



December 25, 2022

The Nativity of the Lord

Sat, Dec 24, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Marion Stoll
 Sat, Dec 24, 4:00PM (St. Henry) † Oscar & LaVonne Kawlewski
 Sat, Dec 24, 4:00PM (St. Lawrence) † Jim Boedigheimer & † Patty Doll
 Sat, Dec 24, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Roger & LaVerne Hendrickx
 Sun, Dec 25, Midnight (St. Henry) † Linette Grismer
 Sun, Dec 25, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Dec 25, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Art Riestenberg
 Sun, Dec 25, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Marilyn Siebels
 Sun, Dec 25, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Frank & Jackie Lachowitz
 Sun, Dec 25, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Raymond Bucholz
 Tue, Dec 27, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † John & Ann Seifert
 Tue, Dec 27, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Josh Hanson
 Wed, Dec 28, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Leo & Theresa Doll
 Wed, Dec 28, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) † Neal & Agatha Ruehle
 Thu, Dec 29, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † David Jaroszewski
 Thu, Dec 29, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Connie Foltz
 Fri, Dec 30, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Leroy Wegscheid
 Fri, Dec 30, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Roy & Marjorie Scheidecker
 Fri, Dec 30, 10:00AM (Perham Living) Special Intention for Art Kempenich
 Sat, Dec 31, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Bob Herges
 Sat, Dec 31, 5:00PM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sat, Dec 31, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) Joe & Clara Riepe's 56th Wedding Anniversary
 Sun, Jan 1, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Rita Rotta
 Sun, Jan 1, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Fr. Leo Otto
 Sun, Jan 1, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Wanda Kupferschmid's Children & Families
 Sun, Jan 1, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) Special Intention of Jesse & Rita Erickson

Financial Blessing for December 17th

Adult.....	1,890.00	Children.....	3.00
Plate.....	8.00	Christmas.....	50.00
Imm. Conception.....	25.00	Religious Retire.....	50.00
		Total.....	2,026.00

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

Financial Blessing for December 17th & 18th

Adult.....	1,258.00	Plate.....	2,186.00
Youth.....	40.00	Elec. Transfers.....	125.00
Christmas Flowers.....	10.00	Rel. Ret.....	20.00
Imm. Conception.....	60.00	Christmas.....	50.00
		Total.....	3,749.00

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

Financial Blessing for December 17th & 18th

Adult.....	10,678.93	Children's Basket.....	93.50
Plate.....	6,089.00	Initial Offering.....	10.00
Imm. Conception.....	25.00	Christmas.....	760.00
Christmas Flowers.....	35.00	Votives.....	29.00
Coffee.....	10.00	Solemnity-Mary.....	60.00
Bulletin Sponsor.....	200.00	Rent Income.....	1,000.00
Marriage Prep.....	350.00	Elec. Transfer.....	4,200.00
		Total.....	23,540.43

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

Financial Blessing for December 18th

Adult.....	2,325.00	Youth.....	15.00
Plate.....	567.00	Elec. Transfers.....	315.00
Christmas Flowers.....	184.00	Rel. Ret.....	170.00
Imm. Conception.....	20.00	Christmas.....	100.00
		Total.....	3,696.00

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



The NCACC Parishes extend a special congratulations to Fr. George who is celebrating his 27th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood on December 30th.

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.



On Monday, December 26th, the NCACC Parish Offices will be closed and there will be no Adoration at St. Henry. There will be no 9:00AM Confessions at St. Henry on Wednesday, December 28th.



ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. LAWRENCE



RED WAGON RAFFLE!

\$5 per chance or 3 chances for \$10
 You could win the little red wagon along with all its contents. The raffle is sponsored by St. Lawrence Christian Mothers with all proceeds going toward the 2023 Polka Festival.

Chances will be sold after Sunday Masses or contact Marlene Boedigheimer at 218-457-1588.

ST. LAWRENCE AND SACRED HEART ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is easy—just visit our website at 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.



