

Sat, Dec 9, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Rita Kuester Sat, Dec 9, 5:00PM (St. Henry) † Leo & Agatha Berns and † Kimberly Wien

Sat, Dec 9, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Lorraine Engel Sun, Dec 10, 8:00AM (St. Henry) For the People Sun, Dec 10, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Kelly Wagen-

Sun, Dec 10, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Henry "Bud" Johnson

Sun, Dec 10, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Leona Loerzel Tue, Dec 12, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Dave Stigman

Tue, Dec 12, 6:00PM (St. Henry-Spanish Mass) † Rita Rotta

Tue, Dec 12, 7:00PM (Sacred Heart) † John Tschida Wed, Dec 13, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † LeRoy Wegscheid

Wed, Dec 13, 5:15PM (Holy Cross) Special Intention -Gunnar & Gabby Kupferschmid

Thu, Dec 14, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Mary Kuester Thu, Dec 14, 8:45AM (St. Henry) † Virgil, Allene, Dan & Cathy Mueller

Fri, Dec 15, 8:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Patrick Doll Fri, Dec 15, 8:45AM (St. Henry) Special Intention -Jonah Nordick

Fri, Dec 15, 10:00AM (Perham Living) † Charlene Kunza

Sat, Dec 16, 4:00PM (Sacred Heart) † Lorraine Engel Sat, Dec 16, 5:00PM (St. Henry) For the People

Sat, Dec 16, 7:00PM (Holy Cross) † Leona Loerzel Sun, Dec 17, 8:00AM (St. Henry) † Margaret & Bob Lucking

Sun, Dec 17, 8:30AM (Sacred Heart) † Gordy Rosenthal

Sun, Dec 17, 10:00AM (St. Henry) † Mike Rohde Sun, Dec 17, 10:30AM (St. Lawrence) † Norman Jahnke



### WINTER WEATHER POLICY

When school is cancelled, there will be no Masses or adoration at any of the four NCACC parishes. If school is two hours late, all morning Masses and Adoration will be cancelled, but evening Masses may take place, if weather permits. Please watch for updates on our parish app for Tuesday evening Adoration weather-related cancellations.

# **December 10, 2023** Second Sunday of Advent

i	Financial Blessing for December 2nd			
	Adult1,140.00 Plate44.00			
	Children12.00 Votives4.00			
	Parking Lot Donation100.00 Christmas Flowers57.00			
	Hall Rent50.00			
	Total1,407.00			
	Thank you for remembering Holy Cross Church			
	with your Stewardship throughout the year.			
	Financial Blessing for December 2nd & 3rd			
	Adult2,283.00 Plate465.00			
	Youth32.00 Elec. Transfers585.00			
	Christmas Flowers750.00 Votives125.25			
	Total4,240.25			
	Thank you for remembering Sacred Heart Church			
	with your Stewardship throughout the year.			
	Financial Blessing for December 2nd & 3rd			
	Adult11,520.00 Plate1,026.50			
	Children's Basket70.00 Imm. Conception30.00			
	Votives38.00 Candles21.00			
	Christmas Flowers100.00 Christmas5,075.00			
	Coffee36.00 Holy Water Bottles4.00			
	Baby Jesus Party125.00 Building Improve5.00			
	Elec. Transfers3,901.00			
	Total21,951.50			
	Thank you for remembering St. Henry Church			
	with your Stewardship throughout the year.			
	Financial Blessing for December 3rd			
	Adult1,645.00 Youth			

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Adult	1,645.00	Youth	13.00
Plate	447.00	Elec. Transfers	.774.00
Christmas Flowers	210.00	Imm. Conception	5.00
		Total	3.094.00

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

Northern Cross ACC Advent Confessions are at 2:00PM on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Henry.



# ST. LAWRENCE UPCOMING EVENTS



The parish of *St. Lawrence* invites everyone who is interested in helping decorate the church this Christmas with a poinsettia flower to use the "Christmas Flower" envelope provided for you. Envelopes have space for "In Memory of"

or "In Honor of" dedications. Thank you for helping to make our churches beautiful for the birth of our Lord.



