

January 11, 2026

The Baptism of the Lord

Sat, Jan 10, 5:00PM (St. Henry) Special Intention - Januszewski Family
Sat, Jan 10, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Pete & Agnes Hofland
Sun, Jan 11, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
Sun, Jan 11, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Marilyn Stenger
Sun, Jan 11, 10:00AM (St. Henry) Living & Deceased Members of Sts. Agnes & Mary Mission Circle
Sun, Jan 11, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) Schnabel & Limmer Families
Tue, Jan 13, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Vince Birchem
Tue, Jan 13, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Duane Reed
Wed, Jan 14, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † John Bleichner
Wed, Jan 14, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) Christian Mothers
Thu, Jan 15, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Jack & Odilia Riestenberg
Thu, Jan 15, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † David Quistorff
Fri, Jan 16, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Carl Rowen
Fri, Jan 16, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Christine Wasche
Sat, Jan 17, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Sue Loerzel
Sat, Jan 17, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † John & Elaine Loeffen
Sun, Jan 18, 8:00AM (St. Henry) Family of Barb Martodam
Sun, Jan 18, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Elaine Pietsch
Sun, Jan 18, 10:00AM (St. Henry) For the People
Sun, Jan 18, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Ted & Evelyn Guck



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BULLETIN DEADLINE: Tuesday Noon

Financial Blessing for January 3rd

Adult.....	1,030.00	Plate.....	71.00
Youth.....	11.00	Votives.....	6.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	448.00	Easter.....	50.00
Total.....	1,616.00		

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

Financial Blessing for January 4th

Adult.....	2,615.00	Plate.....	347.00
Youth.....	71.76	Elec. Transfers.....	510.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	749.00		
Total.....	4,292.76		

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

Financial Blessing for January 3rd & 4th

Adult.....	5,238.00	Plate.....	1,500.25
Children's Basket.....	88.75	Elec. Transfers....	4,221.00
Christmas.....	1,050.00	Votives.....	70.00
Imm. Conception.....	20.00	Misc.....	79.50
Solemnity of Mary.....	2,145.00	Bulletin Sponsors...	250.00
Steubenville.....	100.00	Initial Offering.....	266.00
Total.....	15,028.50		

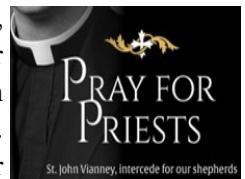
Thank you for remembering St. Henry Church with your Stewardship throughout the year.

Financial Blessing for January 4th

Adult.....	2,190.00	Youth.....	14.00
Elec. Transfers.....	1,073.83	Plate.....	574.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	690.00	Christmas.....	1,010.00
Total.....	5,551.83		

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

The SERRA Club has chosen Monday, January 12th as a day of special prayer for Fr. Nathaniel Daubner and Deacon Richard Quistorff. Please remember Fr. Nathaniel and Deacon Richard in your prayers on that day and pray for all priests and deacons every day.



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. Chances will be on sale after Mass, in the parish office, or contact Marlene Boedigheimer at 218-457-1588. Drawing will be in February.



**St. Lawrence
Parish Life Committee Meeting
Sunday, January 11th
after Mass**

St. Lawrence Café
Open Wednesday, January 14th
 Bring a dish to share and join us for breakfast after the 8:30AM Mass.



There are Personal Care Bags hanging in the hallway by the kitchen. Some are empty, some have a few items in them, and some only need one or a few items to complete the list attached to the bag. Please feel free to add the items needed and check them off the list. Full bags of necessities will be collected and given to a variety of agencies in the area who give them to people in difficult circumstances who are in transition. Thank you for your generosity.

Children's Collections: The January Children's Collections will be designated to the Tom and Geetha Chitta- Foundation for Children in Need. Thousands of children are assisted through schools in India-children who are orphaned due to HIV/AIDS; trafficking;... Geetha is also a doctor and she does facial reconstruction surgeries for cleft palates and such. Amazing missioners!



