

Disciples of the Mission

AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

Church of St. Ann • Church of St. Edward • Church of St. William
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Welcome!

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CHURCHES

Church of St. Ann 402 Nelson Ave. PO Box 256 Brandon, MN 56315 Mass Times Weekend: Sun. 10:30 am

Weekday: Thurs. 8:30 am

Church of St. Edward 201 Douglas Ave. Henning, MN 56551 Mass Times Weekend: Sun. 8:30 am

Weekday: Fri. 8:30 am

Church of St. William 209 West Soo St. PO Box 339 Parkers Prairie, MN 56361 Mass Times Weekend: Sat 4:00 pm

Weekend: Sat. 4:00 pm Weekday: Fri. 7:30 am

Our Lady of the Lake 407 N. Lake Ave. PO Box 671 Battle Lake, MN 56515 Mass Times

Weekend: Sun. 10:30 am Weekday: Thurs. 8:30 am

Our Lady of Seven Dolors 16921 Co Rd 7 NW. Brandon, MN 56315 (Located in Millerville) Mass Times

Weekend: Sat. 7:30 pm Weekday: Wed. 8:30 am

Sacred Heart

60 N. Central Ave. PO Box 339 Parkers Prairie, MN 56361 (Located in Urbank) Mass Times

Weekend: Sun. 8:30 am Weekday: Tues. 8:30 am

St. James

32009 County Hwy 74 Underwood, MN 56586 **Mass Times**

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm Weekday: Wed. 9:00 am

Greetings,

The Veiling of Images and Crosses: "The practice of covering crosses and images in the church may be observed, if the Episcopal Conference decides. The crosses are to be covered until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday. Images are to remain covered until the beginning of the Easter Vigil." (Roman Missal)

Crosses and images may be veiled on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. Crosses remain veiled until the end of the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday; images remain veiled until the beginning of the Easter Vigil. The veiling of crosses and images is a sort of "fasting" from sacred depictions which represent the paschal glory of our salvation.

The purpose of covering the crosses is to emphasize it being revealed on Good Friday. An important part of the Good Friday Liturgy is the veneration of the cross, which may include its unveiling. Once the cross to be venerated has been unveiled, it seems logical that all crosses would remain unveiled for the veneration of the faithful. The purpose of covering other images is to take the focus off the images and focus the attention of the people on the central mysteries of our faith, the death and resurrection of Jesus.

The current practice of veiling the crosses and images of saints during Lent may have originated in the 10th or 11th century with the custom of "Hungertuch" (Hunger cloth or Lenten veil) in medieval England, France and Germany. Some would argue that this practice started in Germany in the 9th century.

During Lent a large curtain of purple or white fabric, decorated with crosses or scenes of the passion, was hung before the sanctuary, covering the entire altar from the faithful's sight. No wonder, it is called "Hunger Cloth" because the faithful might have really felt deprived and hungered to see the altar of the Lord.

Have a Blessed Weekend

Fr. George







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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tuesday, April 8th:

8:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank † Kay Jarmoluk

Wednesday, April 9th:

8:30 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville † William Suchy 9:00 am St. James, Maine Twp. † Lauretta Schneider

Thursday, April 10th:

8:30 am St. Ann, Brandon †† Harold & Ben Peterson 8:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake † Joanie Gronso

Friday, April 11th:

7:30 am St. William Living Center, Parkers Prairie † Dale Duits 8:30 am St. Edward, Henning † Norma Youngbauer

Saturday, April 12th:

4:00 pm St. William, Parkers Prairie † Gilbert Marso 5:00 pm St. James, Maine Twp. † Allen Colligan 7:30 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville † Curt Boesl

Sunday, April 13th: Palm Sunday

8:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank Mass for the People 8:30 am St. Edward, Henning Mass for the People 10:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake † Chuck Blonigan 10:30 am St. Ann, Brandon Poor Souls in Purgatory

CONFESSION

Monday: 8:00 pm St. Ann, Brandon

Tuesday: 6:30 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

8:00 pm Sacred Heart, Urbank

Wednesday: 8:00 am St. James, Maine Twp.

8:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

Thursday: 8:00 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Friday: 8:00 am St. Edward, Henning

7:30 pm St. William, Parkers Prairie Saturday: 3:00 pm St. William, Parkers Prairie

4:30 pm St. James, Maine Twp.

