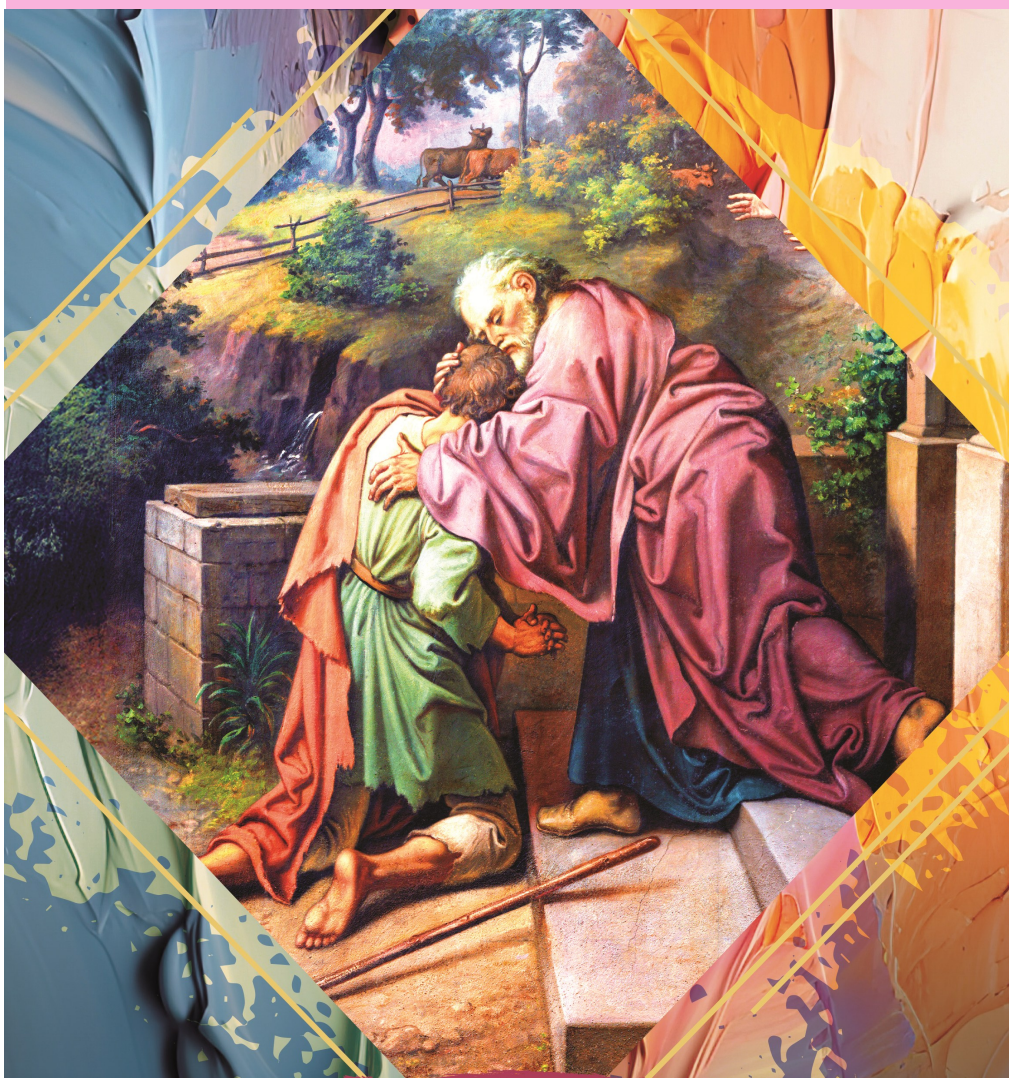




# Saints by the Lake Community

The Churches of  
*Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew & St. John Nepomuk*

122 NW 1st Street • Glenwood, Minnesota 56334 • (320)634-3813



**MARCH 30, 2025**

*Fourth Sunday in Lent*

## Parish Office

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## Parish Staff

Pastor ..... Father Joseph Vandenberg

DRE ..... Paula Johnson (Pre-K-6)

..... Sue Heidelberger (7-12)

Music Director.....Ann Foley

Custodian.....Chris Berger (SH)

... Sarah Heidelberger (SB)

Bookkeeper .....Connie DeVault

.....Judy Radil (SJN)

Secretary.....Katherine Chevalier

Coordinator (SJN) .....Amber Green

Youth Ministry Coordinator.....