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
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Nathaniel Daubner, E-mail: fathernathaniel@ncacc.net
Deacons: Deacon Richard Quistorff; deaconrichard@ncacc.net
Business Manager: Deacon Randy Altstadt; deaconrandy@ncacc.net
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Email: sandi@ncacc.net
Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com

ST. LAWRENCE



Faith Formation

Sat., January 10: Grade 2, First Reconciliation, 9:00AM

Wed., January 14: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., January 21: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed., January 28: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

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

Congratulations to
**Porter Doucette, Hayden Mitchell,
and Owen Paju**



who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday, January 10th.

The **2026 Marriage Prep Course** will be held at St. Henry on **January 25th, 2026** from **8:00AM-4:00PM**. For more information or to register, please contact St. Henry's Parish Office.

Diocesan Festival of Families on February 22, at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell: Join other families from around the diocese for a day celebrating the family. Cost is only \$25 per family (no matter the size), and will include a free carnival, family activities, lunch, age appropriate activities and Mass. Register now at: <https://stedio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/>



WINTER WEATHER POLICY

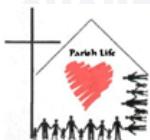
When school is cancelled due to weather, there will be no Masses, no Adoration, and offices will be closed at all the NCACC parishes. If school is two hours late, Adoration will begin at noon and all morning Masses will be cancelled, but evening Masses may take place, if weather permits. For any other weather related announcements refer to My parish app or the NCACC Facebook page.



Em: 218-346-4240 *Press 7
Phone: 218-758-2888 (landline)
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SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS



**Sacred Heart
Parish Life/Liturgy Committee Meeting**
Tuesday, January 20th
(after 7:00PM Mass)

**Sacred Heart Christian Mothers
Coffee & Rolls**
Sunday, January 11th
(after 8:30AM Mass)
All are welcome!



**Sunday, January 18
1:00 PM**

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



Plan with Faith, Live with Mercy

Bishop Neary is inviting all parishioners to take part in a new diocesan initiative to help Catholics prepare for the future with confidence and care. Through a partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, the Diocese of Saint Cloud is offering free access to a trusted online platform where you can:

- Create a Last Will and Testament
- Plan a funeral rooted in Catholic tradition
- Consider a bequest to your parish or diocesan ministries

This is a simple and meaningful way to care for your loved ones and live out our call to stewardship. For more information, visit <https://mycatholicwill.com/stcdio>

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 Aschnerwitz & 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 Aschnerwitz, 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**

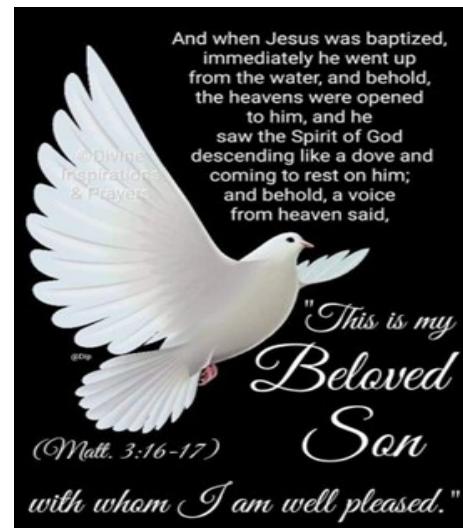
SACRED HEART

Wed., January 14: 1-11; 7:00PM; Rosary @ 8:00PM

Wed., January 21: 1-11; 7:00PM

Wed., January 28: 1-11; 7:00PM; 11th grade and parents Confirmation Learning Centers

**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.



Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winner this week and last week. 1-2-26-Tim Graff- \$100, 1-7-26-Nathan and Courtney Rooney- \$50, and 1-9-26-Betty Murphy.



Thanks to everyone who donated prize money and purchased calendars this year. We sold nearly 225 calendars.

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

Honoring Marriage Day will be held on May 2nd, 2026 at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Sartell, MN, for all married couples. Couples celebrating 25, 40, 50, 60, and 60 plus years of marriage in 2026 will receive special recognition. Please let your 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 Northern Cross ACC Parishes
wish to extend deepest sympathy to
family and friends of
Joyce Doll
&
Todd Askelson
who passed away recently.
May they know eternal peace
and joy in heaven and may God
grant comfort to their family and friends.*

REBOOT A LIFE-CHANGING EVENT REBOOT event with Chris Stefanik will be held at the Wadena Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday, February 11th, 2026. Chris is an incredibly dynamic and energetic speaker with a beautiful message of joy! We invite you to join us for this life-changing event! Tickets are on sale now and can be found by scanning the QR code or by visiting [HTTPS://BUYLICKETS.AT/REALLIFECATHOLIC/1765324](https://buylickets.at/reallifecatholic/1765324).



