



# WOHVn-in-Faith

Area Catholic Community

**Holy Cross, Sacred Heart, St. Rita, and St. Therese**

**Today's feast** originated in Canada in the 17th century with devotion to the Holy Family. In 1921, Pope Benedict XV added it to the Church's universal calendar. The feast encourages modeling family life on the Holy Family during periods of social change and the breakdown of family life.

Our 1<sup>st</sup> reading from Sirach offers guidance on parent-child relationships that foster a "house raised in justice." The Responsorial Psalm and the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading that follow encourage family members to walk in God's ways and "see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life."

The Gospel reading concerns protecting the Child Jesus at all costs so that his life's mission could be accomplished. The Flight into Egypt exemplifies a "family strategy" for identifying areas of danger and developing effective child-protection plans.

Consider what significantly impacts family life today, such as the economy, digital addiction, gun violence, education, nutrition, and family cohesion. Child-raising demands on parents are enormous. What is the real harm, and when and how to shield children from it? On the other hand, when and how should parents allow their children the struggles that build resilience and strength for the future?

The Holy Family had God's grace for its family life. Today's parents can look to the Sacrament of Marriage to ensure the grace of a good family life.

**Fr. Bob Rossi, osc**

## Office Hours

ACC office hours are **9-5 Thursday** at Holy Cross. Please call the ACC office at 320-532-3122 to make an appointment outside of these hours.

## Contacts

### Pastor

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**December 28, 2025 - Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

# Events

## December 27<sup>th</sup> to January 4<sup>th</sup>

	<b>Saturday</b>	
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita	3:15 pm
<b>27</b>	Mass - St. Rita (+Brenda Schmitt)	4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart	4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart (+Richard Schumacher)	5:00 pm
<b>28</b>	<b>Sunday - Holy Family</b>	
	Mass Sacred Heart (+Mary Dubow)	8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross (Louis & Lois Gravel Anniv.)	9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (Kasper & Margaret Kruschek)	10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese	11:00 am
<b>29</b>	<b>Monday</b>	
	Mass - Holy Cross	9:00 am
<b>30</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	
	Mass - Holy Cross	9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita	8:00 am
	Rosary - Holy Cross (Small Chapel)	6:30 pm
<b>31</b>	<b>Wednesday - New Years Eve</b>	
	Mass - St. Rita	4:00 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart (Sacred Heart Parish)	5:00 pm
<b>1</b>	<b>Thursday - Solemnity of Mary</b>	
	Mass - Holy Cross (Holy Cross Parish)	9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (St. Rita Parish)	10:30 am
<b>2</b>	<b>Friday - First Friday</b>	
	Mass - Holy Cross	9:00 am
	Mass - Sacred Heart (+Jerry Crawford)	9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (+Terry Ethan)	8:00 am
<b>3</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita	3:15 pm
	Mass - St. Rita (+Bette Block)	4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart	4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart (+Sharon Quast)	5:00 pm
<b>4</b>	<b>Sunday - Epiphany</b>	
	Mass Sacred Heart (+Richard Schumacher)	8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross (+Ron & Mary Boser)	9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (John & Clara Gotvald)	10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese	11:00 am

## Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

### Holy Day of Obligation

Dec. 31 - St. Rita - 4:00 pm  
 Dec. 31 - Sacred Heart - 5:00 pm  
 Jan. 1 - Holy Cross - 9:00 am  
 Jan. 1 - St. Rita - 10:30 am

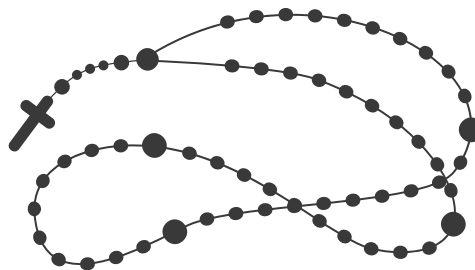
## Rosary for Richard Schumacher

### Sacred Heart and WOHSVn in Faith Members

The Fr. Hennepin Council of the Knights of Columbus will be hosting a **memorial rosary** for Richard Schumacher, who died on November 9<sup>th</sup>.

The KC's will hold their regular meeting Monday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., followed by the **rosary at 6:30** in the church with a light meal to follow in the parish hall.

The KC's are hosting this as there was no funeral Mass. They are inviting all parishioners of Sacred Heart and WOHSVn in Faith ACC members who wish to attend.



## Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Saturdays

St. Rita 3:15 pm

Sacred Heart 4:15 pm

**By Appointment** (call 320-532-3122)

Holy Cross

St. Therese

## Next Sunday Readings:

January 4 - Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

**The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**, celebrated on January 1st, honors Mary's unique role as the mother of Jesus Christ, emphasizing her divine motherhood (Theotokos) and her vital part in God's plan of salvation, serving as a model of faith, obedience, and a spiritual mother for all Christians, aligning with the New Year for peace and new beginnings.

