



March 24, 2024

ST. CATHERINE CHURCH

The Catholic Community of Luverne



Palm
SUNDAY

"The poor you will always have with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish, but you will not always have me. She has done what she could. She has anointed my body to prepare for my burial. Amen, I say to you, wherever in the whole world this gospel is proclaimed, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

Mark 1:7-9

FROM THE DESK OF MSGR. KOSSE...

We begin now the holiest of days in the Church. Today we begin with Palm Sunday, a time of receiving the blessed palms which you can then place in your homes as a reminder of what you are called to be, messengers of that great promise given us by Jesus, Eternal Life. Then we move onto what the Church calls, the Easter Triduum, the days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Each day builds onto each other and up to the greatest day, Easter Sunday. That is why there is no sending forth on Holy Thursday or on Good Friday

as we have at every other Mass. The sending forth only happens on Holy Saturday. Taking in each of these days will truly renew the message that Jesus wants you to realize, a message of hope, a message of salvation.

This Monday, I also want to invite you to come to the Chrism Mass that will be celebrated by Bishop Barron. This year, that celebration will be at Sacred Heart Church, Heron Lake, MN at 2:00 PM. It is a beautiful celebration during which the three Oils used in Church are blessed. Those three Blessed Oils are the Oil

of the Catechumen, which is used in Baptism, the Oil called Chrism which is used in Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders, and the Oil of the Infirm which is used in the Sacrament of the Sick. Each parish is given these Blessed Oils and they will be presented at the Holy Thursday Mass. As I mentioned, this year the Chrism Mass will be at Heron Lake. Next year it will be at another parish across our diocese so others many take part in this celebration. So come and take in this great moment that is so close by.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE: March 25-31, 2024

Monday, March 25th	Private Chapel	No Mass
Tuesday, March 26th	St. Leo	12:00 - 5:00 PM.....Adoration
Tuesday, March 26th	St. Leo	5:00 PM..... Stations of the Cross
Tuesday, March 26th	St. Leo	5:25 PM..... +Mary Wilkes Family
Wednesday, March 27th	St. Catherine.....	9:00 AM +George Hocking

Holy Week Triduum

Thursday, March 28th	St. Catherine.....	5:00 PM..... +George Scholten
Thursday, March 28th	St. Leo	7:00 PM..... +Bernadine Van Hoecke
Friday, March 29th.....	St. Leo	12:05 PM..... Prayer & Communion Service
Friday, March 29th.....	St. Catherine.....	3:00 PM..... Prayer & Communion Service
Saturday, March 30th	St. Leo	8:00 PM..... For the Parishioners

Easter Sunday

Sunday, March 31st.....	St. Catherine.....	8:30 AM +Karri Korth
Sunday, March 31st.....	St. Leo	10:30 AM +Mary Ehlers
Sunday, March 31st.....	St. Leo	1:00 PM..... No Mass

Confession: Sunday 8:00 AM or by appointment.

St. Catherine 8:30 AM Sunday Mass will be Live Streamed on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/pg/stccluverne/videos/>

OUR CHURCH HAPPENINGS • News, Honors, Thank You

NEW BIBLE STUDY GROUPS: Want to get involved? Want to meet members of our church community? Want to grow stronger in your Faith? Well, if so, we have the answer for you! Join a Bible Study, you will create relationships, and a bond with God as your center. We want to share this experience with you all. If you are interested in getting started, please talk with Travis & Heidi Broesder, Joey & Jen Pick, Eric & Ashely Woodley, Brock & Ashley Benson, and/or Ty-son & Monica Facile 507-820-1100. Each group will schedule a time that works for the majority!

OFFICE CLOSED: St. Catherine Parish Offices will be closed on Holy Thursday, March 28th and Good Friday, March 29th. The Finance Office & Faith Formation Office will also be closed on Monday, April 1st.

