

Welcome to the Catholic Parishes 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

Saturdays 4:15 – 4:45 P.M.
or by appt

St. Rita's (Hillman)

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

Sunday 10:30 A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 3:15 – 3:45 P.M.
or by appt

St. Therese (Vineland)

Sunday 11:00 A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

By Appointment

Turn, Turn, Turn

Each of the readings for today's Mass refers to a turning (conversion) that needed to take place.

1. The prophet Baruch was writing during the Babylonian captivity. He was calling the people to repentance. He was saying, "If you **turn away** from your worship of false gods the Lord God will set you free from your captivity."
2. When Saint Paul was in prison he wrote a letter to the Christians of Philippi. He was saying to them, "**Turn away** from your bickering and infighting and return to the harmony that you had when I visited your community."
3. John the Baptist was dealing with people who had set aside the commandments. He said to them, "I want you to **turn away** from your wicked ways and **turn back** to God." Then he invited them to wash in the Jordan River as an external sign of their internal conversion.

As you reflect upon these readings today please ask yourself, "Is there a part of my life where I need to **turn away** from sin and follow the Gospel?"

Fr. Jerry Schik, o.s.c.

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, December 8
NO MASS
Sunday, December 9-2nd Sunday Advent
9:00 A.M. Mass
Monday, December 10
8:00 A.M. Mass
Tuesday, December 11
8:00 A.M. Mass
Wednesday, December 12
10:30 A.M. Mass at the Nursing Home
Thursday, December 13
8:00 A.M. Mass
Friday, December 14
8:00 A.M. Mass
Saturday, December 15
9:00 A.M.
Sunday, December 16-3rd Sunday Advent
9:00 A.M. Mass

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. (January 3)
at Holy Cross, Onamia.

2nd Tuesday

Knights of Columbus 7:30 P.M.

Office Hours

Times vary-call to make appt.
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Onamia, MN 56359
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Email-hconamia@gmail.com

BULLETIN DEADLINE: For Holy Cross
bulletin announcements-Wednesday
evening. Contact Kathy at 532-3416 or
e-mail hconamia@gmail.com

Prayer Line: Call Gert Lambert
at 532-3583.

Faith Formation Contact Margaret Hitzemann.

Sunday

Lector

Euch Min

Usher

Greeter

Gift Bearers

Server – Dec. 09 D & N Jacobson

Server – Dec. 16 N & A Strang

December

Tom Dominik

3 Ministers Needed

2 Ushers Needed

Parish News

Advent Communal Penance Service - The Communal Penance Service at Holy Cross Church will be at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, December 12. Everyone is welcome.

Giving Tree - The Giving Tree in the foyer of the Holy Cross Center is designed to provide Christmas gifts for the students at Mille Lacs Academy. If you wish to participate in this program, please take an ornament from the tree and purchase what it says and return the item to Holy Cross Center before December 10th. Or you may wish to take one of the envelopes and send a donation to Mille Lacs Academy. Mille Lacs Academy is an accredited residential treatment center for boys with problematic behaviors, mental health issues and other special needs. It receives no government funding. Your gift will ensure that this holiday season will be a memorable one for the students. Sue Dominik, Tom Dominik, Bill Nelson, Fr. Ernie and Fr. Jerry serve on the Academy's Advisory Board. For further information please contact Fr. Jerry.

Adoration sign-up – We still have a few open spaces that need filling for Adoration on Tuesdays. If you are interested in committing to an hour every Tuesday or would like to help fill in when needed, please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. If you have any questions please call Paul Dickson at 320-532-5038.

CHOIR PRACTICE FOR CHRISTMAS LITURGIES - Choir Practice for the 4:00 P.M. Christmas Eve and 9:00 A.M. Christmas Day Masses will be held on Wednesday, December 12 & 19 at 7:00 P.M. in the Church. *Please join us!* **Note:** Dec. 19th is the Harvest of the Earth Dinner, come to dinner and stay for choir!

