## Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 7, 2024



## HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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## **Mass Times**

8:30 a.m. Tues, 4:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Office hours Wednesday 10-Noon



## ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH

180 S. Fremont St. Lewiston, MN 55952

#### **Mass Time**

8:30 a.m. Sunday 8:30 am Wednesday, Thursday



## ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

111 N. Mill St. Rushford, MN

#### **Mass Time**

10:00 a.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. Friday Contact: Arlene 608-406-1124 arlene@st-rose.org

## **Epiphany of Our Lord, January 7**

Is 60:1-6 Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 Mt 2:1-12

#### **Monday January 8**

Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord Is 42:1-4, 6-7 Acts 10:34-38 Mk 1:7-11

#### Tuesday, January 9

1 Sm 1:9-20 Mk 1:21-28

#### Wednesday, January 10

1 Sm 3:1-10 Mk 1:29-39

#### Thursday, January 11

1 Sm 4:1-11 Mk 1:40-45

#### Friday, January 12

1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a Mk 2:1-12

#### Saturday, January 13

1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19 Mk 2:13-17

#### Second Sunday, January 14

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19 1 Col 6:13c-15a, 17-20 Jn 1:35-42

Tri-Parish Church cluster web site: st-rose.org

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## This Week's Masses

Monday	January 8	No Mass
Tuesday	January 9	
07:30 am	Holy Trinity	Adoration
08:30 am	Holy Trinity	George & Phyllis Haler+
Wednesday	January 10	
08:30 am	St Rose	Elmer Fabian+
Thursday	January 11	
8:30 am	St. Rose	Joann Ziegeweid+
Friday	January 12	
9:00 am	St. Joseph	Joe and Doris Duffney+
10:00 am	Good Shepard	All deceased
Saturday	January 13	
4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	Bob Harter+
Sunday	January 14	
8:30 am	St. Rose	Lee West +
10:00 am	St. Joseph	Tom Gorman +

#### **Adoration times:**

St Rose First Wednesday	8:30 am – 8:30 pm
Holy Trinity Tuesdays	7.30 am – 8.30 am
St Joseph First Friday	9:30 am - 10:30 am

#### **Reconciliation times:**

St Rose 8 - 8:20 am Sunday and Wednesdays Holy Trinity 4 - 4:20 pm Saturday St Joseph 8:30 - 8:50 am Friday Or by appointment.

**NEW PARISHIONERS** are invited to contact the Tri-Parish Office at 507-523-2428 or office@st-rose.org.

**BAPTISM** - Baptisms are regularly celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses or by appointment. Parents are asked to meet with Fr. Chinnappa before the baptism of their first child. Please call the Tri-parish office to set the date of the baptism.

**MARRIAGE** - Instruction must begin at least six months in advance. Please contact Fr. Chinnappa to begin the preparation process. An Engaged Encounter or similar course is also required.

Need Prayers?
Call Rosie Moger 507-429-5525
Call with all requests or to join the group.

Prayer Requests: Jím Vogel, Davíd Taylor, Becky Haxton. Chuck Woodford, Clem Wíley, Theresea Ellíott, Bíll Schultz, Steve Rader Father Bíll Kulas, Bíshop Harríngton,

## **Holy Trinity**

## Giving, December 30, 2023

## <u>Liturgical Ministry – January 13, 2024</u>

<u>Lector:</u>	Teresa Speltz
EMHC:	Brennan Farley
<u>Cantor</u>	Tammy Schmit
Hahan	Torry Full and Dandall

