Welcome to the WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community of:

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



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# Weekend Mass Schedule & Reconciliation Schedule

Holy Cross (Onamia)

Sunday 9:00 A.M.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

By Appointment

Sacred Heart (Wahkon)

Saturday 5:00 P.M. Sunday 8:30 A.M.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

Saturday 4:15 P.M. to 4:45 P.M.

St. Rita's (Hillman)

Saturday 4:00 P.M. Sunday 10:30 A.M.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

Saturday 3:15 P.M. to 3:45 P.M.

St. Therese (Vineland)

Sunday 11:00 A.M.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** 

By Appointment

# Plowing into the New Year

When my Dad sent me out to plow a field, he said that the first furrow is the most important. It must be straight so that the remaining furrows will be straight. (Nothing worse than a field that is plowed crooked.) He said, "Pick out a tree or a fence post on the other side of the field and head straight toward it. Never look back or you will lose your bearings momentarily and the furrow will be crooked." Jesus gave a similar message to his disciples when he instructed them about their future mission: Put your hand to the plow and don't look back. (Luke 9:62)

I think that those are good words of advice for us as we begin the New Year. Look straight ahead. Don't be looking back. When we look back, we might see missed opportunities, or financial difficulties, or disappointments in family life or poor decisions. We need to get past the past. We need to set goals for the future and keep our eyes fixed on them. We need to head straight toward those goals.

And each goal should fit inside of these four criteria:

- 1. It has to be clear. You can't reach a goal that you don't understand.
- 2. It has to be reachable. Why set a goal that you can not obtain?
- 3. It has to be written down so that you can keep it in front of you.
- 4. It has to be communicated to others so that you can be held accountable.

May God bless each of you as you set goals for the New Year! Fr. Jerry and Fr. Marv

DECEMBER 29, 2024 ~ HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH

#### HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

### Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, December 28

No Mass

Sunday, December 29

9:00 A.M. Mass

+Tom Kane (B. Kane & Family)

Monday, December 30

9:00 A.M. Mass

Tuesday, December 31

9:00 A.M. Mass

Wednesday, January 1, 2025

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

9:00 A.M. Mass

Thursday, January 2

8:00 A.M. Mass

Friday, January 3

8:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, January 4

No Mass

Sunday, January 5

9:00 A.M. Mass

Healing for ill in our Family

#### **Weekly Meetings:**

**Tuesdays** 

6:30 P.M. Rosary in the small Chapel, led by the Knights of Columbus. Everyone is welcome to join us!

#### **Monthly Meetings:**

1st Thursday

Mille Lacs Social Concerns Group -6:30 P.M. (January 2<sup>nd</sup>) at Holy Cross, Onamia.

#### **Finances**

#### **Weekend of 12/22/24**

Adult Sunday \$1,345.00 Loose Plate \$ 373.00

WEEKLY TOTAL: \$ 1,718.00

**Other Collections:** 

Coffee Sunday 21.50 **HCC** Maintenance \$ 850.00 Cemetery Renovation \$ 1,000.00 (Christmas donations will be posted

next week.)

#### Office Hours

Times vary-call to make appt. 102 N Crosier Drive, PO Box 500 Onamia, MN 56359 (320) 532-3122

Website-wohvn-in-faith.org Email-hconamia@gmail.com

**BULLETIN DEADLINE:** For Holy Cross bulletin announcements-Wednesday evening. Contact Kathy at 532-3122 or e-mail hconamia@gmail.com

Prayer Line: Call Mavonne Prokop at 651-276-3317.

Faith Formation Contact Margaret Hitzemann.

Sunday **January** Lector **TBD** 

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#### Parish News

**Please join us...** for a snack, some coffee and lots of conversation in the Holy Cross Center this weekend after mass! Have you considered volunteering to bring a treat or help clean up? If so, please contact Marty Barr at 320-232-5991.

Holy Day Mass - The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Mass at Holy Cross Church will be at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, January 1.

Just a reminder...don't forget...to save your Teal's receipts!

