

# Third Sunday of Lent

March 3, 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  
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### Third Sunday of Lent, March 3

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

### Monday, March 4

2 Kgs 5:1-15ab  
Lk 4:24-30

### Tuesday, March 5

Dn 3:25, 34-43  
Mt 18:21-35

### Wednesday, March 6

Dt 4:1, 5-9  
Mt 5:17-19

### Thursday, March 7

Jer 7:23-28  
Lk 11:14-12

### Friday, March 8

Hos 14:2-10  
Mk 12:28-34

### Saturday, March 9

Hos 6:1-6  
Lk 18:9-14

### Fourth Sunday of Lent, March 10

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23  
Eph 2:4-10  
Jn 3:14-21

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The Chosen - Season 2. There is still time to join us this Lenten and Easter season in viewing and discussion on Season 2 of *The Chosen*. We offer two sessions a week at the Holy Trinity Community Center. Sundays at 1 pm and Thursdays at 8:45 am. An interesting conversation took place between our Bishop Barron and Jonathan Roumie the actor who plays Jesus in *The Chose*. Here is the link to view the conversation. <https://www.wordonfire.org/videos/dialogues/bishop-barron-and-jonathan-roumie-acting-and-evangelization/> If you still want to join viewing *The Chosen* contact Becky McCormick at 507-689-0398.

## REMEMBER THE PARISH IN YOUR WILL.



Most adults do not have a legal will. Write your will today by visiting [MyCatholicWill.com](http://MyCatholicWill.com).

This Lent, protect those you love most in under 15-minutes through the online, easy-to-use form.

Leave a legacy of faith by including the parish in your will.

[www.MyCatholicWill.com](http://www.MyCatholicWill.com)  
Use code: **PARISH20** to save 20%



# This Week Masses & Intentions

## Tuesday March 5

7:30 am Holy Trinity  
8:30 am Holy Trinity

**Adoration**  
*Gerald Bambenek+*

## Wednesday March 6

8:30-8:30 St Rose  
8:30 pm St Rose

**Adoration**  
*Mark Speltz+*

## Thursday March 7

8:30 am St. Rose

*Parishioners+*

## Friday March 8

9:00 am St. Joseph  
10:00 am Good Shepard

*Jeanette Krebs+*  
*Joann Ziegeweid+*

## Saturday March 9

4:30 pm Holy Trinity

*Chris Schultz+*

## Sunday March 10

8:30 am St. Rose  
10:00 am St. Joseph

*Robert Franzen +*  
*Leo and Mary McKenna+*

### 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](mailto: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 24, 2024

Church Support..... \$ 1542.00

### Liturgical Ministry – March 9, 2024

<u>Lector:</u>	Rebecca McCormick
<u>EMHC:</u>	Maureen Speltz
<u>Cantor:</u>	Tammy Schmit
<u>Usher:</u>	Terry Full & Ron Schloegel
<u>Gifts:</u>	Mary and Leo Speltz
<u>Server</u>	Ashley & Natalie Hoffman
<u>Greeter:</u>	Jeanette Borger & Lousie Kalmes

## St. Rose

### Giving, February 25, 2024

Church Support..... \$ 1798.75

### Liturgical Ministry – March 10, 2024

<u>Lector:</u>	Rick Speltz
<u>EMHC:</u>	Jerry Hennessy, Greg Bronk, Stacy Bronk
<u>Servers:</u>	Alyssa Hansen, Jayden Hansen Kaylee Hansen, Emily Burt
<u>Ushers:</u>	Brenda Knutson, Amie Miller, Julie Haake, Jill Pasche

## St. Joseph

### Giving, February 25, 2024

Church Support..... \$ 740.00

### Liturgical Ministry –March 10, 2024

<u>Lector:</u>	Susan Koenen
<u>Usher &amp; Cross:</u>	Charlie Mueller & Steve Calhane
<u>Rosary</u>	Gary Marcoux
<u>Offertory</u>	The Hogge Family
<u>EMHC:</u>	Chuck Ehler
<u>Sacristan:</u>	Jacob Kramer

