

# August 17, 2025 Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Sat, Aug 16, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Clare Francis &
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Sat, Aug 16, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Carol Sazama & Tanya Sazama

Sat, Aug 16, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Parents of Jim & Jayne Hofland

Sun, Aug 17, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People Sun, Aug 17, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Greg Meyer Sun, Aug 17, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Cathy Begandy

Sun, Aug 17, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Leo & Theresa Doll

Sun, Aug 17, 11:45AM (St. Henry - Spanish Mass) † Martha Rodriguez Pena

Tue, Aug 19, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Adeline Dykhoff Tue, Aug 19, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Marilyn Stenger Wed, Aug 20, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) Living & Deceased Catholic Daughters

Wed, Aug 20, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) † Julia Hendrickx Thu, Aug 21, 8:30AM(Sacred Heart) † Don, Dorothy, & Ray Weickert

Thu, Aug 21, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Terrie Menze Fri, Aug 22, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Sr. Eleanor Wartman

Fri, Aug 22, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Sally Limanen Sat, Aug 23, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Deland Porath

Sat, Aug 23, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Irene Wallin

Sat, Aug 23, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Jeanine & Joe Rutten

Sun, Aug 24, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Lenore Silbernagel Sun, Aug 24, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Bernard & Delores Sazama

Sun, Aug 24, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Garry Bruneau Sun, Aug 24, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Rita Yaggie

Sun, Aug 24, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) | Kita Taggle Sun, Aug 24, 11:45AM (St. Henry - Spanish Mass) For the People

AUGUST

Month of the

Immaculate

Heart of Mary

**BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon** 

Financial Blessing for August 9th			
Adult	1,025.00	Plate	200.00
Children	1.00	Votives	11.00
		Total	1,237.00
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Thank you for remembering Holy Cross Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

Financial Blessing for August 9th & 10th			
Adult	998.00	Plate	2,156.00
Youth	55.00	Elec. Transfers.	425.00
Heat & Fuel	50.00	Assumption	10.00
		Total	.3.694.00

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

Financial Blessing for August 9th & 10th			
Adult	5,745.00	Plate	4,789.00
Children's Basket	78.00	Initial Offering	5.00
Elec. Transfers	3,799.00	Assumption	120.00
Votives	98.00	Easter Flowers	240.00
Religious Education	40.00	Coffee	53.00
Kitchen Fund	150.00	Marriage Prep	175.00
Memorial	90.00	Donuts	140.00
Calendar Sponsor	150.00		

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

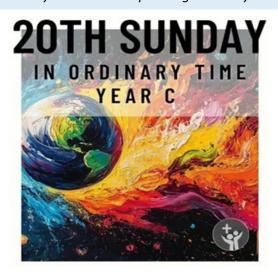
Total......15,672.00

*Total......7,525.00* 

#### **Financial Blessing for August 10th**

Adult	1,635.00	Plate	494.00
Youth	31.00	Elec. Transfers	365.00
Donation	5,000.00		

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



#### Parish news & events



St. Lawrence **Parish Life Committee Meeting** Sunday, August 24th after Mass



The Parish of St. Lawrence extends congratulations to

Rose Irelyn Guck

daughter of Evan & Allyssa Guck who received the

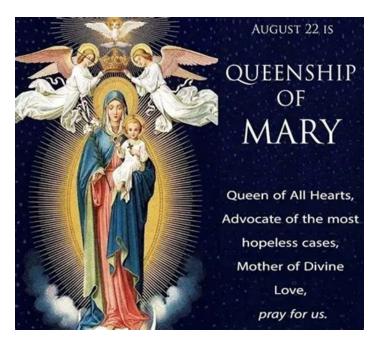
Sacrament of Baptism this weekend



St. Lawrence Labor Day Bake Sale Sunday, August 31st After the 10:30AM Mass



Groups 3 & 4 will provide baked goods



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





Richville Community Center Monthly Breakfast August 17th from 8:00AM-Noon (\$8.50 per plate)

Beginning Experience, a non-profit Christian Support Group for Divorced, Widowed or Separated people, begins a BEGINNING 10 Week Session "COPING WITH EXPERIENCE" LIFE ALONE" Monday, September 8,



2025 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).