DID YOU KNOW: St. Catherine CCW would like to thank everyone who generously gave to the Baby Bottle Campaign. They collected \$656.69 for the Helping Hands Pregnancy Center in Worthington. HHPC is a Christian, non-profit ministry

that provides practical pregnancy related help to women, men, and babies and provides abstinence-only education in our communities. They do not provide or refer for abortions or birth control, however they have information on both.

HOLY THURSDAY COLLECTION: The CRS Rice Bowl is Rooted in the history of the Eu-charistic Congress, CRS Rice Bowl invites Catholics and faith communities in the United States to encounter God and our global family throughout Lent by practicing the pillars of prayer, fast-ing and almsgiving. The money received goes to an Emergency Fund that is divided between the 5 Deaneries of the Diocese of Winona-Rochester for emergency assistance. The division is based on population. It is a good reminder that the Rice Bowl donations are important, and that money does support those in need in our own communities. Please be generous so we can build up our Emergency Fund to help those in need within our



2024
Catholic Ministries Appeal
YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

Your generosity to the Catholic Ministries Appeal from year to year is so greatly appreciated! You are making a difference in our Catholic community through faith-enriching ministries that take place throughout each year. Your gift makes a direct impact in supporting these ministries that are leading people closer to Christ.

Thank you for your generosity!

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community.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND: This collection supports the Holy Places, but above all those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works, which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of our Christian brethren and the local communities.

SC Ministry Schedule	Holy Thursday Thursday, March 28 5:00 pm	Good Friday Friday, March 29 3:00 am
Gifts	Emma Deutsch, Regan Mehlhaff, Caitlin Kindt	
Lector	Zane Walgrave	Pam Haakenson
Servers	Hannah Kempema & Luka Smith	Elijah Henrichs & Ashton Pick
Ushers		
Eucharistic Ministers		Judy Reese & Delaine Jensen
Sacristan		
Video		

SC Ministry Schedule	Easter Sunday Thursday, March 31 • 8:30 am
Rosary	Barb Spartz
Gifts	
Lector	Karen Willers
Servers	Lucas Madison & Andi Luitjens
Ushers	Zach Nolz, Cody & Elijah Henrichs
Eucharistic Ministers	Barb Spartz & Pat Scheidt
Sacristan	Mary Aaker
Video	Noel Henrichst

MINI STORY: Elizabeth Albenesius, St. Thomas More Newman Center, Mankato – Young Adult Ministry

The St. Thomas More Newman Center at Minnesota State University - Mankato allows me and others to grow in our faith together, an experience made possible through the support of the Catholic Ministries Appeal (CMA). It is a place where I experience so much comfort and peace, from my Bible Study to attending Thursday night Mass and Catholic Mav Nights. The people at the St. Thomas More Newman Center are a constant reminder of what is truly important to me. They are my beloved brothers and sisters in Christ who are trying their best and are striving to be saints in Heaven. This encourages me and reminds me often of what I'm striving for. Being involved at the St. Thomas More Newman Center has allowed my faith to continue to flourish, an endeavor that continues with the growth and support of the CMA. The community at the St. Thomas More Newman Center reveals the heart of Jesus to me. It gives me the strength to live out God's mission for my life. It is a place for God to call me, our community, and the rest of campus to live in His abundant love.

Please give generously to the Catholic Ministries Appeal:
www.catholicfsmn.org/catholic-ministries-appeal

THE CATHOLIC MINISTRY APPEAL (CMA) St. Catherine's Goal for 2024 is \$27,650.00. Donation envelopes are available on the bulletin tables.

CMA Pledges as of March 18, 2024	Donors	Received	Percentage	Still Need
	18	\$7,048.30	25.5%	\$20,601.70

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Weekly Contributions (Adult Envelopes, Offertory, & Holy Days)
 March 16 & 17\$ 2,914.00
 Online Giving.....\$311.70
 Direct Debit\$2,075.00
 Maintenance Fund.....\$20.00
 Donation\$ 9.50
 Easter Flowers.....\$85.00
Total.....\$5,415.20
 Please remember St. Catherine **needs weekly contributions of \$7,762.00** to keep current on monthly expenses.