**Praying Chaplet of Divine Mercy:  
before Weekend Masses.**

**Praying Stations of the Cross:  
Holy Trinity: Tuesday after Mass.  
St. Rose: Wednesday before Mass.  
St. Joseph: Friday after Mass.**

Good morning, readers. The March 2024 issue of The Courier is now available online [https://issuu.com/diocesefwinona/docs/march\\_f\\_or\\_page\\_1\\_936f466324b7f2?fr=sMzNkYTY5MzkzNzE](https://issuu.com/diocesefwinona/docs/march_f_or_page_1_936f466324b7f2?fr=sMzNkYTY5MzkzNzE)

## **Tri Parish News and Notes**

Tri-Parish help is needed to welcome/host the National Eucharistic Procession (NEP) on **Wednesday, June 5<sup>th</sup> in Lewiston**. 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. There will be a 10 am meeting on Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> at St. Rose Hall.** Please contact Kelly Kalmes (262-338-8044), Becky McCormick (507-689-0398) or [office@st-rose.org](mailto:office@st-rose.org), [office@htpm.us](mailto:office@htpm.us), [arlene@st-rose.org](mailto:arlene@st-rose.org). If you can help plan the event, there will be a meeting at 10:00 on Monday March 4<sup>th</sup> at St Rose Hall.

**The Catholic Relief Services Collection will be on March 10.** Funds received are utilized to help victims of war and oppression begin new lives in welcoming, supportive communities through innovative initiatives like Welcome Circles, Welcome Immigrants and Refugees, Feeding Jesus' hunger, legal assistance, comfort Jesus' loneliness, Give Water, Victims of persecution and natural disasters, advocate for the powerless in and around the world. Please support and reveal Christ's Love.

**Listening Session in preparation for the Rome Synodal Assembly 2024:** On March 23 (9am to Noon) at St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles. Those interested may contact Kelly Kalmes: 262-338-8084 or Becky McCormick: 507-689-0398 or [office@st-rose.org](mailto:office@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](https://www.lightison.org).

**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**

**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.

**Flowers for Easter:** We are now accepting donations for our beautiful Easter flowers.

**CCW Meeting:** After mass in education center on March 10<sup>th</sup>. All women are invited to attend.

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

**The parish Knights of Columbus golf tournament** this summer has been scheduled for June 22 at the Ferndale Golf Course. Please work on putting together a four-person golf team. We are asking for organizations or anyone to become a \$50.00 hole sponsor. The proceeds from this tournament go to the food bank and school backpack program. If you have any questions, talk with any of your parish Knights. We Knights and also the less fortunate in our community Thank You!

## **Holy Trinity News and Notes**

**Congratulations and God's blessings** to the newly baptized and his family! **Declan Donald Nofsinger** son of Aden and Elizabeth Nofsinger on March 2, 2024.

**Liturgy/FF/Funeral Committee Meeting** on Tuesday, March 5 at 7.00pm in the HT Office.

**Reconciliation Service:** There is an opportunity for Lenten confession for youth and adults on Wednesday, March 6 from 6.30pm. All are welcome to take advantage of this life-giving sacrament.

**Spaghetti Dinner:** Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. 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.