Remember Holy Cross Cemetery and Holy Cross Parish in your end of the year giving. We count on the generosity of our parishioners and visitors to provide the financial resources necessary to support our ministries and services provided to the children of God. If you are considering a tax-deductible gift to the parish or cemetery thank you! To ensure your gift is received and recorded properly it must be dated and post marked or received by December 31. There are several ways you can provide support to the parish or cemetery including gifts of cash, qualified charitable distributions (QCD's) from an IRA, beneficiary designations, memorials and bequests in your estate plans. Please consult your tax preparer and/or financial advisor to see how these gifts may impact your personal taxes. Questions on gifts to the parish? Please contact the parish office at 320-532-3122. Thank you!

Like us on Facebook: Holy Cross Catholic Church, Onamia MN

#### **Weekly Meetings:**

NA – Sundays 7:00 P.M.

Recovery Works - Mondays 7:00 P.M.

AA – Thursdays 7:00 P.M.

Happy New Year!

# WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community News...

Harvest of the Earth Community Dinner - The FREE Harvest of the Earth Community Dinner is held on the SECOND WEDNESDAY of each month from 6-7 P.M. during the school year. We invite every member of our community to come and dine with us! The next dinner will be on Wed., January 8th, hosted by the Alliance Church. Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Confirmation Class Schedule – Upcoming class dates: Jan. 15, Jan. 29, Feb. 5, and Feb. 19th. Confirmation Retreat will be Sunday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 9:00 A.M.-3:00 P.M., at Holy Cross. The Confirmation Mass is at 7:00 P.M. on Wed. March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 in Pierz. Should you have any questions, please contact Fr. Jerry at 320-532-3122 or Amanda Gjerde at 320-277-3595.

#### SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, December 28 5:00 P.M. Mass

Sunday, December 29

8:30 A.M. Mass

**Monday, December 30** 9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, December 31 – Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God No 9:00 A.M. Mass

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Friday, January 3 9:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, January 4 5:00 P.M. Mass

Sunday, January 5 – Epiphany 8:30 A.M. Mass

**Readings for Sunday, January 5:** Isiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 & Matthew 2:1-12.

#### **Finances**

Financials will be listed in the bulletin next week.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- 1/12- Faith Formation
- 1/13- Knights of Columbus
- 1/15- Confirmation

# **Happy New Year!**

#### **Office Hours**

Fridays – Times vary-call to schedule an appointment. 225 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, PO Box 68 Wahkon, MN 56386 (320) 495-3324

Website-wohvn-in-faith.org

Email - sacredheart56386@yahoo.com

**DEADLINE** For Sacred Heart bulletin announcements-Wednesday.

**Prayer Line:** Call Sharon Moenkhaus at (763)744-8605.

Faith Formation Contact Fr. Jerry.

Saturday January
Lector Kendal Hursey
Euch. Min. 3 Ministers Needed
Ushers Needed

Sunday January

LectorRichard SchumacherEuch. Min.3 Ministers NeededUshersUshers Needed

#### Parish News

NEW YEAR LITURGY – The Solemnity of Mary (Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>) Holy Day vigil mass will be Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup> at 5:00 P.M.

MASS MINISTER SCHEDULING- Attention all Mass Ministers – Lectors, Ushers and Eucharistic Ministers – Kathy will be writing the yearly schedule for Mass ministers soon. Please review your schedule from last year and if you need to make any changes, please let her know by contacting the Parish office with a note, phone call or e-mail (<a href="mailto:sacredheart56386@yahoo.com">sacredheart56386@yahoo.com</a>) \*If there are **new volunteers** interested in helping out with one of these ministries, please contact the parish office. Training and materials are provided. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve the people of Sacred Heart.

**Faith Formation -** Our next Faith Formation will meet on Sunday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning with mass at 8:30 A.M., hospitality after mass and class from 9:45 A.M. until 11:00 A.M. If you have any questions, or you would like to sign a child up for our program, please contact Kendal Hursey at 320-364-0205.

MASS INTENTIONS - Each liturgy has a special intention and this can vary from celebrating the Eucharist for all the parishioners of the cluster, to a special intention, or a special occasion like an anniversary, wedding, successful acceptance of employment, etc. These intentions can also be in memory of someone deceased, or in thanksgiving for various blessings from God. Requests and \$10 donation can be placed in the collection basket or at parish office.

Just a reminder...don't forget... don't forget to save your Teal's receipts.

# WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community News...

**New Census Forms** – With our ACC wide Christmas letter, we included a new Census form to everyone in all the parishes. Please return the form to <u>your</u> parish office by way of the mail, collection basket or dropping it off. Each of our parishes has a new program and we need this updated information to fully utilize the new system. Please save us time by returning your completed form so that we don't have to call you!

**Festival of Families** – Mark your calendars for the second Diocesan Festival of Families! Sunday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., St. Francis Xavier, Sartell. An event designed for families to gather, play, pray, learn, and celebrate their Catholic faith. This day is meant to build relationships and celebrate the joy of being Catholic. Cost of \$25 per family (no matter the size). For more information, please visit: **https://www.stcdio.org/Festival-of-Families** 

COME AND FOLLOW ME...Have you ever encountered someone that has made you say, "I want to be like that"? Someone who, not only talks the talk but walks the faith every day? Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for March 21-23, 2025, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, MN. Cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to <a href="https://www.centralmnkoinonia.org">www.centralmnkoinonia.org</a> for more information and to register for retreats.

#### ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Worship/Weekly Events

#### Saturday, December 28

4:00 p.m. Mass

+Gilbert Moonen

#### Sunday, December 29

10:30 a.m. Mass

+Joyce Gotvald

#### Tuesday, December 31

4:00 p.m. Mass Poor Souls

#### Solemnity of Mary

#### Wednesday, January 1, 2025

10:30 a.m. Mass

+Christian Women

#### Thursday, January 2

8:00 a.m. Mass

+Jim & Rita Pekarek

#### Friday, January 3

8:00 a.m. Mass

+Madeline Moren

#### Saturday, January 4

4:00 p.m. Mass

+LeRoy, Leona & Ricky Held and twin boys Held

#### Sunday, January 5

10:30 a.m. Mass

+Eileen Brausen

#### **Finances**

#### Weekend of December 22, 2024

Adult	\$ 1,115.00
Loose	\$ 1,215.75
Votive Stands	\$ 20.00
Total	\$ 2,350.75
Quilt Donations	\$ 110.00

#### Office Hours: Hours Vary

Please Call

16691 371st Avenue Hillman, MN 56338 (320) 277-3807 strita@brainerd.net

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**Prayer Line:** 

Lilah Klaphake (320) 468-9913

#### **Liturgical Assignments**

#### \*Saturday, January 4

Lector: Sydney Kapsner Euch. Ministers: Mike Boser Ushers: John Gotvald/Volunteer

Servers: Volunteers \*Sunday, January 5 Lector: Jodi Kruschek

Euch. Ministers: Jane Barclay Jim Beumer/Deb Novak Sacristan: Jane Barclay

Ushers: Brad Medek/Jim Hayes Servers: Amanda Gotvald/Volunteer

#### Parish News

Solemnity of Mary Mother of God falls exactly one week after Christmas, the end of the octave of Christmas. When Catholics celebrate the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God, we are not only honoring Mary, who was chosen among all women throughout history to bear God incarnate, but we are also honoring our Lord, who is fully God and fully human. Calling Mary "Mother of God" is the highest honor we can give Mary. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace," the Solemnity of Mary Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace." This solemnity, falling on New Year's Day, is also designated the World Day of Peace. This Solemnity is a Holy Day of Obligation. The Holy Day Masses at Saint Rita will be at 4:00 p.m. on December 31 and at 10:30 a.m. on January 1.

**Acolyte** is the name of a person who is appointed to attend to the service of the altar and assist the priest in liturgical celebrations, especially in the celebration of Mass ... He may also, to the extent needed, take care of instructing other faithful who on a temporary basis are appointed to assist the priest or deacon in liturgical celebrations by carrying the missal, cross, candles, etc., or by performing other such duties.

#### **Christmas Collection:** \$ 5,000.00 Adult

Loose \$ 2,199.00 Votives \$ 100.00 \$7,349.00

"By her motherhood, Mary shows us that humility and tenderness are not virtues of the weak, but of the strong" -Pope Francis

# ST. THERESE CHURCH

# Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, December 29 11:00 A.M.

#### **Finances**

#### Weekend of December 22

Adult 42.00 159.68 Loose **Total** 201.68

On Hwy 169 in Vineland, south of the Grand Casino P.O. Box 26, Onamia, MN 56359 (320) 532-3601

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Total

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Faith Formation: Contact Holy Cross.

#### Parish News

# Happy New Year!