St. Lawrence needs people to help set up and take down chairs for the outdoor Masses. Please call the parish office (218-346-7729) if you can help with this.

etery 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.



2025 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Voices of Hope - Bishop's Annual Appeal: The diocese recognized the need to walk with individuals and their loved ones experiencing mental health challenges by providing spiritual support and accompa-



niment, practical resources and educational opportunities for mental health awareness. Our 11-member Mental Health Ministry Team is currently working to form a ministry of presence in the ACCs for those affected by mental illness. To learn more about mental health ministry, please use your smartphone or visit: https:// youtu.be/TDs-TL2FKGM

Pastor: Parochial Vicar: Deacons:

Fr. Omar Guanchez, E-mail: fatheromar@ncacc.net Fr. Nathaniel Daubner, E-mail: fathernathaniel@ncacc.net Deacon Richard Quistorff; deaconrichard@ncacc.net Deacon Randy Altstadt; deaconrandy@ncacc.net

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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



#### Parish news & events

### SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **SEEDS TO GROW BAKE SALE**

Sat., Aug. 30<sup>th</sup> & Sun., Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>
After the 4PM Sat. & 8:30AM Sun. Masses
Proceeds go to help others with burdensome
medical expenses. Donated items can be
brought to Sacred Heart Church gathering space by
10:00AM on Saturday, August 30th.



#### Wedding Banns III

Mason Lohmiller & Lexi Welken

Sacred Heart "Seeds to Grow" is for those who are sick, injured or are in need of financial assistance due to their medical circumstances. If you know of anyone who needs our help, please submit a request to Sacred Heart Church, Dent, or call Mary at 218-758-2032. Request forms are available on the Sacred Heart bulletin board.

**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.



**Date:** November 15, 2025 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Cost: \$35.00

Location: Christ Church Newman Center, 396-1st

Ave S, St Cloud

**Details:** Pre-registration required

**Registration Deadline:** Please register online by November 1, 2025. Register using the QR Code below or at this link: <a href="https://forms.office.com/">https://forms.office.com/</a>

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Community Outreach Ministry is in need of twin, full and queen beds in good condition. Please call Cindy Olson at 218-849-8658 if you have these items. Blessings to you all.



#### **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

<u>Parish Website:</u> sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com



#### **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winners: 8-13-25-Jordan and Donna Guck-\$50 and 8-15-25-Harry Schossow-\$100.



Welcome back to school open house will be on Wednesday, Aug. 27 from 4-6 PM. School begins on Tuesday, Sept. 2.

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

#### Wedding Banns III

Javier Ernesto Salguero Santamaria & Clara Maria Salguero Gutierrez





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

#### Dana Andrews & Barb Rasmussen

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



We are looking for people to commit to spending a scheduled hour a week with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at Ado-

ration at St. Henry. The hours we need a second adorer are: Tuesdays 1-2pm, Wednesdays 1-2pm, and Thursdays 11am-12pm. If you would be interested in taking this time slot, please call the parish office at 218-346-4240.

**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 or the parish office (218-346-4240) with any questions regarding cemetery plots.



Coffee is available for purchase at St. Henry! We offer medium roast ground, French roast beans, and dark roast ground for \$12 for a 1pound 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.





Get ready for the 2025-2026 school year!

Register your students (K-11th grade) for St. Henry's youth night using the link on the ACC Facebook page, the paper form in the back of the church, or by scanning the QR code below. Early registration helps us plan for materials and meals.

We're also looking for teachers for our 9th grade and confirmation classes. It's a great way to share and grow in your faith!

Start dates and the full calendar will be posted on the parish website soon.

more information. contact Michelle michelle@ncacc.net or (218) 849-9660.



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



Have you heard about the WE CARE Program from Central Market?

