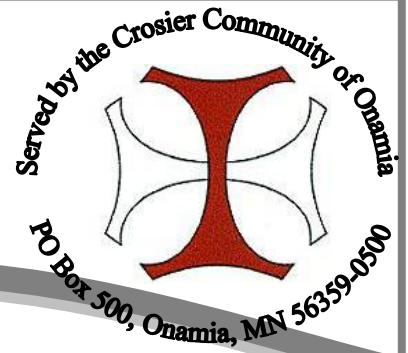


Welcome to the Catholic Parishes of:

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



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Weekend Mass Schedule & Reconciliation Schedule

Holy Cross (Onamia)

Saturday 5:30 P.M.
Sunday 9:30 A.M.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays 4:45 – 5:15 P.M.
or by appt

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 10:00 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

The Cross ... Exalted?

This past Thursday, the Church celebrated the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. In the early days of Christianity, the cross was an abhorrent symbol, and wasn't used as a Christian symbol. Only with further reflection did Christians come to appreciate that God had taken something un-Godly and made it an instrument of salvation, a sign of life instead of death.

In our own times, it's probably the electric chair that strikes us as abhorrent, and whoever is put to death in such a manner is someone rejected by our society and perhaps by God as well. But there are people who are on death row awaiting the electric chair, but not because of any fault of their own. It may be that no one has yet surveyed the actual culprits to see whether they are appreciative of those who are put to death not because of their own misdeeds, but because of others who escaped arrest and death.

Whistle-blowers in the business world and the political scene risk losing their own jobs, in an effort to eradicate injustice in the workplace and in society, hoping to promote justice and equal rights for all.

Many a parent, too, sacrifices time and energy and perhaps even their own well-being, all for the benefit and well-being of their children. They may be unappreciated by their children, especially in their teenage and young-adult years.

It's not until we're in similar situations that we might begin to appreciate the generosity of spirit and human love that lies behind such sacrifices. Upon further reflection, we might praise (exalt) these examples of compassionate love on their part, sign of God's own saving love.

Fr. Greg

Thanks for your prayers of support all the while I was suspended from pastoral ministry because of an allegation of wrong-doing. From the beginning, I knew it wasn't me, but that had to be checked out. It's good to be back with you again! I just hope I haven't forgotten too much. ...Fr. Greg

HOLY CROSS CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, September 16

5:30 P.M. Mass

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

Sunday, September 17

9:30 A.M. Mass

+Paul Wagner (J & B Caven)

Monday, September 18

8:00 A.M. Mass

Tuesday, September 19

8:00 A.M. Mass

Wednesday, September 20

10:30 A.M. Mass at the Nursing Home

Thursday, September 21

8:00 A.M. Mass

Friday, September 22

8:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, September 23

5:30 P.M.

+Robert & +Florence Courteau (Family)

Sunday, September 24

9:30 A.M. Mass

+Bruce & +Bertha Milton (Milton Family)

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. (Oct. 5th)

at Holy Cross, Onamia

2nd Tuesday

Knights of Columbus 7:30 P.M.
at St. Rita's in Hillman

Bi-Monthly

Parish Council – (Sept. 18th)

Finances

Weekend of 09/10/17

Adult Sunday \$ 2,857.00

Loose Plate \$ 374.00

WEEKLY TOTAL: \$ 3,231.00

Other Collections:

HCC Maintenance \$ 30.00

Hurricane Disaster Relief \$ 810.00

Campaign for Human Dev. \$ 10.00

Office Hours

Times vary-call to make appt.
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Onamia, MN 56359
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www.stclouddiocese.org/parishes/hconamia/

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.

Saturday

Lector

Euch Min

Usher

Greeter

Gift Bearers

Server – Sep 16

Server – Sep 23

September

Alicia Laughery

2 Ministers Needed

Tom Briscoe, **1 Usher Needed**

Ushers

Ushers

E & M Sam

J & E Schleis

Sunday

Lector

Euch Min

Usher

Greeter

Gift Bearers

Server – Sep 17

Server – Sep 24

September

Sharon Hegstrom

3 Ministers Needed

L. Zytkevich, **1 Usher Needed**

Lou & Lynda Zytkevich

Ushers

D & N Jacobson

N & A Strang

Parish News

Deeply Grateful - What a fabulous day God gave us for our annual Fall Fun Fest!! I wish to say THANK YOU to everyone whose planning, promoting, preparing of silent auction items, ticket selling, volunteering where needed, fundraising, sponsoring, baking, cooking, setting up, decorating, serving, running the children's activities, and cleaning-up made this such a successful Fall Fun Fest. I enjoyed seeing everyone working together to build up the community spirit of our parish. Our guests said that they had an excellent meal and a very enjoyable time with us and they promised to return next year. May the Lord bless each of you for your generosity to our parish! Father Jerry

