

September 21, 2025

"Whoever can be trusted in small matters can also be trusted in great ones, but whoever is dishonest in small matters will also be dishonest in great ones. Therefore, if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will entrust you with true riches?"

Luke 16:10-11

25th Sunday of ORDINARY TIME

ST. CATHERINE CHURCH

The Catholic Community of Luverne



FROM THE DESK OF FR. JOSHUA

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend my Pastor Installation Mass with +Bishop Barron. It was +Bishop Barron's first time ever visiting St. Leo's and he was very pleased. Here is an excerpt from the Installation Liturgy:

"Father Joshua, I now entrust to you this church, dedicated under the title of Saint Leo, which is above all a house of prayer, a temple of worship, a home in which the faithful are nourished by the Word of God and the Sacraments of the Church. It is the dwelling place of God on earth, a temple built of living stones, founded on the Apostles with Jesus Christ as its corner stone. It is here that, through the waters of baptism, God's people die to sin and live again through grace as adopted children of God. Here they receive the gift of the Holy Spirit in Confirmation and have their sins forgiven in the Sacrament of Confession. Here the covenant of Marriage is ratified with God's blessing and the sick are strengthened for the suffering of the cross. Above all, in it is celebrated the eternal sacrifice of Christ in the Mass, and the Body and Blood of Christ remain in the tabernacle for all to adore."

Also during the liturgy, I led the congregation in making a formal Profession of Faith by re-affirming our Catholic Beliefs as laid out in the Nicene Creed since the year 325 AD. I also swore the Oath of Fidelity with my right hand on the Book of the Gospels and +Bishop Barron and I both signed the documents on the Altar. This is a formal act to maintain unity between the Faith of the original twelve Apostles all the way through the space and time down the centuries of apostolic succession down to our very parishes here in southwest Minnesota.

I am pleased to announce that we have hired a new employee at St. Leo's. Michael "Shane" Biever has accepted the position as full time custodian at St. Leo's. He is very active in the Pipestone community and I am sure that he is known by many parishioners. Rudy Janssen will continue to assist with the facilities on a part time basis while Shane is getting acquainted with our parish.

In the coming days, there will be a renovation of the parish bulletin. We will be going to a single bulletin for both parishes with portions in both English and Spanish. The new design will include full color front and back cover. In order to reduce the cost of the new design, we are looking for businesses in the Pipestone area that would like to purchase advertising space. If you or someone you know is interested in advertising their business in the St. Leo and St. Catherine Parish Bulletin, please contact the parish office and the representative from Quality Printing will contact you directly with further details.

OUR CHURCH HAPPENINGS

News & Announcements

ROSARY SERVICE: There will be a Rosary Service done at St. Catherine on Wednesdays at 9:15 AM followed by fellowship, treats, and coffee. Please join in at this time of prayer and relationship building if you are available to do so.

ST. CATHERINE RUMMAGE SALE: The Rummage Sale will go from Thursday, September 25th 11:00 AM – 7:00 PM to Friday, September 26th 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM. Drop-offs will begin on Monday, September 22nd at 8:00 AM. It will still be \$5.00 for a bag. For people dropping off, please do not bring any car seats, appliances, TVs, and/or large furniture. Please sign up to help during the rummage.

ROSARY & COMMUNION: There will be rosary and Communion at 9:30 AM each Friday at Parkview Manor. All parishioners are welcome to join in.

BEHOLD WORSHIP NIGHT: Behold is a time of prayer and praise that seeks to draw us into the heart of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. It is an event held every 6-8 weeks in the Sioux Falls area that includes praise and worship, Eucharistic Adoration, and prayerful reflections. This event is free and open to the public and will begin at 7:15pm on Sunday, October 5th at St. Michael Parish. Visit https://suscipe.org/behold to learn more about this initiative

ST. CATHERINE CEMETERY CLEANUP is under way, spraying to kill weeds (which might damage flowers and decorations) will be done from mid-September to the end of October. PLEASE REMOVE all the flowers and decorations. Anything not removed will be carefully disposed of.

DAKOTA SHRED-IT TRUCK: On Saturday, October 4th from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM the Dakota Shred-it truck will be at the Laundry Room which is on the Corner of Main St & Hwy 75. They will be accepting a free will donation.

SC MEALS: This will be the 3rd year of our monthly parish meals. Monetary donations have covered the expenses in the last few years without having to do a free will offering. As of right now there is \$33 in that account. If you are willing to donate, please drop off your donation at the office or put in the collection plate marked "monthly meals". Our first parish meal will be on October 1st the first night of Faith Formation! We look forward to feeding everyone!!

CHURCH DIRECTORY TEAM: Please reach out to Laura Luitjens if you are interested in being on a committee to help organize and coordinate an updated church directory. 507-227-3782 luitjens831@hotmail.com.

