirschey, 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.

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



Children's Collections: The November Children's Collections will be designated to our local food shelves.

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



Holy Father's Prayer Intention for November For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

New School Capital Campaign Update

Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,339,177.00
Pledges to be Received	\$374,119.00
Received	\$7,965,058.00
Monies Received 11-17	\$54,200.00
Households Contributing	350

Readings for the Week

Monday	Is 4:2-6	Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday	Is 11:1-10	Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday	Is 25:6-10a	Mt 15:29-37
Thursday	Is 26:1-6	Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday	Is 29:17-24	Mt 9:27-31
Saturday	Is 30:19-21, 23-26	Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8
Sunday	Is 11:1-10	Rom 15:4-9
	Mt 3:1-12	

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

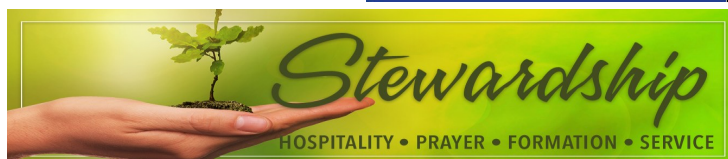


Holy Cross Catholic Church of Butler
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Parish Website: <https://www.parishfaith.com/holy-cross---butler>

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Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