Bishop’s Annual Appeal: Christ is born! Our mission is to be **His** heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. The ministries supported by the Bishop’s Annual Appeal are at the heart of this mission. They provide assistance, education and pastoral care to people throughout our diocese. Please consider a gift at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

NCACC Christmas Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, Dec 24 4:00PM	Sacred Heart, Dent
Saturday, Dec 24 4:00PM	St. Lawrence, Rush Lake
Saturday, Dec 24 4:00PM	St. Henry, Perham
Saturday, Dec 24 7:00PM	Holy Cross, Butler
Sunday, Dec 25 Midnight	St. Henry, Perham
Sunday, Dec 25 8:00AM	St. Henry, Perham
Sunday, Dec 25 8:30AM	Sacred Heart, Dent
Sunday, Dec 25 10:00AM	Perham Living, Perham
Sunday, Dec 25 10:00AM	St. Henry, Perham
Sunday, Dec 25 10:30AM	St. Lawrence, Rush Lake



Wed., Dec. 28: NO CLASS

Wed., Jan. 4: All grades; 6:30-7:30PM; Rosary

Wed., Jan. 11: All grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., Jan. 18: All grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., Jan. 25: All grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Pope Francis has named Father Patrick Neary, CSC, a member of the Congregation of Holy Cross, as the 10th bishop of the Diocese of St. Cloud.



A native of LaPorte, Indiana, Bishop-elect Neary, born on March 6, 1963, is the oldest of six children. He entered the undergraduate seminary of the Congregation of Holy Cross at the University of Notre Dame in 1981, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in history in 1985. During his time as an undergraduate, Bishop-elect Neary spent a semester in Mexico City, where he learned Spanish.

In April, 1991, Bishop-elect Neary was ordained a priest. His first assignment was to St. John Vianney Parish in Goodyear, Arizona, where he served for four years. Then he worked in Campus Ministry and as ROTC chaplain at the University of Notre Dame. In 2000, he was appointed assistant rector of Moreau Seminary at Notre Dame and served as rector there from 2004-2010. In 2010, he was asked to run the congregation’s seminary in Nairobi, Kenya, and spent two years training a new formation team. The following year, he was elected District Superior of Holy Cross in East Africa, where he spent six years serving in Uganda, Kenya, and Tanzania. In July of 2018, he was assigned to be pastor of Holy Redeemer Parish in Portland, Oregon, where he currently serves. Bishop-elect Neary’s installation and episcopal ordination will take place on February 14, 2023, at the Cathedral of St. Mary in St. Cloud.

Please keep Bishop-elect Neary in prayer as he prepares for his new role as bishop of the St. Cloud diocese. Also, keep Bishop Kettler in prayer as he gets ready to retire.

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SACRED HEART  **FAITH Formation**

SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

- Wed., Dec. 28:** NO CLASS; Christmas Break
- Wed., Jan. 4:** NO CLASS; Christmas Break
- Wed., Jan. 11:** Grades 1-11 classes; 7:00PM
- Wed., Jan. 18:** Grades 1-11 classes; 7:00PM
- Wed., Jan. 25:** Grades 1-11 classes; 7:00PM; Color Rosary at 8:00PM

Thank You!

Thank you to the parishioners of the NCACC for all the prayers and support for Deacon Mark and our family this past year and for all the memorials. A special thank you to all of those who helped with the prayer service, funeral Mass and lunch. We are sure that Deacon Mark was smiling seeing you all working together. It has been a very challenging year, but the send off Deacon Mark received was beautiful and truly touched our hearts.

Joan Stenger and family.

