



The Churches of

Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew & St. John Nepomuk

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JULY 26, 2026

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office

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Glenwood, Minnesota 56334

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Website www.sacredheartglenwood.com

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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 (Jul.—Sept.)..... Sunday 8:30am

St. John Nepomuk – Lowry/Lake Reno

Weekend (Jul.—Sept.)... Saturday 4:00pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Bartholomew..... Sunday 8:00am

St. John Nepomuk..... Saturday 3:00pm

Sacred Heart..... by appointment

Other times by appointment.

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

LIKE A NET
THROWN INTO
THE SEA.

— MATTHEW 13:47 —

GOING THROUGH CHANGE TOGETHER

We are hearing of additional parish closings and Mass schedule changes in surrounding communities. Not all of these will happen as planned. In each situation there is first a diocesan process and then a civil process before anything is permanent.

We proposed to the Planning Office our original plan to merge Sacred Heart and St. Bartholomew (NOT closing either church) while St. John Nepomuk continues as a Partner Parish. For the time being, each church retains its name and its individual money accounts.

Some Catholics are choosing to attend Latin Mass churches which are not recognized by the Diocese or the Vatican. These groups have chosen to break away from the Roman Catholic Church and deny the authority of the Pope. Jesus desired the church be one. These break away churches repeat the actions of the Protestant Reformers in the 16th century who argued they held the true faith. We see these reform churches continue to change doctrine and splinter.

The Church is not perfect because it is made up of imperfect people. We may not always agree with our leadership, but as Catholics we accept these who are chosen to lead us have apostolic succession and the seal of the Holy Spirit.

We are truly blessed as a community of faith with devoted and generous parishioners. Pray for our pope and our bishops that they may have hearts of service and a desire to do what is in our best interests.

God's Peace!

Fr. Joe

Deaths
Charles "Chuck" Walker
7/11/2026

Eugene Stauber
7/13/2026



*Please keep Chuck, Eugene and their family
& friends in your prayers.*



The Annual Bazaar at St. John Nepomuk takes Sunday, August 9. Mass will be at 10am with the fun and festivities taking place after. The raffle drawing will take place at 2pm. Everyone is invited!

Table Talk...What is your treasure and where is it?



Take a look at all of the hand worked items THIS weekend AND purchase a raffle ticket for a beautiful quilt! The Mission ladies will be selling raffle tickets and a few other items in the narthex at Sacred Heart.



Adults—it is your time to shine! Vacation Bible School takes place the week of August 17. Look for the donation slips for food starting next weekend in the front entry at Sacred Heart. (There will also be registration forms available!)

We are looking for a new Director of Religious Education for grades Pre-K through grade 6. If you are someone who is strong in their faith and communicates well, this may be a great fit! Other than Wednesdays from 1-5pm, the other days of the week are flexible, totaling 15-20 hours per week. Contact Fr. Joe if you are interested in learning more about it.



Befrienders—our next meeting is Thursday, August 6, beginning at 2pm in the Parish Center library.

There will be Adoration and Rosary on Thursday, August 6, at 4:30pm at St. Bartholomew. Everyone is welcome to spend this quiet time with the Lord.



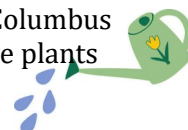
Upcoming Funerals:

Friday, August 7—Mary Boyle
Saturday, August 15—Dan Duff



Cemetery reminders! Please help us keep our cemetery looking nice and tidy! We allow potted plants in suitable stands. **Please remove any items such as figurines, shepherd's hooks, solar light stakes, or plastic decorations.** These items will be removed, as they pose a hazard for the lawn maintenance people. Also, please remember to take any trash with you, as there are no trash receptacles on site. This applies to all of our cemeteries: Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew, St. John Nepomuk and Sedan.

Many thanks to the Knights of Columbus for continuing to water the live plants at all of our cemeteries!

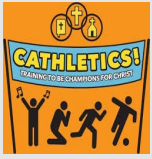


Spiritual Practices to cultivate this summer.

Here is the third one...loving yourself is the first step in "Love your neighbor as yourself." Spend a few minutes writing what it means to love yourself. God loves you.

Faith Formation Notes

On you mark, get set...and go! Cathletics is the theme for this year's Vacation Bible School. All the fun takes place mornings the week of August 17 (Monday—Thursday). And we are in need of participants of ALL ages (from 4-99).



Did you ever camp out overnight or spend the night at someone else's house and stay up half the night talking and giggling? Did you ever pray all night? That's what Jesus did the night before he chose his twelve apostles! He went out to a mountain and prayed all night, and when morning broke, he called together his friends and from them he chose his twelve apostles. When it was time to make an important decision, the first thing Jesus did was PRAY! And it's still a good idea today. Look before you leap, think before you speak, and pray before you do anything important.

