



March 22, 2026

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sat, Mar 21, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Gene Hager
 Sat, Mar 21, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † John & Pauline Riepe
 Sun, Mar 22, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Robert Starzl
 Sun, Mar 22, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Greg Meyer
 Sun, Mar 22, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Mar 22, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Paul Klinnert
 Sun, Mar 22, 3:00PM (St. Henry) Confirmation Candidates
 Tue, Mar 24, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Colleen Herndon
 Tue, Mar 24, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) Court St. Rita #409 Catholic Daughters
 Wed, Mar 25, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Hank Bleichner
 Wed, Mar 25, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) No Mass
 Thu, Mar 26, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Donald Fiedler
 Thu, Mar 26, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Ann Seifert
 Fri, Mar 27, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Dorothy Doll Carner
 Fri, Mar 27, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Rose Bruneau
 Sat, Mar 28, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Sue Loerzel
 Sat, Mar 28, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Jim Melcher
 Sun, Mar 29, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Rita Rebuck
 Sun, Mar 29, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Les Konley
 Sun, Mar 29, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
 Sun, Mar 29, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Ted & Evelyn Guck

Financial Blessing for March 14th

Adult.....	745.00	Plate.....	45.00
Votives.....	20.00		
Total.....		810.00	

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

Financial Blessing for March 15th

Adult.....	1,895.00	Plate.....	284.00
Youth.....	19.00	Elec. Transfers.....	195.00
Easter Flowers.....	90.00	Cen. MN Cath.....	34.00
Cath Relief.....	190.00	Ash Wed.....	20.00
Total.....		2,727.00	

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

Financial Blessing for March 14th & 15th

Adult.....	8,028.00	Plate.....	1,419.25
Children's Basket.....	148.76	Elec. Transfers....	7,452.40
Other.....	476.00	Total.....	17,524.41

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

Financial Blessing for March 15th

Adult.....	4,010.00	Youth.....	10.00
Elec. Transfers.....	590.23	Plate.....	153.00
Easter Flowers.....	100.00	Cath. Relief.....	30.00
Total.....		4,893.00	

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

Northern Cross ACC Holy Week Schedule:

Holy Thursday, April 2nd: 7:00PM Sacred Heart
7:00PM St. Henry

Good Friday, April 3rd: 12:00PM St. Henry
12:00PM Holy Cross
3:00PM St. Lawrence

Easter Vigil, April 4th: 8:30PM St. Henry

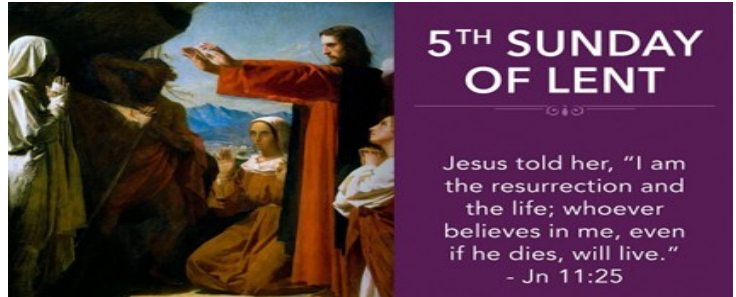
Easter Sunday, April 5th: 8:00AM St. Henry
8:30AM Sacred Heart
9:00AM Holy Cross
10:00AM St. Henry
10:30AM St. Lawrence



BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon



Through the generosity of the February children's collections we donated \$373.10 to the New York Mills Backpack Program.



Lenten Confessions

St. Lawrence: Saturday, March 21 from 9 to 10AM
 St. Henry: Communal Penance Monday, March 23-6:30PM

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 Mar. 25
 St. Henry: Fridays at 5:00PM

ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS



Congratulations to *Isaac Adams, Madison Bernstetter, Tyler Loerzel, Grace Scheidecker, Alise Schornack, and Elias Laverdure* who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday, March 22nd at 3:00PM at St. Henry. May the Holy Spirit be active in their hearts and strengthen them to bear witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



St. Lawrence Men's Pancake Breakfast
 Palm Sunday, March 29 (after Mass)
 Menu: sausage, pancakes, applesauce, juice & coffee
 Serving 11:30AM—1:00PM
 Free Will Offering

We will also be honoring Fr. Omar with birthday wishes at this time. A card basket will be available.

