Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

January 4, 2026



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

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Mass Times

8:00 a.m. Tues 4:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil Office Hours Mondays 10 -Noon



ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH

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Mass Time

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



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

111 N. Mill St. Rushford, MN 55971

Mass Time

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

Epiphany of the Lord, January 4

IS 60:1-6 EPH 3:2-3a, 5-6 MT 2:1-12

Monday, January 5

1 JN 3:22-4:6 MT 4:12-17

Tuesday, January 6

1 JN 4:7-10 MK 6:34-44

Wednesday, January 7

1 JN 4:11-18 MK 6:45-52

Thursday, January 8

1 JN 4:19-5:4 LK 4:14-22a

Friday, January 9

1 JN 5:5-13 LK 5:12-16

Saturday, January 10

1 JN 5:14-21 JN 3:22-30

The Baptism of Lord, January 11

IS 42:1-4, 6-7 ACTS 10:34-38 MT 3:13-17

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Office Hours T, W, Th 9:00 to 11:00

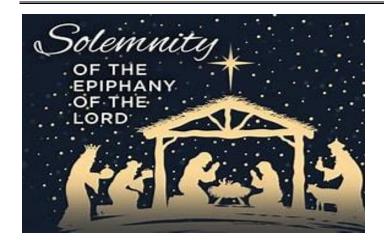
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Lord Jesus Christ,

Light of the nations and King of all creation, On this holy day we remember the star that led the Maji to your presence. Shine Your light into our hearts, that we may recognize You in the faces of the poor, the stranger, and the seeker. As the wise men offered gold, frankincense, and myrrh, we offer You our faith, our hope and our love. Guide our steps along the path of truth and make us bearers of Your light in the world. May Your glory be revealed in our words and deeds, until the day we see You face to face in Your heavenly kingdom. Amen

This Week's Masses & Intentions

Tuesday	January 6	
8:00 am	Holy Trinity	Jim Vogel+
8:30 am	Holy Trinity	Adoration
Wednesday	January 7	
9:00-8:30	St Rose	Adoration
8:30 am	St Rose	Deb Koetz+
Thursday	January 8	
8:30 am	St Rose of Lima	Bill and Lillian Sass+
Friday	January 9	
9:00 am	St Joseph	Shelly Jacckson+
10.00am	Valley View	The People of the Parishes
Saturday	January 10	1 0
4:30 pm	Holy Trinity	Vincent & Susie Speltz++
Sunday	January 11	•
8:30 am	St. Rose of Lima	Cheryl Haag +
10:00 am	St Joseph	The People of the Parishes+

Adoration times:

St Rose First Wednesday	8:30 am – 8:30 pm
Holy Trinity Tuesdays	7.00 am - 8.00 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 St Rose of Lima Barb Mensink 507-864-2183 St Joseph Paula at Office 507-689-2351 Holy Trinity Call with all requests or to join the group.

Prayer Requests: Chuck Woodford, Theresea Elliott, Bill Schultz, Fr. Bill Kulas, Ben Krussell, Ken Vogel, Kevin Ferden, Emersyn Maschka, Gina McRae, Ed Vaughn

Mass Intentions for your loved ones needed?

Please contact Tri-Parish office: **523-2428** or drop \$10 per intention in the offertory basket. Thank you.

Holy Trinity

Giving,	December 2	4 &	<u>& 2</u>	27, 2025
Church Support	\$3152.0	0 3	\$	1068.00

<u>Liturgical Ministry – January 10, 2026</u>

<u>Lector:</u>	Paula Harrigan	
EMHC Chris Klein, Rebecca McCormick, Aden Nofsinger		
<u>Cantor:</u>	Tammy Schmit	
<u>Usher:</u>	Terry Full, Louise Kalmes	
<u>Gifts:</u>	Mary & Leo Schmit	
<u>Server</u>	Melanie & Barrett Nofsinger	
<u>Greeter</u>	Jeanette Borger & Terry Full	

St. Rose of Lima

Giving,December 25 & 28, 2025

Church Support......Dec 24st \$1913.41 Dec 28th \$3770.25

<u>Liturgical Ministry – January 11, 2026</u>

<u>Lector:</u> Rick Speltz

EMHC: Shelly DePestel, Dean DePestel, Kelly Dahl
 Servers: Megan Kreidermacher, Dylan Duncanson
 Brady Kreidermacher, Bridget Duncanason

Ushers: Brenda Knutson, Amie Miller

Julie Haake, Jill Pasche

St. Joseph

<u>Giving...</u> Church Support......Dec 21, 2025, \$1900.00 December 28th \$1280.00 Christmas \$1300.00

Liturgical Ministry – January 11, 2026

Lector: Norb Quella

Usher & Cross: Gary Marcous & Steve Felmeier

Rosary:Barb MensinkOffertory:Bob & Anne Spartz

EMHC: Linda Atkinson & Marv and Marcie Hosch

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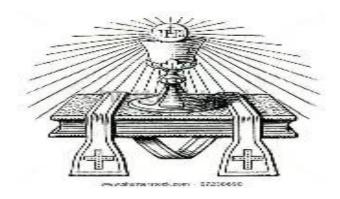
Tri-Parish News and Notes

Thanks to all the parishioners who have helped us with the Christmas celebrations. Your generosity with time, talent and resources for the many spiritual and social events is very much appreciated. May we continue the spirit of Christian Community in the New Year. God blesses a cheerful giver!

May the Lord let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you! Nu.6:25.

THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT

All three Churches made their totals.