Faith Formation Classes - Our new year of Faith Formation classes have begun. The classes will be held at Sacred Heart Church. We begin with a light meal at 5:25 P.M. and move to our classes at 5:45 P.M. Class Schedule: Sept. 27; Oct. 4, 11 & 25. Youth Mass Sunday at Sacred Heart will be Oct. 1 at 8:30 A.M. If you have any questions about our program, please contact Fr. Jerry at 320-532-3122 or Margaret Hitzemann at mhitzie55@yahoo.com or 612-462-0794.

Harvest of the Earth Dinner – Wednesday, September 20th - The first of our free, monthly Harvest of the Earth Community Dinners will be held on Wednesday September 20th in Holy Cross Center. This monthly community meal will be served from 6:00-7:00 P.M. We look forward to seeing you there!!!

Lost and Found – We have a Lost and Found box on the shelf in the coat room and it has some contents! If you find something lying around please put it in the box – if you have lost something at Holy Cross Center or in the church, check the box!

Thinking of Becoming Catholic? If you, or anyone you know, is thinking about perhaps becoming Catholic, give Fr. Greg a call at 320-532-5709 when you can. We'll likely be getting together as a group to talk things over.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING - The Parish Council will be meeting on Monday, September 18th at 7:00 P.M. in the Conference Room. If you have anything you would like put on the agenda please contact Fr. Jerry 532-3122 or Chairperson Mary Sabin 532-7646. Council members: Mary Sabin, Chairperson, Nancy Zaske, Dale Novak, Carol Mott, Tim Courteau, Sharon Hegstrom and Rita Johnson.

Cluster Parish News...

ONAMIA VETS CLUB BLOOD DRIVE - The Onamia Vets Club is holding a blood drive on Monday, September 18th from 12:00 – 6:00 P.M. To schedule an appointment or with questions call 532-3912 or visit www.redcrossblood.org – enter Sponsor Code: Onamia Vets Club.

Onamia Depot Library History Club Meeting - The Onamia Depot Library will hold its monthly History Club Meeting on Monday, September 18, 5:00 – 7:00 P.M. at the library. Join us for a very informal meeting to talk about Onamia History. This month's topic will be Ericksonville. Come every month or every once in a while. All ages are welcome.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Saturday, September 16

5:00 P.M. Mass

+Don Rask (L. Rask)

Sunday, September 17

8:30 A.M. Mass

+Bud Martinson (A & T Lofboom)

Monday, September 18

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

Tuesday, September 19

9:00 A.M. Mass

Saturday, September 23

5:00 P.M. Mass

+James Cournoyer (D. Cournoyer)

Sunday, September 24

8:30 A.M. Mass

+Bud Martinson (K. Martinson)

Readings for Sunday, September 24:

Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a & Matthew 20:1-16a

Finances

Weekend of September 10, 2017

Adult Sunday	\$ 1,267.00
Loose Plate	534.00
Hurricane Relief	3,529.86
WEEKLY TOTAL	\$ 5,330.86
Sound System	\$ 1,100.00

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 09/24 – Quilt Bingo

Office Hours

Tuesdays 9:30AM – 11:30 AM

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

Faith Formation Contact Fr. Jerry.

Saturday

Lector

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September

Midge Robinson

J. Hasser, L. Larson

1 Minister Needed

September

Nancy Gustafson

M. Bannick, J. Crawford

1 Minister Needed

A. Link, D. Freichels

Parish News

Congratulations! – Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Jordan Sornberger who celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage on Saturday, September 16th. May God's blessing be on you as you begin your lives together!

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QUILT BINGO - Get ready, get set, QUILT BINGO! Our annual quilt bingo will be held Sunday, September 24th at 1:30 P.M. Two sets of 10 games \$4/card for 10 games! Two additional games - \$2/card *1st game \$25 cash prize – 2nd game "hand-quilted" quilt! Free lunch is served after the games and door prizes. ****Sandwiches will be made after 8:30 A.M. mass on Sept. 24th****

Sacred Heart AED - Sacred Heart Church has a permanent ZOLL AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) mounted next to the doorway on the left side in the parish hall. This valuable piece of medical equipment is used when an adult or child experiences cardiac arrest. If someone experiences a possible cardiac arrest, call 911 immediately and then go to the AED cabinet and follow the instructions which are posted there.

Cluster Parish News...