Turn your Central Market receipts into the collection box near St. Henry's main entrance doors and we will receive a 0.5% re-

bate for the total submitted receipts. Receipts must have the WE CARE stamp and be less than one year old.

## **■ ECCLESIA**

#### MEN ON FIRE: Igniting the DOMESTICA World with Jesus Christ

What: A three-day retreat for Catholic Men where you can expect prayer, daily Mass, large and small group sessions, spiritual direction and confession

When: September 12-14, 2025

Where: Central MN TEC Center, Little Falls, MN

**Cost:** \$250 (\$200 student price)

**Register:** ecclesiaretreats@ecclesiadomestica.net or

visit www.ecclesiadomestica.net



PREPARATION 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of

each month. The next class will be offered on Saturday, September 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. Henry's Catholic Church of Perham 234 2nd Ave SW

Perham, MN 56573 Phone: (218) 346-4240 Email: chelsey@ncacc.net

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#### **PARISH NEWS & EVENTS**

### HOLY CROSS NEWS



Raffle tickets are done and in your mailboxes. Please pick them up and sell, sell, sell! If you need more tickets contact Dawn or Faye.

If you have silent auction items or country store items for the fall bazaar you can put them in either of the class rooms.

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

We are in need of ushers for the next few months; the sign up sheet is on the table in the entry.



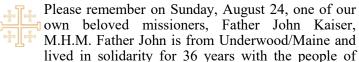
Cards will be played every Thursday at 1:00 pm.

#### St. Mary's Cathedral Block Party

All are invited to our annual Block Party on the grounds of St. Mary's Cathedral (25 8th Ave. S., St. Cloud) on Saturday, September 6. Mass begins at 4:00 pm in the Cathedral,



followed by music, food, beer garden, kids' games, silent auction and Bingo at 5:00 pm. Mason Dixon Line takes the stage from 6:00 - 10:00 pm. If you'd like to volunteer, please call Kelly in the parish office at 320-251-1840 x0 or scan the QR code.



Kenya, defending them from governmental and political corruption, land grabbing, rapes and human persecution. Father John was found murdered along a roadside on Aug. 24, 2000. This is the 25th anniversary of his murder. There will be a Memorial Mass for Fr. John Kaiser at 8:30AM on Sunday, August 24th at St. James Parish-Maine Twp.

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

**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



Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Ashley Duerfeldt (Wilkowski), Barry Hansen, Brandon Carmichael, Carol Thompson, Colleen Musgrave, Dakotah Watercott, David Hammers, Dean Salo, Jean Heston, Jen Aanenson, Jim Guck, Joe

Jaroszewski, Joe Riepe, John Guest, Joyce Bauer, Karen Omberg, Lacey Johnson, Larry Bucholz, Larry Imdieke, Larry & Eileen Kawlewski, Linda Bellanger-Rethwisch, Mike Hendrickx, Melvin Hoaas, Mike Ruther, Paul Juen, Richard Bergeron, Robert Daiker, Ron Bertram, Ron Pikula, Ron Wallace, Sally Cavalier, Scott Randall, Sebastian Mettler, Sue Loerzel, Tammy (Steinbach) Coryell, Tanner Wegscheid, Terry Cavalier, Tait Bormann, Vivian Honer, Leonida Fritz, Keith Friedsam

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.

#### New School Capital Campaign Undate

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Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00
Pledged	\$8,327,587.00
Pledges to be Received	\$424,600.00
Received	\$7,902,987.00
Monies Received 08-10	\$2,205.00
Households Contributing	350

#### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for August** For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.

