

Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of:

Holy Cross, Sacred Heart, St. Rita, & St. Therese



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Weekend Mass Schedule & Reconciliation Schedule

Holy Cross (Onamia)

Saturday 5:30 PM

Sunday 9:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:45 – 5:15 PM
or by appt

Sacred Heart (Wahkon)

Saturday 5:00 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:15 – 4:45 PM
or by appt

St. Rita's (Hillman)

Saturday 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:15 – 3:45 PM
or by appt

St. Therese (Vineland)

Sunday 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By Appointment

For evening emergencies contact Fr. Greg at number above, if no answer try the other pastors.

Open to God?

Fr. Ernie, one of our Crosiers here in Onamia, led many of the diocesan clergy on a retreat over several days, just recently. He got back home just before I left to join a team leading a retreat at the Morrison County Jail the weekend before last. Afterwards he asked me how the retreat at the jail went. He added, too, that it must have been more difficult than most retreats, apparently thinking that those “jailbirds” wouldn't be as willing to listen to God-talk.

I told him that they're actually more willing to listen seriously than people on the outside are. I can imagine someone I know wondering why he should go on a retreat (his wife has gone on a TEC retreat, and helped once during a REC jail retreat). Like many other people, I suppose, he'd be thinking that life is going along as good as can be expected, and that he's puttering along alright, and that there's no crying need to change much of anything. If anything needs changing, it would be the world around him, rather than himself.

The folks in the jail, however, know that things are not going as they would have hoped. It's staring them in the face, literally. They probably haven't had much closeness with God over the past years, nor are they prone to revealing their innermost thoughts and needs. But when some of us from the outside come in – something they know we don't have to do – and show them some caring and attention, and talk about God caring for them no less than anyone else would, they begin to listen hard.

We had three former inmates as part of our team, and three current inmates (who've been on a REC retreat before) also helping out. That made a real impact on the inmates on the retreat last weekend. The former inmates were there to say how the retreat got them started on the right path, one that keeps them from landing in jail again.

So, no, they're not a harder group to work with. God can do a lot of good with those who know they're making a mess of things on their own power, and know that it just can't continue that way. And God did do a lot of good that weekend! May they continue to be open to God.

Fr. Greg

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, January 23

5:30 PM Mass

+Les Sievek (Robert Boros)

Sunday, January 24

9:30 AM Mass

For Parishioners of our Cluster Parishes

Monday, January 25

8:00 AM Mass

Tuesday, January 26

8:00 AM Mass

Wednesday, January 27

10:30 AM Mass at Nursing Home

Thursday, January 28

8:00 AM Mass

Friday, January 29

8:00 AM

Saturday, January 30

5:30 PM Mass

+Joe Gingery (Bob & Karen Gingery)

Sunday, January 31

9:30 AM Mass

For Parishioners of our Cluster Parishes

Youth Mass:

February 7th

Coffee Sunday:

February 7th – Youth of the Parish

February 14th – Women of the Parish

Weekly Meetings:

Wednesdays

Faith Formation 7-8 pm

7:30 p.m. Rosary – Small Chapel

led by the Knights of Columbus

Monthly Meetings:

1st Thursday

Knights of Columbus 7:00 p.m.

Quarterly

Parish Council 7:00 p.m. (Mar. 1)

Office Hours

Times Vary-Call to make appt.

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Contact Kathy at: (320)532-3416

or lundeens@lundeens.com

Prayer Line: Call Gert Lambert at 532-3583.

Faith Formation

Pat Root 320-532-3806

Saturday

Lector

Euch Min

Usher

Greeter

Gift Bearers

Sunday

Lector

Euch Min

Usher

Greeter

Gift Bearers

January

Amanda Lundeen

Mary McColley

T. Briscoe, E. Gibas

B. Gibas & Ushers

Ushers

January

Kathy Martin

Carol Mott

Neil Martin

Gloria Leaf & Ushers

Annella Cunz & Ushers

Parish News

DINNER AND A MOVIE

The Holy Cross Parish Life Committee will be hosting another "Dinner and a Movie" this Saturday, January 23rd after the 5:30 PM mass. A light meal will be served and then we will show the movie *Facing the Giants*. This action-packed, family-friendly movie is about a high school football coach who draws up a new game plan for his team and for himself. Plan to join us!

HOLY CROSS CENTENNIAL PLANNING

The first informational meeting for the Holy Cross Centennial will be held on Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00 pm (please meet in the Narthex). Anyone interested in being involved is invited to join us! If you are unable to attend and still want to be included, contact Fr. Jerry at 532-5227 or Kathy Lundeen at 532-3122 (or 532-3416) and we will get info to you. What a way to come together and celebrate as a 'parish family!

ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST

The monthly Ecumenical Prayer Breakfast will be held on Tuesday, January 26th at 7:00 am at the Alliance Church in Onamia. Everyone is invited to join in this social and prayerful gathering.

