

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 7, 2025



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

P O Box 402
180 S. Fremont St.
Lewiston, MN 55952

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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

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Twenty-Third Sunday, Sep. 7

WIS 9:13-18b

PHIM 9-10, 12-17

LK 14:25-33

Monday, September 8

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin

MI 5:1-4a

MT 1:1-16, 18-23

Tuesday, September 9

COL 2:6-16

LK 6:12-19

Wednesday, September 10

COL 3:1-11

LK 6:20-26

Thursday, September 11

COL 3:12-17

LK 6:27-38

Friday, September 12

1 TM 1:1-2, 12-14

LK 6:39-42

Saturday, September 13

1 TM 1:15-17

LK 6:43-49

Twenty-Fourth Sunday, Sep. 14

NM 21:4b-9

PHIM 2-6-11

JN 3:13-17

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

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

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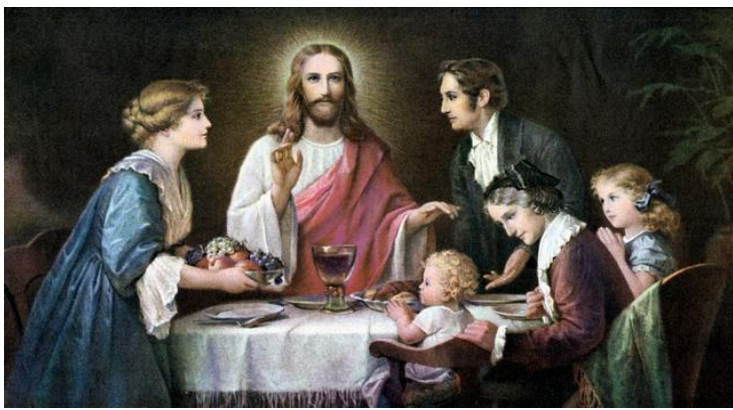
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This Week's Masses &

Tuesday September 9

7:00 am Holy Trinity

8:00 am Holy Trinity

Wednesday September 10

8:30 am St Rose

Thursday September 11

8:30 am St. Rose

Friday September 12

9:00 am St. Joseph

10:00 am Good Shepherd

Saturday September 13

4:30 pm Holy Trinity

Sunday September 14

8:30 am St. Rose

10:00 am St Joseph

Adoration

Gary & JoAnn Galewski+

Gene & Tamara Stevens+

Kathy and Mary Ann Duane+

Shelly Jackson+

For the People +

Ralph & Dorothy Herber+

Bruce Schott+

Glenn Miller+

Intentions

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
Dorothy O'Donnell 507-864-2273 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.

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, August 30, 2025

Church Support..... \$.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 13, 2025

Lector: Morwen Gerson

EMHC: Maureen Speltz, Kayla Farley, Leo

Speltz

Cantor: Tammy Schmit

Usher: Pete Hutkowski, Duane Klein

Gifts: Duane & Chris Klein

Server Grayson & Greenlee Speltz

Greeter Roger & Jane Maschka

St. Rose of Lima

Giving, August 31, 2025

Church Support..... \$2310.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 14, 2025

Lector: Ben Kuhn

EMHC: Mark Ernster, Suzanne Pilger, Ben Kuhn

Servers Alyssa Hansen, Kaylee Hansen,

Brooklyn Hansen, Emily Burt

Ushers Brenda Knutson, Amie Miller,

Julie Haake, Jill Pasche

St. Joseph

Giving..... August 31, 2025

Church Support..... \$1363.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 14, 2025

Lector: Barb Mensink

Usher & Cross: David U'Ren and Jim Culhane

Rosary Al Schollmeier

Offertory Helen and Terence Bollinger

EMHC: Marcie Hosch, Steven Feldmeier,

Colleen McManimon

Sacristan: LuAnne Dvorak

Love One Another

There is no easy way to Heaven.