**Sacred Heart Christian Mothers
Coffee & Rolls**
Sunday, January 8th
(after 8:30AM Mass)
All are welcome!



BINGO



**Sunday, January 15
1:00 PM**



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



“The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.” Luke 2:16

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; First Friday from 9:00AM-10:00AM at St. Lawrence; Second Thursday from 9:00AM-10:00AM at Sacred Heart; Third Saturday from 6:00PM– 7:00PM at Holy Cross. Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:15AM-8:45AM; Wednesday, 9:00AM-10:00AM; 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); Michele Hofland & Clint Brandt (Holy Cross)

Northern Cross Area Catholic Community Pastoral Council Members: Dawn Swanz, Michele Hofland, Jason Schik (Holy Cross); Brenda Aschnewitz, John Kratzke, Kenny Moenkendick (Sacred Heart) Tim Graff, Lisa Hemmelgarn, Jason Smith (St. Henry); Sandi Carrlson, Jack Werner, Jerry Guck (St. Lawrence)



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Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winners this week. 12-23-22-Don and Rose Weber- \$100.

Calendars will continue to be for sale until the day of our first drawing, which will be Wednesday, January 4th. They will be available after Mass at St. Henry's on Dec. 31-Jan. 1. They are also available at the church offices and school office. Each \$50 calendar gets you entered into a drawing for \$100 every Friday and \$50 every other Wednesday. You can win multiple times. Thank you for supporting St. Henry's Area School.

I would like to thank you for coming and enjoying our annual Christmas program. We are happy to continue this great Advent/Christmas tradition.

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

Breakfast
Sunday, January 8th
8:30 am-12:30 pm



Menu includes hashbrowns, eggs, sausage, cinnamon rolls, coffee and orange juice.

Free will offering.
Proceeds benefit the new kitchen.



Rest In Peace

The Northern Cross ACC Parishes wish to extend deepest sympathy to family and friends of
Lawrence "Larry" Wegscheid
who passed away last week.

May Larry know eternal peace and Joy in heaven and may God grant comfort to his family and friends.

PLEASE NOTE...

Please note: Beginning January 1st, St. Henry's parish office will close at 1:00 pm on Fridays. The office will, also, be closed from 12:00 pm-1:00 pm for lunch.

CAN YOU HELP?

We really need more monthly church cleaners. You would be scheduled once a year, or more if you want. Basic duties would include vacuuming the narthex and church, dusting, and other jobs that Joe needs help with. If you can help, please give the parish office a call at 218-346-4240.

ST. HENRY



Wed, Dec 28th: No Class (Christmas Break)

Wed, Jan 4th: Class (Grades 7-11)/Family Faith Formation 6:30PM-7:30PM

Wed, Jan 11th: Class (Grades 7-11)

Free meal served every Wednesday there is class from 5:30PM-6:15PM. We are still in need of volunteers for the pre-class meal, please see the sign-up sheet in the narthex or contact Caleb if interested in taking one or multiple dates.

Caleb Carrlson, Faith Formation Director
218-457-0987 or religioused@st-henrys.org



Celebrating a Milestone of Marriage?

Honoring Marriage Day will be held on May 6th, 2023 at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud for couples celebrating 5, 25, 40, 50 or 60 plus years of marriage in 2023. **Please let the parish office know if you are celebrating these anniversary years no later than January 31, so we can send the information to the diocese.**

The Feast of the Holy Family occurs this Friday, December 30th in the heart of the Church's Christmas season to remind us of the importance of family, not just on holidays, but every day of the year. The Holy Family-Jesus, Mary and Joseph-is such an important role model. Together the three show us that for a family to be a safe haven in a broken world, obedience to God must first be at the center of our individual lives. Mary's "yes" to God's request to become the mother of the Savior changed history: Joseph's prompt response to God's command rescued Jesus from Herod's attempt to kill him. And Jesus' obedience to the will of the Father brought salvation to the entire world. It was through obedience that Jesus, Mary, and Joseph were able to become a truly holy family: As we celebrate the feast of the Holy Family, let us ask ourselves how our own families can more closely model the Holy Family so that we can become witnesses of God's love to families all over the world.



Thank you to those who helped create and distribute over 30 Christmas Goodie baskets to our parish shut-ins. Also, thank you to those who donated goodies for the baskets. It is much appreciated.



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HOLY CROSS UPCOMING EVENTS

THANK YOU to all who bought Christmas goodies from the Christian Mothers sale, we made \$375.00 and were able to purchase a nativity.



