



# 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



## 4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

“A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy;  
I came so that they might have life and have it more  
abundantly.” - Jn 10:9-10

**APRIL 26, 2026**

*Fourth Sunday of Easter*

### 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**..... Kristi Gruber

..... 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 3:00pm

**St. John Nepomuk**.....Sunday 8:15am

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

Other times by appointment.

## THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. Psalm 23 is one of the best loved psalms of the Old Testament. The image of God as a shepherd who cares for his sheep describes what we hope is our relationship with the Father. He knows us, cares for us, and loves us.

There is much uncertainty in the world and in the church. We are surrounded by conflict and life seems more difficult than in the past. At the same time, people are traveling more frequently and farther than ever before. While on one hand we complain about the cost of living we are taking advantage of every sort of entertainment.

A reflection on this Sunday's gospel offer two questions. First, are we good shepherds of ourselves? Second, are we good shepherds of earthly concerns?

Shepherding ourselves includes staying away from bad habits (sins), and avoiding relationships and addictions which are discouraging and destructive.

Shepherding earthly concerns may include living within our means, saving energy by driving and flying less. Avoid becoming overly involved in hot button issues like politics, immigration, cultural divisions and the scandal of the day. We can be concerned citizens and at the same time remain moderate in our views and centered in our faith.

As a congregation we strive to assist people with needs in our community and in wider mission fields. We contribute to the food shelves, women's shelters, pro-life ministries and overseas missions. This involvement makes a big difference in the lives of many people, both those we see and those we don't see.

Jesus the Good Shepherd cares for all of his sheep, both those who stay in the fold and those who wander away from the flock.

God's Peace!

*Fr. Joe*



Deaths  
Sharon Olejnicak  
4/18/2026

Please keep Sharon  
and her family & friends  
in your prayers.

Sharon's funeral will be THIS Monday, April 27 at St. Albert the Great Church in Minneapolis at noon. There will be visitation beginning at 11am. A committal service in Glenwood will be held at a later date.



## Congratulations to our First Communion participants

Aleah Anderson...*daughter of Matthew & Katie*  
Kaylee Christensen...*daughter of Jeremy & MiKayla*  
Loretta Danielson...*daughter of Nick & Stacy*  
Roan Douvier...*son of Troy & Cheryl*  
Clara Fremling...*daughter of Dan & Amy*  
Jackson Kiken...*son of Jamie & Jackie*  
Waylon Klevann...*son of Tyler & Madison*  
Calan Klimek...*son of Jacob & Carissa*  
Ryker Lien...*son of Corey & Danielle*  
Lilly Maxwell...*daughter of Austin & Anna*  
Liam Radil...*son of Robbie & Haley*  
Olivia Rupp...*daughter of Shawn & Nicole*  
Isaac Velde...*son of Andrew & Carrie*  
Aubreyelle Walker...*daughter of Joshua & Kelsey*  
Willa Wicklund...*daughter of Clint & Stacy*

Many thanks to everyone who helped these students prepare for this sacrament—parents, grandparents, teachers and prayer partners.



**Thank you and congratulations!** The Knights of Columbus presented a check to Hearts and Hands Food Shelf for \$5,014. and 310# of food collected during the "40 Cans for Lent". Parishioners of Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew and St. John Nepomuk all contributed to make this a success, and the KC's thank everyone for their terrific effort!



**It's Tootsie Roll Sunday this weekend!** Your free will donation helps people with intellectual disabilities in our area. Have a treat and help people with disabilities in our area. Look for the Knights of Columbus after Mass this weekend. The KC's thank you for your donation!

**Cemetery Decoration Reminders**—We allow potted plants in suitable stands. *Please remove any items such as shepherd's hooks, figurines, solar light stakes, or plastic decorations.* We cannot be responsible for the loss of these items. If they are picked up by the mower they may damage persons or monuments. Holiday decorations may be placed on the weekend of the holiday, but should be removed soon after. Help us keep our cemeteries neat and tidy by remembering to take home any items you are discarding.



**We are need to people** interested in being on the Parish Council at ALL churches. It is a three year term with approximately four meetings each year.



**Table talk...**Name one way Jesus is calling you to be a disciple this week.

## Faith Formation Notes



**The countdown is on!** The last day of Faith Formation classes is THIS Wednesday, April 29. As always there will be a meal between the afternoon and evening classes.



**Adopt-a-Highway Clean up** will take place next Wednesday, May 6. This is a service activity for the 2027 Confirmation students.



**Suppose you saw a big tall mountain** and right on top of it there was a whole city—with houses and stores and churches and schools too! You would notice a city like that! If you were anywhere near it, you would REALLY want to go and visit it. Well,

when Jesus was telling his friends they were like salt and light (remember last week's bulletin?) he said their light should be so bright everybody would notice it, just like the city on top of the mountain!