<u>Usher</u> Terry Full and Randall Sullivan

Gifts Terry Full Family

<u>Server</u> Makenna Peshon and Toben Tibor

**Greeter:** Ron and Sany Lande

## St. Rose

#### Giving, December 31, 2023

#### Liturgical Ministry – January 14, 2024

<u>Lector:</u> Eric Speltz

*EMHC:* Shelly DePestel, Dean DePestel,

Kelly Dahl

Servers: Leah Kurth Marabelle Kurth,

Shawn Kurth, Nevaeh Mitchell

*Ushers:* Greyson Speltz, Brady Kreidermacher

Greenlee Speltz, Megan Kreidermacher

## St. Joseph

#### Giving, December 31, 2023

#### Liturgical Ministry – January 14, 2024

*Lector:* Chris Hogge

<u>Usher & Cross:</u> Marv and Marcie Hosch

Rosary Jacob Kramer

Offertory Bob and Anne Spartz

EMHC: Joe Bingaman
Sacristan: LuAnne Dvorak

## Fr. Chinnappa will be on vacation from

January 15 to February 7, 2024. During this time Fr. Kevin Stolt will sub for weekends at St. Rose & Holy Trinity and Fr. Matt Fasnacht at St. Joseph's. Fr. Russell Scepaniak will be on call for emergencies. There will be communion services during scheduled weekdays.

## **Tri Parish News and Notes**

Available online resources for Christmas season through Formed Subscription that has been renewed and is free to all parishioners. I encourage you to, please, make use of the free resource. Please go to: <a href="https://signup.formed.org/">https://signup.formed.org/</a> to subscribe. If you have questions about how Formed works, please call the office for help.

There is a group of adults in our Tri-Parish who are wanting to become Catholic and join the Catholic Church. If you are interested or know someone who may be interested in joining, please contact Ashley Gossen for more information. FaithFormation@St-Rose.org or 507-523-3548.

## St. Joseph News and Notes

**Finance Council Meeting** scheduled for Thursday, January 25 at 6.00pm.

Donations for St Joe's Family Corner: We are looking to provide a comfortable space for young families in Montini Hall. Seeking donations including a small couch, a recliner, a toy shelf or storage unit, and toys. Please talk to Beth Ann McManimon or Cadence Hogge if you'd like to contribute! Call or text 507-450-7993

St. Joseph Parish Envelopes for 2024 are available for you in Montini Hall. If you don't see your name on a box of envelopes, please get in touch with Arlene at 608-406-1124 or email at <a href="mailto:arlene@st-rose.org">arlene@st-rose.org</a>. Thank You for picking up your parish envelopes.

St. Joseph will be hosting the **Caledonia Area CCW** meeting on Saturday, January 13th. This is an all day meeting beginning at 8 am and ending about 3 pm. All women of the parish are invited to attend. Lunch is provided.

St Joseph is hosting the next **Red Cross Blood Drive** on Friday, Jan 19th. Workers are needed, as well as treats. A sign-up sheet will be available in Montini Hall

## **Holy Trinity News and Notes**

**Finance Council Meeting** is scheduled for Tuesday, January 16 at 6.30pm.

## St. Rose News and Notes

Finance Council Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, January 17 at 6.00pm.

MAY HE REST IN THE PEACE OF GOD: With tenderness and love we pray for our deceased,

**Thomas Hennessey**. May their loved ones find comfort and reassurance in God, our Father. Funeral at 11:00am January 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **Community News**

Good morning, readers! The January 2024 issue of *The Courier* is now available online: <a href="https://issuu.com/dioceseofwinona/docs/january\_for\_page1">https://issuu.com/dioceseofwinona/docs/january\_for\_page1</a> 62db900a4173ce?fr=sMWQ1YjY5MzkzNzE

**Hospital Bed:** A good neighbor is looking to rehome a hospital bed. If you or someone you know could use the bed, please call: Lynette Evanson 507-410-1010.

Winona Area Youth Ministry is offering a youth night at Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in St. Thomas Room on January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm also a movie night, Sunday January 21<sup>st</sup> 6:00 pm at St. Stanislaus in the school. We will be watching "The Princess Bride." All are welcome. Call Paula with questions 507-410-2145.