# Events

## Holiday Bulletin Schedule

*All WOHVn in Faith Parishes*

The deadline for all bulletin announcements for the week of New Years, will be Monday **12-29 by noon**. Please submit your announcements electronically to: [wohvnbusinessmanager@gmail.com](mailto:wohvnbusinessmanager@gmail.com)

## Holy Day Ministers

*Sacred Heart & Holy Cross*

January 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Day **ministers are needed**. There are sign-up sheets at the entry at Sacred Heart and on the counter in the Narthex at Holy Cross. Thank you in advance for your willingness to serve the parishioners of Sacred Heart and Holy Cross.

## Holiday Office Schedule

*All WOHVn in Faith Parishes*

The Parish Offices will be closed on January 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.

# WOHVn News

## Finances

Weekend of December 21, 2025

### Sacred Heart

Adult Sunday	\$ 6,500.00
Plate	453.26
Other (Christmas & Flower Mem.)	<u>555.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 7,058.26</b>

### Holy Cross

Adult Sunday	\$ 965.00
Plate	765.00
Other (Flower Memorials, Misc.)	<u>418.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,148.00</b>

### St. Rita

Adult Sunday	\$ 847.00
Plate	1,278.00
Other (Hall Usage, votives, Rel. Ret.)	<u>140.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 2,265.00</b>

### St. Therese

Adult Sunday	\$ 50.00
Plate	103.14
Other (Religious Retirement)	<u>20.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 173.14</b>

## Prayers for the Deceased

*Holy Cross*

Please pray for Alan Dykstra who died on December 19<sup>th</sup>. May he live forever with Jesus in the Kingdom of Heaven.

## Prayer Line

*Holy Cross, Sacred Heart & St. Rita*

A Prayer Line is a line of communication among believers who are willing to be "on call" to pray for a specific need. The set up allows prayer requests to be relayed immediately without waiting. If you have a Prayer Line request for a specific need, simply call one of the people listed below.

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please contact Kathy at the parish office.

Holy Cross - Mavonne Prokop at 651-276-3317

Sacred Heart - Sharon Moenkhaus at (763)744-860

St. Rita - Lilah Klaphake (320) 468-9913



*Happy  
New Year!*

## 2026 Contribution Envelopes

*St. Rita*

Beginning in 2026, the St. Rita weekly collection envelopes will be sent directly to parishioners on a bi-monthly basis. If you do not receive your envelopes or have questions, please contact Kathy at the parish office, 320-532-3122.

## January Anniversaries

Congratulations to all couples celebrating anniversaries during the month of January:  
Peter & Christina Straw 1/18/03, Eric & Ronnie Strang 1/19 and Eldon & Carol Pederson 1/20. Note: If you would like your anniversary remembered in the monthly announcement, please contact Kathy at the parish office.

## Gift with your IRA Distribution

Making a gift through your Individual Retirement Account (IRA) is a great way to support our parishes. This type of giving can also help you fulfill your required minimum annual distribution and avoid income taxes because an IRA gift generates neither taxable income nor a tax deduction, which helps even if you do not itemize deductions. Contact Kathy in the parish office at 320-532-3122 for more information. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

## Liturgical Ministers Wanted

*All WOHVn in Faith Parishes*

Is the Holy Spirit calling you to serve your parish family as a Lector, Eucharistic Minister, Usher, Server, Sacristan or musician? If you have been discerning how you can help in one of these ministries, please contact Kathy at 320-532-3122 or talk with Fr. Marv or Fr. Jerry. Training is available.

## Confirmation Class

*Holy Cross*

Watch your email for the upcoming Confirmation Schedule. All classes are held at Holy Cross beginning at 7:00 p.m. for approximately one hour.

The Retreat will be held Sunday, Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> from 9:00 A.M.- 3:00 P.M., at Holy Cross. Any questions, contact Kathy Lundeen at 320-532-3122.

## Faith Formation

*St. Rita*

The next Faith Formation class will meet on Saturday, January 10 beginning at 8:30 a.m.

## Save your Teal's Receipts!

*Sacred Heart and Holy Cross*

As you do your Christmas grocery shopping, don't forget to save your Teal's receipts! Teal's will donate 1% of money back to our parishes of Sacred Heart and Holy Cross from the receipts collected. There are boxes at both church entrances. Thank you!

## At a Glance

*Recurring gatherings held on-site*

**KC Father Hennepin** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday, 6pm (Sacred Heart)

**KC St. Joseph** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 7pm (Holy Cross)

**NA** - Sundays, 7:00 pm (Holy Cross)

**Recovery Works** - Mondays, 7:00 pm (Holy Cross)

**AA** - Thursdays, 7:00 pm (Holy Cross)

## Connect With Us!

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