



Saints by the Lake Community

The Churches of

Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew & St. John Nepomuk

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God mounts
his throne to
joyful shouts:
a blare of
trumpets for
the Lord.

Psalm 47

MAY 17, 2026

Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart – Glenwood/Starbuck

WeekendSaturday 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.

MORAL ISSUES

This year the Feast of the Ascension is May 14. It is celebrated on Sunday, May 17. Ascension marks the end of Jesus' earthly ministry when he returned to the Father in heaven. He gave his disciples instructions to wait until he sent the Holy Spirit, and he orders them to go out to all the world, baptizing in the name of the Holy Trinity and teaching people all that Jesus had taught them.

The Ascension is celebrated in various places with local traditions. Common foods to eat on this feast day are birds (chicken, duck or quail) which represent the flight, and foods that represent clouds (Jell-O or fluffy desserts).

Archbishop Hebda has weighed in on current legislation linked to the Ascension School shooting which would limit certain types of weapons and ammunition, and also limit children's access to social media. It is always a risk for the clergy to become directly involved in legislation because legislation often has unintended consequences.

There are two moral issues for the church to consider. The first is mental health. This subject receives much media attention but we find few solutions. How can we better understand what causes people to be irrational and to cause harm to the innocent? Is there a link between biological factors and upbringing (nurturing)? This is an area where we can agree to spend more public money to identify problems early, keep the mentally ill and the drug addicted off the streets and in safe spaces.

The second is, what is the spiritual source of these behaviors? We don't talk much about the devil these days, but is there a malevolent source or person behind evil and does the devil lead people to commit horrendous acts? The church could have rituals which can be used regularly to expel demons from our places of worship. Local communities and individuals.

These are serious questions to ponder; considering the sources of evil in our world, and at the same time respecting individual rights.

God's Peace!

Fr. Joe

Deaths

John Chan
5/6/2026

Romie Klimek
5/10/2026

Please keep John, Romie, and their family & friends in your prayers.



Congratulations to these high school graduates!



Carter Dinsmore...son of Michael
Ivan Green....son of Joseph and Amber
Marc Gruber...son of Brian and Kristi
Jonathan Hagen...son of Jason and Jenny
Benjamin Johnson...son of Paul and Paula
Isaac Hennen...son of Eric and Angela
Taylor Hicks...daughter of Tom and Angie
Haylee Kasper...daughter of Darren and Stephanie
Rylie Kobernusz...daughter of Tricia
Emma Marthaler...daughter of Kevin and Marlena
Tyson Metz...son of Nathan and Jennifer
Ashley Murken...daughter of Nathaniel and Kylie
Victor Muzzin...son of Corey and Jerilynn
Ella Roering....daughter of Chris and Heidi
Jaycee Sanow...daughter of Jason and Vanessa
Ike Spychalla...son of Tom and Amy
AJ Svec...son of Al and Angie
Addison Tangen...daughter of Jessie
Hannah Walsh...daughter of Michael and Shannon
Trayton Zeithammer...son of Tammy

Your talent is God's gift to you.

What you do with it, is your gift to God.



Next weekend is Pentecost—let's all celebrate by wearing red to Mass to represent the tongues of fire! Look for information regarding Pentecost in the bulletin next week.

Saints by the Lake ACC (Area Catholic Community) Announcements

As part of "All Things New", the St. Cloud Diocese has announced the plan for proposed mergers across the diocese. Current projections are a reduction from 131 parish corporations to 48 parish corporations. Merger decrees will be issued soon. We will share these when they are available.

A meeting of the three Parish Life Committee (Parish Councils) will be scheduled in the near future. Parish Life Committee elections will be held in June as previously indicated. If you are interested in serving on one of the committees, please call the office.

KC Polka Mass: Sunday, June 14, at Sacred Heart with a picnic to follow. Music will be by the Nite Owls. The KC's are providing the picnic lunch and Mini-Waska Donuts will be here too! Everyone is invited!



The Annual Cemetery Mass and Meal will take place on Monday, June 8, at Calvary Cemetery in Glenwood. The Knights of Columbus will host again, providing awesome food. Come for Mass and stay to taste the culinary skills of the Knights!



Faith Formation Notes



Training to be Champions of Christ—the theme for this summer’s Vacation Bible School. All the fun takes place August 17-20. VBS is open to everyone ages 4-grade 6, plus helper of all other ages!

