

February 15, 2026

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat, Feb 14, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Joe & Delores Wasche
 Sat, Feb 14, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) All Married People
 Sun, Feb 15, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Jim & Marion Bucholz
 Sun, Feb 15, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † John Gerber
 Sun, Feb 15, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Feb 15, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Jessie Erickson
 Tue, Feb 17, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Bert, Barbara, & Tony Skibitzki
 Tue, Feb 17, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Catholic United Financial Members
 Wed, Feb 18, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † St. Lawrence Christian Women
 Wed, Feb 18, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Sue Loerzel
 Wed, Feb 18, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) † Lucille Schik
 Wed, Feb 18, 7:00PM (St. Henry) † Larry Van Watermullen
 Thu, Feb 19, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Deacon Mark Stenger
 Thu, Feb 19, 8:45AM (St. Henry) No Mass
 Fri, Feb 20, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Gregory Januszewski
 Fri, Feb 20, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Loraine Honer
 Sat, Feb 21, 5:00PM (St. Henry) Special Intention
 Sat, Feb 21, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Norbert & Vivian Rohr
 Sun, Feb 22, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Feb 22, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Art Riestenberg
 Sun, Feb 22, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Renee Doll
 Sun, Feb 22, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Dave Frandsen

Financial Blessing for February 7th
 Adult.....2,500.00 Plate.....49.00
 Votives.....6.00 Cen. MN Cath.....20.00
Total.....2,575.00

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

Financial Blessing for February 8th
 Adult.....1,200.00 Plate.....291.00
 Youth.....25.00 Elec. Transfers.....425.00
 Cen. MN Cath.....17.00 Candles.....26.00
Total.....1,984.00

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

Financial Blessing for February 7th & 8th
 Adult.....6,397.00 Plate.....1,257.25
 Children's Basket.....38.00 Elec. Transfers....4,868.00
 Other.....997.00
Total.....13,557.25

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

Financial Blessing for February 8th
 Adult.....1,861.00 Youth.....8.00
 Elec. Transfers.....395.00 Plate.....209.00
 Sol of Mary.....20.00 Cen. MN Cath.....51.00
Total.....2,544.00

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



Lenten Stations of the Cross

Sacred Heart: Wed. 8:00PM (Rel. Ed.) & Thurs. after Mass
 St. Lawrence: Wed. 6:30PM (Rel. Ed.) & Friday after Mass
 Holy Cross: Wed. 5:15PM Feb. 25, Mar. 11, & Mar. 25
 St. Henry: Fridays at 5:00PM
 Perham Living: Thurs. at 11:00AM

Once again, parishioners have been receiving text messages requesting money, gift cards, or asking you to text, call, or email them because Fr. Omar or Fr. Nathaniel needs help. If you receive one of these messages, please delete it. Our priests will never contact you for help in this way. You can always call any of the parish offices to check if it is legitimate.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon



Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule:
 February 18th
 8:30 AM: St. Lawrence
 8:45 AM: St. Henry
 5:15 PM: Holy Cross
 7:00 PM: St. Henry

ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation



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.

ST. LAWRENCE WORLD MARRIAGE DAY LUNCH

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



Vitality Living of New York Mills is looking for people who are interested in spending time with their residents. If you are interested contact Sheila Bakke (218-385-4700) or sbakke@vitalityhm.com

The 40 Days for Life Spring Vigil begins February 18 and runs until March 29. There are many opportunities to pray in front of the Moorhead abortion clinic. Please check 40daysforlife.com/en/moorhead to sign up for vigil hours. All are invited to join Bishop Cozzens for the closing ceremony in front of the Moorhead Abortion clinic on March 29th at 1:30PM. For more information contact Bonnie Spies, Sidewalk Counselor at 701-241-9574.



Catholic Men's Conference

Register today for the Men's Conference!

Time is running out to register for the Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 28, 2026, at St. John's University. The cost is just \$40 or \$10 for young men ages 15-22. Register today at: <https://stedio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2026/> or contact Jan at 320-258-7615 or jan.zylla@gw.stedio.org

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.

