

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

Laetare

Passing too quickly over the phrase, “the reproach of Egypt” in today’s first reading risks missing the message of this Fourth, or *Laetare*, Sunday of Lent.

The “reproach” refers to the fact that many Israelites then entering the Promised Land under Joshua’s were uncircumcised. The pilgrimage out of Egypt began forty years before, with all male Israelites circumcised, the sacred sign of belonging to the People. Many of them died in the desert, but unfortunately, newly born males on the way were no longer circumcised. Imagine uncircumcised Jews entering the Promised Land! They would be no better than the uncircumcised Egyptians! This is the “reproach of Egypt!” So, Joshua performed the rite of circumcision before the first celebration of the Passover in the Promised Land. The Chosen People would eat “the produce of the land” and no longer the manna of the desert. They would, despite the detours, be able to rejoice (*laetare*) at finally being home.

We can read our own Christian story here. In his Second Letter to the Corinthians, Paul teaches that we Christians are a “new creation” in Christ, the new People on our way home to the Final Kingdom. We have been liberated from sin and signed with the Cross in Baptism. As we make our way, our behavior sometimes shows that we have weakened or even lost our Cross identity and commitment. We are blameworthy. Corrections are needed before we can sit at the Paschal Banquet of Easter, to eat and drink rejoicingly (*laetare*) in our truest home. Lent is our way to reroute.

We see our Christian journey, too, in today’s parable of the Prodigal Son. The wayward boy, once secure in his father’s house, runs away, wandering thanklessly and recklessly through the desert of life. He had stained his sonship. When he hits bottom, he comes to his senses and his Lent begins. Penitent, he rehearses his confession as he turns back home to his father. His father has been welcoming him all along and graciously restores him to his place in the family. Despite the angry protests of the older, more “correct,” brother, whom the father loved as well, the feasting begins. And why not? The Prodigal went from dead to alive, and the whole household rightfully rejoices (*laetare*) with him!

No matter what our desert stigma, our cowardly blame or our reckless abandon in life, Lent is our way back to *laetare*.

Fr. Bob Rossi, osc

MARCH 30, 2025 ~ 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, March 29

No Mass

Sunday, March 30

9:00 A.M. Mass

+Chauncey Myers (M & B Baniecke)

Monday, March 31

8:00 A.M. Mass

Tuesday, April 1

8:00 A.M. Mass

Wednesday, April 2

No Mass

Thursday, April 3

8:00 A.M. Mass

Friday, April 4

8:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, April 5

No Mass

Sunday, April 6

9:00 A.M. Mass

+Fr. Jim Remmerswaal, osc
(M & B Milton)

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. (April 3rd)
at Holy Cross, Onamia.

Finances

Weekend of 03/23/25

Adult Sunday \$ 850.00

Loose Plate \$ 299.00

WEEKLY TOTAL: \$ 1,149.00

Other Collections:

Rice Bowl \$ 25.00

Easter Flowers \$ 140.00



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

Office Hours

Times vary-call to make appt.
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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

Lector

Euch Min

Ushers

Greeter

Gift Bearers

April

Tom Dominik

3Volunteers Needed

2 Ushers Needed

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers Needed

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.

Fish Fry home stretch! Thank you to everyone that showed up to help and to eat, at our second Lenten Fish Fry. We have one more scheduled for **April 11th**. Help is still needed and the sign-up sheet is available in the Narthex. (Don't forget, Sacred Heart has one more fish fry on April 4th!)

Stations of the Cross – Stations of the Cross will be on Friday, April 11th at 4:00 p.m. (Same Friday as our Fish Fry!)

Choir Practice – Choir practice for the Holy Week and Easter liturgies will be held on the Thursdays April 3 & 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the church.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MINISTERS NEEDED - We are in need of ministers during the Holy Week and Easter liturgies. If you will be in the area during this time, please let us know how you can help by signing up! Sign-up sheets are on the counter in the Narthex. Thank you for your willingness to serve!

