Welcome to the WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community of:

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



#### **Contacts**

#### **Pastor**

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Holy Cross/ Kathy Lundeen (320) 532-3122 Sacred Heart/ Kathy Lundeen (320) 495-3324 St. Rita/ Brenda Gotvald (320) 277-3807 St. Therese (320) 532-3601

## 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

## Reviewing the meaning of "Area Catholic Community"

Five years ago, Bishop Donald Kettler introduced the diocese to the Area Catholic Communities (ACC) concept as a new way for parishes to be working together. In his letter, he said that the ACCs of our diocese will be different from the "clustering" arrangements that parishes were part of in the past. Clustered parishes negotiated Mass times and shared bulletins but "often thought of themselves as independent from one another".

He further explained that as part of an ACC the parishes would be called to "new levels of collaboration and resource-sharing." Pastors will work closely with lay staff, volunteers and all the parishioners from the ACC's parishes to meet the spiritual and pastoral needs of their area. He said that "collaboration, not competition, is the key to the success of this process." A short time later the diocese placed the parishes of the diocese into groupings that are called Area Catholic Communities. (The word "cluster" is no longer used.) Our four parishes were placed into an ACC and we decided that our ACC would be called the WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community. (W is for Wahkon, O is for Onamia, H is for Hillman and V is Vineland)

Then Bishop Kettler asked that the four Parish Councils be disbanded and be replaced by a single council that will be called the WOHVn in Faith Area Pastoral Council. Bishop Kettler said, "A Pastoral Council is a body that is advisory to the pastor with respect to these elements of Catholic life: word, worship, community, service, leadership, stewardship and evangelization. The Pastoral Council is a visioning and planning body that helps the pastor empower others for the mission of the church." In this new structure each parish will continue to maintain its existing committees for faith formation, worship, parish life, fund raising, bazaars, festivals, building maintenance, finance, etc. At the same time the WOHVn in Faith Area Pastoral Council will be looking for ways for the parishes to share their resources and work together on projects. A recent example of our four parishes working together was our very successful ministry of preparing and serving a luncheon to a very large crowd after the funeral Mass for Father Greg.

Fr. Jerry Schik, OSC

## HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, April 6

No Mass

**Sunday, April 7-Divine Mercy** 

9:00 A.M. Mass

+Larry Scherer (T & S Dominik)

Monday, April 8

8:00 A.M. Mass

Tuesday, April 9

8:00 A.M. Mass

Wednesday, April 10

No Mass

Thursday, April 11

8:00 A.M. Mass

Friday, April 12

8:00 A.M. Mass Saturday, April 13

No Mass

Sunday, April 14

9:00 A.M. Mass

+Robert & Florence Courteau (S.Nordin)

#### **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:**

1<sup>st</sup> Thursday

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

#### **Finances**

#### Weekend of 03/31/24

Adult Sunday \$ 699.00 Loose Plate \$ 1,507.00 **WEEKLY TOTAL:** \$ **2,206.00** 

**Other Collections:** 

Good Friday/Holy Land \$ 25.00 Easter Flowers \$ 100.00

**Weekly Meetings:** 

NA – Sundays 7:00 P.M.

Recovery Works - Mondays 7:00 P.M.

AA – Thursdays 7:00 P.M.

#### **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 email hconamia@gmail.com

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

Faith Formation Contact Margaret Hitzemann.

Sunday April

LectorBr. Christopher ErranEuch Min3Volunteers NeededUshers2 Ushers NeededGreeterVolunteers NeededGift BearersVolunteers Needed

## Parish News

Let's get together! Please join us for a snack, some coffee and lots of conversation in the Holy Cross Center this weekend after mass! We could use some volunteers to sign up and help with bringing treats. Please contact Marty Barr at 320-232-5991.

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.

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 HCC Roof Funds Raised
 \$26,905.00

 New Donations
 \$ 250.00

 Total
 \$27,155.00

Our original portion of the roof is \$32,000, less donations raised to date \$27,155 leaves \$4,845 to meet our goal!