Starting Monday, January 15, 2024 St. Charles Borromeo will be hosting a 7-week *Life in the Spirit Seminar* with the hope of facilitating an opportunity for ALL to receive the *Holy Spirit* with new vigor and to help you lead a deeper spirit filled life. The Life in the Spirit Seminar will help you explore the amazing gifts and charisms planted in your soul at Baptism and further awakened at Confirmation. ALL are invited to attend! Let Jesus inflame a new Pentecost of God's Love in your heart!

7 Sessions - Mondays 6:30pm-8:00pm January 15, 22, 29; February 5, 12, 19, 26

Cost: FREE

For questions or to register please email Alicia Hauge at alicia.b.hauge@gmail.com

# The Epiphany of the Lord "Jesus Came for Everyone"

It is truly tragic that there continues to be the violence of war in so many areas of our planet. Violence is the result of selfishness – which can be personal or collective. Violence usually happens whenever someone or some group forces their will upon others. Furthermore, violence can become like a "chain reaction" – it continues to increase unless it is resisted and quelled.

Currently, we have on-going violence in Ukraine, Russia, and Gaza. There also are civil wars in Afghanistan, Ethiopia, Libya, Somalia, Syria – and other countries, as well. Sadly, the perpetrators of violence forget a salient truth. It is that we are all

members of the same human race – We are all brothers and sisters in the one human family – We were not created in isolation – Instead, we all have responsibilities to every other person on our planet.

Furthermore, our ethnic diversity brings a richness that would not exist otherwise! The scriptures for today have much to teach us about our interpersonal responsibilities as members of the human family. God has created every person who has ever lived. God sent His Son to bring salvation to everyone. Jesus came for every man, woman, and child no matter what their nationality, color, or economic situation might be. However, it is necessary that we recognize Jesus and accept him and his Gospel way of living in order to be saved.

Matthew's Gospel tells us that King Herod and all the religious leaders in Jerusalem were disturbed over what the Magi revealed to them. The Magi were holy men – but not of the Hebrew religion. Nevertheless, God revealed to them what the Jewish leadership missed. In his violent heart, Herod rejected the newborn king and sought to kill him. The leadership would reject him and crucify him, 33 years later!

The Magi were able to discover and worship the newborn king because the light of God shone in their hearts and souls. The Holy Spirit was at work in their Gentile hearts with its divine light and love. And the light of the Star of Bethlehem guided them from pagan lands far away!

In marked contrast, Herod and the Jewish leaders lived in darkness. It was the darkness of ego-centrism and self-love. They could not accept anything that challenged their thinking or their belief system – nor their power, their wealth, or way of life. Jesus was far too much for Herod – even as an infant. As the Carpenter turned Rabbi from Nazareth, he was too much for the priests, the scribes, and the Pharisees!

In his Letter to the Romans, Paul, who was himself a Roman and a Pharisee, tells us that God sent His Son for everyone without exception. The Jews were God's Chosen People of the Old Testament and the Mosaic Law. However, Jesus established a New People of God which could include anyone. A person didn't have to embrace Judaism to become a Christian – The pagan Gentiles were welcomed, as well! For "the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus, through the Gospel"!

The passage from Isaiah is prophetic and symbolic in so many ways. It points to the Magi who brought gifts for the infant King, God-Child and Savior – It points to Jerusalem wherein Jesus would do so much of his teaching and ministry – It also points to a Heavenly Jerusalem that is the Kingdom of Heaven.

Brothers and Sisters, there seems to be more and more violence everywhere in our world today. It is on our streets, in our cities, and university campuses – Some countries have become battlegrounds for violent ideologies. Violence is in every criminal act that violates any person or anything.

However, the only violence that should ever exist is the spiritual violence in our own hearts. For we must do violence to all those sinful things that keep us from God. These are the thoughts, behaviors, habits, words, and attitudes by which we harm others as well as ourselves!

So, let us pray, today, for peace at home and abroad – And may we treat everyone with love as our brothers and sisters in the universal family that God has created!

Amen.

Msgr. Russell G.Terra. Stjosephredding.org