## **St. Rose News and Notes**

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

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

## **Community News and Notes**

**Bishops Call to oppose Physician Assisted Suicide:** Members of the Minnesota State Legislature have introduced H.F. 1930 and S.F. 1813 that would legalize death via physician-assisted suicide in Minnesota. Physician-assisted suicide is the intentional taking of human life that leaves the elderly, ill, including those struggling with mental health; and persons with disabilities at high risk. We stand with disability advocates, members of the medical community, patient advocates and other religious organizations through the Minnesota Alliance for



Ethical Healthcare. **Help us stop this legislation in its tracks.** Urge your state legislators to support real care at the end of life, not assisted suicide. Please visit: [EthicalCareMN.org](http://EthicalCareMN.org) / [mncatholic.org](http://mncatholic.org) for information and action.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter.** Bring back the honeymoon in your marriage. Available **Weekends** are Apr 27-28, 2024 in Owatonna, MN and Mar 22-24, 2024 in Valley City, ND. Early registration is recommended. For more information visit our website: [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

## **Living in a Devalued World**

Recently, the mayor of a large Mid-Western city spoke about the greatly increased revenue in the city coffers from taxing legalized cannabis products. But he said nothing about the increased problems of young people and the crime that is the result. What is interesting is that when I tried to follow up on those reported problems of young people – there was nothing to be found. Everything negative had been wiped off the internet.

“The love of money is the root of all evil.” So often, when money is involved, people make serious compromises with their moral values. Thus, they will lie, cheat, steal – and even take a life – if they can raise the bottom line of personal, corporate, or community income.

Human nature has two conflicting characteristics. Part of us is good and noble – And part is broken and corrupt. Original Sin damaged the beauty and wholeness that God created us to possess – And whenever we choose the dark side – we add to the darkness of our fallen world. Fortunately, God would not be outdone by satan – Nor would He abandon His creation. A little over 4,000 years ago, God called Abraham. God established a People, especially chosen, from which a Savior would come. And, today in the Book of Exodus, we learn of the Commandments God gave to that nation – and, subsequently, to the world.

What is significant is that there would never be discord or violence anywhere, if everyone kept those Commandments. And the very first, is always to keep the Lord God foremost in our hearts and lives. Furthermore, if God is always foremost, then the other Commandments become easier to keep!

However, because He knew that we would bend these Commandments for self-service – God spelled things out. – We are not to make idols out of our material things. This includes our homes, our wardrobe, our toys, and our cell-phones! – We are not to have anyone do things

or us that we are not to do ourselves. – We are not to covet or desire forbidden things or already-committed people – Because desire leads to action – and action brings harm and death to our souls – even as it violates others in some way.

Today, St. John tells us that Jesus attacked the Stockmen and the Money Changers in the Temple. They were not where they were supposed to be! They were also taking advantage of people’s obligation to make certain sacrifices. Furthermore, the religious leaders looked the other way – probably for a “kick-back”. God’s house of prayer had, indeed, become a marketplace!

The Gospel also tells us that Jesus didn’t get taken-in by his growing popularity. He knew that human nature was imperfect and weak. People followed him because of the signs and miracles he worked – And they had it all wrong about the kind of Messiah he would be. Jesus knew that they would desert him when the Gospel made its real demands upon them. They would desert him – as they do now – because they wanted an easy life in this world. They would not want or accept the hardships of a journey – with the cross as the doorway to eternal life!

This last consideration is what inspired St. Paul’s passage in 1st Corinthians. The Jewish leadership wanted signs – but there would never be enough of those signs. The Gentile Greeks thought that wisdom answered every question and solved every problem. However, the Christian disciple must embrace a different sign – and a different wisdom. It is the sign of the Cross and the Power of the Resurrection.

Unfortunately, most people in our world today do not have the faith to embrace these Gospel realities. Money – and the health, wealth, and power that money can buy – is everything. Today, all kinds of moral realities have become devalued. Because they are commonplace – and legal – people forget what God wants and commands. Thus, abortion, in vitro fertilization – use of aborted stem-cells, sex-change operations, same sex marriages are just some of the things that show how far we have strayed from God’s plan and will!

Brothers and Sisters, our present-day vocation as Christian disciples is to survive the devalued world in which we live. So, let us pray for steadfastness – Let us pray for courage – And may the Wisdom of God and the Foolishness of God be our guiding light and our salvation!

*March 3, 2024 Msgr. Russell G. Terra.*