Readings for the Week			
Monday	Jgs 2:11-19	Mt 19:16-22	
Tuesday	Jgs 6:11-24a	Mt 19:23-30	
Wednesday	Jgs 9:6-15	Mt 20:1-16	
Thursday	Jgs 11:29-39a	Mt 22:1-14	
Friday	Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22	Mt 22:34-40	
Saturday	Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17	Mt 23:1-12	
Sunday	Is 66:18-21	Heb 12:5-7, 11-13	
	Lk 13:22-30		



**Holy Cross Catholic Church of Butler** 57189 Co. Hwy 62 New York Mills, MN Phone (218) 385-2201 or (218) 385-3850 Email: faye@ncacc.net

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

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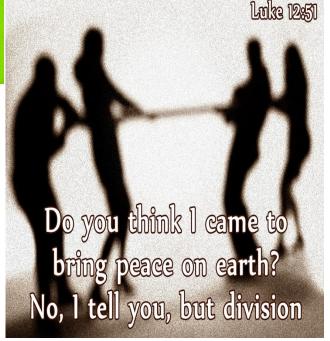




#### Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division." Luke 12:51

Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves with our family and friends, especially when it comes to politics and religion. We don't want to cause any turmoil. However, many times this is at the expense of the truth. The truth being Jesus Christ. Too many people are misguided because they rely on their own limited human ability to reason and are not allowing faith in God to guide them. Form your conscience; take a stance for life, marriage, and religious liberty.



Dear parishioners of Sacred Heart, St Lawrence, Holy Cross and St Henry's:

Our lives are filled with many challenges, and likewise the Church has faced 'too' many challenges in the last twenty centuries. The Church has overcome all of them, which proves what the Lord said: "I will be with you until the end of times"

With this letter, I want to inform you of a big challenge that we have to face in our Diocese and in our ACC (Area Catholic Community). It is a serious challenge but if we work together in faith, we'll be able to deal with these challenges successfully and make it through!

You've probably heard about the declining number of priests in our Diocese. Presently, we only have 57 active priests to take care of the 131 parishes in the 16 counties that make up the Diocese of St Cloud. That's the reason most of us priests are taking care of multiple parishes.

Today, we have less than half of the priests that we had fifty years ago and the amount of pastoral work has increased. This is the reason Bishop Neary has created the plan called "All Things New" to address in a proactive way the changes we need to make in the near future. For example, the cutting the number of Masses and unfortunately, the possible closing of some parishes.

One change that we will make next year is to move from 8 Masses to 6 Masses on weekends. Bishop Neary has asked that no priest is to offer more than 3 Masses on the weekends. Experience and medical science have taught us that the health of parish priests gets compromised when they consistently say more than 3 Masses on weekends. With this in mind, starting next year, we will follow the Bishop's directive in our ACC and will have 6 Masses instead of 8 every weekend.

I have created a Committee made up with representatives from each of our four parishes. Together, we will need to develop a plan for our ACC and this plan will be submitted to the Bishop's office before the end of the year. The Diocese has requested a conservative plan in which we will present our 6 Masses schedule.

However, a few days ago, they told us to begin to work on an aggressive plan. What will we do in case we only had one priest? This possibility is not what we want to hear but it could possibly happen in the future. Currently, the Diocese doesn't have any extra priests in case something happens to one of us. This plan scares us all but we need to be ready for the worst case scenario and be proactive.

As the plan is being developed, we will have four listening sessions within the next month, one in each parish. We will have a presentation and discuss possibilities for our ACC. Every parishioner is welcomed to come to these sessions. I hope that we can be realistic in our proposals. We want to seek alternatives, although we know that not all alternatives will make everybody happy.

In all of this, we need to remember that the problem is not you, nor me, nor the parish. It is not the Bishop or any Diocesan staff member. The problem is that we simply do not have the number of priests we would like to have serving the people of God in our many parishes. That is the problem and the question is, how we are going to make it work (?)

The dates of the upcoming Listening Sessions are:

St Henry's Parish Hall/Gym	August 28 <sup>th</sup>	from 6:30pm to 8pm
Sacred Heart in Dent	September 3 <sup>rd</sup>	from 6:30pm to 8pm
Holy Cross in Butler	September 10 <sup>th</sup>	from 6:30pm to 8pm
St Lawrence in Rush Lake	September 18th	from 6:30pm to 8pm

Fr Omar Guanchez

Pastor August 12, 2025

Fr. Omat Guanchez