**Thank you for saving your Teal's receipts!** Thank you to everyone that has turned in Teal's receipts, we recently received a check for \$226.19 bringing our total to \$1,734.20! Teal's will donate 1% of the money back to Holy Cross from the receipts collected. There is a box for receipts on the counter in the Narthex. Don't forget to ask your family and friends to save their receipts as well. Thank you!

**Parish Life/ Building & Maintenance Meeting** – All Holy Cross parishioners are welcome to attend the next Holy Cross Parish Life /Building and Maintenance Committee meeting. It starts at 6:30 p.m. this Thursday, April 11, in the Holy Cross Center conference room. Minutes from our last meeting are posted in the Narthex. If you have any questions, contact Tina Dickson: 532-5038.

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

## WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community News...

**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 10**<sup>th</sup> and hosted by the Bethany Lutheran Church. Don't forget to mark your calendars!

Jesus said "Peace I leave you, my peace I give you." Are you seeking that peace? 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. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. The next English retreat will be held May 17-19 and 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.

## SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, April 6 5:00 P.M. Mass

+Jack Hasser (L. Hasser)

Sunday, April 7-Divine Mercy

8:30 A.M. Mass

Health of Kathy Martinson (M. Bannick)

Monday, April 8

9:00-10:00 A.M.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** 

Tuesday, April 9

9:00 A.M. Mass

Mary Ann Karg (Ladies Society)

Saturday, April 13

5:00 P.M. Mass

+John Nickolay (A. Nickolay)

Sunday, April 14

8:30 A.M. Mass

+Anita Larson (B & C Larson)

Readings for Sunday, April 14th:

Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5a & Luke 24:35-48.

#### **Finances**

#### Weekends of March 24 & 31, 2024

WEEKLY TOTAL	\$ 5,634.00
Other	95.00
Rice Bowl	100.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	508.00
Plate	766.00
Adult Sunday	\$ 4,165.00

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- **04/08** Knights of Columbus
- **04/09** Ladies Society
- **04/19** Finance Council
- **04/24** Bazaar Meeting

#### **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 April

Lector Nancy Gustafson
Euch. Min. 3 Ministers Needed
Ushers Veeded

Sunday April
Lector Mary Kauth
Euch. Min. 3 Ministers Needed
Ushers Veeded
Ushers Needed

## Parish News

**Faith Formation** – Next Class: **April 14<sup>th</sup>.** If you have any questions, please contact Jen Honek at the Parish Office 320-495-3324 or Kendal Hursey at 320-364-0205.

**Don't forget...**to save your Teal's receipts! Bring them to Sacred Heart and put them in the box in the church entry. *Thanks!* 

**FELLOWSHIP SATURDAY APRIL 6** AND SUNDAY APRIL 7, 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.

**APRIL ANNIVERSARIES -** Congratulations to all couples celebrating anniversaries during the month of April: Nicholas & Barbara Benson 4/4/81, Frank & Fran Kacon 4/8/67 and Ralph & Carleen Anderson 4/23/71. **Note:** If you would like your anniversary remembered in the monthly announcement, please contact Kathy at the parish office.

**2024 Bazaar Planning Meeting** – There will be a 2024 Bazaar planning meeting on Wednesday, April 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 P.M. in the church hall. Kendal Hursey has agreed to Chair this event but is in need of someone to assist as Co-Chair. If you have any questions, please contact Kendal at 320-364-0205.

## Save the Date!

Our annual Parish Bazaar is set for **August 17, 2024** (Wahkon Days weekend). Mark your calendars now!

## WOHVn in Faith Area Catholic Community News...

**Confirmation Classes:** Confirmation ceremony is Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 P.M. in Pierz. Please continue to hold our young people in your prayers.