FAMILY OUTDOOR FUN UTILITY CART RAFFLE

\$5 per chance or 3 chances for \$10 You could win the utility

cart along with all its con-

tents. The raffle is sponsored by St. Lawrence Christian Mothers with all proceeds going toward the 2024 Polka Festival. Chances will be sold after Sunday Masses or contact Marlene Boedigheimer at 218-457-1588.



St. Lawrence Christmas Potluck/Bake Sale/ St. Nick Visit Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup> (after 10:30AM Mass)

All work groups provide baked goods for the bake sale. A baked dish and dinner rolls will be provided. Parishioners are asked to bring a salad or side dish to share. Please, no desserts, as desserts will be available for purchase at the bake sale.

Court St Rita #409 will be sponsoring the **National Catholic Daughters Education contest!** The deadline locally is January 31, 2023. Themes this year are: God's love and kindness will shine upon us like the sun that rises in the sky-Luke 1:78 OR How does my love shine for others? All students grade 4-12 are eligible to enter as well as Adult CDA members.

Entry forms and rules are available at St. Henry's office or contact Leanne Stoll, Regent Court St. Rita.



Wed. Dec. 13: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM Wed. Dec. 20: All Grades; 6:30-7:30PM

Wed. Dec. 27: No Class Wed. Jan. 3: No Class

Stephanie VonRuden-Faith Formation Director 218-298-1050 or Vonruden.27@gmail.com



St. Lawrence Café
Open Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>
Bring a dish to share and join us for breakfast after the 8:30AM Mass.

St. Lawrence Christian Mothers Meeting:
Monday, December 11<sup>th</sup>
6:30PM-Fill CCD Candy Bags
7:00PM-Meeting
Christmas Party & Pot Luck
New members are always welcome!





The 2024 Marriage Prep Course will be held at St. Henry on January 28th, 2024 from 8:00AM-4:00PM. The fee is \$175.00 per couple. For more information or to register, please contact St. Henry's Parish Office.

**Diocesan Festival of Families:** Join other families from the dioceses for a day celebrating the family. Cost is \$20 per family and includes a free carnival, family games, lunch, age-appropriate activities, and Mass with Bishop Neary. Register at https://stcdio.org/event/festival-of-families/



**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** Blessings to you in this second week of Advent and thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of November 20, the diocese has raised \$1,362,478 in gifts

and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000, with gifts from 7,284 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit <a href="https://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal">www.stcdio.org/annualappeal</a>.

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Parochial Vicar:

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Deacon Richard Quistorff; Deacon Randy Altstadt



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# SACRED HEART Faith



Wed., Dec. 13: Grades 1-11; 7:00PM; Confession Wed., Dec. 20: Grades Pre/K-11; 7:00PM; Christmas Fun Night

Wed., Dec. 27: No Class; Christmas Break Wed., Jan. 3: No Class; Christmas Break

Joe & Diane Sazama—Faith Formation Directors 218-849-7520 or woolyacres@arvig.net

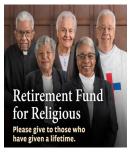
Please join Sacred Heart Christian Mothers for an **Advent Scriptural Rosary** on Saturday, December 9th at 3:30PM (before the 4:00PM Mass) and Sunday, December 10th at 8:00AM (before the 8:30AM Mass).



### **Baby Jesus Shower**



Sacred Heart Christian Mothers are collecting baby items to be donated to the needy. Items can be placed under the tree in the gathering space.



Women and men religious have spent their lives serving others for little or no pay. As they age, they require essential care. Please support them by giving to the **Retirement Fund for Religious.** Your donation makes a difference for nearly 25,00 religious men and women. Please give generously.

## SACRED HEART UPCOMING EVENTS

The parish of *Sacred Heart* invites everyone who is interested in helping decorate the church this Christmas with a poinsettia flower to use the "Christmas Flower" envelope in your envelope box. Envelopes have space for "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" dedications. If you don't have an envelope you can put your request and donation in a white envelope with the name of the persons you are remembering and your name in the collection basket. Thank you for helping to make our churches beautiful for the birth of our Lord.

Sacred Heart Christian Mothers'
Holiday Brunch
Sunday, December 10th
(after the 8:30AM Mass)

All are invited to join us for brunch and meet the newest members of our parish.