St. Joseph News and Notes

May they Rest in the Peace of Christ: We pray for our beloved deceased **Betty Joyce Culhane.** May their loved ones find comfort and reassurance in God, our Father. Funeral is scheduled for Saturday Jan.10th at 11.00am.

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2025 as of Dec. 29, 2025: Goal: \$9569.00 Received \$10,592.14 **over goal** \$1023.14.

Holy Trinity News and Notes

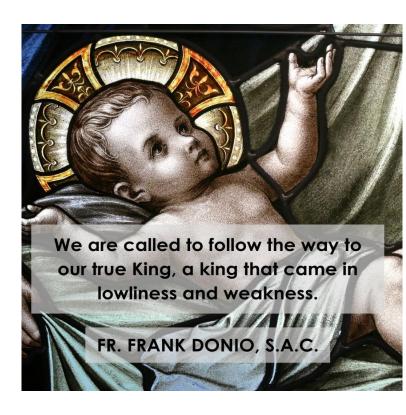
Catholic Ministries Appeal 2025 as of Dec . 29, 2025, Goal \$7,431.00; Received \$8,025.00; **over Goal** \$594.00.

Bishop Barron will be saying Mass at St Joseph's on Sunday, January 11th. We will have a soup lunch for the Parish and the Bishop following Mass that day. Please sign up in Montini Hall if you can bring food or help serve this lunch. Thank you! The Bishop is Coming.

Save the Date of February 14 for the Mardi Gras Celebration Potluck Dinner with games, prizes, fun and fellowship. Call Bonnie with questions: 507-45-6378.

St. Rose' News and Notes

Catholic Ministries Appeal 2025 as of Nov. 14, '25, Goal \$15,719.00 Received \$12,675.00; To Goal \$3044.00.



Community News and Notes

Resurrection in Rochester. Fr. Steffes is supporting us in having a Catholic singles event. Catholic singles event 30+ save the date. February 14th 5:30-9:00 at the Hilton hotel in downtown Rochester. Please contact Mary or Regina for more information.

Mary email mrm.runnergirl@gmail.com
507-269-2979 or Regina email rboehmke@yahoo.com
507-398-7059.



"The Light for Our Darkness"

Our Western World – our Western society and culture – suffers from light pollution. Everywhere, things are illuminated in our cities and towns. Satellite images show whole areas of brilliance at night in our populated areas. We cannot even behold the wonder of our galaxy – the Milky Way – unless we journey far from our towns and cities! Nevertheless, it is still a dark time in our world today. For the darkness is in the hearts of millions who are immersed in our Western society and culture.

That darkness persists despite attempts to displace it. Moreover, so many try to displace it with screen time both day and night. In fact, it is maddening to see people glued to their cell phones even while walking their dogs – or going into a grocery store!

The darkness in our minds and hearts is a sign that we have lost something – or even all – of God's Light. And anyone who is bereft of God's Light is doomed for failure in their quest for any other satisfactory replacement!

The passage from Isaiah was for the Chosen People. It was written during the dark time of their Babylonian Exile. Things would change. The light and the glory of the Lord God would shine upon them – Because the impossible would happen sometime in the future. The living Light of God Himself would dwell in their midst. And all true seekers of that light would, at last, find a way out of their darkness!

St. Matthew speaks about how Isaiah's prophecy was fulfilled with the Birth of Jesus – over 2000 years ago. The Magi were from the East – from Midian-Ephah, and from Sheba. Those locations would be Saudi Arabia and Ethiopia today. The Magi brought the valuable gifts of gold, frankincense along with myrrh. But, more importantly, they were truly enlightened in their minds and hearts. They knew who the Infant really was. They had each heard God speaking – and responded wholeheartedly. Some bright celestial phenomenon even guided them to their final, wonderful destination.

Tragically, King Herod lived in the darkness of his mind and heart. His lust for pleasure darkened his mind. His thirst for power, control, and glory hardened his heart. Like so many leaders today, Herod used cunning, lies, subterfuge, and violence to achieve his narcissistic goals of power and control! Fortunately, Herod failed in this case – although other innocent children were murdered. The Magi, with enlightened intuition from God, saw

through Herod's subterfuge – They ignored his request – and returned to their homelands by another route.

In his Letter to the Ephesians, St. Paul relates that God sent His Son into the world for Gentiles – as well as for the Jews. Unfortunately, the early Christian converts from Judaism believed that Jesus came only for them. In fact, their Jewish traditions and upbringing forbade any contact with non-Jews! Paul, himself, believed in this way until the Holy Spirit enlightened him.

Furthermore, it was a truly wonderful revelation. No one is excluded from the salvation that Jesus brought to the world. No race, color, or nationality can keep anyone from the Light of God's mercy and love. The only thing that blocks us from that Light is our own sins – and our failure to repent.

Brothers and Sisters, we are the only ones who can impede God's Light from entering our minds, our hearts, and our lives. God's grace is always there. But we can refuse to admit it – This happens because of our ungodly attachment to the artificial and pseudo light of our culture and world.

So, let us pray on this great day of the Manifestation – for that is what Epiphany means. Let us pray that, henceforth, we live open to the enlightenment that God alone can give us. And may we be guided by the Gospel of Jesus – who is, himself, the Light of the World! Amen.

January 4, 2026 Msgr. Russell G. Terra.



Pray for Peace Everywhere.

Per Bishop Barron – Ask one person to join you in Church.

Spread the Good News and foster community among Christians.

Keep God close to your heart.