Community Outreach Ministry is in need of queen beds in good condition, small couch, dressers, kitchen table & chairs for families in our area. Please call Cindy Olson at 218-849-8658 if you have these items.



St. Henry



Wed., January 14: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Sat., January 17: Grade 2 First Reconciliation; 9:30AM
Wed., January 21: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
Wed., January 28: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM
 Michelle Sazama, DRE
 218-849-9660 or michelle@ncacc.net



Steubenville Youth Conference 2026 registration is OPEN for students currently in 8th-12th Grade! Join us in Rochester, MN, July 12th-14th. Spaces are limited. Register via the Northern Cross Youth Group Facebook page or contact Michelle (michelle@ncacc.net). Watch the bulletin and your email for meeting dates and time. To financially support our students (tax-deductible), drop off donations marked "Steubenville Youth Conference" at any parish office or collection basket. Thank you for all the support you give to the Youth in our Parishes!

Education Contest

The 2025-2026 National Catholic Daughters Education Contest themes this year are: The Least of These; Matthew 25:40 or The Least of These; Lifting Others Up. Youth grades 4-12 are invited to submit an entry. Local Court St. Rita #409 is hosting the contest. Forms will be available at each parish or by calling Leanne Stoll, 758-3050. The deadline is February 1st. Cash awards are given for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place.

Holy Family Council will be holding a meeting on Monday, January 12th at 6 PM. It will be a Zoom meeting. If you would like the invitation, please email Jason at sthenryschool@arvig.net



St. Agnes-Mary Mission Circle will meet on Thursday, January 15th, 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.

Jim Stoderl would like to thank St. Henry's parish for the Christmas cookie & fruit basket, it was a wonderful surprise and much appreciated!

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.

2026 Contribution envelopes are in your mailboxes.

Usher sign up sheet for 2026 is on the table in the entry. Sign up as a family, group, etc.

Church cleaners for January are: Aynsley Kern, Christina Kickhafer, Sarah Peeters, Mary Peeters, and Faith Tumberg

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



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

Faith Formation Schedule

Wed., Jan 14: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

Wed., Jan 21: Class 4:15-5:15PM

Wed., Jan 28: Class 4:15-5:15PM; Evening Class 6:40-7:40PM

Faith FORMATION



The Parish of Holy Cross extends congratulations to Jordyn Marie Grieve daughter of Andrew & Amy Grieve who received the Sacrament of Baptism a week ago.



Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Joyce (Huebsch) Bauer, Kathi Schmitz, Keith Friedsam, Dave Hammers

All military personnel, especially: Derick Burr, Greg Hirshey, Sandra Silbermang, 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.

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, January 17th** 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.



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

Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January For Prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

New School Capital Campaign Update

Due to an internal computer issue, the program we use to calculate the figures for the bulletin deleted our information. We are diligently working on resolving this issue and will provide an update as soon as we can. Thank you.

Readings for the Week

Monday	1 Sm 1:1-8	Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday	1 Sm 1:9-20	Mk 1:21-28
Wednesday	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20	Mk 1:29-39
Thursday	1 Sm 4:1-11	Mk 1:40-45
Friday	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a	Mk 2:1-12
Saturday	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1	Mk 2:13-17
Sunday	Is 49:3, 5-6	1 Cor 1:1-3
	Jn 1:29-34	

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



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 <p>CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS COURT ST. RITA PERHAM, MN Serving the community for 105 years 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>OVERLAND INSURANCE AGENCY 255 3rd Ave SE Perham, MN 56573 218-346-6250 www.overlandinsurance.com</p>
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 <p>ESSER Plumbing & Heating  AIRE SERV HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING Air Boiler-Friendly Company 218.346.3530 218.346.2138 EsserPlumbingandHeating.com</p>	<p><i>"After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon Him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."</i> Matthew 3:16-17</p>	<p><i>Who am I to baptize you?</i></p>	<p><i>Matthew 3:14</i></p>



Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"John tried to prevent him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, yet you are coming to me?" Matthew 3:14

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