Sunday: 8:00 am St. Edward, Henning

ADORATION

Sunday: 9:30 - 9:30 am 24 hr. St. Edward, Henning 9:30 - 9:30 am 24 hr. St. James, Maine Twp. Tuesday: 9:00 - 9:30 am 24 hr. Sacred Heart, Urbank

Wednesday: 9:00 - 9:30 am 24 hr. Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

8:00 - 9:00 am St. James, Maine Twp. 9:00 - 9:00 am 24 hr. St. Ann, Brandon

Thursday: 9:00 - 9:00 am 24 hr. St. Ann, Brandon 9:30 - 9:30 am 24 hr. Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Friday: 9:00 - 9:00 am 24 hr. St. William, Parkers Prairie

9:00 - 10:00 am St. Edward, Henning

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Wednesday: 9:30 am St. James, Maine Twp.

7:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Thursday: 9:00 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Friday: 9:00 am St. Edward, Henning

7:00 pm St. William, Parkers Prairie 9:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank

Sunday: 9:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank 9:30 am St. Edward, Henning (Children's Stations)

11:30 am St. Ann, Brandon



Bulletin Deadline — Tuesday 11 am

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading

Thus says the LORD, who opens a way in the sea and a path in the mighty waters.

Psalm:

The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Second Reading:

Just one thing: forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead, I continue my pursuit toward the goal, the prize of God's upward calling, in Christ Jesus.

Gospel:

Then Jesus straightened up and said to her, "Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?" She replied, "No one, sir." Then Jesus said, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin any more."

Gospel Meditation:

"The scribes and the Pharisees brought a woman who had been caught in adultery and made her stand in the middle" (John 8:3). Why do they make her stand in the middle? Why not expose her on the periphery? The reason is something that affects us practically every day.

The center is what stabilizes a community's identity. We humans tend to center ourselves around an accused and condemned victim — though we rarely admit it. This renews our fragile communities and our power as those who weaponize the accusation. This is effective because it is often a victim who represents something truly dangerous for the group. In this case, adultery stands for the breakdown of a community and those within it, because it forces questions like: who is my father? Whose child is this? Is this child one of us, or that of an outsider? The accusers place the adulteress in the center because their community, like most, is built around turning an enemy into a victim.

Once you understand this, you'll see it almost anywhere humans group together (families, politics, workplaces, sports, schools, etc.). The good news is Jesus exposes this dynamic by deftly pointing out the sin-infected hearts of everyone besides the woman. They all leave, symbolizing the breakdown of the old order, and she is "left alone before him." A new community has begun, structured around the merciful love of Christ.

What is in your center? What is in the center of our parish and family communities? Strive to center on Christ's forgiveness, and we experience the new, lasting community we call the Church.

— Father John Muir

Daily Readings

Monday, April 7: St. John Baptist de la Salle Daniel 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62; Psalm 23:1-6; John 8:12-20

Tuesday, April 8: Lenten Weekday Numbers 21:4-9; Psalm 102:2-3, 16-21; John 8:21-30

Wednesday, April 9: *Lenten Weekday* Daniel 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Daniel 3:52-56; John 8:31-42

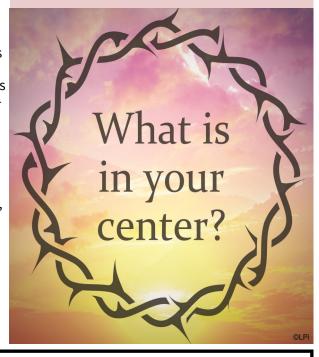
Thursday, April 10: Lenten Weekday Genesis 17:3-9; Psalm 105:4-9; John 8:51-59

Friday, April 11: St. Stanislaus

Jeremiah 20:10-13; Psalm 18:2-7; John 10:31-42

Saturday, April 12: Lenten Weekday Ezekiel 37:21-28; Jeremiah 31:10-13; John 11:45-56

Sunday, April 13: Passion (Palm) Sunday Luke 19:28-40 (Entrance Processional); Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Philippians 2:6-11; Luke 22:14—23:56







Saint John Baptist de la Salle: Patron Saint of Teachers

Celebrate the feast day of St. John Baptist de la Salle, the patron saint of teachers, with this great movie on Formed. St. John Baptist de la Salle, pray for us!