**May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at
all times go before us and follow
after and make us always
determined to carry out good works.**



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Tri-Parish News and Notes

Our Church community is united in prayer and concern for the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent people caught in the violence in Gaza and surrounding areas. The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that **"Gaza is starving."** To support this critical need, we will hold a second collection the weekend of September 13-14. Your contributions will go to two organizations with a proven track record of providing swift and effective relief: the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Both CNEWA and CRS are on the ground, delivering essential aid such as food, shelter, medical care, and emotional support.

A second collection will be taken the weekend of September 13-14 to support CNEWA and CRS in their relief efforts. To learn more about their vital work, you can visit their websites at www.cnewa.org and www.crs.org.

St Peter and Paul Cemetery Mass is set for Sept 14th at 1 pm at the Cemetery.

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.

St. Joseph News and Notes

Baptism of Austin...Sunday, September 7th.

Saint Joseph's Faith Formation registration has begun. Registration forms have been sent via email to all families who attended during the 2024-2025 school year. The first day of class for preschool through eighth grade is Sunday, September 21st. The first class for ninth and tenth grade is Wednesday, September 17th. If you know of anyone who has not received registration information, or if you have children and are new to our parish, please contact Nancy Schollmeier at 507-251-0158 or anscholl@msn.com. We are looking for **additional Faith Formation teachers for the upcoming year**. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Schollmeier 507-251-0158 or anscholl@msn.com

St. Joseph church could use Mass intentions. The stipend of having a mass offered is \$10. If you'd like to request a mass for a loved one, please make a note of who the mass intention is for, and also if you have a certain date or day of the week, you'd like to have the mass offered, please include that information also. You can drop your envelope in the Sunday collection. If you have any questions, please reach out to Arlene at 608-406-1124.

CMA 2025: Received \$4518.09 To Goal \$5050.91

Holy Trinity News and Notes

Church Fest on September 7, 2025!!

- If you would like to donate toward expenses or buy raffle tickets, call Bonnie or Steve, 507-459-6378.
- Thanks to the many willing hearts who make this festival successful.

CMA 2025: Received \$3725.00; To Goal \$3706.00

Condolences to the family of Joan Hartert whose funeral will be on Monday, September 8. May her soul rest in peace!

St. Rose' News and Notes

St. Rose of Lima Cemetery Committee meeting on Tuesday, September 9 at 3.15pm in the Hall.

Faith Fest Sept 21. St. Rose Faith Fest is September 21st in the hall after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Come join us for brunch, fellowship, basket bidding, and games all in support of our youth and faith formation programs. Silent auction basket sign up is now in the Narthex. Let the fun begin and start thinking about what kind of basket you would like to make! This year we will have the Mystery Jar again. If you would like to donate items (gift cards, trinkets, etc) please do so by September 7th. Please contact Jenny Kurth 507-450-2220 if you have questions. We are looking for volunteers to help with the event so be sure to plan ahead and join in the fun all while lending a hand within your church community. Signup sheets will be available after mass starting September 7th. See Mikki Wirt for any questions. God Bless!

Saint Rose Faith Formation Classes are beginning Wednesday, September 17th for all students. We will celebrate with our teachers at Faith Fest on Sunday September 21st.

NEEDED: A catechist for 4th Grade. This position could also be shared by 2 or more people either teaching together, switching off each week, or even each month. Please reach out to Ashley if you or someone you know may be interested.

Register Online at www.st-rose.org/FF

CMA2025: Received \$10,175.00; To Goal \$ 5543.00.

Community News and Notes

I am so sorry to have to tell you this, but because of Bishop Harrington's Funeral Mass, **we had to cancel the Marriage Anniversary Mass.** Peter.

VOCATION REFLECTION MINI-RETREAT October 12, 2025, 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. St Rose Convent. This in-person mini-retreat is an opportunity for young adults, ages 18- 30 discerning their call and exploring options for their future to visit the Franciscan Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in LaCrosse, WI for a time of guidance and

reflection. Come practice discernment methods and hear how others have gained the clarity of purpose they seek. All are invited to come early for Catholic Mass at 10 a.m. and free lunch is included. For more information call 608-782-5610 or email vocations@fspa.org.

