



# WOHVn-in-Faith

Area Catholic Community

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

## Clearer Responses to Temptation...

On this Lenten Sunday, we hear two great moral conversations, one between the serpent and Eve, and the other between Satan and Christ. These conversations show us that sin is not something that just “happens.” Sin is a deliberate decision made in conversation between good and evil.

Genesis reads, “The serpent asked the woman, “Did God really tell you not to eat?” She answered, “It is only about the fruit of the tree in the middle of the garden.” Eve, tempted, then reached for the fruit and, with Adam, ate it. In the Gospel, “The tempter approached and said to [Jesus] . . . ‘command that these stones become loaves of bread.’” Jesus answered, “One does not live on bread alone,” adding, “Get away, Satan!”

In our heads, we all have moral conversations like these. We name them “temptations.” In temptation, the tempter speaks. And we start answering him with reasons for “Should I or shouldn’t I?” Depending on how that conversation goes, I will end up sinning or not.

During Lent, we brush up on our skills for not sinning. Our Lenten practices help clear our heads about right and wrong. Hearing God’s Word, our consciences get enlightened and strengthened. With clearer responses to temptation, we better manage the moral conversations in our minds and decide “no” to sin and “yes” to a new life.

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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**February 22, 2026 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

# Events

## February 21<sup>st</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>

21	<b>Saturday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita		3:15 pm
	Mass - St. Rita (+Jan Brixius)		4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart		4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart (+Richard Schumacher)		5:00 pm
22	<b>Sunday</b>		
	Mass Sacred Heart (Connie Roeschlein)		8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross (+Joan Brenk)		9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (+Gage Beumer)		10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese		11:00 am
23	<b>Monday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
24	<b>Tuesday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita		8:00 am
	Rosary - Holy Cross (Small Chapel)		6:30 pm
25	<b>Wednesday</b>		
	Mass - St. Rita		8:00 am
	Mass - Holy Cross		4:30 pm
26	<b>Thursday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita		8:00 am
27	<b>Friday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita		8:00 am
28	<b>Saturday</b>		
	Mass - Holy Cross		8:00 am
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - St. Rita		3:15 pm
	Mass - St. Rita (+Carol Hoheisel)		4:00 pm
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Sacred Heart		4:15 pm
	Mass - Sacred Heart (+Nancy Walicki)		5:00 pm
1	<b>Sunday</b>		
	Mass Sacred Heart (Cecelia Honeck)		8:30 am
	Mass - Holy Cross (+Ole & Marian Veasen)		9:00 am
	Mass - St. Rita (+Gage Beumer)		10:30 am
	Mass - St. Therese		11:00 am

## Lenten Fish Fry



*Sacred Heart & Holy Cross*

The Lenten Fish Fry rotation has begun! Thanks to everyone that joined us at Sacred Heart Church last Friday. Next Friday's fish fry will be held at Holy Cross, Onamia. Mark your calendars for the following Fish Fry dates: **Sacred Heart:** Mar. 6 & 20.

**Holy Cross, Onamia:** Feb. 27; Mar. 13 & 27.

**NOTE:** Stations of the Cross will be held at 4:00 pm at the church where the fish fry is being served.

## Quilt Bingo

*St. Rita*

St. Rita's Parish will be hosting **Quilt Bingo** this **Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** beginning at **1:30 pm**. 20 games for \$20. Win a quilt of your choice! One set of two Blackout games - \$2/card for two games - 1<sup>st</sup> game \$75 - 2<sup>nd</sup> game \$75!

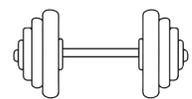
There will be door prizes and a free lunch after the games all in our handicap accessible hall! Join us for an afternoon of fun for everyone!

## Stations of the Cross

*St. Rita*

Stations of the Cross are held each Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm during Lent. Join us as we pray and remember Jesus' passion.

## Bone Builders



*St. Rita*

Bone Builders is a low-impact exercise class held every Monday and Wednesday beginning at 9:00 a.m. for about an hour. Come and join us!

## 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:

### March 1 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent

Genesis 12:1-4a

2 Timothy 1:8b-10

Matthew 17:1-9

# Events/WOHVn News

## Fish Fry Volunteers Needed:

*Holy Cross*

The first Holy Cross Fish Fry is next Friday. We can always use more help! Sign-up sheets are on the counter in the Narthex. There are many small tasks from baking desserts to setting tables and we need the help. Thank you in advance for your support. The dates for the fish fries are: Feb. 27, Mar. 13 & 27.