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DISCIPLES OF THE MISSION AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Deadlines:

The April 13 Bulletin deadline will be on Monday, April 7 at 11:00 am.

The April 26 Bulletin deadline will be on Friday, April 11 at 11:00 am.

FAITH FORMATION

SW, SH, SD, SA: Classes on Apr 9 at 6:45 pm with optional meal at 6:15 pm.

SE: Class Apr 9 at 6:00—7:15 pm for K-12 grade students.

OLL: Edge/Life Teen Apr 9, 5:30 pm meal, class 6-7:30. Sunday School Apr 13, 9:15-10:15 am.

SJ: Class Apr 12, 6:15-7:30 pm following the 5pm Mass.

YOUTH GROUP

Wednesday April 16th, 6th-12th grade, 6pm-8pm Urbank Youth House. Supper is provided - If you can't make it there by 6pm, still come as soon as you can.

Wednesday May 14th, 6th-12th grade, 6pm-8pm Urbank Youth House. Supper is provided - If you can't make it there by 6pm, still come as soon as you can.

ST. ANN

Please sign up for adoration, sheets are in the entrance of the church.

ST. WILLIAM

Parkers Prairie High School Student Council is planning for its Annual Day of Caring, on Friday, May 16. The students of PPHS will be ready, willing, and able to help out in the community. If you would like help with spring clean up or have a special project that needs to get done in the Parkers Prairie, Urbank, and Miltona area, contact the PPHS Student Council Advisor David O'Brien at dobrien@pp.k12.mn.us

Pair of glasses found in food shelf donation bag from St. Williams. If needed, please contact First Lutheran Church office (218-338-5731).

OUR LADY OF SEVEN DOLORS

KC Palm Sunday Breakfast from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, at Our Lady of Seven Dolors Parish Hall, Millerville.

SACRED HEART

Please sign up for adoration, sheets are in the entrance of the church.

ST. EDWARD

Our 29th Annual Lakes Area Fish Fry Suppers which will be held on Friday April 11.

The Lenten Fish Fry Workers' Schedule is available for volunteers to sign up. The sheet is located next to the Parish Office. Let this Annual Lakes Area Lenten Fish Fry be as successful as the past 28 have been. Thank you for volunteering.

ST. JAMES

During Lent the Gloria has not been sung. We celebrate the return of the Gloria on Holy Thursday Mass at St. James with the ringing of bells. So please bring a bell to Holy Thursday Mass. Thank you.

<u>There will be no</u> All Day Adoration on Wednesday April 09, 2025.

There will be just a Regular scheduled Mass with Adoration.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

Mark your calendars: The Parish Life Committee will be serving a Belgian Waffle Breakfast after Mass on Palm Sunday, April 13th.

Note: The Direction for Our Time Prayer Group is changing the meeting day to the 4th Tuesday of the month. The next meeting will be April 22 at 3:15.

If you would like to offer a donation for our Easter Flowers, there are envelopes in the pews. Thank you.

During the Thursdays of Lent, the Rosary will be prayed beginning at 8:05 am, prior to the morning Mass.

Due to Confirmation, there is **no Wild Goose session April 6**. The last Lenten lesson on the Holy Spirit will be after Mass on Palm Sunday. Enjoy a Belgian Waffle after Mass, then bring your coffee to the library for the video and discussion. Couldn't make it to any of these sessions? Look up "The Wild Goose" on Formed.org!

ANN'S HOUSE-BIBLE STUDY

You are invited to learn about God's plan of Salvation History, and how the Old Testament prophesies are fulfilled in the New Testament through Jesus Christ in the Gospel of Matthew. Join us on Monday mornings, at 10:30 am at Ann's House in Brandon to begin this journey of discovery! Each session will last about 1½ hours and we will conclude with a light lunch. Please call 320-766-5312 to register & inform us of any food allergies.

24 Hour Eucharistic Adoration for the week of April 6th-12th

Join with all 7 parishes of our ACC as we each host a 24-hour day of Adoration for the week before Holy Week! Look for a sign-up sheet in the back of each church to choose your hour of preference. Spend an hour with our Lord, looking at him, as he looks lovingly at you! Each day starts at 9 or 9:30 a.m. and ending 24 hours later at 9 or 9:30 am at each church. Check the sign-up sheet for exact details.