Week 38 - (7/1/23-3/17/24)
 Needed to Date\$294,956.00
 Income to Date\$274,227.51

Please Include St. Mary Cemetery, St. Catherine Church, or St. Catherine Cemetery in your Last Will and Testament. We encourage giving through Parish Soft - the QR Code for Online Giving through ParishSOFT is below. Call or email Jody Richters 283-8502, fa@stscf.org, for more information or to sign up.

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



Birthday Greetings!

Jennifer Heitman, Renee Hilger, Kathy Deuschle, Eric Edstrom, Anthony Montes Rodriguez, Natalie Reisch, Isley Smith, Makenzie Smith, Robyn Wessels, Darrell Hemme, Regan Mehlhaff, Hazel Arends, Jennica Arp, Mary Aukes, Mary Rabinowitz, Mike Sweeney, Chris Hein, McKenzie Hagen, Linda McGinty, Steve Van Santen, Nora DeBoer, Marlene DeSplinter, and Steve Hansen

Anniversaries!
 None



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MEAL WITH A MESSAGE:

On Wednesday, April 24th will be the last Parish Meal of the year with a guest speaker to follow. Justin Hibbard was featured on the Coming Home Network. Justin was an evangelical minister who converted to Catholicism after studying and finding the truth in Catholic Church Theology. As he was preparing to enter the church his local priest wanted the whole family to join at the same time. His middle daughter, 13 at the time, was adamant she was not becoming Catholic. Suddenly something changed her mind! Please join us as Justin shares his story! Justin has a podcast called "Why Catholic" and his conversion interview can be seen on The Coming Home Network (chnetwork.org). Justin will speak about owning your faith and how the Catholic Church has impacted his life. Meal is from 5:00-6:30 PM. His message is from 7:00-8:00 PM.



ADORATION: "All the answers are in the tabernacle. Jesus has all the answers, and he patiently waits for us in the tabernacle, day and night, to share those answers with us. Next time you are grappling with a decision, stop by your church and ask Jesus for his advice. Receiving Jesus in the Eucharist is the ultimate spiritual experience, but there is also something powerful about just sitting in his presence." (Taken from Beautiful Eucharist, 2023)

You are invited to visit our chapel during Holy Week to rest a while. Please sign in on the table at the back of the chapel upon your visit. We are blessed to have someone in prayer with Our Lord from Monday – Friday, morning to night. St. Catherine's Adoration Chapel hours which need to be filled are: Friday 7:00, 10:00, 11:00 AM, 4:00 PM. Contact Jen Huisman if you can help fill hours.

EUCCHARISTIC SAINT: St. Rose Philippine Duchesne (1769 –1852) – This French nun was a Sacred Heart Sister who came to evangelize the Native American tribes in the mission territory of St. Louis, Missouri. She could not learn the native languages so she spent countless hours praying before the Eucharist for the other missionary sisters instead. The Indians gave her the name of "The Woman Who Prays Always."

ST. CATHERINE PARISH MEAL: All parishioners are invited to

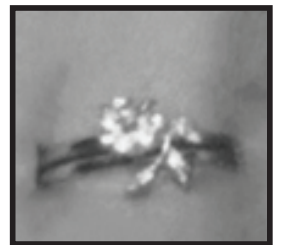
share in this meal. These suppers are parish gatherings and hopefully can make Wednesday evening a bit easier for families. There is no cost at the supper, but donations can be given at the office.

- April 17th: Grilled hamburger and hotdogs

COORDINATOR NEEDED FOR FUNERAL MEALS: Mary Jo Nath has been doing this job for 14 years and now is looking for someone to take over. She is more than willing to help one get acquainted with this role. Many helping hands are involved which makes this job easy. Please reach out to the office if you are interested in this opportunity 507-283-8502.

