



# January 11, 2026

## The Baptism of the Lord



Financial Blessing for January 3rd	
Adult.....	1,030.00
Youth.....	11.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	448.00
Plate.....	71.00
Votives.....	6.00
Easter.....	50.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>1,616.00</b>

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

Financial Blessing for January 4th	
Adult.....	2,615.00
Youth.....	71.76
Solemnity of Mary.....	749.00
Plate.....	347.00
Elec. Transfers.....	510.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>4,292.76</b>

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

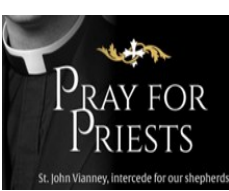
Financial Blessing for January 3rd & 4th	
Adult.....	5,238.00
Children's Basket.....	88.75
Christmas.....	1,050.00
Imm. Conception.....	20.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	2,145.00
Steubenville.....	100.00
Plate.....	1,500.25
Elec. Transfers.....	4,221.00
Votives.....	70.00
Misc.....	79.50
Bulletin Sponsors...	250.00
Initial Offering.....	266.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>15,028.50</b>

*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
Solemnity of Mary.....	690.00
Christmas.....	1,010.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>5,551.83</b>

*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.



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**

# ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. LAWRENCE



**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 11<sup>th</sup>  
after Mass**

**St. Lawrence Café  
Open Wednesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**  
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 missionaries!



**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.

**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](mailto: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://studio.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.



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<b>Parochial Vicar:</b>	<b>Fr. Nathaniel Daubner, E-mail: <a href="mailto:fathernathaniel@ncacc.net">fathernathaniel@ncacc.net</a></b>	<b>Phone: 218-758-2888 (landline)</b>
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Office Hours: Tuesday & Wednesday 9:00AM-Noon  
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**Parish Website: [sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com](http://sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com)**



# SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS



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

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



**BINGO**



**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/stedio>

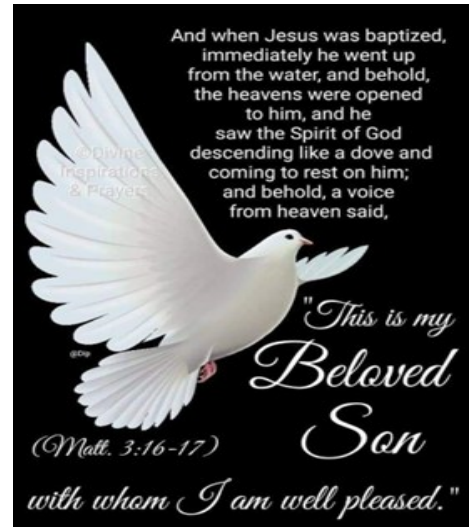


**FAITH  
Formation**

**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](mailto: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.

**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](mailto:sandi@ncacc.net)  
**Parish Website:** [sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com](http://sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com)





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](mailto: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](mailto: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** event with Chris Stefanik will be held at the Wadena Memorial Auditorium on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, 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://BUYTICKETS.AT/REALLIFECATHOLIC/1765324](https://buytickets.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.



**Wed., January 14:**

**Sat., January 17:**

**Wed., January 21:**

**Wed., January 28:**

**All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM**  
**Grade 2 First Reconciliation; 9:30AM**

**All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM**

**All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM**

**Michelle Sazama, DRE**

**218-849-9660 or [michelle@ncacc.net](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**St. Henry's Catholic Church of Perham**  
234 2nd Ave SW  
Perham, MN 56573  
Phone: (218) 346-4240  
Email: [chelsey@ncacc.net](mailto:chelsey@ncacc.net)

# 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



The Parish of Holy Cross extends congratulations to **Jordyn Marie Grievø** daughter of Andrew & Amy Grievø 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 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.*

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.



**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** 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](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**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

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



**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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*"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." Matthew 3:16-17*



### 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.

*Who am I to baptize you?*

*Matthew 3:14*

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