## Thank you, great dinner!

*St. Rita*

Thank you to everyone that joined us for our prime rib /chicken dinner last Saturday, what a wonderful turn out! Special thanks to all those that pitched in and worked. So many new faces, young and old alike, that made working together so special! We are still waiting for just a few more numbers and should be able to give a report VERY soon!

## Grow closer to God...

*Belle Prairie*

**TEC** - TEC (Together Encounter Christ) is a three-day retreat for both youth (age 16+) and adults. Discover more about yourself, and to deepen your relationship with Christ.

**Dates:** **Mar. 13-15 (Fri.-Sun.)** and Apr. 17-19 (Fri.-Sun.)

**Where:** Central Minnesota TEC in Belle Prairie (just north of Little Falls) [www.cmtec.org](http://www.cmtec.org) Scholarships are available.

**Koinonia** - CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for **March 20-22, 2026**, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to

[www.centralmnkoinonia.org](http://www.centralmnkoinonia.org) for more information and to register for retreats.

## Faith Formation

*St. Rita*

The next Faith Formation class will meet on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>** beginning at 8:30 a.m.

## Ladies Society Meeting

*Sacred Heart*

The Ladies Society will meet Tuesday, March 10<sup>th</sup> after the 9:00 am Mass. All women of the parish are encouraged to attend the Ladies Society monthly meeting.

## Bishop's Annual Appeal

*Diocese of St. Cloud*

Hearts of Mercy - Bishop's Annual Appeal: Blessings to you as we enter this first week of Lent. If you have yet to see our 2026 Video, please take a moment to learn more about ministries that form agents of compassion and build the kingdom of God right here in Central Minnesota. You can use your smartphone or visit <https://youtu.be/lfuRqcZTnDI>

## Fast and Abstinence during Lent

Fasting means that a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. Abstinence means abstaining from meat. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards. (The following are exempt from all of the above: women who are pregnant, women who are nursing and all persons in poor health.)

## Confirmation Class

*Holy Cross*

All Confirmation classes are held at Holy Cross beginning at **7:00 p.m.** for approximately one hour.

**Future classes:** Feb. 25, Mar. 11 & 18 & Apr. 8.

Confirmation Ceremony will be Sunday, April 18<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 pm in Pierz. Any questions, contact Kathy Lundeen at (320) 532-3122.

# WOHVn News

## Finances

Weekend of February 15, 2026

### Sacred Heart

Adult	\$ 1,025.00
Plate	573.00
Other	<u>51.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,649.00</b>

### Holy Cross

Adult	\$ 845.00
Plate	317.00
Other (HCC Maint. Coffee Sunday)	<u>315.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 1,477.00</b>

### St. Rita

Adult	\$ 865.00
Plate	1,999.00
Other (Votives, Youth Collection)	<u>146.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 3,010.00</b>

### St. Therese

Adult	\$ 5,055.00
Plate	117.07
Other	<u>0.00</u>
<b>Weekly Total:</b>	<b>\$ 5,172.07</b>

## March Anniversaries

Congratulations to all couples celebrating anniversaries during the month of March: David & Lola Larson 3/1/86. Note: Any parishioner or visitors that would like their anniversary remembered in the monthly announcement, please contact Kathy at the parish office (320) 532-3122.

## Join us!

*WOHVn in Faith ACC*

Looking for a place to pray and call home? Join us in the WOHVn in Faith Parishes of Sacred Heart, Wahkon, Holy Cross, Onamia, St. Rita, Hillman and St. Therese, Vineland!

As a way for us to get to know you, just grab a parishioner registration form at one of the parishes, fill it out and return it to the office, in the collection basket or call the parish office at 320-532-3122. We look forward to meeting you and sharing your gifts and talents with us!

## 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 Kathy at [wohvnbusinessmanager@gmail.com](mailto:wohvnbusinessmanager@gmail.com) by noon on Wednesday. Thanks!

## At a Glance

*Recurring gatherings held on-site*

**Social Concerns** - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after 9 am Mass (Holy Cross)

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

**Ladies Society** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday, 9 am (Sacred Heart)

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

**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>

## Connect With Us!

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