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES - Congratulations to all couples celebrating anniversaries during the month of April: Tom & Sue Dominik 4/15/72; Chuck & Marilyn Rhode 4/26/80; Lou & Linda Zytkovicz 4/30/83. **Note:** If you would like your anniversary remembered in the monthly announcement, please contact Kathy at the parish office.

Communal Penance – Lenten Communal Penance Service will be Wednesday, April 9th at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome!

Weekly Meetings:

NA – Sundays 7:00 P.M.

Recovery Works – Mondays 7:00 P.M.

AA – Thursdays 7:00 P.M.

WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community News...

TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is a three-day retreat based on the Paschal Mystery. It's. It's an opportunity to discover more about yourself, connect with other faith-based individuals, and deepen your relationship with Christ. A TEC weekend offers a space to show up authentically and celebrate God's unconditional love. It has been described as action-packed, life-changing, affirming, and unforgettable. Join our community of over 40,000 who have made a TEC in Central Minnesota. Three days might just change your life. Open to anyone ages 16+. Scholarships are available, contact your parish office.

For more information, visit cmtec.org or call (320)532-4455. Questions about TEC? Ask someone who's been there: Tim Honek, Margaret Hitzemann, Mary Pat Sorvik, Kathy Lundeen, Fr. Marcos, Richard Schumacher, Br. Salama, Marge Agnew, Br. Rio, Paul Dickson, Amanda Gjerde or Brenda Gotvald. **Future retreat dates to sign-up:** April 11-13, June 28-30, August 1-3 and October 17-19.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, March 29

5:00 P.M. Mass
+Jack Hasser (L. Hasser)

Sunday, March 30

8:30 A.M. Mass
+Betty Christensen (J & J Crawford)

Monday, March 31

9:00 A.M.-10:00 A.M.
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, April 1

NO 9:00 A.M. Mass

Friday, April 4

9:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, April 5

5:00 P.M. Mass

Sunday, April 6

8:30 A.M. Mass

Readings for Sunday, April 6th:

Isaiah 43:16-21; Philippians 3:8-14 &
John 8:1-11.

Finances

Weekend of March 23, 2025

Adult Sunday	\$	960.00
Plate	\$	221.00
Easter	\$	20.00
Easter Flowers	\$	288.00
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$	1,489.00

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **04/04** – Finance Council Meeting
- **04/04** – KC Fish Fry
- **04/06** – Faith Formation
- **04/13** – Palm Sunday

Office Hours

Fridays – Times vary-call to schedule an appointment.
225 E 2nd Street, PO Box 68
Wahkon, MN 56386
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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

Lector
Euch. Min.
Ushers

April

Nancy Gustafson
3 Ministers Needed
Ushers Needed

Sunday

Lector
Euch. Min.
Ushers

April

Richard Schumacher
3 Ministers Needed
Ushers Needed

Parish News

Please join us...after 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday morning for a reception to honor our young people that were recently confirmed: Kylie Lorentz, Ashton Romann, Carson Lorentz, Jacob Schoeck, Hunter Naplin and Gabriel Honek. Everyone is welcome!

Finance Council – Sacred Heart Finance Council will meet Friday, April 4th at 1:00 P.M.

FELLOWSHIP SATURDAY APRIL 5 AND SUNDAY APRIL 6, drop in after mass to share coffee and treats with your old friends and introduce yourself to new friends. Hosted by: Marlene Sundboom, Pat Kroll, Mary Jevne, Dawn Honnold, Fran Kacon, Barb Schug, Delores Beert, Sue Carlson, Corky Larson and Molly Larson.

Faith Formation - Our next Faith Formation will be Sunday, **April 6th**, 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, please contact Kendal Hursey at 320-364-0205.