HOLY CROSS FISH FRIES

The annual Holy Cross Lenten Fish Fries will be held on Feb. 26, Mar. 12 & Mar. 26. Check your calendars for the days you will be able to help!

DEADLINE For Holy Cross bulletin announcements-Wednesday evening for the next weekend. Contact Kathy at 532-3416 or e-mail lundeens@lundeens.com

Finances

Weekend of January 17, 2010

Adult Sunday	\$1,156.00
Youth	1.00
Loose Plate	68.00

WEEKLY TOTAL \$1,225.00

Other Collections:

Coffee Sunday	12.55
Haiti	816.22
"Green Envelope"	70.00
Classroom Rental	468.00

Cluster Parish News...

the marital relationship. Couples DO NOT share any aspect of their marriages with the group. The Marriage Encounter Weekend is held at St. Francis Center in Little Falls and begins on Saturday morning and ends on Sunday afternoon. Please call 320-252-3220 to register or for more information, our website is: <http://home.att.net/~stcloudme>

Thank You! I wish to thank everyone for your generous donations to the Haitian Relief Fund. Your gifts will be forwarded to Catholic Relief Services to help those who are going through such terrible suffering. In recent years Catholic Relief Services has had an excellent record of delivering professional care to those in need while spending very little for overhead costs. Fr. Jerry

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2010 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL: COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS FEB. 6/7: The Annual Diocesan Appeal helps to fund diocesan ministries that assist our parishes in providing pastoral care to our people. For example, we all know of our need for priests in our diocese. Your contribution to the Annual Diocesan Appeal helps fund the efforts of the Vocations Office including such things as Vocation Camps and Vocation presentations to our young people. Please prayerfully consider how you will respond as a member of the Body of Christ and as a faithful steward of the gifts that God has given you. Celebrate our continuing commitment to the Appeal by responding to the materials you will receive in the mail by making a financial pledge of support.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER ~ A VERY SPECIAL WEEKEND TOGETHER: FEBRUARY 13-14:

Marriage Encounter is a weekend about love. This weekend will enrich your life and your marriage. It is not a retreat, but a process which gives couples the opportunity to look at themselves privately in a loving encounter. It is a positive-building weekend which enhances

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Monday, January 25

9:00 AM - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

10:00 AM - Legion of Mary meeting

Tuesday, January 26

9:00 AM Mass

Annie Bjornson

(Ladies Society)

Wednesday, January 27

~NO MASS!~

Saturday, January 30

5:00 PM Mass

+Lawrence Happ

(R&C Anderson)

Sunday, January 31

8:30 AM Mass

+Mike Halpin (family)

Office Hours

Wednesdays 9AM – 12 PM

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Wahkon, MN 56386

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Prayer Line: Call Kathy Martinson at (320) 676-3571

Faith Formation

Lola Larson (320) 676-8607

Saturday

Lector

January

Kendal Hursey

Usher

D.Koenings/C.Koenings

Euch Min

Bea Steeber

Sunday

Lector

January

Gerald Sundboom

Usher

D&M Drabant

Euch Min

Joan Crawford

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FAITH FORMATION!

After **THIS** Sunday's Mass (January 24) there will be Faith Formation.

SLEDDING PARTY – TODAY!!!!

All families are invited to a sledding party Sunday, January 24th. We'll meet at Jim and Char Remer's place at 1:00 p.m. Bring your sleds, snowboards, skis, and a snack to share afterward with cocoa (provided). If the weather is too severe, we'll reschedule. For directions or any questions call Lola 676-8607 or Nancy 676-1491. See you there.

SWEETHEART'S SPAGHETTI DINNER

The youth group will be hosting the annual Sweetheart's Dinner on Sunday, February 14th, at 5:30 p.m.. Bring you sweetheart and enjoy a dinner of spaghetti and meatballs, garlic toast, vegetables, beverage and ice cream. Youth group members will be making gift baskets to be offered in a silent auction. Sign up sheets will be posted in the church lobby (just so we have an idea of how many to prepare for).

FELLOWSHIP WEEKEND

Saturday, February 6, & Sunday, February 7, drop in after mass to share coffee and treats with your old friends and introduce yourself to new friends. Hosted by: Kathy Martinson, Jean Novak, Patty Clayton, Elizabeth Kraus, Krista Eye, Corky Larson, Connie Roeschlein, Margaret Schubert, & Lila Hasser.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES...

2010 Sacred Heart Contribution Envelopes are ready. Please pick yours up in the parish entry. If you do not have a box and would like one please contact the parish office. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 2/14/10 – Faith Formation 9:30-11:30 AM
- 2/8/10 – KC's Meeting @ 7 PM
- 2/10/10 – Ladies Society Meeting 9:30 AM – All women of the parish are encouraged to attend the Ladies Society monthly meeting.

DEADLINE

For the bulletin is Thursdays by noon.

Finances

Weekend of January 17, 2010

Loose	\$ 396.00
Adult	676.00
Other	21.00

WEEKLY TOTAL \$1,802.80

Haiti Relief Collection \$1,000.00

Cluster Parish News, continued...