ADORATION: There will be an Adoration Chapel Planning Meeting coming up, all Adorers Are Invited & Encouraged to Attend. The meeting will be on Wednesday, September 24th 6:30 PM in the Gathering Space. The concerns to be addressed are: Ensuring the security of the Blessed Sacrament, Education on proper guidelines and

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE:

September 23-28, 2025

ST. CATHERINE

Mass will be Live Streamed on Facebook at: https://www.facebook.com/pg/stccluverne/videos/

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Tuesday, September 23rd......4:30 PM - 5:00 PM Thursday, September 25th.....4:30 PM - 5:00 PM

ST. LEO

CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, September 24th......4:00 PM – 5:00 PM
With Eucharistic Adoration
Friday, September 26th.....4:30 PM – 5:00 PM
Saturday, September 27th.....3:45 PM – 4:45 PM

formation for adorers regarding Adoration Chapel practices, and 100% coverage of hours.

FALL FEST CORNER: Fall Fest is today! Please join in Mass as well as fellowship with coffee and donuts served immediately after Mass. There will be various family activities that will follow including Bingo, the Cupcake Walk, and the famous Tractor Pull! Then, there will be delicious smoked pork sandwiches that will be served in Doyle Hall starting at 11:00AM. Fall Fest raffle tickets have been sent out. Please return as many tickets as you would like with the appropriate money if you would like to be entered in the raffle by 11:00am. Tickets for the baskets will be available before and after Mass in the weeks prior to Fall Fest with the drawing at the event. Tickets for the baskets will cost \$1.00 Each or 25 for \$20.00.

SC Ministry Schedule	Sunday, September 28• 8:30 AM		
Rosary	Mary Jo Nath		
Lector	Patty Evans		
Servers	Hazel Mollberg & Hadley Louwagie		
Ushers	Bill Miller & Cody Henrichs		
Eucharistic Ministers	Dennis Madison, Dave Siebenahler, Darrell Hemme, and Becky Walgrave		
Sacristan	Nancy Lange		
Video	Logan Kempema		

THE CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL (CMA) St. Catherine's Goal for 2025 is \$26,802.00. If you haven't already contributed, please return your CMA pledge card, or give online at www.catholicfsmn.org. As a parish, it would be wonderful to have 50% of our registered families, which is 210 families, contribute to the CMA this year.

CMA Pledges as of	Donors	Received	Percentage
September 14, 2025	62	\$14,775.00	55.13%

FAITH FORMATION • Youth News

FALL FAITH FORMATION: Registration has begun for our Faith Formation year. As usual we will begin our Faith Formation year on the first Wednesday of October (October 1st). We will also have our Tuesday morning CGS program from 9:45 AM to 11:15 AM for 3-year-olds through PreK, which will begin on Tuesday, October 7th. Forms were sent by mail and email. If you did not receive one, please contact Nicole in the Faith Formation office (ffd@stscl.org). Copies of the form can also be found on our website or in the parish office.

CONFIRMATION CHANGES: The Diocese has made some changes to the Confirmation Guidelines for all parishes. We will have a parent/student meeting for all those in grades 9-12 on the first night of class (October 1st) at 7:00 PM. Parents, please plan to accompany your student(s) to that night.

CATECHISTS NEEDED: We are in need of catechists for both afterschool and evening sessions of our Faith Formation Program. Specifically, we need a 5th grade catechist after school. We also need an evening catechist for 9th grade (for the second half of the year). Please consider volunteering to help share the beauty of our faith with our youth. If you are interested in more information

DATES TO NOTE:

Wednesday, October 1 — Wednesday Faith
Formation Begins (4:00 PM and 7:00 PM)

Sunday, October 5 — Children's Liturgy of the
Word begins (during 8:30 AM Mass)

Tuesday, October 7 — PreK CGS begins (9:45 AM)

Wednesday, October 8 — Wednesday Faith
Formation (4:00 PM and 7:00 PM)

Tuesday, October 14 — PreK CGS (9:45 AM)

Wednesday, October 15 — NO Wednesday Faith
Formation (MEA)

Tuesday, October 21 — PreK CGS (9:45 AM)

Wednesday, October 22 — Wednesday Faith

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Formation (4:00 PM and 7:00 PM)

Sunday, October 26 — Middle School NET Retreat at St. Catherine (1:00 PM — 7:00 PM)

Tuesday, October 28— PreK CGS (9:45 AM) **Wednesday, October 29** — Wednesday Faith Formation (4:00 PM and 7:00 PM)

or are considering volunteering, please contact Nicole in the Faith Formation office.

SNACK HELPERS: We are in need of snack helpers after school on Wednesdays. We have a rotating schedule of helpers so you would serve once a month from 3:10 PM to 4:15 PM. Snacks are prepackaged so there is very little preparation. If you are interested in helping, please contact Lynn or Nicole in the Faith Formation office at 507-283-8071.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Week 11 - (7/1/25-9/14/25)

Needed to DateTBD Income to Date\$73,325.80

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https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/f6260034-ff6b-4187-a4cf-e7d15dd119fb



Birthday Greetings!

Nick Van Belle, Mark Wieneke, Allen Staeffler, Chelsea Van Belle, Carly Olson, Heather Roberts, Sean Bonilla Soto, Jacob Deutsch, Camden Janiszeski, Daphne DeBoer, Dale Julius, Mary Jo Rock, and Ava Steinhoff

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