Christmas Liturgies - Mass on Christmas Eve will be at 4:00 P.M. and Mass on Christmas Day will be at 9:00 A.M. *Ministry sing-up sheets are in the Narthex.* For St. Therese Church in Vineland: the Mass on Christmas Day will be at 11:00 A.M.

PRAYERS FOR THE DECEASED: Please pray for Mariella Corbett who passed away earlier this week. May she live forever with Jesus in the Kingdom of Heaven.

2019 Calendars – The 2019 Calendar is available and on the counter in the Narthex.

Finances

Weekend of 12/2/18

Adult Sunday	\$ 1,312.00
Loose Plate	\$ 190.23
WEEKLY TOTAL:	\$ 1,502.23
Other Collections:	
Christmas Flowers	\$ 148.00
HCC Maintenance	\$ 397.00



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

Cluster Parish News...

Celebrate farming families. Announcing the Catholic Century Farm Award! Catholic Charities of the Diocese of St. Cloud would like to honor Catholic families who have farmed and nurtured the same land for 100 years or more. These families will be honored at the annual Rural Life Celebration with a certificate and award for their home as well as being entered into the official Catholic Century Farm Registry. If you or someone you know, would like to take part in this honor or for more information, requirements and application visit www.ccstcloud.org/services/social-concerns. Deadline for registration is March 31, 2019.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, December 8

5:00 P.M. Mass
+Glen Cash

Sunday, December 9-2nd Sunday Advent

8:30 A.M. Mass
+Russell Retka (Ladies Society)

Monday, December 10

9:00 A.M. – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesday, December 11

9:00 A.M. Mass
Mary Brandt who is fighting cancer (A. Olmsted)

Saturday, December 15

5:00 P.M. Mass
+James Cournoyer (D. Cournoyer)

Sunday, December 16-3rd Sunday Advent

8:30 A.M. Mass
+Evelyn Holzemer (T & C Holzemer)

Readings for Sunday, December 16th:

Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Philippians 4:4-7 & Luke 3:10-18.

Finances

Weekend of December 2, 2018

Adult Sunday	\$ 1,354.00
Loose Plate	333.00
Other	320.00
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$ 2,007.00

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 12/09 – Faith Formation
- 12/10 – Knights of Columbus
- 12/16 – Christmas Program

Office Hours

Thursdays – Times vary-call to schedule an appointment.
225 E 2nd Street, PO Box 68
Wahkon, MN 56386
(320) 495-3324
Website - <http://shwahkon.stclouddiocese.net>
Email - sacredheart56386@yahoo.com

DEADLINE For Sacred Heart bulletin announcements-Wednesday.

Prayer Line: Call Kathy Martinson at (320) 676-3571

Faith Formation Contact Fr. Jerry.

Saturday **December**
Lector Sharon Moenkhaus
Euch. Min S. Dehler, J. Hasser & L. Larson
Usher **2 Ushers Needed**
Altar Serv

Sunday **December**
Lector Gary Boser
Euch. Min D. Seefeld, J & P Kroll
Usher J & M Sundboom
Altar Serv

Parish News

Faith Formation – Faith Formation classes for grades Pre-K through 8 will be held two Sundays a month at Sacred Heart Church in Wahkon. Class dates: Dec. 9 & 16. Classes will begin at 8:30 A.M. with mass and during the month of December will go until 10:30 A.M. Mass is considered part of Faith Formation. Please contact Jen Honek at 320-232-5644 if you have any questions. You can find full schedules for Faith Formation and Youth group in the church entry.

2019 Contribution Envelopes and Electronic Giving- Beginning in 2019, our weekly collection envelopes will be sent directly to parishioners on a bi-monthly basis. Some parishioners may be interested in electronic giving where the weekly or monthly donation would be directly taken from their bank account and deposited into Sacred Heart's bank account. This may be useful for our seasonal parishioners and snowbirds. If you are interested in electronic giving, please contact Parish Council member Sharon Moenkhaus at 320-674-0065 or 763-744-8605 (cell). If there is enough interest this direct deposit can be made available. If you have any questions regarding contribution envelopes, contact the parish office.