Scott Crumb

## Mass Schedule

**Sacred Heart – Glenwood/Starbuck**

Weekend .....Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 10:30am

Weekdays as scheduled .....

**Saint Bartholomew – Villard**

Weekend (Apr.-Jun.) .....Saturday 4:00pm

**St. John Nepomuk – Lowry/Lake Reno**

Weekend (Apr.-Jun.) .....Sunday 8:30am

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

**St. Bartholomew**.....Saturday 3:15pm

**St. John Nepomuk** .....Sunday 8:00am

**Sacred Heart**.....by appointment

Other times by appointment.

## 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

“This son of mine was dead, and has  
 come to life again.” - Lk 15:24a

## COMING TOGETHER AS ONE

The Diocese of St. Cloud has begun a year long series of meetings to shape the future of our Area Catholic Community (ACC). Our ACC, Saints by the Lake, consists of Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew and St. John Nepomuk. An initial meeting was held at Our Lady of the Runestone Church in Kennington, which included all of the ACCs from the Southwest Deanery.

The diocese wants us to have a single Parish Life Committee (Parish Council) among the three parishes. We have already been moving in that direction. The ACC Parish Life Committee will meet quarterly, in the months of January, April, July and October. Present members of the Parish Life Committee will serve on the committee until their regular terms are complete. New members will be added in January each year.

The basic premise of the ACC is the diocese wants us to operate as ONE parish. Bishop Neary says we have too many corporations (each church is its own corporation) and buildings.

Members of our ACC Planning Committee are: Amber Green, Joe Green, Ben Hawkins, Julianne Hawkins, Sue Heidelberger, Joanne Kocher, Andy Peterson, Kathleen Peterson, Barb Rodgers and Chris Rodgers.

Look for regular updates in the bulletin, the website, and on Facebook. The Guiding Principles of the "All Things New" are Missionary Discipleship, Sacramental Life, Engaging the Laity, Listening as a Way of Being Church, and Prudent Stewardship.

Make the most of the last half of Lent. If you have not already done so, consider making an annual confession, choose a personal sacrifice, or add coins to your Rice Bowl. Take your family to a fish fry or enjoy a fish meal at your favorite restaurant.

God's peace!

*Fr. Joe*

Welcome to our Newest Members  
Elsie Fay Amundson  
—daughter of Andrew & Megan



**Reconciliation Times during Lent:**  
**Wednesdays:** 6:15pm at Sacred Heart  
Weekends  
(these times begin NEXT weekend):  
**Saturdays:** 3:15pm at St. Bartholomew  
**Sundays:** 8:00am at St. John Nepomuk



## The Half time of Lent

It's the fourth Sunday in Lent...and it is known as Laetare Sunday. Traditionally, this Sunday has been a celebration within the Lenten season. Why the celebration? The Church realized the need for people to have a break during the season of Lent. (Remember the third Sunday in Advent?) The point of the day is to provide you with encouragement as you progress toward the end of the penitential season and Easter.

The day gets its name from the first few words of the traditional Latin entrance for the Mass of the day. "Laetare Jerusalem" from Isaiah 66:10. Laetare is Latin and means "to rejoice". The passage from Isaiah continues, "Rejoice with joy, you that have been in sorrow."

You will recall that during Lent we do not sing any songs with the word alleluia in them, and also there is no organ or extra instruments, just piano. On this Sunday, it is permissible to play the organ. And our songs may include phrases such as "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ," which are more penitent.

This Sunday is also known as Mothering Sunday, Refreshment Sunday, and Rose Sunday. Historically the day was also known as "the Sunday of the Five Loaves," from the story of the miracle of the loaves and fishes. The Rose Sunday name comes from the rose-colored vestments worn on this day, or the Golden Rose sent by the Popes of the Catholic sovereigns to be blessed at this time. Or Mothering Sunday, as servants were released from service for the day to visit their mothers.