WHO IS THE MASS FOR? "Pray, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God the Almighty Father." These words are spoken every Sunday at the beginning of the Liturgy of the Eucharist once the altar has been prepared. I (Bishop Barron) never used to pay attention to this statement, at least not until I was ordained a priest. It was then that I realized that there were different sacrifices being made. "My sacrifice and yours" refers to the spiritual sacrifices we are each able to make on account of our Baptism-the priesthood of the baptized-as well as the physical offering of bread and wine that will become the Body and Blood of Christ. Our spiritual sacrifices take many forms. They are all placed on the altar along with the bread and wine to be offered to God. Each of us is able to make a spiritual sacrifice. Our sacrifices can be generic or specific, or you may just offer yourself and your praise. However you make your sacrifice, the purpose is to unite yourself more closely to God and the Communion of Saints, and for the salvation of souls. (Continued in next week's bulletin)

LOST WEDDING RING: Rosie Paquette lost her wedding ring the day of Dave's Funeral, January 15th. It was lost either at St. Catherine Church or at St. Catherine Cemetery. If you have seen this ring, please call Rosie 507-920-7599.



O Blessed St. Anthony,

The grace of God has made you a powerful advocate in all our needs and the patron for the restoring of things lost or stolen. I turn to you today with childlike love and deep confidence of God to find the things they have lost, material things, and more importantly, the things of the spirit: faith, hope and love. I come to you with confidence; help me in my present need. I recommend what I have lost to your

care, in the hope that

God will restore it to me, if it is His holy Will.

FAITH FORMATION • Youth News & Activities

THIS WEEK – SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Spend Holy Wednesday with our 9th grade students, who will be performing the Shadow Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 27th at 7:10 PM here at St. Catherine. Mark your calendars. ALL are welcome!

CAST LIST: Jesus – Luka Smith
 Pilate, Simon, John – Lucas Madison
 Soldier 1 – Ashton Pick
 Sholder 2 – Andrew Deutsch
 Mary – Kiley Kindt
 Veronica – Aubrey VanBelle
 Woman 1 – Macie Edstrom
 Woman 2- CeCe Rock
 Woman 2 – Aubry VanBelle
 Reader 1 – Ava Steinhoff
 Reader 2 – Camdyn Broesder

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID: St. Catherine is co-hosting a training for adults who work with youth or have children to help spot common signs of mental health illnesses (anxiety, depression, eating disorders, ADHD) and substance abuse. The training will also address how

DATES TO NOTE:

Wednesday, March 27th	Faith Formation 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM (with Shadow Stations at 7:10 PM)
Wednesday, April 3rd	Faith Formation 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Saturday, April 6th	1st Communion Practice 10:00 AM & Option 1 Mass at 5:00 PM
Sunday, April 7th	1st Communion Option 2 Mass at 8:30 AM
Wednesday, April 10th	Faith Formation 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 17th	Faith Formation 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM
Wednesday, April 24th	Last Day of Faith Formation 4:00 PM & 7:00 PM

to connect with youth in crisis and how to connect them with help. We would love all our catechists, volunteers and parishioners who are able to attend!

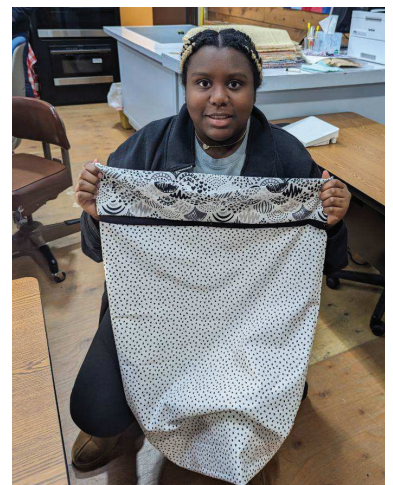
- When: Saturday, May 18th 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- Where: St. John's Lutheran Church

Register by emailing: angela.nolz@sanfordhealth.org

There is no cost to attend the training, but registration is required.



LENT SERVICE PROJECTS: 8th Graders Sewing Project at the Sewing Basket and 7th Graders at Game Night with Residence of Poplar Creek and the Oaks.



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