A Birthday Blessing for Fr. Omar who is celebrating his birthday this Saturday, March 28th

May the peace of God be with you on your special day.
May His gifts of grace surround you as you follow in His way.
May His blessing rest upon you And His wisdom guide you too.
And always, in all places, may He love and care for you.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, FR. OMAR!



Please use the “*Easter Flower*” envelopes when donating money for Easter flowers at St. Lawrence. Donations may be “*in memory of...*” or “*in honor of...*” a loved one. All donations must be turned in to the parish offices or weekend collection baskets by March 29th.

ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation

Sun., March 22: Grade 11; Confirmation; 3:00PM at St. Henry's (students must arrive prior)
Wed., March 25: All Grades; Stations of the Cross at 6:30PM followed by class.
Wed., April 1: No Class-Holy Week


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



St. Lawrence Café will be open on Wed., Mar. 25th in honor of the Feast of the Annunciation. Bring a dish to share and join us after Mass for breakfast.



The New York Mills Food Shelf and the Perham Bridge Pantry are once again participating in the Annual March Food Share Campaign. All food and money must be received by April 6th to be counted toward additional funds. Call Connie Warner (218-385-3669) to arrange drop off for NYM or mail donations to New York Mills Area Food Shelf, PO Box 323, New York Mills, MN 56567. Donations may be dropped off at the Bridge Pantry on Tuesdays from 8am to 12pm or mailed to PO Box 7, Perham, MN 56573

Children's Collections: The March Children's Collections will be designated for the children of Venezuela. 



The Parish of St. Lawrence extends congratulations to **Quinn Beth Mitchell** daughter of Jesse & Bethany Mitchell who received the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend

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



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: 218-457-3984 (cell)
Deacons:	Deacon Richard Quistorff; deaconrichard@ncacc.net	Phone: 720-688-1015
	Deacon Randy Altstadt; deaconrandy@ncacc.net	Phone: 218-457-0925
Business Manager:	Ann Koll; ann@ncacc.net	Phone: 218-346-4240



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



Sacred Heart Men's Breakfast
Palm Sunday, March 29th
 (after the 8:30AM Mass)

Sign up sheets are in the gathering space.

Please use the "*Easter Flower*" envelopes when donating money for Easter flowers at Sacred Heart. Donations may be "*in memory of...*" or "*in honor of...*" a loved one. All donations must be turned in to the parish offices or weekend collection baskets by March 29th.



Sacred Heart Christian Mothers Meeting:
Tuesday, March 24th
after the 7:00PM Mass.
New members are always welcome!

Bishop's Annual Appeal – Hearts of Mercy: Blessings to you on this fifth week of Lent. The Diocesan TV Mass has been a lifeline for the homebound. Because of your generosity, the diocese broadcasts TV Mass weekly in 60 counties. It also is sent to nursing homes and available to countless others online. Other ministries of the Appeal support of faith formation, family life, our Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization, and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit 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)



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

Sun., March 22: Confirmation; 3:00PM; St. Henry
Wed., March 25: Pre/K-11; 7:00PM; Stations @ 8:00PM.

Wed., April 1: No Class-Holy Week

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

The Northern Cross ACC Parishes wish to extend deepest sympathy to family and friends of Claude Strauch



who passed away recently. May Claude know eternal peace and joy in heaven and may God grant comfort to his family and friends.

Funeral will be on Tuesday, March 24th at Sacred Heart at 11AM with visitation from 9:30 to 11AM

Thank you for your generous support of the **Catholic Relief Services** collection. If you missed the collection it's not too late to give. Just visit www.usccb.org/national_collections 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.



Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winners this week. 3-18-26-Audrey Swanson-\$50 and 3-20-26-Kathy Thomas-\$100.



St. Henry



Sun., March 22: Confirmation; 3:00PM
Wed., March 25: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., April 1: No Class - Holy Week

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



Please remember our St. Henry Confirmation Candidates in prayer: *Caleb Aanenson, Isabella Burkman, Tiegan Detloff, Megan Galbrecht, Faith Kalina, Ethan Kinn, Maximillian LaFond, Michael Menz, Courtney Poser, Molly Ruther, Teagan Schmelz, and Gabriella Scraper* will be confirmed on Sunday, March 22nd. May God bless these young people and guide them on this important occasion as they continue their faith journey.



