Second Sunday of Lent February 25, 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

Second Sunday of Lent, Feb. 25

Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 Rom 8:31b-34 Mk 9:2-10

Monday, February 26

Dn 9:4b-10 Lk 6:36-38

Tuesday, February 27

Is 1:10, 16-20 Mt 23:1-12

Wednesday, February 28

Jer 18:18-20 Mt 20:17-28

Thursday, February 29

Jer 17:5-10 Lk 16:19-31

Friday, March 1

Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

Saturday, March 2

Mi 7:14-15, 18-20 Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Third Sunday of Lent, March 3

Ex 20:1-17 1 Cor 1:22-25 Jn 2:13-25

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

Pastor: Rev. Chinnappa Pothireddy – frchinnappa@htpm.us; 507-523-2428

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This Week Masses & Intentions

Monday	February 26	No Mass
Tuesday	February 27	
07:30 am	Holy Trinity	Adoration
08:30 am	Holy Trinity	Dorothy Chuchna+
Wednesday	February 28	•
8:30 pm	St Rose	Daniel Driscoll+
Thursday	February 29	
8:30 am	St. Rose	JoAnn Ziegeweid+
Friday	March 1	C
9:00 am	St. Joseph	Norb Grau+
10:00 am	Valley View	Elmer Fabian+
Saturday	March 2	
4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	Edward Speltz+
Sunday	March 3	•
8:30 am	St. Rose	Jacob & Margaret
		Kreidermacher +
10:00 am	St. Joseph	The Nejedlo family
	r	deceased members+

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: Sunday and Wednesday	8.00 - 8:20 am
Holy Trinity: Saturday	4.00 - 4:20 pm
St Joseph: Friday	8:30 - 8:50 am
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.

Anointing of the Sick: The sacrament is available before or after Mass on request or arrangements can be made with Fr. Chinnappa for Hospital or Home Visits.

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

Prayer Requests: David Taylor, Becky Haxton. Chuck Woodford, Jim Vogel, Theresea Elliott, Bill Schultz, Steve Rader, Fr. Bill Kulas, Bishop Harrington.

Holy Trinity

Giving, February 17, 2024

Church Support	\$	1192.00
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Liturgical Ministry – March 2, 2024

Lector:	Tina Lehnertz
EMHC:	Leo Speltz
Cantor:	Theresa Speltz
<u>Usher:</u>	Louise Kalmes, Ron Lande
Gifts:	Roger and Jane Maschka
<u>Server</u>	Grayson and Greenlee Speltz
<u>Greeter:</u>	Jodi Rivers and Rebecca McCormick

St. Rose

Giving, February 18, 2024

Church Support	\$.1529.50

Liturgical Ministry – March 3, 2024

<u>Lector:</u>	Joel Hennessy
EMHC:	Mark Ernster, Suzanne Pilger, Ben Kuhn
<u>Servers:</u>	Damian Gossen, Clara Gossen
	Allyn Gossen, Dylan Duncanson
<u>Ushers:</u>	Tim Hennessy, Greg Bronk,
	Karin Peterson, Ken Peterson

St. Joseph

Giving, February 18, 2024

Church Support	\$	1930.00
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Liturgical Ministry – March 3, 2024

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Lector:	Chuck Ehle	- T

<u>Usher & Cross:</u> Al Schollmeier & Gary Marcoux

Rosary Barb Mensink

<u>Offertory</u> Helen & Terrence Bollinger

EMHC: Barb Mensink

Sacristan: Sandee and Mike Jeresek

During the Season of Lent, we shall Pray Stations of the Cross after mass on Tuesday at Holy Trinity and St Joseph after Friday morning Mass and Chaplet of Divine Mercy before the weekend masses at all churches.

Gregorian Chant - Ave Maris Stella | Sacred Monastery Ambient Prayer

https://youtube.com/watch?v=Gqc1j1BTjSE&si=2It-sjTaDNn7Mdtk

Please enjoy 🙏 🙏 🙏

Tri Parish News and Notes

Tri-Parish help is needed to welcome/host the National Eucharistic Procession (NEP) on Wednesday, June 5th in Lewiston.

As the NEP travels through our diocese the week of May 31 – June 7, our Tri-Parish is being asked to welcome/ host a luncheon for the pilgrimage participants, partake in a Holy Hour of Eucharistic Adoration and participate in a local level Eucharistic procession through Lewiston. Because the NEP will not be able to stop at each parish within our Tri-Parish, we want each of our parishes to be represented on June 5th. We are asking for your help in the planning, hosting, and participation in this event. Many hands are needed to make it happen. Our immediate need is to form a planning committee. Please contact Kelly Kalmes (262-338-8044), Becky McCormick (507-689-0398) or office@st-rose.org, office@htpm.us, arlene@st-rose.org.

Has it been a while since you have been to confession? The Diocese of Winona-Rochester offers a resource of hope, encouragement, and story for you—as well as how to make a good confession, and why it's important. The Light is On Southern Minnesota is a website that makes clear that God's mercy can be for you! Take time to enjoy the local stories, share them with friends via email and social media, and use them as encouragement to receive the sacrament of reconciliation this Lent. See it all at HERE.

Available online resources for Lent 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: https://signup.formed.org/ to subscribe. If you have questions about how Formed works, please call the office for help.

St. Joseph News and Notes

Faith Formation: Karen Eich has asked us to address all matters related to Faith Formation to **Nancy Schollmeier** 507-251-0158; anscholl@msn.com.

Bishop Barron's Catholicism Series - Wednesday evenings February 21, 28, and March 6 at 6:30, videos 1,2, and 3 will be shown in Montini Hall each evening followed by discussions and questions. All are encouraged to attend.