Wed., February 18: Ash Wednesday-No Class

Wed., February 25: All Grades; Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM followed by class.

Wed., March 4: All Grades; Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM followed by class.

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

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.



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



CRS Rice Bowl

Our parishes are participating in the CRS Rice Bowl, Catholic Relief Services' Lenten program.

Rice bowls are available at the church entrances. Please take one home and be generous. CRS works on our behalf to care for the poorest in our world and to end global poverty.

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.



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	Deacon Randy Altstadt; deaconrandy@ncacc.net	Phone: 218-457-0925
Business Manager:	Ann Koll; ann@ncacc.net	Phone: 218-346-4240



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Email: sandi@ncacc.net

Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com



SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS



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



FAITH Formation

SACRED HEART

Wed., February 18: No Class-Ash Wednesday
Wed., February 25: 1-11; 7:00PM; Stations @ 8:00PM.
Sat., February 28: Grade 2 & Family; 9:00AM; First Reconciliation.
Wed., March 4: Pre/K-11; 7:00PM; Stations @ 8:00PM.

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



Sacred Heart invites all to a **Fat Tuesday Celebration** on Tuesday, February 17th after the 7:00PM Mass. Bring your favorite dish to share and join the fun.

Monday, February 16 is the last chance to register for the **Diocesan Festival of Families on February 22 at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell (9:00AM-3:00PM)**. Register at <https://stcdio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/> for only \$25 per family. For those unable to join us, please pray for the success of this event, designed to engage families in their Catholic faith. May the families of our diocese grow closer to one another in faith and nurture their relationship with a loving God who accompanies them in their daily lives.

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.



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Agents of Compassion



Bishop's Annual Appeal – Hearts of Mercy: This is Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Annual Appeal! Through your generosity, diocesan programs continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota thanks to the dedicated service of our pastors, parish and diocesan staff, and volunteers who continue to do the work of Christ. Please keep them thriving by making a gift with your offering today in your parish collection or at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

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.

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)



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 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 winner this week. 2-13-26-Rick Sazama-\$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.

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



The Parish of St. Henry extends congratulations to **Maren Marie Arvidson** daughter of Chris & Kara Arvidson who received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend

Wed., February 18: All Grades; Ash Wednesday Mass at 7PM
Wed., February 25: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., March 4: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

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



St. Agnes-Mary Mission Circle will meet on **Thursday, February 19th**, at 1:00 PM. They will gather at Kathy Hemmelgarn's home (47634 Minnesota St., Perham). All interested persons are welcome. For more information, contact Kathy at 346-5797.

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. Interested families, please contact Morgan Roth at morganroth0904@gmail.com.



Are you looking for a special way to help at church? Have you considered helping decorate St. Henry for the Easter season? There will be pictures provided to show how the church has been decorated in past years, and the current chairs will help guide you through the process by meeting with you. If decorating your home is something that brings you joy, we would love to have your help! You don't have to decorate alone-there are always volunteers who step forward to place flowers, etc., but we really need a chairperson to oversee the process. If this sounds up your alley, please give the church a call or stop by the parish office.



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.

Join Us for a 3 Day Retreat for Catholic Men
Men's Retreat: Let the Fire Fall - Embracing a Modern Day Pentecost, March 13-15, 2026 at the Sisters of St Francis Retreat & Conference Center in Hankinson, ND. For more information and to register visit www.ecclesiadomestica.net

Community Outreach Ministry has an urgent need for beds of any size for families in our area. Please call Cindy Olson at 218-849-8658 if you have these items.

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



For Sale: 2020 Nissan Rogue with 32,000 miles for \$20,000. This car belongs to a former parishioner who was recently deported to Mexico. Contact Fr. Omar for details.

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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HOLY CROSS NEWS

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

 Please watch the bulletin for changes in the Wednesday Mass schedule as during Lent when Stations of the Cross are scheduled Mass will not be offered.

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

Church cleaners for February are: Jayne Hofland, Kendra Peeters, Mandy Peeters, and Terry Peeters.

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

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



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 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.