Sunday: St. Edward Monday: St. James Tuesday: Sacred Heart Wednesday: Seven Dolors

Thursday: Our Lady of the Lake, and St Ann

Friday: St. William

DISCIPLES OF THE MISSION ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

FROM THE DIOCESE

All are invited to participate in the **Diocesan Chrism Mass** being celebrated Thursday, April 10 at 7pm at the Cathedral in St. Cloud.

Tenebrae - A Tradition at St. Mary's Cathedral

Everyone is welcome at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud on Good Friday evening, April 18, at 8:00 pm for Tenebrae, which is Latin for shadows or darkness. At this event, participants will experience the gradual extinction of all lights in the church, symbolizing the temporary triumph of the prince of darkness over the Light of the World, and loud noises created at the end of the service by the assembly and ministers, suggesting the earthquake described in the Passion Narratives. This is a family event and all are welcome.

Divine Mercy Sunday Plans

Celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday was originally based on the Catholic devotion to the Divine Mercy that Faustina Kowalska reported as part of her visions of Jesus and is associated with special promises from Jesus and indulgences issued by the Catholic Church.

This year we are happy to announce two speakers at the event. Our first speaker is Leah Brix. She is a published author of <u>St. Joseph's Hammer</u> and the co-founder of Catholic Country Chronicles. She is passionate about the Catholic Faith, and making it accessible to everyday people. The second speaker is Fr. Doug Liebsch from the All Called to Christ ACC.

Divine Mercy Sunday Program will be held at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sun., Apr. 27, from 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm. There will be Adoration and an opportunity for reconciliation.

Stewardship as a Way of Life:

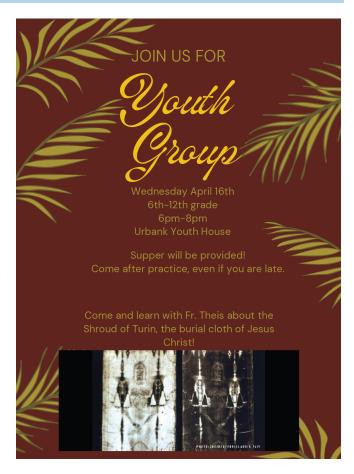
"...For his sake I have accepted the loss of all things and I consider them so much rubbish, that I may gain Christ..." (Philippians 3:8)

The first commandment says that we should not put other gods before the Lord. Sharing all of our gifts - our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works, and our treasure to support the Church helps us keep God first in everything. It helps us from putting other gods before God. It helps us from becoming a slave to our possessions. It helps us to use our gifts for the glory of God and not for the glory of ourselves.



Voices of Hope - Bishop's Annual Appeal:

Thank you so much to those of you who have already supported diocesan ministries in 2025 through the Appeal. As of Monday, March 24, the Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2025 has raised gifts and pledges of \$770,322 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (51.35%). This was made possible through the generous donations of 4,219 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese. Please pray for the success of the Bishop's Annual Appeal and its ongoing support of diocesan ministries. To support these ministries, visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.





Called and Gifted is designed to help Christians discern the presence of charisms in their lives. Charisms, or spiritual gifts, are special abilities given to all Christians by the Holy Spirit to give them power both to represent Christ and to be a channel of God's goodness for people. If you would like to discover God's mission for your life, join us at St. Edward in Henning on Monday, April 7. Supper at 5:30 pm. Class from 6:00-8:30 pm. If interested please call.

