



WOHVn-in-Faith

Area Catholic Community

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

This is Christianity.

There they stood--after being personally called, after three exciting years of hands-on discipleship, after running scared at his Passion and Death, after seeing, touching and eating with him for weeks once he had risen--there they stood, the eleven of them, open-mouthed, stuck in a kind of trance, just staring up into the sky as he ascended to his Father. Two Men in White jolted them back to reality.

Go back to Jerusalem. Wait for the Spirit. Start baptizing. Get on with putting the whole universe under his feet, with ushering in the New Heavens and the New Earth until he returns. This is Christianity.

Yes, raise your grateful hearts and eyes to heaven, but always in the interest, God's interest, of realizing the Kingdom in the world around you. "Thy Kingdom come." Yes, do your Bible studies and faith sharing, but always faithful to their purpose, God's purpose, of giving rebirth to the Garden. "As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be."

Despite years, centuries, millennia of Christianity, we can still get stuck staring up into the heavens, losing enlightened eyes for what it's all about. But Christ is as much "down here" as "up there," until that final moment when full life from "up there" is finally realized "down here" for each of us and all of us together.

Fr. Bob Rossi, osc

Office Hours

ACC office hours are **10-5 Thursday** at Holy Cross. Please call the ACC office at 320-532-3122 to make an appointment outside of these hours.

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May 17, 2026 - Ascension of the Lord

Events

May 16th & 24th

	Saturday		
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita		3:15 pm
16	Mass - St. Rita <i>(Special Intention)</i>		4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart		4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart <i>(+Bob Lewandowski)</i>		5:00 pm
17	Sunday - Ascension		
	Mass - Sacred Heart <i>(+Nancy Walicki)</i>		8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross <i>(+Ron Schmidt)</i>		9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita <i>(+Joyce Marshik)</i>		10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese		11:00 am
18	Monday		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
19	Tuesday		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita <i>(+Ron Rinkel)</i>		8:00 am
	Rosary - Holy Cross (Small Chapel)		6:30 pm
20	Wednesday		
	Mass - St. Rita		8:00 am
	Mass - Holy Cross		4:30 pm
21	Thursday		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita <i>(+Stefan Koscielniak)</i>		8:00 am
22	Friday		
	Holy Cross		8:00 am
	St. Rita		8:00 am
23	Saturday		
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita		3:15 pm
	Mass - St. Rita <i>(+Rose & Duane Hoffman)</i>		4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart		4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart <i>(+Nancy Walicki)</i>		5:00 pm
24	Sunday - Pentecost		
	Mass - Sacred Heart <i>(+Jerry Crawford)</i>		8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross <i>(Rev. August L. Otto MSF)</i>		9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita <i>(+Ed & Mary Beumer)</i>		10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese		11:00 am

Celebrating 70 yrs together!

Holy Cross



Come and Celebrate Ed & Betty Gibas' 70th Wedding Anniversary this Sunday, May 17th. An Open House will be held from Noon to 3:00 pm in Holy Cross Center, Onamia. **NO GIFTS**-your presence is enough!

Baby Bottle Campaign

Holy Cross, Sacred Heart and St. Rita

The Baby Bottle Campaign to support the Rum River Life Choices Center is under way! There are still baby bottles available at our WOHVn in Faith parishes, so grab one and let's help them raise funds for their important pro-life ministry!

90th Birthday Celebration!

Holy Cross



On Sunday, May 23rd from 2-5 pm in the Holy Cross Center dining hall, we will be celebrating Jean Athman's 90th birthday! Stop by and let's celebrate Jean!!!

Memorial Day Services

WOHVn in Faith ACC

Memorial Day Services in our WOHVn in Faith ACC:

Holy Cross: Morning Mass will be at 9:00 am

Sacred Heart Cemetery: 10:30 am Memorial Service

St. Rita Cemetery: 21 Gun Salute around 12:45 pm

Memorial Day Powwow: Mille Lacs Powwow Grounds from 12:30 -4:30 pm.



Next Sunday's Readings:

May 23rd - Pentecost

Acts 2:1-11

1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

John 20:19-23



Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays

St. Rita 3:15 pm

Sacred Heart 4:15 pm

By Appointment (call 320-532-3122)

Holy Cross

St. Therese

Events/WOHVn News

Spring Rummage Sale



St. Rita

The Spring Rummage Sale at St. Rita's is set! The dates will be: **May 21st 8 am - 6 pm; May 22nd 8 am - 6 pm and May 23rd 8 am to Noon and after 4 pm Mass.**

There are sign-up sheets and posters to distribute at the church entry. **Drop off dates and times:** Sunday, May 17th after Mass, Tuesday, May 19th from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Wednesday, May 20th from 9:00 a.m. to noon. Please take time to set out and display the items you bring in.