Christmas Liturgies - For Sacred Heart Church: The Mass on Christmas Eve will be at 5:00 P.M. and the Mass on Christmas Day will be at 8:30 A.M. Minister sign-up sheets are on the table in the church entry. For St. Therese Church in Vineland: the Mass on Christmas Day will be at 11:00 A.M.

2019 Calendar – The 2019 Calendar is available and at both church entries.

Thank you! Thank you to all that cooked and served the wonderful dinner last Saturday after mass!

Cluster Parish News...

Community Choir Christmas Concerts -The annual Community Choir Christmas Concerts will be held next weekend: Saturday, Dec. 8, at 7:30 P.M. at Faith Lutheran Church in Isle and Sunday, Dec. 9, at 3:00 P.M. at Holy Cross Church in Onamia. Refreshments will be served after each concert. Everyone is invited to come and enjoy the songs of the season.

Retirement Fund for Religious - This annual collection helps provide medications, nursing care and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Thank you for your generosity.

Healing Mass – You are invited to join the Crosier Fathers and Brothers and the Holy Cross Parish of Onamia on Sunday, December 16th at 9:00 A.M. for a Healing Mass in Honor of St. Odilia. The Mass will include the Anointing of the Sick and a Ritual Blessing with the Relic of St. Odilia.

Save a marriage. Are you or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. The next program starts Jan. 18, 2019 @ Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud, MN. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is limited.

ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Second Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 8

4:00 P.M. Mass
+Jane Hayes

Sunday, December 9

10:30 A.M. Mass
+Damian Hebler

Thursday, December 13

9:00 A.M. Mass
+Ron Peterson

7:30 P.M. Communal Penance

Third Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 15

4:00 P.M. Mass
+Allen Skochenski

Sunday, December 16

10:30 A.M. Mass
Christian Women

Christmas Liturgies

Mass on Christmas Eve will be at 4:00 p.m. and Mass on Christmas Day will be at 10:30 a.m.

Finances

Weekend of December 2

Loose	\$ 543.75
Adult	655.00
Other	<u>100.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,298.75

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Monday/Thursday
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Prayer Line:

Call Rita Brown, 277-3244 or
Lilah Klaphake, 468-9913.

Saturday, December 15

Lector Wendy Tretter

Servers Volunteer

Ushers Jordan Brambrink/John Gotvald

Comm. Minister Wendy Tretter

Sunday, December 16

Lector Raneyl Moren

Servers Kaiya Gotvald/Kruschek

Ushers Herb Foss/Jake Moren

Sacristan Kruscheks

Comm. Ministers Raneyl Moren/

Rita Brown/Tom Kruschek

Parish News

WELCOME TO ST. RITA'S NEW PARISHIONERS, Marilyn and Douglas Welcome....and to correct last week's bulletin, the new parishioners are Jim and Scholastica Rueter.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS - This weekend's annual collection helps provide medications, nursing care and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Thank you for your generosity.

ADVENT COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE

The Communal Penance Service at Saint Rita's Church will be at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, December 13. Everyone is welcome.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPE packets for 2019 are available in the church entry. If you don't find one with your name and you wish to have one, and if any children would like one, please contact the parish office.

PARISH CLUSTERING – If you wish to contact the St. Cloud Diocese with your comments on the reorganization of our parish cluster, the phone number is 320-529-4609.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **HOLIDAY BRUNCH** - Sunday, December 9, Hillman Immanuel Lutheran Church. Egg/meat casseroles, hash brown quiche, biscuits and gravy, fruit, coffee cake/rolls, beverage. Adults \$8, under age 12 \$4, under age 5 free.

ST. THERESE CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, December 9

2nd Sunday of Advent

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: <http://stovonamia.stclouddiocese.net>
Email: frjerryvschikosc@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Contact Holy Cross.

Parish News

Christmas Liturgy: Mass on Christmas Day will be at 11:00 A.M.