Laetare Sunday notes that Easter is in sight—  
exactly 21 days away.

*Excerpts from Simply Catholic, Wikipedia, and Learning Religions.*



**What can we do for Lent?** There are many positive things we can do for the Lenten season and beyond. Be happy. Be helpful. Volunteer at agencies that assist those in need. Practice being patient and kind to people at work or in your family. If you gave something up for Lent, save the money and donate to a worthy cause. You can even just smile and brighten the day of those you encounter.

## Mass Schedule (April—June)

Saturdays—4:00pm at St. Bartholomew (Villard)  
5:30pm at Sacred Heart (Glenwood)

Sundays— 8:30am at St. John Nepomuk (Lake Reno)  
10:30am at Sacred Heart (Glenwood)

## Religious Education Notes

**First Communion Mini Retreat** for Students and their Parent(s) is NEXT Sunday. It will take place at Sacred Heart, from 2:30-4:30pm.



**Did you know...** that when you write down a date, everything that happened **before** Jesus was born is lettered B.C. (Before Christ) and everything that happened **after** Jesus was born is lettered

A.D. (the Latin abbreviation for Anno Domini, which means, "In the year of our Lord") Julius Caesar was born in 100B.C. George Washington was born in 1732A.D. When were you born?

### **The Directors of Religious Education**

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Paula: [glenwoodsacredheartrel.ed@gmail.com](mailto:glenwoodsacredheartrel.ed@gmail.com)

**Rice Bowl Tidbit**— Shahadat's village, and much of Bangladesh, is located on flat lowlands. The intense rainy season causes flooding which often destroys farms and crops. Find out how Shahadat learned new farming skills from a Catholic Relief Services program which enabled him to increase the yield of his vegetable crops despite the challenges of climate change. Visit [csrricebowlw.orgweek-4](http://csrricebowlw.orgweek-4) to read this week's Story of Hope.



**Knight of Columbus Tootsie Rolls** will be available the weekend of April 26/27!

## Stewardship of Treasure

*Thank you for your continued sharing of your treasure with our churches!*

### **Sacred Heart Parish – Glenwood**

2024/25 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$5,820.00  
Collected (3/16/25).....\$6,521.05  
Adult Envelope Holders..... 402  
Number of Adult Contributions.....59

### **St. Bartholomew Parish – Villard**

2024/25 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$1,362.00  
Collected (3/16/25)..... \$ 738.75  
Adult Envelope Holders.....66  
Number of Adult Contributions..... 18

### **St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno**

2024/25 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$1,400.00  
Collected (3/16/2025).....\$ 345.00  
Adult Envelope Holders.....71  
Number of Adult Contributions.....9

*Please remember your parish with your investments, insurance policies and in your will.*



## Everyday Stewardship

So you never have been that serious about a stewardship way of life? It's not that you have been greedy or unloving toward others. You give of yourself when you determine there is a real need. However, you haven't intentionally worked toward surrendering all you are, all you have, and all you do to your God. It's hard because when you compare yourself to others, you seem pretty good. You aren't some prodigal child who needs to return to God because you have lived a life full of sin and selfishness.

Yet, there lies the problem. We can easily feel we aren't so bad, so why change anything? We can lull ourselves into a belief that we will probably get to heaven, therefore why do more? Assurance of salvation is another topic, but basically we can look at our life as a series of transactions with God.

However, we shouldn't determine our actions based upon what we get. The actions of a loved one are due to the love for one's beloved. Jesus gave his life out of love for us. He has shown us what complete surrender looks like. He does not need our surrender but wants it because that is what those in love do. This Lent, perhaps our prayer should not be to simply be better stewards, but to love Him more. Then our motivation will not be based upon what we should do but on what we are moved to do out of love. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



### **Start your mornings with a cup of Fair Trade Coffee!**

There is an assortment to select from in the main entrance at Sacred Heart. Not only do you get great coffee, the farmers are paid a fair price.