### **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; First Friday from 9:00AM-10:00AM at St. Lawrence; Second Thursday from 9:00AM-10:00AM at Sacred Heart; Third Saturday from 6:00PM-7:00PM at Holy Cross. Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, 8:15AM-8:45AM; Wednesday, 9:00AM-10:00AM; 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); Michele Hofland & Clint Brandt (Holy Cross)

Northern Cross Area Catholic Community Pastoral Council Members: Dawn Swanz, Michele Hofland, Jason Schik (Holy Cross); Brenda Aschnewitz, John Kratzke, Kenny Moenkendick (Sacred Heart) Tim Graff, Lisa Hemmelgarn, Jason Smith (St. Henry); Sandi Carrlson, Jack Werner, Jerry Guck (St. Lawrence)



Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Dent 36963 State Highway 108 Dent , MN 56528 Phone: (218) 758-2700 Em: (218) 758-2888

Email: sacredheart@arvig.net

Parish Website: sacredheartstlawrencecatholicchurches.com





Congratulations to our Calendar Raffle winner this week. 12-8-23-Gail and Uwe Weygandt-\$100

St. Henry's Area School is seeking a highly-motivated, kid-friendly individual to fill the position of cleaner. This 35-40 hours per week position will include the following opportunities: general school cleaning, staging lunch room, and other duties as needed. This position can be flexible to fit any schedule. Full benefit package available. If interested, contact Jason at the school at 218-346-6190 or fill out the application on our website at www.sthenrysareaschool.com.

Please mail completed application to: St. Henry's Area School 240 3<sup>rd</sup> St SW Perham, MN 56573 or email to sthenryschool@arvig.net.

Position will be open until filled.

You are invited to our annual Christmas program entitled "Miracle at Midnight" on Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at 1:30PM and 6:00PM at St. Henry's Church. This wonderful Christmas tradition is sure to provide enjoyment for the Christmas season.

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

### Wedding Banns I

Brady Blasher & Abby Theisen





JCDA December Get-Together
Sunday, December 17 • 3:00-6:00 p.m.
St. Henry's Church Basement
Girls ages 6-18 are invited to join us as we welcome our newly elected officers, make crafts and have some Christmas-themed fun!

Holy Family Council of Catholic United Financial is looking for volunteers to provide fruit and cookies for the shut-ins of the parish. All donations of cookies, fruit, and/or money can be brought to St. Henry's church office by December 11th. We are also looking for volunteers to assist in making the fruit/cookie basket and delivering them. Basket building will begin at 6 PM on December 11th in the fellowship hall/gymnasium (enter through the Fellowship Hall doors). Please join us in spreading Christmas cheer to the shut-ins of our parish. Need not be a Holy Family Council member to assist.

# ST. HENRY



Wed, Dec. 13th: No Class (School Program)

Wed., Dec. 20th: Reconciliation

Wed., Dec 27th: No Class (Christmas Break)

We are looking for a 4th grade substitute religious education teacher for January-March. If interested, please talk to Caleb.

Caleb Carrlson, Faith Formation Director 218-457-0987 or religioused@st-henrys.org

OROTHY DAY

**Dorothy Day House:** Help the homeless in our area by supporting the Dorothy Day House men's shelter in Moorhead, MN. They are currently in need of the following items: Ziploc bags (gallon and sandwich); yels, winter hats, gloves and scarves; deodor-

bath towels, winter hats, gloves and scarves; deodorant, men's underwear, plain white t-shirts, socks (these clothing items preferred to be new); disposable razors; sleeping bags; blankets and hygiene products. **They are especially in need of warm hats, gloves, mittens and socks.** For more information, see the website at <a href="https://www.churches.united.org">www.churches.united.org</a> or call Teresa Elkin at 218-298-1274 or Cecile Guck at 218-298-4386.

# Welcome to Steve & JoAnne Knuttila recently registered as new membe



who recently registered as new members of the St. Henry parish family.

The next Sts. Agnes & Mary Mission Circle meeting will be on **December 14th** at 12:00PM with a Christmas potluck at Kathy Hemmelgarn's home. Spouses are welcome!

Thanks to your generosity, we collected \$618.00 for the Bridge Community Pantry.



We have ribs available as a fundraiser! \$20.00/rack again this year. If you would like to purchase some, talk to Ann or Joe.