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Jubilee 2025 – Pilgrims of Hope - What is a Jubilee Year? A Holy Year of the forgiveness of sin, conversion and joyful celebration. The Diocese of St. Cloud launched a new Pilgrimage Passport Project for the Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope. This passport includes a list of pilgrimage sites (including the Shrine of St. Odilia in Onamia!) as well as spiritual and corporal works of mercy. Passports are available at each of our WOHVn in Faith ACC parishes. We invite you to visit the Shrine Monday -Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For weekends or for group visits, please call the Crosier Fathers and Brothers at (320) 532-3103 to schedule an appointment. More information is also available on the Diocesan website at <https://stcdio.org/jubilee-2025-pilgrims-of-hope/>

Harvest of the Earth Community Dinner –The Harvest of the Earth Community Dinner is held on the **SECOND WEDNESDAY** of each month from 6-7 P.M. during the school year and there is no cost for the meal. We invite every member of our community to come and dine with us! The next dinner will be on Wednesday, April 9th, hosted by Bethany Lutheran Church. Don't forget to mark your calendars!

FISH FRIES AT SACRED HEART AND HOLY CROSS! There are two more left! The Fish Fries are from 4:30-7 P.M. Mark your calendars for the following fish fry dates: **SACRED HEART: APRIL 4 AND HOLY CROSS: APRIL 11.** **NOTE:** Stations of the Cross will be held at 4:00 P.M. at the church where the fish fry is being held.

ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, March 29

4:00 p.m. Mass
+August and Marcella Boser

Sunday, March 30

10:30 a.m. Mass
+Ron and Evie Boser

Tuesday, April 1

8:00 a.m. Mass
+Poor Souls

Wednesday, April 2

8:00 a.m. Mass

Stations of the Cross

7:00 p.m.

Thursday, April 3

8:00 a.m. Mass
+Christian Women

Friday, April 4

8:00 a.m. Mass
+Rueben and Madeline Hoheisel

Saturday, April 5

4:00 p.m. Mass
+Joyce Marshik

Sunday, April 6

10:30 a.m. Mass
+Bob Ferche

Office Hours: Hours Vary
Please Call
16691 371st Avenue
Hillman, MN 56338
(320) 277-3807
strita@brainerd.net
wohvn-in-faith.org

Prayer Line:
Lilah Klaphake (320) 468-9913

Liturgical Assignments

***Saturday, April 5**

Lector: Wendy Tretter
Euch. Minister: Mike Boser
Ushers: Richard Tretter/Volunteer

***Sunday, April 6**

Lector: Raneyl Moren
Euch. Ministers: Calvin Beumer
Deb Novak/Jim Beumer
Sacristan: Jane Barclay
Ushers: Steve Lochner/Volunteer
Servers: Katie K./Allison G.

Parish News

Please join us in congratulating Emma Diederich, Allie Gadacz, Kaiya Gotvald, Brady Meyer, Tyler Novak, Molly Poster, and Mackenzie Willman as they professed the commitment to their faith through Confirmation last week.

Communal Penance Service: Thursday, April 3rd at 7:00 p.m. If unable to attend, there will be confessions on Palm Sunday at 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: will be on the following Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. - April 2 & 9

Faith Formation classes will be held on Saturday, April 5th starting at 8:30. Father Bob Rossi will be visiting with students about the missions.

Faith Formation Pancake Breakfast is on April 6th. The cash raffle drawing and the quilt raffle drawing will also take place. Proceeds from the pancake breakfast will go to the missions. Please join us in helping the students make this a great fundraiser.

St. Cloud Cathedral Chrism Mass is on Thursday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m.

Deep Cleaning of the Parish Center is scheduled for Saturday, April 12 at 9:00. Everyone is asked to help.

Finances

Weekend of March 23, 2025

Adult	\$	735.00
Loose	\$	889.00
Votive Stands	\$	36.00
Total	\$	1,660.00
Cash Raffle Tickets	\$	240.00
Bazaar Raffle Donation	\$	50.00
House Reimbursement	\$	500.00

ST. TERESE CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, March 30, 2025

11:00 A.M.

On Hwy 169 in Vineland, south of the Grand Casino
P.O. Box 26, Onamia, MN 56359
(320) 532-3601
Website-wohvn-in-faith.org
Email-sttheresevineland@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Contact Holy Cross.

Finances

Weekend of March 23

Adult	\$	45.00
Loose	\$	145.15
Total	\$	190.15

Parish News

When you arise in the morning, think of what a precious privilege it is to be alive, to breathe, to think, to enjoy, to love. **Saint Mother Teresa**