Dorothy O'Donnell 95th Birthday Celebration Sunday, March 3, 2024 after mass. 11:00-2:00. We will have a light lunch, cake and refreshments. Please stop and wish Dorothy a Happy Birthday! (no gifts please).

Holy Trinity News and Notes

Holiday Choir: The holiday choir will resume choir practices for Easter starting Sunday, February 25. Practices are at Holy Trinity Church from 7-8 pm on Sundays until Holy Week. We will be singing for Good Friday and Easter Vigil. If you have questions, please call Tammy Schmit 689-2469. All are welcome!

Spaghetti Dinner: Thursday, March 7th More information on these events will be shared in the coming weeks. Everyone is welcome! If You have questions, please contact: Bonnie Kalmes 507-450-6378.

<u>Season 2 of The Chosen:</u> There is still time to sign up for Season 2 of The Chosen.

Thank You! From Steve and Connie Rader "Dear Holy Trinity Friends, your gift cards were very thoughtful and appreciated!"

St. Rose News and Notes

Mission Supper Kitchen Clean-up March 16th @ 9:00 am many hands make light work.

Mission Supper coming soon: March 21st serving starts 4:30 pm. Turkey, dressing, coleslaw, cranberries, mashed potatoes, gravy, finger rolls, homemade pies, coffee, and milk. Tell everyone. Great meal.

The 6th Grade Faith Formation class would like to thank everyone for their generous support of their book sale. Thank you to everyone who donated books, helped set up, work and clean up and also those who came and bought books or made donations. The class raised over \$1,300 which they will donate to the school.

Community News and Notes

Lent means spring, refers to lengthening of days, hope of good life

- The ashes symbolize the sins of everyone, dividing imperfect people from a perfect God and emphasizing each person's mortality, and serve as a commitment to reflection and spiritual growth.
- 2. Fasting can mean giving up any habit, food or activity as a form of self-discipline and spiritual reflection. It is common to abstain from meat on Fridays.
- Giving in honor of the sacrifice Jesus gave for all. It is common to spend time volunteering or donating money. This serves as a way to respond to God's everlasting love and his generosity in giving up his Son.

4. Lent is primarily a time for repentance, spiritual renewal and self-examination, preparing the hearts and minds of all for Easter.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Bring back the honeymoon in your marriage. The next available Weekends are Apr 27-28, 2024 in Owatonna, MN and Mar 22-24, 2024 in Valley City, ND. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

"Staying Committed"

It is truly a daunting task always to remain faithful to our vocation for a lifetime. To stay married to one's spouse until death – might not always be an easy thing to do. The same is true for a priestly or religious vocation. In every life-long commitment there are times when we are tempted to give up in favor of something else. Difficulties and hardships occur which we never considered – or thought possible – beforehand.

Sometimes our commitment will ask us to make impossibly hard choices – We will be asked to do – or not do – something that tests the depths of our soul. Nevertheless, there are always wonderful blessings and rewards for those who do remain faithful over the long term.

With these thoughts in mind, we can well understand what Abraham faced in the passage, today, from Genesis. Abraham was called to a special relationship with the Lord God. God chose Abraham for a worldchanging vocation. He would become the father of a great nation. And the whole human race would be blessed because of Abraham's faithfulness to God. However, there was one last test that Abraham would have to experience. He would be asked to sacrifice the son of promise that God had given him. Abraham was asked to prove his absolute trust and fidelity to God. He was asked to prove that his relationship with the Lord God was the most important thing in his heart and soul. Abraham passed the test. At the last instant, God intervened. Isaac was spared.

Abraham proved himself. And, centuries later, Jesus of Nazareth became the blessing and the salvation that was promised!

In the Gospel of Mark, Jesus took three of his disciples with him up the mountain. They were to witness a marvelous encounter between Jesus and God. Jesus knew what his

mission was. He knew what he would face if he were faithful. He would suffer and die in a terribly horrendous way.

However, Jesus was given the strength to endure it all with the dazzling grace of God. Furthermore, Moses and Elijah became present to him. Somehow, somewhere, they were still alive! They spoke with Jesus and encouraged him to face what lay ahead. They were proof that there is a life after and beyond what we experience here!

Like ourselves, the three disciples had no idea what they would experience in the months and vears ahead. They were truly committed to Jesus. They would remain faithful to their relationship with him in the future. But they had serious misconceptions regarding the Messiah. They believed that the Messiah would deliver them from the Roman occupiers. They believed that the Messiah would restore Israel to the former power and glory of King David's time, centuries before. Fortunately, they were wrong - Because the Messiah would do infinitely more for the world. He would deliver the human race from the oppression of satan and the bondage of sin. He would prove the infinite love of God for humankind. And he would prove that life was everlasting when he rose from the dead!

In his Letter to the Romans, St. Paul assures us that God is always with us – and cares for us. No matter what we face – No matter how difficult our vocation might become – No matter what our commitments demand of us – God is always there for us. God has sent His Son in the person of Jesus to be our Savior, our Brother, our Guide. Jesus died for us. He gave up his life so that we could live a whole new life. Thus, our sins could be washed away by the blood he shed on our behalf. Now, Jesus stands before the Father as the witness to our inherent value in solidarity with him. He does this despite our mistakes, failings, and sins!

So, let us take heart, Brothers and Sisters. God knows our past and what lies ahead for each of us. He knows the tests we have faced – and those which will, surely, come. His grace will always be there for us. Let us pray that, each day, our "Yes" to God becomes a greater act of faithfulness and love to Him – and to all the others in our life! Amen.

February 25, 2024 Msgr. Russell G. Terra.