St. Lewry's

St. Henry's Catholic Church of Perham 234 2nd Ave SW Perham MN 56572

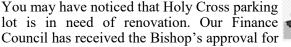
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## HOLY CROSS UPCOMING EVENTS



Poinsettias can be ordered in honor or memory of someone for \$8.00 each. Order forms are on the table in the entry and can be put in the collection basket. Orders are due by December 15th.

**Resurfacing the Parking Lot at Holy Cross** 



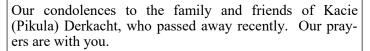


the resurfacing project. The cost of this project will be about \$30,788. I hope you will support this project with a donation to offset the expense. Together, we will continue to preserve our church and grounds, as we pave the way for future generations of Holy Cross families.

May God bless you always. Fr. George

Adoration will be held every third Saturday of the month from 6-7PM.

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



Honoring Marriage Day will be held on May 4th, 2024 at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud for couples celebrating 5, 25, 40, 50 or 60 plus years of marriage in 2024. 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.

New School Capital Campaign Update		
Complete Project	\$8,100,000.00	
Pledged	\$8,242,868.00	
Pledges to be Received	\$496,427.00	
Received	\$7,746,441.00	
Pledged Monies Received 12-03	\$7,978.00	
Households Contributing	350	

OFFICE HOURS: (HOLY CROSS): Call Fave Hendrickx: (218) 385-3850

(SACRED HEART): Monday, Thursday & Friday: From 9:00

AM-12 Noon, (218) 758-2700

(ST.LAWRENCE): Tuesday & Wednesday: From 9:00 AM-

12 Noon, (218) 346-7729

(ST. HENRY): Monday-Friday: From 8:30 AM—4:30PM,

(218) 346-4240

### Please pray for those in need of healing in our parishes: Ashley Wilkowski, Dean Salo, Diana Billie, Jean Schmitz, Jen Aanenson, Julie Carr, Karen Omberg, Larry Bucholz, Larry Imdieke, Larry Van Watermulen, Lowell Siebels, Lucille Schik, Mike Ruther, Nancy Moris, Paul Juen, Richard Bergeron, Robert Daiker, Ron Bertram, Ron Wallace, Sebastian Mettler, Steve & Sue Loerzel, Sue Kalinoski, Tammy (Steinbach) Coryell

All military personnel, especially: Joseph Fonseca, Derick Burr, Greg Hirschey, Sandra Silbernagel, Nicholas Melz, Luke Potts, Miguel Martinez, Noah Zeleny, Tyler Van Watermulen, Andrew Schlosser, Ed Guck

Always remember in prayer our leaders in faith, especially: Pope Francis, Bishop Patrick Neary, Bishop Emeritus Donald Kettler, Dcn Randy Altstadt, Dcn Richard Quistorff, Fr. George Michael and Fr. Tom Skaja.

### Prayer to Our Lady of Guadalupe

Our Lady of Guadalupe, Mystical Rose, make intercession for holy Church, protect the sovereign Pontiff, help all those who invoke you in their necessities, and since you are the ever Virgin Mary and Mother of the true God, obtain for us from your most holy Son the grace of



keeping our faith, of sweet hope in the midst of the bitterness of life, of burning charity, and the precious gift of final perseverance. Amen.

### Weekly Bulletin Email List

If you would like to have the bulletin emailed to you each week, please let us know by calling or by emailing your parish office.

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December**

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

Readings for the Week				
Monday	Is 35:1-10	Lk 5:17-26		
Tuesday	Zec 2:14-17	Lk 1:26-38		
Wednesday	Is 40:25-31	Mt 11:28-30		
Thursday	Is 41:13-20	Mt 11:11-15		
Friday	Is 48:17-19	Mt 11:16-19		
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11	Mt 17:9a, 10-13		
Sunday	ay Is 61:1-2A, 10-11			
	1 Thes 5:16-24	Jn 1:6-8, 19-28		



### **Holy Cross Catholic Church of Butler**

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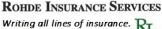




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## Stewardship as a Way of Life:

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mark 1:3

We are all called to live a holy life. We are all called to invite others to live holy lives. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too. We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well. How are you helping others get to Heaven?

