

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 14, 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

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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-Fourth Sunday, Sep. 14

NM 21:4b-9

PHIM 2-6-11

JN 3:13-17

Monday, September 15

1 TM 2:1-8

JN 19:25-27

Tuesday, September 16

1 TM 3:1-13

LK 7:11-17

Wednesday, September 17

COL 3:1-11

LK 6:20-26

Thursday, September 18

1 TM 3:12-16

LK 7:36-50

Friday, September 19

1 TM 6:2c-12

LK 8:1-3

Saturday, September 20

1 TM 6:13-16

LK 8:4-15

Twenty-Fifth Sunday, Sep. 21

AM 8:4-7

1 TM 2:1-8

LK 16:1-13

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This Week's Masses & Intentions

Tuesday September 16

7:00 am Holy Trinity **Adoration**
 :00 am Holy Trinity *Arnold, Delphine & Dick Kalmes+*

Wednesday September 17

8:30 am St Rose *Bishop Harrington+*

Thursday September 18

8:30 am St. Rose *People of the Parishes*

Friday September 19

9:00 am St. Joseph *Paul Dvorak+*
 10:00 am Valley View *Gene Thesing+*

Saturday September 20

4:30 pm Holy Trinity *Deceased members of the Hoffman & Ryan Families+*

Sunday September 21

8:30 am St. Rose *Jerome Patzner+*
 10:00 am St Joseph *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
 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, Emersyn Maschka, John Siemek

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 and September 6, 2025

Church Support.....\$ 1037.00, \$ 1528.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 20, 2025

Lector: Maureen Speltz
EMHC: Kristi Bonine, Rennan Farley, Chris Klein
Cantor: Tammy Schmit
Usher: Pete Hutkowski, Duane Klein
Gifts: Hank & Sally Lettner
Server: Charlie & Juniper Lingen
Greeter: Rebecca McCormick, Jodi Rivers

St. Rose of Lima

Giving, September 7, 2025

Church Support..... \$ 2363.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 21, 2025

Lector: Joel Hennessy
EMHC: Jerry Hennessy, Greg Bronk, Stacey Bronk
Servers: Leah Kurth, Marabelle Kurth, Shawn Kurth, Olivia Kurth
Ushers: Brian Daley, J. R. Caldwell, Patrick Kalmes, Phil Thesing

St. Joseph

Giving.....September 7, 2025

Church Support..... \$ 1320.00

Liturgical Ministry – September 21, 2025

Lector: Knights of Columbus
Usher & Cross: Knights of Columbus
Rosary: Knights of Columbus
Offertory: Knights of Columbus
EMHC: Knights of Columbus
Sacristan: Knights of Columbus

“There will be great joy in heaven over one sinner who repents.” Luke 15:7



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 this 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 on 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: Congratulations and God's blessings to the newly baptized and the family! **Avery O'Hare** d/o Austin and Danielle O'Hare on September 7th.

Pastoral Council Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 6.00pm.

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. Joe's Confirmation Student Meals: Volunteers are needed to bring a light meal for our Wednesday night Confirmation Class. Most of the students come directly from school as they have sports practices and other activities right after school, followed by Confirmation Class at 6:30. A light meal such as sandwiches, pizza etc and a beverage are needed for

8 students and 2 teachers each week. Please sign up in Montini Hall if you can help, thank you.

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

Thank you everyone for another successful



Church Fest! Thanks to all the volunteers who made it a great event. We couldn't have done it without you. Reports on financials will be forthcoming. Holy Trinity Fall Feast.



Pastoral Council Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 23, 2025 at 7.00pm.

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

St. Rose' News and Notes

St. Rose Faith Fest is September 21st in the hall after the 8:30 a.m. Mass. Please come join us for a freewill offering brunch, silent auction baskets, children games, bingo, and fellowship! Bidding on the baskets and the mystery jar begins today September 14th, let's have some fun! Proceeds of the event support our faith formation programs. We are looking for volunteers to help serve food and

clean up; sign up sheets will be available after mass today. See Mikki Wirt for any questions. See you there!

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

Immaculate Conception Church of Rural Kellogg will hold their annual fall festival on Sunday, October 5. Serving chicken and ham dinner from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. (dine-in or take-out). Other activities include: Big Ticket Raffle, Bake Sale, Basket Raffle, 50/50 Cash Raffle, Garden Produce, and Grocery Cart Raffle. Handicap Accessible. Mass at 8:30 a.m.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

"The Crucified Christ in Our Lives"

Most of us feel badly when we are slighted in any way. Most of us are sad when we are ignored, passed over, criticized unjustly – or publicly shamed in any way. Sometimes the feelings hurt so deeply that we can't slough them off. And often we resort to retaliation in some form.

Thus, we condemn the perpetrator in our minds. We harden our hearts against them. Sometimes we actually become vengeful. We seek and plan ways to hurt them in return. Nevertheless, what is extraordinary is that God is never this way with us! Moreover, the scriptures for today elaborate upon this in different ways.

In the Book of Numbers, the Chosen People were exhausted from their long journey out of Egypt. They were also, literally, "fed up" with the same survival food each day. They forget all that God had done to deliver them from their former slavery. So, they complained against God and Moses. As a result, God sent winged serpents with a fiery poison. God did this to teach them a lesson. They had sinned – They were ungrateful – They had not trusted God enough. They were unwilling to put up with the hardships that life can bring.

Fortunately, this punishment made them realize and admit their sinfulness. They repented. Their cure and healing would be to look upon a bronze serpent, mounted on a pole that Moses had made.

In the Gospel of John, Jesus predicts the kind of death he will die. He will be nailed to a cross for all to look upon. We also know that he was physically abused, beaten, disfigured, mocked, and crowned with thorns beforehand.

Yet, all this was in God's plan for our salvation. Those who look upon the cross – aware of their sinfulness – will be forgiven provided that they repent. Those who refuse to admit their sins – Those who only see someone foolish — Someone who took on the political-religious establishment – will remain unchanged and unforgiven!

In his Letter to the Philippians, St. Paul reveals the depth of love that God has for each of us. The Son of God emptied himself of all divine likeness – He became one of us. But he listened – He was obedient to all that the Godhead asked of him. Furthermore, he submitted to the most horrendous death imaginable out of love. He did this so that we could be moved in our deepest selves. He did this so that we could see our own sinfulness. He did this to reveal the lengths to which God would go for us.

He did this to prove that God's mercy and love are greater than our worst sins. And like the Good Thief, Dismas, all we must do is believe, be sorry, and repent! Of course, there are always those "nay-sayers" who refuse to accept any of this. We can only pray for them.

The realities of faith are never something quantifiable. Nevertheless, Jesus rose from the dead. And because he did all that the Father asked, he is supreme. He is Lord of the heavens and Earth – of the entire cosmos!

Brothers and Sisters, we will never be crucified in the manner that Jesus was. Our crucifixion will take many other forms. Most probably, it will be bit by bit throughout the course of our lives. It will be the patient suffering we endure when we are misunderstood, slighted, unappreciated, or unjustly shamed in any way. It will be the physical pain of injury, disability, or growing old – It will be living with all the trials of being married, single, divorced, or vowed celibacy. It will be facing the temptations of a Godless, pagan, hedonistic, erotic, and self-centered culture. It will be facing the pain of our sinfulness and spiritual failures!

So let us be grateful for a merciful and forgiving God. Let us pray for patience, courage, and steadfastness – May we never succumb to the lures of this world – And may we always honor and love the image of our crucified Savior and Lord! Amen.

September 14, 2025, Msgr. Russell G. Terra.