If anyone has gone through the Called & Gifted program, but chose not to have an interview at that time, but would like one now, please

Contact: Darby Bradley— 320-339 –0686 or

Rose Suchy-320-766-5312

PRAYER LIST

Please remember the following in your prayers:

Mike Wardlow, Paul Suchy, Joan Koep, Steve Hendricks, Patrick Davis, Al Retka, Mary Ann Kuhn, Pat Kirscht, JoAnn Volker, Anne Koep, Fr. Jeff Ethen, Brian Volker, Josh Reger, Ron Christianson, Chris Arndt, Mark Thoennes, Deb Perreault, Savanna Shepard, Patty Kenaley, David Burgoyne, Joe Hellerman, Laura Lowe, Patsy Shea, Grace Abrahamson, Nancy Benzinger, Rose Mary Peterson, Stacy Livingston, Regina Fogard, Joann Bauer, Clarence Otto, Dacia Teberg, Matthew Haugh, Don Maslow, Kathy Stratton, Angela Gilles, Therese Peterson

Have a prayer request? Please call or email the Parish Office. Names will only be published in the bulletin for parish prayers with permission from an immediate family member or from the person we are praying for. Their name will stay on for one month, unless you contact your parish secretary to keep them on.

<u>Please Pray for a Priest, Seminarian & Deacon each day in April</u>

6-Rev. Marvin Enneking

Dcn. Frank Ringsmuth

7-Rev. LeRoy Scheierl Dcn. William Ritchie

8-Deceased Priests with April anniversaries

Dcn. Lorenzo Rodriguez 9-Rev. Jose Chettoor, VC

Dcn. Kenneth Rosha

10-Rev. Albert Holmes

Dcn. John Salchert 11-Rev. Peter Kirchner

Dcn. Richard Scheierl

12-Rev. Gregory Mastey

Dcn. Richard Scherping

Calendar of Events

April

6-Confirmation at 2:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

7-Called & Gifted 5:30 pm, St. Edward, Henning

7-Finance Council Meeting 6:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake Parish Life Meeting 7:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

11-Fish Fry Supper 5-7 pm, St. Edward, Henning

13-KC Palm Sunday Breakfast from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, Seven Dolors Parish Hall, Millerville

13-Belgian Waffle Breakfast after Mass, Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

16-Youth Group Shroud of Turin Presentation, 6-8 pm Sacred Heart Youth House, Urbank

Holy Week Mass Schedule

17-Holy Thursday

7:00 pm St. James, Maine Twp.

7:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville **Incense will be used**

18-Good Friday

12:00 pm St. Edwards, Henning

3:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

3:00 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

6:00 pm St. William, Parkers Prairie

19-Holy Saturday

8:30 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

9:00 pm Sacred Heart, Urbank **Incense will be used**

20-Easter Sunday

7:00 am St. Ann, Brandon

8:00 am St. Edward, Henning

8:30 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

10:30 am St. William, Parkers Prairie

10:30 am St. James, Maine Twp.

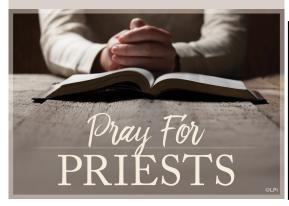
24-Finance Council Meeting 6:00 pm, St. James, Maine Twp. Parish Life Meeting 7:00 pm, St. James, Maine Twp.

28-Finance Council Meeting Our Lady of Seven Dolors at 7:00 pm at St. Ann, Brandon

28-Finance Council Meeting St. Ann at 8:15 pm at St. Ann, Brandon

29-Finance Council Meeting St. William at 7:00 pm at Sacred Heart

29-Finance Council Meeting Sacred Heart at 8:15 pm at Sacred Heart



	3/30/25	Weekly Budget
Our Lady of the Lake	\$4,693.59	\$4,410.00
St. James	\$1,200.00	\$1,725.00
St. Edward	\$2,467.59	\$2,650.00
St. Ann	\$1,053.45	\$2,771.00
Seven Dolors	\$1,765.90	\$3,357.00
St. William	\$1,544.90	\$2,455.00
Sacred Heart	\$ 756.00	\$2,145.00

Financials *Thank you*



Pope Francis April Intention: For the use of the new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

A Vocation View:

God continues to open a way for us. How is God doing something new in your life? Perhaps God is inviting you to be a priest or religious. (Isaiah 43:16-21)

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

BAPTISM

Parents are required to attend a Baptism Class before their first child is Baptized.

St Ann, Seven Dolors, Sacred Heart, St William: Contact Rose at least 2 months in advance to schedule a baptism.

WEDDING

Contact Fr. George or Fr. Theis at least 6 months before the wedding. Please contact priest before setting a date.

RCIA

Please contact Fr. George or Fr. Theis if interested in becoming Catholic.



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