FISH FRIES AT HOLY CROSS & SACRED HEART!

We begin our "Fish Fry" rotation with Friday, February 19 at Sacred Heart. The Fish Fries are from 4:30-7 p.m.

Mark your calendars for the following fish fry dates:

SACRED HEART: 2-19-10, 3-5-10, 3-19-10

HOLY CROSS: 2-26-10, 3-12-10, 3-26-10



+ LENTEN RETREAT +

During the weekend of February 26-28, the Crosier Fathers and Brothers will offer a retreat which will be focused on "Finding Light and Life in the Cross of Christ." The presentations will look at scriptures which help us to remember that the cross is the window which helps us to see into the meaning of the Paschal Mystery. This retreat will be at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, Minnesota and Fr. Jerry Schik, OSC will be the presenter. This retreat is open to all adults who wish to make a weekend retreat. For further information please pick up a brochure from the pamphlet rack or call Fr. Jerry at 320-532-5227.

ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Feast of St. Thomas Aquinas
Thursday, January 28
 9:00 AM Mass
 +Brian Vogtlin

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, January 30
 4:00 PM Mass
 +Marcel Majka

Sunday, January 31
 10:00 AM Mass
 +Jack Dahmen

St. Thomas Aquinas 1225 - 1274

St. Thomas Aquinas was an Italian priest in the Dominican Order, and an immensely influential philosopher and theologian in the tradition of scholasticism. His influence on Western thought is considerable, and much of modern philosophy was conceived as a reaction against, or as an agreement with, his ideas, particularly in the areas of ethics, natural law and political theory. Aquinas is held in the Catholic Church to be the model teacher for those studying for the priesthood. One of the 33 Doctors of the Church, he is considered by many Catholics to be the Church's greatest theologian and philosopher. He is the patron saint of Catholic educational institutions.

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Thomas_Aquinas

Finances

Weekend of January 17, 2010

Loose	\$ 163.50
Adult	793.00
Other	77.00
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$1,033.50

Other Collection

Haiti Relief 381.28

Office Hours

Monday/Thursday
 16691 371st Avenue
 Hillman, MN 56338
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 Email-strita@brainerd.net

Prayer Line:

Call Del Kapsner, 277-3885 or
 Lilah Klaphake, 468-9913.

Saturday, January 30

Lector Rita Brown
Servers Cohilton B./Tretter
Ushers Richard Tretter/Wayne Hoheisel

Sunday, January 31

Lector Peggy Koscielniak
Servers Lillie H./Rinkel
Ushers Damian Schlegel/Brad Medek

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HAWAIIAN LUAU!

Hawaiian Luau Family Fun Night will be Saturday, January 30, from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. Adults \$4.50, 12 and under \$2, preschoolers are free. Serving from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. – roasted pork, spam fried rice, fresh pineapple, Aloha salad, macaroni and cheese, cake and cookies, Hawaiian punch and coffee. Music by DJ Ken Brambrink. Hawaiian attire is encouraged! Thank you to Peggy Koscielniak and Wendy Tretter for coordinating the “Fun”.

CASH RAFFLE, April 18

Raffle tickets will be available at weekend Masses, parish fundraisers and from parishioners. Help is needed with the distribution and sale of the tickets – please contact the parish office.

2010 BAZAAR

Barb LeBlanc has volunteered to chair the bazaar again this year and a co-chair is needed. If you are willing to co-chair, please contact Barb, 320-630-6679, or the parish office.

MARK THE DATES

- **Prime Rib or Walleye Valentine Dinner**, Saturday, February 13. Only \$14! A children's meal of macaroni and cheese, hotdog, applesauce and milk will also be available for \$3. Please help distribute advertising posters. If you can help with the dinner, please contact Calvin or Tammy Beumer, 355-2610 or calvin.beumer@gmail.com
- **Quilt Bingo**, Sunday, February 28. South Group will host. Five quilts are needed from each group. If you have not been contacted to help with the costs or “construction” of a quilt, call your Group leader. **West and North Group still need leaders.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **BUFFALO RAFFLE**, at the Pierz Ballroom, Saturday, January 30, sponsored by the Pierz KCs. Buffalo Feed from 4:30 - 8:00 p.m., drawing at 8:30 p.m. The raffle tickets, \$10, are available from Pierz KC members or businesses around the area. One-half of the proceeds go to the American Cancer Society.
- **BREAKFAST**, Sunday, February 7, hosted by Bethany Lutheran Church, Ramey, MN from 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Free will offering. Everyone invited.

ST. THERESE CHURCH

On Hwy 169 in Vineland, south of the Grand Casino Faith Formation Pat Root
 P.O. Box 26, Onamia, MN 56359
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fierrvschikosc@gmail.com

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Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, January 24
 11:00 AM Mass

\$301.37 was collected for the Haitian Relief efforts last Sunday. Thank you for your generosity.