Do you think Jesus wants you to stay up all night and pray? No, Jesus wants you to get enough sleep so you will be bright-eyed in the morning and ready for the day. Instead of praying all night, you should just pray every night. Before you go to sleep always say a good night prayer—thanking God for the day and the opportunities it brought. Read Luke 6:12-13.



The Directors of Religious Education

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Stewardship of Treasure

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

Sacred Heart Parish – Glenwood

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....\$6,810.00
Collected (7/12/26)\$12,471.16
Adult Envelope Holders405
Number of Adult Contributions..... 89

St. Bartholomew Parish – Villard

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....\$1,480.00
Collected (7/12/26) \$2,010.00
Adult Envelope Holders 65
Number of Adult Contributions..... 15

St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....\$1,400.00
Collected (7/12/26)\$1,397.00
Adult Envelope Holders 63
Number of Adult Contributions..... 25

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



The Giving of Treasure

Question: Why are Catholics required to give money to the Church?

Answer: Offering money and other goods to God and the Church is, before all else, a statement of gratitude. We see this when we look at how our spiritual ancestors showed their gratitude to God for the gifts they had received (e.g. Genesis 14:18-20 and Genesis 28:16-22). One of the ways they offered thanks to God was through a practice called “tithing,” in which 10 percent of a person's goods (crops, livestock, money, etc.) were given back to God.

Today, the practice of tithing — giving 10 percent — is still common in many Protestant communities, but it is not required for Catholics. Instead, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches us that, “The faithful also have the duty of providing for the material needs of the Church, each according to [their] own abilities” (no. 2043). This means that, although we are not bound to practice “tithing” in the traditional sense, we do share a responsibility to share our money or other resources with our parish communities. Like our spiritual ancestors, we give as a sign of our gratitude for the many gifts that God has given to us. Beyond this, we also share our resources with other Catholic organizations to help them finance their ministries, to continue and grow their outreach to the poor and the needy, and to provide just wages for their employees.

How much we give depends on our individual circumstances, but since we share a responsibility for the programs, outreach, and health of our parish communities and Catholic organizations, this question gives us a wonderful opportunity to ask some important questions about the quality of our giving and what our priorities are. Remember, we are only stewards of our time, talents, and treasures and as the First Letter of Peter reminds us, “As each one of you has received a gift, use it to serve one another as good stewards of God's varied graces” (4:10). ©LPi

Marriage Encounter—give yourselves one of the greatest gifts you can give each other—an opportunity to enrich, celebrate and strengthen your marriage! Make plans to attend the a Marriage Encounter weekend on August 1-2 at the Mt. Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. To register or find out more, visit marriages.org.

Faith as small as a mustard seed can move mountains. Are you climbing a mountain in your life right now? Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend retreat program which commemorates the Pashcal Mystery in a community setting. The next weekend scheduled is September 18-20, at the TEC Center, just north of Little Falls. The cost is \$70. For more information and to register, visit: www.centralmnkoinonia.org.

Mass Intentions

Mon. 7/27

Tues. 7/28

Weds. 7/29

Thurs. 7/30

Fri. 7/31

Sat. 8/1

Sun. 8/2

9:00am (V) † Rita Rajdl

8:30am (G) † RoseMary Peterson

8:30am (G) † Frances Marolt

4:00pm (LR) † John Chan

5:30pm (G) † David Olson

8:30am (V) † Andrew Phillips

10:30am (G) - For the Parish

Readings for the week of July 26, 2026

Sunday: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52

Monday: Jer 13:1-11/Dt 32:18-21/Mt 13:31-35

Tuesday: Jer 14:17-22/Ps 79:8-13/Mt 13:36-43

Wednesday: Jer 15:10, 16-21/Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17, 18/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Thursday: Jer 18:1-6/Ps 146:1b-6ab
Mt 13:47-53

Friday: Jer 26:1-9/Ps 69:5, 8-10, 14
Mt 13:54-58

Saturday: Jer 26:11-16, 24/Ps 69:15-16, 30-34/Mt 14:1-12

Next Sunday: Is 55:1-3/Ps 145:8-9, 15-18
Rom 8:35, 37-39/Mt 14:13-21



COMING EVENTS

Tuesday, July 28: 9:00am Mass at St. Bartholomew

Sunday, August 9: SJN Bazaar

Monday, August 17—20: Vacation Bible School

Tuesday, August 18: Adoration at SH 2-5:30pm.

Wednesday, August 19: *Change in time* for morning Mass at Sacred Heart—9:00am

Wednesday, September 30: First day of Rel. Ed classes for the year!

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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☐ 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.



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.