Contribution envelopes for 2023 are in your mailboxes; if you did not receive one and want one talk to Faye, Reminder your weekly envelope can be dropped off at any ACC church.

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

Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Adam Stewart, Angela Florin, Cathy Doll, Dean Salo, Elaine Pietsch, Ivy McGuire, Jean Schmitz, Jim Guck, Joe Berns, Joe Sczygiel, Jon Pauna, Kacie (Pikula) Derkacht, Karen Omberg, Larry Bucholz, Larry Imdieke, Larry Wegscheid, Lucille Schik, Marion Jaroszewski, Mary Ann Guck, Mike Ruther, Paul Juen, Renee Doll, Richard Bergeron, Robert Daiker, Ron Wallace, Ruth Moericke, Steve & Sue Loerzel

All military personnel, especially: Martin Ara, Greg Hirschey, Sandra Silbernagel, Nicholas Melz, Luke Potts, Zoe McAvoy, Jason Richter, Miguel Martinez, Tanya Robison, Tommy Robison, Steven Sundberg, Tyler Van Watermullen, Wyatt Guck, Andrew Schlosser, Ed Guck
Always remember in prayer our leaders in faith, especially: Pope Francis, Bishop Donald Kettler, Bishop Elect Patrick Neary, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Fr. George Michael and Fr. Tom Skaja.



Dorothy Day House: Help the homeless in our area by supporting the Dorothy Day House men's shelter in Moorhead, MN. They are currently in need of the following items: Ziploc bags (gallon and sandwich); bath towels, winter hats, gloves and scarves; deodorant, men's underwear, plain white t-shirts, socks (these clothing items preferred to be new); disposable razors; sleeping bags; blankets and hygiene products. **They are especially in need of warm weather gear (hats, gloves and mittens).** For more information, see the website at www.churches.united.org or call Teresa Elkin 218-298-1274 or Cecile Guck 218-298-4386. This will be an on-going effort.

*May the best gifts of Christmas be yours:
The gift of love.
The gift of hope.
The gift of joy.
The gift of peace.*



New School Capital Campaign Update	
Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,179,289.00
Pledges to be Received	\$1,137,758.00
Received	\$7,041,531.00
Pledged Monies Received 12-18	\$2,090.00
Households Contributing	350

2023 Marriage Prep Course weekend will be held at St. Henry's on **February 4th, 2023 from 8:00AM-4:30PM.** The fee is \$175.00 per couple. For more information or to register, please contact St. Henry's Parish Office or go to the Diocesan website.



BULLETIN DEADLINE: Wednesday Noon

Weekly Bulletin Email List
If you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you each week, please let us know by giving us a call or by email.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December
We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

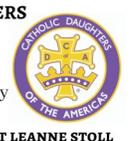
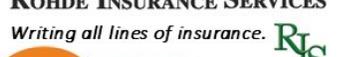
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(ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesday & Wednesday: From 9:00 AM-12 Noon, (218) 346-7729
(ST. HENRY): Monday-Friday: From 8:30 AM—4:30PM, (218) 346-4240

Readings for the Week		
Monday	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59	Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday	1 Jn 1:1-4	Jn 20:1a and 2-8
Wednesday	1 Jn 1:5—2:2	Mt 2:13-18
Thursday	1 Jn 2:3-11	Lk 2:22-35
Friday	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14	Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday	1 Jn 2:18-21	Jn 1:1-18
Sunday	Nm 6:22-27	Gal 4:4-7
	Lk 2:16-21	



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Stewardship as a Way of Life:

“And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us...” — John 1:14



Stewardship
a way of life

God made us to be in relationship with Him. He loves each of us individually. Through sin, our relationship with God was broken. He gave us Jesus to restore our relationship. Being a disciple of Jesus, we are given the model to obtain eternal life in Heaven. Christmas isn't about the material gifts we receive, it's about the love that God, Our Father, gave us by giving us His Son, Jesus — the best gift we could ever receive.