### **Need some help with food for your Easter dinner?**

If you live in Pope County, the Salvation Army wants to give you an Easter Food Box. It includes 1/2 ham, 5 lbs. of potatoes, gravy, bread, vegetable and dessert. These are available on of first come, first serve basis. Sign-up began on March 21. Visit <https://www.databae.com/outreach-food-shelf/> or call 651-746-3507. Distribution will be on Wednesday, April 16, from 4:30-6:30pm at Hearts and Hands Food Shelf.



**40 Cans for Lent is halfway done!** Has your household contributed yet? There is still time! Look for the shopping cart or baskets in the main entrances of our churches. It is a great opportunity to share your gifts with others.

**With the nicer weather here,** please enjoy the warmer weather and remove any winter greenery you placed at our cemeteries and dispose of properly.

## Mass Intentions

**Mon. 3/31**

**Tues. 4/1** 9:00am (LR) † Dennis & Colleen Zenner  
11:00am (V) † Donald Weller

**Weds. 4/2** 8:30am (G) † Don Kuntz

**Thurs. 4/3** 10:00am (Villa) † Denise McKigney

**Fri. 4/4** 8:30am (G) † Leroy Terhaar

**Sat. 4/5** 4:00pm (V) † Leona Kraemer  
5:30pm (G) - For the Parish

**Sun. 4/6** 8:30am (LR) † Lorraine Hiebel  
10:30am (G) † Yvo & Trudy Jenniges

### Readings for the week of March 30, 2025

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-7  
2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32  
Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2-6, 11-12a and  
13b/Jn 4:43-54  
Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-9/Jn 5:1-16  
Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14,  
17-18/Jn 5:17-30  
Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-23/Jn 5:31-47  
Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-23  
Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30  
Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-12  
Jn 7:40-53  
Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-6  
Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11



## Event Calendar

**Sunday, March 30:** Pancake Breakfast following the 10:30am Mass at Sacred Heart. Free will offering for the food shelf.

**Wednesday, April 2:** Stations of the Cross at 4:30pm at Sacred Heart and Reconciliation at 6:15pm at Sacred Heart.

**Monday, April 7:** KC meeting at 7pm at Sacred Heart.

## Welcome!

We extend our hands and hearts in Christian fellowship to you, celebrating with us, whether long-time residents or newly arrived in the parish. We thank God you are with us. If you are not registered, please fill out the form below and place in the collection basket or mail to the parish office at:

**122 NW 1st St. • Glenwood, MN 56334**

Sacred Heart •  St. Bartholomew •  St. John Nepomuk

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

New Parishioner •  New Address/Phone

Summer Resident

Moving, please remove from mailing list.



**Hospital Visits**—If you find yourself or a loved one in the hospital, and would like a visit from a priest, please call the church office directly and leave the patient's name, room number, and name of hospital. Due to privacy laws, hospitals are not allowed to give out patient's names, making it challenging to know who would like a visit.

**Prayer Chain Requests**—To start a request, please contact to Barb. Or if you would like to become part of the prayer chain, Barb Kramber can be reached at 320-634-4788.



**Anointing of the Sick** is available on request. If you or a family member wish to be anointed before surgery, when in the hospital, or for any sickness, please contact Fr. Joe. He can be reached by calling the parish office at 634-3813, and if necessary, by leaving a message on Extension 20.



The Anointing of the Sick is offered at regular intervals in the parish and at area nursing homes.

**Eucharist for the homebound**—If you are homebound and wish to receive Communion at home, call the church office at 634-3813.



**Baptism Classes**— Baptism class is required before a first Baptism. Parents expecting their first child should attend. For questions contact the church office.

**The Wedding Policy of the Diocese of St. Cloud** requires that you contact the parish at least 6 months prior to your wedding. This is necessary so that all the required steps can be completed in a timely manner. For second marriages, more time may be required. To begin your marriage preparation or for questions about the marriage preparation policy, contact Father Joe (634-3813).



**The First Instruction class** in the Billings Ovulation Method is the most effective, modern method of Natural Family Planning. To locate an instructor, visit: <http://omf.stcdio.org/natural-family-planning/nfp-class-locations-and-instructors/>