Sometimes during a war, soldiers “camouflage” things to hide them—even big things like airplanes and tanks. But even a camouflage expert would not be able to “hide” a whole city—especially one on top of a mountain. And some people who believe in Jesus and know all about the “good news” of Christianity try to hide it! They never talk about God or invite anyone to go to church with them. Then there are others who talk about their belief in God, try to obey the commandments and live such a good life people can't help but notice. They let their light shine! Which one are you—a camouflage expert or a city on top of a mountain. Read Matthew 5:14-16.

## Stewardship of Treasure

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

### Sacred Heart Parish - Glenwood

2025/26 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$6,461.00  
 Collected (4/12/26) .....\$6,068.34  
 Adult Envelope Holders .....405  
 Number of Adult Contributions..... 86

### St. Bartholomew Parish - Villard

2025/26 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$1,362.00  
 Collected (4/12/26) ..... \$2,009.75  
 Adult Envelope Holders ..... 65  
 Number of Adult Contributions..... 26

### St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno

2025/26 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$1,400.00  
 Collected (4/12/26) .....\$1,526.00  
 Adult Envelope Holders ..... 63  
 Number of Adult Contributions..... 29

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



## Exaltation of the Cross

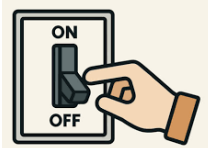
**Question:** What is the history behind feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross?

**Answer:** Emperor Constantine's mother, Helena, is credited with having discovered the true cross around 330. She traveled to the Holy Land and uncovered the places associated with Jesus' life. Legend has it that Helena uncovered three crosses but was not able to detect the true cross until each of them was laid on a leper. Only one of them cured the leper, proving it to be the true cross. A great church was built at the site, and soon various portions of the cross were sent to other churches as relics to be venerated.

The day after the dedication of the Church of the Holy Sepulchre, September 14, 335, the actual cross was displayed for veneration. Egeria, a women traveler to Jerusalem around the year 386, kept a diary that has survived. She tells of the unique veneration of the wood of the cross that took place on Good Friday, something maintained ritually to this very day.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross focuses on the gift of love that Jesus manifested by his total gift of self, offered for all. The cross, the ultimate form of capital punishment in its day, has become for us the ultimate symbol of love and triumph over evil and death. ©LPi

**We are in need of 1-2 Sacristans** Saturday evenings at Sacred Heart. This person is responsible for turning on the lights, opening the doors, and setting out the items for the Eucharist before Mass, and then putting the items away, locking the doors and turning off the lights after Mass. Not to worry—there is a check list! It is a great “behind the scenes” way of being involved. If you are interested or have questions, contact Katherine in the church office or Fr. Joe.



## Heal—A Night of Healing and Renewal

takes place on Friday, May 1, at St. Mary's Church in Alexandria. There will be confession beginning at 4pm, Mass with anointing of the sick at 5:30pm, a communal meal at 6:15pm followed by speaker Deb Hadley at 7pm, and concluding with worship music, confession and prayer at 7:30pm. Deb will speak on “Healing Amidst Grief” To sign up for the meal, please scan the QR code.



**There is more Fair Trade Coffee** for sale in the Narthex at Sacred Heart. It is great tasting coffee and is only \$14 per bag. You get the coffee and the farmers get a fair price for the coffee. Check out the various varieties available.



## Mass Intentions

**Mon. 4/27**  
**Tues. 4/28** NO Masses  
**Weds. 4/29** 8:30am (G) - Special Intentions  
**Thurs. 4/30**  
**Fri. 5/1** 8:30am (G) † Micki Morrissey  
**Sat. 5/2** 4:00pm (V) † Marlin Ness  
 5:30pm (G) - For the Parish  
**Sun. 5/3** 8:30am (LR) -Special Intentions for  
 Gene & Sue Hurt  
 10:30am (G) † Yvo & Trudy Jenniges

### Readings for the week of April 26, 2026



Sunday: Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-6  
 1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10  
 Monday: Acts 11:1-18/ Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4  
 Jn 10:11-18  
 Tuesday: Acts 11:19-26/ Ps 87:1b-7  
 Jn 10:22-30  
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24-13:5a/ Ps 67:2-8  
 Jn 12:44-50  
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/ Ps 89:2-3, 21-22,  
 25 and 27/Jn 13:16-20  
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/ Ps 2:6-11ab/Jn 14:1-6  
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/ Ps 98:1-4/Jn 14:7-14  
 Next Sunday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-5, 18-19  
 1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

### COMING EVENTS

**Wednesday, April 29:** Last day of Rel. Ed classes.  
 Meal served 4:30-7:00pm. All are invited.  
**Weekend of May 2-3:** Crowning of Mary.  
**Thursday, May 7:** Befrienders meeting at 2pm at SH.  
**Thursday, May 7:** Adoration and Rosary at 4:30pm at  
 St. Bartholomew.  
**Monday, May 11:** Knights of Columbus mtg at 7pm.

## 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:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

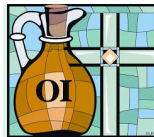
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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.



**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.



**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.

**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. For more info or to register, contact Joan Jay at georgejay@hotmail.com or 320-589-4865. \*Note: Most insurances now cover