OCIA: As we enter into the fall season, our diocesan Office of Adult Christian Initiation is available to meet (in person, via Zoom, or over the phone) with those working in OCIA ministry in our parishes and church institutions to provide support and guidance. We are also planning to offer fall regional gatherings for conversation and sharing relating to OCIA ministry. The days, times, and sites for these gatherings will be forthcoming. If you would like to set up a time to discuss OCIA ministry in your community, please don't hesitate to email or call us: Todd Graff, Coordinator (Phone: 507-923-2163 / Email: tgraff@dowr.org) ; Kat Larson, Administrative Assistant (Phone: 507-361-3069 / Email: klarson@dowr.org).

“Material or Spiritual?”

Most people everywhere would like for life to be as easy as possible. Most people would like to work less – and still have a large income. We, likewise, have hopes and plans for the future. That future would be work-free, with financial independence.

Consequently, many would like to see into the future. They would like to know beforehand all that will take place in their lives. This would enable them, now, to make decisions that would result in favorable outcomes. However, life is never this way – And the scriptures for today have much to teach us about our plans – and God's plans for us as well.

The Book of Wisdom reveals that we simply cannot know the mind of God. It reminds us that we are body and soul. We are material and spiritual in our makeup. Our minds seek the answers for so many different things. Science has explained many, formerly unknown, mysteries. Yet, science is useless confronting the truly spiritual. It cannot know the mind or the plan of God. Nevertheless, God does reach out on our journey here to Him. He will send His Holy Spirit to guide us on a straight path. But we must be believers and receptive to His overtures.

In the Gospel of St. Luke, Jesus tells us that there is no easy way into the Kingdom of Heaven. God's kingdom of eternal glory cannot be attained without great struggle and hard work. If we would follow Jesus, we must be prepared and willing to give up everything in our life here. The “hate” of which Jesus speaks, is not rancor, ill-will, or animosity. It is not the

hatred that leads to physical violence or revenge. It is not the hatred that seeks to destroy! No! What Jesus means is that we cannot ever allow family – or loved ones – to get in the way of following him and his Gospel. Because to do so, disqualifies us for true discipleship!

Jesus also tells us that we must expect to suffer. We must take up our own cross to follow him. We cannot expect anyone else to do it for us. And much of our cross will be dealing with the uncertainty, the misfortune, and the tragedy that befalls everyone. Furthermore, Jesus urges us to take very seriously all that God might, possibly, ask of us.

The king should negotiate rather than lose everything against overwhelming forces. The contractor must be certain that he has everything necessary to complete the project. And we must be willing to part with anything and everything – if that is what God asks of us. This might be one thing after another until we are finally attached to nothing when God comes for us at death!

St. Paul had made every sacrifice that God asked of him. He was an old man – He had suffered much – He was under house arrest – and awaiting execution in Rome. Onesimus was a runaway slave. He had caused his owner and master serious harm in some way. He sought out St. Paul and became a new Christian through Paul. Then, St. Paul persuaded him to return to his master, Philemon, with Paul's letter.

Thus, St. Paul pleaded with Philemon to set Onesimus free and not condemn him to death. He hoped that Philemon would realize something very important. It was that Onesimus was one of God's children. He was a fellow believer in Jesus and his Gospel. Paul hoped that both men would sacrifice what they had formerly possessed. For Philemon it was the mastery over a slave's life and death. For Onesimus it was freedom and his life in this world. Both should be willing to give up something of our material world – for the truly spiritual in God!

Brothers and Sisters, there is no easy way into the Kingdom that Jesus has promised. Each day, God will ask something of us. Each day, the Gospel of Jesus will challenge us. Each day, the Holy Spirit will be there to guide us.

So, let us pray, that we never let anything here get in the way of who we must become for God and His Kingdom! Amen.

September 7, 2025 Msgr. Russell G. Terra.