Faith Formation Schedule

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

Wed., Feb 25: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

Wed., Mar 4: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Lent Confessions for grades 3-6.

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



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH
 Meals prepared by Holy Cross Parishioners
FRIDAY, MARCH 20TH*
FRIDAY, MARCH 27TH*
 Meals prepared by St. Henry Parishioners

\$15-Adult
 \$7-Children 6-12
 Free-Children 5 & Under

5:00pm-7:00pm
 St. Henry's School Gym

MENU:
 FISH, BAKED POTATO, VEGETABLE,
 COLESLAW, FRENCH BREAD,
 BARS & BEVERAGES

DINE IN OR TAKE OUT
 To pre-order your take-out,
 call 218-346-4240 from 8:30am-1:00pm!

*This event is eligible for a matching grant from Catholic United Financial of up to \$1,000.

Your local Member Advisor:



Member Advisor, Northwoods Team
Becky King, FIC
 Call or Text (218) 841-4600
 bking@catholicunited.org
 catholicunitedfinancial.org/rep-becky-king



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.

<u>New School Capital Campaign Update</u>	
Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,346,092.00
Pledges to be Received	\$373,236.00
Received	\$7,972,856.00
Monies Received 02-08	\$700.00
Households Contributing	350

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

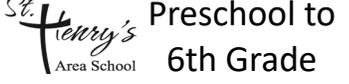
<u>Readings for the Week</u>		
Monday	Jas 1:1-11	Mk 8:11-13
Tuesday	Jas 1:12-18	Mk 8:14-21
Wednesday	Jl 2:12-18	2 Cor 5:20—6:2
	Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	
Thursday	Dt 30:15-20	Lk 9:22-25
Friday	Is 58:1-9a	Mt 9:14-15
Saturday	Is 58:9b-14	Lk 5:27-32
Sunday	Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7	Rm 5:12-19
	Mt 4:1-11	



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

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 <p>From our family to yours.</p>	 <p>Becky King Rep since 2005 (218) 841-4600 BKing@catholicunited.org</p>	 <p>Knights of Columbus Perham Area Council 1773 Join the Knights at kofc.org/joinus</p>	 <p>Preschool to 6th Grade 218-346-6190</p>
<p>CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. RITA PERHAM, MN</p> <p>Serving the community for 105 years</p> <p>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>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>Open 24 hours a day 7 days a week</p> <p>Keystone Inc. 211 Market Drive Perham, MN 56573 Phone: 218-346-6750 Fax: 218-346-0752 thefreshplace.com</p>	 <p>www.hci-mn.com 218-346-2195</p>	<p>ROHDE INSURANCE SERVICES Writing all lines of insurance.</p>  <p>WESTERN MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF MINNESOTA 218-739-3295 Mickey Rohde, Dianne Rohde-Szarke & staff</p>
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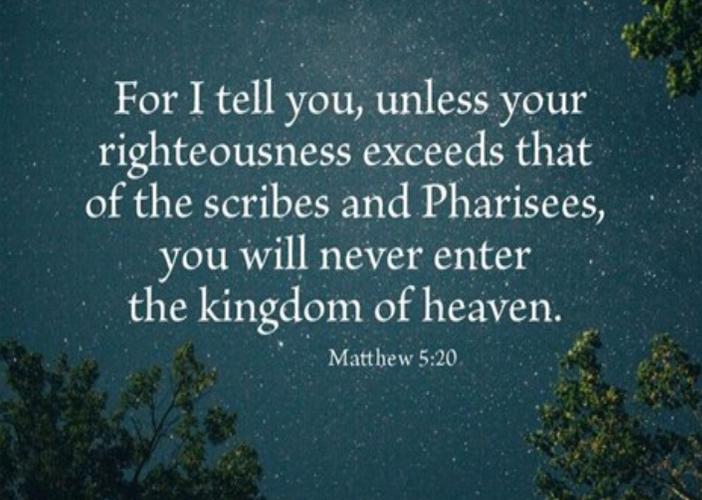


Stewardship
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Stewardship as a Way of Life:

“For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:20

The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law, and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it’s the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern-day Pharisee.



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