What is a TEC Retreat? How Do I sign up? TEC – Together Encountering Christ is a three-day retreat supported by the St. Cloud Diocese. The retreat is intended for both youth (age 16+) and adults and is modeled after the Paschal Mystery - the Easter message of death, resurrection and sending forth. Check out what others have experienced by participating in an upcoming TEC weekend. For information and registration details, visit the website at <a href="https://www.cmtec.org">www.cmtec.org</a> or call (320) 532.4455. Questions about TEC? Ask someone who's been there: Tim Honek, Margaret Hitzemann, Kathy Lundeen, Richard Schumacher, Br. Christopher Erran, OSC, Mary Pat Sorvik, Brenda Gotvald or Amanda Gjerde. Future retreat dates to sign-up: April 20-22, June 29-July 1, August 2-4 and October 18-20.

**Pastoral Letter -** Bishop Patrick Neary, C.S.C. wrote his first Pastoral Letter in 2023, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." Our ACC has been given about 30 copies to distribute. If you would like a printed copy, call the parish office. You are also able to download a copy from the St. Cloud Diocese: <a href="https://stcdio.org/bishop-nearys-2023-pastoral-letter/">https://stcdio.org/bishop-nearys-2023-pastoral-letter/</a>

## ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

## Worship/Weekly Events

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter-Divine Mercy Saturday, April 6 4:00 p.m. Mass +Janet Zajac

Sunday, April 7 10:30 a.m. Mass +Ed & Mary Beumer

Thursday, April 11 9:00 a.m. Mass +Neil Boser

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter Saturday, April 13 4:00 p.m. Mass +Maureen Watercott

Sunday, April 14 10:30 a.m. Mass +Dick Ubel

All the darkness in the world Cannot extinguish the light Of a single candle.

## **Finances**

## Weekend of March 31, 2024

Adult	\$ 3	3,383.00
Loose	\$ 1	1,455.00
Votives	\$	101.00
	\$ 4	1,939.00
Raffle Donations	\$	900.00
Other	\$	216.48

**Office Hours:** Vary-Please call.

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

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**Prayer Line:** 

Lilah Klaphake, 468-9913

## Liturgical Assignments

\*Saturday, April 13

Lector: Shannon Coyle

Euch. Minister: Amanda Gjerde Ushers: Richard Tretter/Volunteer

\*Sunday, April 14

Lector: Jodi Kruschek Euch. Ministers: Jane Barclay Jim Beumer/Raneyl Moren

Sacristan: Jane Barclay

Ushers: Jim Hayes/Brad Medek Servers: Amanda G./Volunteer

### Parish News

**Bazaar Raffle Donations:** Please have your donations turned in to the Parish Office no later than the weekend of April 12<sup>th</sup> for printing purposes.

Faith Formation: Saturday, April 13th

**Pancake Breakfast for Missions:** Hosted by the Faith Formation Classes on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> after Mass along with the Knights of Columbus Cash Raffle Drawing.

**St. Rita Rummage Sale:** Start organizing those gently used items to share at the sale on April 24 – 27<sup>th</sup>. Details coming soon about the drop-off schedule.

**1**<sup>st</sup> **Communion:** Sunday, May 5. Taco 'bout a fun Hospitality Sunday celebration, we invite you to join us for cake to celebrate the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion students and Cinco de Mayo.

**Spring Cash Raffle:** We will begin selling tickets for the May 5<sup>th</sup> St. Rita Cash Raffle drawing. Grab your tickets to sell as we have four weeks to do this.

**Bazaar job list:** The skeleton job list is in the entryway. Please check for your name and revise as needed. The final list will be put together at the end of April.

## St. Therese Church

## Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, April 7 – Divine Mercy 11:00 A.M.

+James Preimesberger (R. Preimesberger)

## Finances

## Weekend of 3/31/24

Adult	\$ 135.00
Loose	\$ 357.00
Rice Bowl/Holy Land	\$ 195.55
Total	\$ 687.55

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

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Email-sttheresevineland@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Contact Holy Cross.

## Parish News

*Mercy* – "Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than our misery." – St. Faustina. From *The Wisdom of the Saints*.