Did you know that Peter once compared Baptism to the flood waters that saved Noah’s family in the Ark? And just as Noah and his family were saved, YOU can be saved too!

If you told somebody you had an ark like Noah, what do you think they would say? They may think you are crazy—just how people thought Noah was crazy! But isn’t it wonderful to know Jesus came and redeemed the world and offered everyone a chance to be saved—through the water of Baptism. So when you were baptized “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” you were given the boat to help you to sail safely to heaven. Take care of your boat and never let it get dashed on the rocks of the world. And if it does get a leak, ask God to help you repair it right away. Read I Peter 3:20-22.



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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 (5/3/26).....\$4,487.00
Adult Envelope Holders405
Number of Adult Contributions..... 54

St. Bartholomew Parish – Villard

2025/26 Weekly Collection Goal.....\$1,362.00
Collected (5/3/26)..... \$1,145.00
Adult Envelope Holders 65
Number of Adult Contributions..... 12

St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno

2025/26 Weekly Collection Goal..... \$1,400.00
Collected (5/3/26).....\$1,582.00
Adult Envelope Holders 63
Number of Adult Contributions..... 28

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



The Assumption

Question: What lessons should I learn from the Assumption of Mary?

Answer: Growing in holiness is similar to training in a sport. We need someone to show us how we can live our faith well. Mary is a model of sanctity. She shows us how to be faithful to God’s will, living each day with confidence in God’s mercy and love. At the Nativity, in Jesus’ public ministry, and at the Crucifixion, we see her steadfast trust. She allows the Lord to use her life to accomplish his plan for her and for all of us. In the Preface of the Mass for the Assumption of Mary, we pray: “For today the Virgin Mother of God was assumed into heaven as the beginning and image of your Church’s coming to perfection and a sign of sure hope and comfort to your pilgrim people.”

It is this image of holiness that we strive to imitate. In the office, at home, or in our community, we look for signs of God’s grace that call us to an ever greater love of him and each other. A greater awareness of God is a sign of our conversion of heart that lives the lessons Mary teaches. ©LPi



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.



The Annual Norwegian Smorgasbord at

Chippewa Falls Church takes place THIS Sunday, May 17. Serving from 11am-1pm, with dine in or take out options. On the menu: meatballs, mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, rommegrot, lefse, deviled eggs, pudding, fruit, herring and traditional baked goods.

The need is constant—there will be a Red Cross

Blood Drive at Sacred Heart on Tuesday, May 26, from 12noon– 6pm. You can schedule a time by visiting Red-CrossBlood.org (schedule: Glenwood) or walking in. Many thanks to everyone who shares this valuable resource!



St. Bartholomew is in need of another

reader. There is a book so you can practice ahead of time. The book also assists with pronunciation and provides some extra meaning into the readings. Contact the church office if you would like to share your time.

Mass Intentions

- Mon. 5/18**
Tues. 5/19 9:00am (V) † Mike Rajdl
Weds. 5/20 8:30am (G) † Rooney family members
Thurs. 5/21 10:00am (GRV) † Bill Kenney
Fri. 5/22 8:30am (G) † Walter Zavadil
Sat. 5/23 4:00pm (V) † Skold family relatives
 5:30pm (G) † Arlo Huelsman
Sun. 5/24 8:30am (LR) † Emily Trousil
 10:30am (G) † William & Janice Wisniewski

Readings for the week of May 17, 2026



- Sunday:** Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47: 2-3, 6-9
 Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20
Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd,
 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33
Tuesday: Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21
 Jn 17:1-11a
Wednesday: Acts 20:28-38/ Ps 68:29-30, 33-36ab
 Jn 17:11b-19
Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5,
 7-11/Jn 17:20-26
Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-
 20ab/Jn 21:15-19
Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and
 7/Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday: Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1 and 24, 29-30,
 31 and 34/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13
 Jn 20:19-23

COMING EVENTS

- Tuesday, May 19:** Third Tuesday Adoration at Sacred Heart from 2-5:30pm. Rosary at 5pm.
Thursday, June 4: Befrienders meeting at 2pm at SH.
Thursday, June 4: Adoration and Rosary at 4:30pm at St. Bartholomew.
Monday, June 8: Cemetery Mass 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

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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 the cost.