Second Collection today - The Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) is the U.S. Catholic Bishops' anti-poverty initiative that helps communities and families. Since 1970, CCHD has been committed to helping families and communities in the US by defending worker and human rights, creating jobs, improving education, and helping rural communities to address the root causes of poverty. Many lives here, in the St. Cloud Diocese, have been changed because of this campaign.

However, the mission and success of this life-changing work cannot be carried out without your essential role.

The collections received across the diocese during the weekend of September 16th and 17th will go to the CCHD program: 75% of which will be distributed by the national CCHD office, and 25% of which will go directly to programs within the St. Cloud Diocese.

Please read the recent article in the Visitor and graciously consider contributing to the collection. It is making a big difference in our parish cluster and in our diocese!

Notice of Safe Environment Training for Youth Faith Formation - Each year the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People require that our Catholic schools and faith formation programs offer training for all children about personal safety. Beginning at the end of September, we will be showing Strong Voices, Smart Choices for students in Grades K-5, Personal Power for students in Grades 6-8 and Katie's Story from Webwise Kids for students in grades 7-12. Parents again are welcome to review the material prior to class or to join us for class. If you do not want your child to view the video appropriate for their age group or wish to view the videos prior to them being viewed during Faith Formation, please contact Lorie Rask at 676-8464.

Adult Faith Formation will begin Thursday, September 28th. We are excited to be offering Bishop Robert Barrons series, "Catholicism". During this series, Bishop Robert Barron illuminates *what* Catholics believe and *why* in this substantive faith formation program that displays the art, architecture, literature, music and all the riches of the Catholic tradition in a way you've never studied the faith before. We will meet from 10:00 – 11:30 A.M. in the Sacred Heart Dining room. Members from all cluster parishes are invited to attend. Please contact Lorie Rask at 676-8464 to add your name to the participants.

ST. RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, September 16

4:00 P.M. Mass
 +Marcel Majka

Sunday, September 17

10:00 A.M. Mass
 +Brown and Zidich families

Thursday, September 21

9:00 A.M. Mass
 +Lillian Becker

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Saturday, September 23

4:00 P.M. Mass
 Good Health

Sunday, September 24

10:00 A.M. Mass
 +John and Clara Gotvald family

Office Hours

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 16691 371st Avenue
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 strita@brainerd.net

Prayer Line:

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

Saturday, September 23

Lector Wendy Tretter
Servers **Volunteer**
Ushers Rich Tretter/John Gotvald
Comm. Minister Wendy Tretter

Sunday, September 24

Lector Renee Kruschek
Servers Kruscheks
Ushers Harvey Brausen/Jim Scheff
Comm. Ministers Tom Kruschek/
 Calvin Beumer/Rita Brown

Parish News

PARISH AUCTION

Next Saturday, September 23, 5:00 p.m.

Parishioners M-Z please bring bars, etc. for the lunch and bake sale. Please help distribute auction bills. **Members of the South Group please come early to set up for the auction.**

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT – See the “cluster” section. Special collection this weekend.

QUILTING

The quilting group will again start to work on quilts on Tuesday, September 19, at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall. The group is always looking for additional helpers. Anyone is welcome to join in the work.

CEMETERY DECORATIONS will start to be cleaned up soon. If you wish to save your decorations, please pick them up. Your cooperation is appreciated.

QUILT AND CASH BINGO - Sunday, October 22, 1:30 p.m. The Cluster Group will be hosting.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **FAITH IN ACTION OF MORRISON COUNTY...Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Friends Helping Friends.** Volunteers are desperately needed. Please see the flyer in the church entry.
- **BAZAAR**, Sunday - September 17, St. Michael's Church, Buckman, MN.
- **QUILT BINGO** - Sunday, October 1, 1:00 p.m., SS. Peter and Paul Church, Gilman, MN. A Catholic United sponsored event. Free lunch.
- **TURKEY AND QUILT BINGO** - Sunday, October, 1:00 p.m., Bethany Lutheran Church, Ramey, MN. Beverages and snacks provided.
- **QUILT BINGO** - Sunday, October 1, 1:00 p.m., St. John's Parish, Lastrup, MN
- **QUILT BINGO** - Sunday October 8, 1:00 p.m., Holy Family Church (Bulldog Lake). Concessions, crafts, door prizes and free lunch.

Finances

Weekend of September 10

Loose	\$ 379.00
Adult	678.00
Other	<u>15.50</u>
Total	\$ 1,072.50
 Hurricane Relief	 \$ 601.00

ST. TERESE CHURCH

Worship/Weekly Events

Sunday, September 17

11:00 A.M.
 +Leonard Koska (Koska Family)

On Hwy 169 in Vineland, south of the Grand Casino
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 Email-frjerryschikosc@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Contact Holy Cross.

Parish News