NO ELECTRONICS, FURNITURE OR CAR SEATS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Thank you In advance for all the items donated! Any questions, please contact Mary Lou at 320-277-3782.

Music Practice



Holy Cross

Music practice in preparation for the Pentecost liturgy at Holy Cross will be held on the Thursday, **May 21st** in the church at **7:00 pm**. If you plan to join in the music for this special liturgy, please make sure to come to practice. Questions, contact Kathy Statz or Mary Pat.

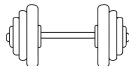
Senior Day at the ROC!



All Area Seniors

All Seniors are invited to the Ralph Olson Center (ROC) in Onamia on **Wednesday, May 27th** from **11:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.** We will have a hot lunch, dessert, meet and visit with friends and play Bingo! If you would like to attend and need a ride, please call Alice Nickolay at 612-760-1333. We look forward to seeing you!

Bone Builders



St. Rita

Due to the rummage sale at St Rita's next week, and Memorial Weekend, Bone Builders will be cancelled until Wednesday, May 27th. In the mean time, keep on moving!

Ladies Society Academic Awards

Sacred Heart

The Sacred Heart Ladies Society is offering two \$500 awards for members of Sacred Heart parish who are continuing their education. To qualify you must be starting classes at a college or vocational school in the Fall of 2026. Award applications may be picked up at the Ladies Society folder at Sacred Heart Church.

Completed applications must be returned to the Ladies Society folder or emailed to sacredheart56386@yahoo.com by August 1, 2026.

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

Sacred Heart

The Father Hennepin Knights of Columbus, Sacred Heart Church, Wahkon, are hosting a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast **Sunday, May 24th** from **7:30 – 11:00 A.M.** Cost: Free will offering. Let the Knights cook breakfast for you!

Rosary in May

Sacred Heart

Please join the Knights of Columbus in honoring Jesus and his mother Mary by praying the Rosary 20 minutes before each weekend mass during the month of May.

Cemetery Maintenance

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

On Memorial Weekend, May 23/24 there will be a second collection at our parishes to help support the current operating expenses and perpetual care funds of the cemeteries at St. Rita, Holy Cross, Sacred Heart and St. Therese. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Thank you, Ken!

St. Rita

Thank-you to Ken Brambrink for the beautiful job done in updating the votive stand! Your work is appreciated.

WOHVn News

Finances

Weekend of May 10, 2026

Sacred Heart

Adult	\$ 1,400.00
Plate	586.00
Other	<u>0.00</u>
Weekly Total:	\$ 1,986.00

Holy Cross

Adult	\$ 970.00
Plate	462.00
Other (HCC Maint., HCC Usage)	<u>375.00</u>
Weekly Total:	\$ 1,807.00

St. Rita

Adult	\$ 1,196.00
Plate	1,465.00
Other (Votive, Mission, Cookbook)	<u>144.00</u>
Weekly Total:	\$ 2,704.00

St. Therese

Adult	\$ 95.00
Plate	822.00
Other	<u>0.00</u>
Weekly Total:	\$ 917.00

All Things New: Mass Schedule

Dear WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community

Parishioners and Visitors:

After discussion with parish leadership, the Mass schedule **to begin on June 1, 2026** will be:

- Saturday - 4:00 pm St. Rita, Hillman (Fr. Marv)
- Sunday - 8:30 am Sacred Heart, Wahkon (Fr. Marv)
- Sunday - 9:00 am Holy Cross, Onamia (Fr. Jerry)
- Sunday - 10:30 am St. Rita, Hillman (Fr. Marv)
- Sunday - 11:00 am St. Therese, Vineland (Fr. Jerry)

As we await the decision of Bishop Neary, we ask for your prayers and your patience as we journey through these changes together.

Fr. Marv and Fr. Jerry

Thanks for dinner!

Holy Cross

Thank you to the Onamia Lions Club for hosting a delicious dinner last Wednesday! Our Harvest of the Earth Free Community Dinners are held from September through May on the second Wednesday of the month. Thank you to all the organizations that hosted a dinner throughout the school year. Have a wonderful summer, and see you next fall!

Bulletin Announcements

All WOHVn in Faith Parishes

Bulletin Announcements – Any parish group, person or organization wishing to have an announcement added to our weekly bulletin, please send to wohvnbusinessmanager@gmail.com by noon on Wednesday. Thanks!

At a Glance

Recurring gatherings held on-site

Social Concerns - 1st Sunday after 9 am Mass (Holy Cross)

KC Father Hennepin - 2nd Monday, 6 pm (Sacred Heart)

Ladies Society - 2nd Tuesday, 9 am (Sacred Heart)

KC St. Joseph - 2nd Tuesday, 7 pm (St. Rita)

NA - Sundays, 7 pm (Holy Cross)

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

AA - Thursdays, 7 pm (Holy Cross)

Find the weekly bulletin online at
<https://www.wohvn-in-faith.org/weeklybulletin>

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