Fun Fair 2026

Thank you so much to everyone that helped make our Fun Fair a success. It was a day full of fun, smiles, laughter, and support for our school. Thank you all so much for your continued support and prayers! All raffle prize winners have been contacted. A list of all the winners and financials will be in the back of the churches within the next week or so.

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

*The Parish of St. Henry extends congratulations to **Anna Mae Bachmann** daughter of Vernon Bachmann & Erin O' Donnell who received the Sacrament of Baptism last weekend.*



Divine Mercy Sunday—Sunday, April 12th

1:00pm: Stations of the Cross
 2:00pm: Scriptural Rosary
 3:00pm: Chaplet of Divine Mercy
 1:00-3:00pm: Confessions
Held at St. Henry's Church



Volunteers are needed to help decorate St. Henry's Church for Easter on **Saturday, April 4th at 10:00AM**

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



We are looking for people to commit to spending a scheduled hour a week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at Adoration at St. Henry. *We are looking for adorers for Wednesdays from 11am-12pm & 3-4pm.* If you would be interested in taking either of these time slots, please call the parish office at 218-346-4240.



All are invited to participate in the Diocesan **Chrism Mass.** The Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral of St. Mary in St. Cloud on **Thursday, March 26th.**



We are looking for someone to mow and trim at St. Henry's Cemetery starting this spring. If you are interested, talk to Joe Byer or Ann Koll.

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for March: For disarmament and peace

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

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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HOLY CROSS NEWS

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

Easter lilies can once again be ordered in memory or in honor of someone. Cost is \$10; forms are on the table in the entry.



Church cleaners for March are Jill Carlson, Maggie Fresonke, Allison Haskins, Kathy Hendrickx, & Emily Palubicki.

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, Keith Goeller

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

LENTEN FISH FRY

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

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

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

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, Northwest Team
Becky King, FIC
 Call or Text (218) 841-4600
 bking@catholicunitedfinancial.org

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Holy Cross Faith Formation Schedule
Sun., Mar 22: Grade 11 Confirmation; 3:00PM at St. Henry's.
Wed., Mar 25: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Evening Class for grades 7-10; 6:40-7:40PM.
Wed., Apr 1: No Class-Holy Week.



Congratulations to **Conrad Koll, Reed Koll, and Lucey Minten** who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday, March 22nd at 3:00PM at St. Henry. May the Holy Spirit be active in their hearts and strengthen them to bear witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ.



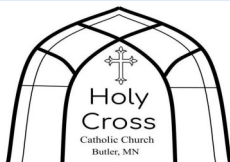
Cemetery News Sexton for Holy Cross cemetery is Edgar Hendrickx who can be contacted at 298-2434 or 385-3850.

Made in the Image of God:
Seeing Ourselves and Others as the Body of Christ
 All are invited to join in this diocesan retreat on **Saturday, April 18** from 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Centre for Christ in Sauk Centre. The day will include fellowship, reflection talks, and time to spend in individual reflection and prayer. Registration is \$35, including refreshments and lunch. Space is limited, so register before April 8 online at: <https://forms.office.com/r/5j1rZUfWyz>

New School Capital Campaign Update	
Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,347,902.00
Pledges to be Received	\$372,884.00
Received	\$7,975,018.00
Monies Received 03-16	\$50.00
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

Readings for the Week	
Monday	Dan 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 Jn 8:1-11
Tuesday	Nm 21:4-9 Jn 8:21-30
Wednesday	Is 7:10-14; 8:10 Heb 10:4-10 Lk 1:26-38
Thursday	Gen 17:3-9 Jn 8:51-59
Friday	Jer 20:10-13 Jn 10:31-42
Saturday	Ez 37:21-28 Jn 11:45-56
Sunday	Is 50:4-7 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 26:14—27:66



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

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Stewardship as a Way of Life:

“Jesus said to her, ‘Did I not tell you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?’”
John 11:40

Many of us say that we believe in God. We attend Sunday Mass and participate in parish events. But when life gets hard and the pressure is on, when things aren't going our way, do we really believe? Do we really put our trust in the Lord? When we live a life of gratitude, recognizing all that we have been given, we really do see that God is providing for our needs. Living a grateful and generous life allows us to see God's active presence in our daily lives and we become "partakers of the divine nature."

