



The Churches of
Sacred Heart, St. Bartholomew and St. John Nepomuk

122 FIRST STREET NW ~ GLENWOOD, MN 56334 ~ 320-634-3813

The Lord
is near
to all those
who *call*
upon him.

PSALM 145

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026

Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Staff

Pastor.....Father Joseph Vandenberg

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Secretary.....Katherine Chevalier

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Judy Radil (SJN)

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Sarah Heidelberger (SB)

Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart - Glenwood/Starbuck

Weekend.....Saturday 5:30pm

Sunday 10:30am

Weekdays as scheduled.....

St. Bartholomew - Villard

Weekend (July-Sept.).....Sunday 8:30am

St. John Nepomuk - Lowry/Lake Reno

Weekend (July - 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.

WISE DECISIONS & COMPASSIONATE SHEPHERDS

Occasionally I receive letters in the mail from traditionalist Catholic organizations. A recent letter from the "Catholic Harbor of Faith and Morals" gives their Mission statement.

The Catholic Church still exists and can be found only in those baptized Catholics who have preserved a supernatural and unwavering attachment to all Catholic dogmas and moral teachings, while at the same time rejecting the heretical Vatican II Antichurch.

There are several similar groups, including The Society of St. Pius X, which was recently excommunicated by Pope Leo XIV. These groups each have a different understanding of Vatican II and point to particular doctrines which they either accept or reject.

As Catholics we believe in Apostolic Succession which is the handing on of legitimate authority from one pope to another throughout history. If we question the legitimacy of recent popes we should also consider the legitimacy of past popes, a few who were notorious sinners.

I would not consider Paul VI, John Paul I or II, or Benedict XVI to be liberal popes. John Paul II and Benedict co-wrote the new Catechism of the Catholic Church.

We do not always agree with the leadership of a particular time or place, pope or bishop. Yet, we acknowledge the Church has the right and the role appointing their successors. As individuals we cannot judge others. Jesus Christ is the ultimate judge of human lives. Some one who misleads others will be held accountable by God at the time of judgement.

Obedience to a pope, bishop or priest does not imply we should accept everything they say or teach without criticism. These men are human and can be poor leaders. We pray for them to make wise decisions and to be compassionate shepherds.

God's Peace!
Fr. Joe



Guild meeting at St. Bartholomew.

Everyone (including the men) are invited to Mass at 11:00am THIS

Tuesday, followed by a potluck lunch and short meeting. If you are able, please consider joining us!



Thank you to everyone who attended the Knights of Columbus Pork Chop Supper last Tuesday night. It was great to see so many familiar faces. It takes a village to make this

a success every year - from the people who prepare the meal, does the dishes, cleans up and every one who purchases a meal!



Next Tuesday, September 29, there will be 5pm Mass at St. John Nepomuk with the Parish Life Committee meeting after.

Stay for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship
after Mass at St. Bartholomew
NEXT Sunday!



Faith Formation begins the last Wednesday in September. We are in need of grade 4 teacher for the afternoon classes, classroom assistants and playground supervisors. If you can share your time, let us know.

With the changes ahead, we know not everyone will be happy. Although we have a "plan" for now, know there may be changes as time evolves. We ask for your patience and understanding as we venture through these waters together.



What is a Prayer Partner? Each year we ask for people to volunteer to be a prayer partner for our youth who are working towards their First Reconciliation, First Communion or Confirmation. All that is asked, is you add the student to your prayers. How easy is that? Look for the opportunity to select someone within the next couple of weeks during Mass.



October Activity Group - there will be an organizational meeting NEXT Sunday, September 27, to plan our activity. Meet in the lower level after the 10:30am Mass.

Fair Trade Coffee is for sale at Sacred Heart! There is a new supply to choose from, both whole bean and ground. Look for the blue tub on the table in the Narthex. You get great coffee and the farmers get a fair price - it's a win-win deal!



Table talk... How is your life lived in relation to those who are homeless, poor, and in need of assistance?

Mass Schedule (October - December)

Saturdays - 4:00pm - St. Bartholomew (Villard)
5:30pm Sacred Heart (Glenwood)
(October 3 and 10 ONLY)

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

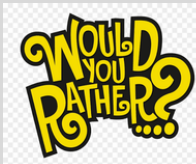
Faith Formation Notes

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The countdown is on! Faith Formation classes begins NEXT week. We are so excited to see everyone, hear about their summer adventures and learn about our faith together.



Hey everyone in grades 9-12, the 2026 Apostle Games are scheduled to take place on Sunday, October 25, from 9am-4:30pm at St. Cloud State University. The day includes recreation, prayer, workshops, Mass, awesome food, and lots of fun. See Sue Hiedelberger if you are interested.



Would you rather be rich or wise?

What a choice! In the Bible it says wisdom is more valuable than gold! So, what do you think about that? Maybe if you were rich enough, you

don't need to be wise; but would it be any fun to have lots of money and not be smart enough to know what to do with it?

Hmmm...you better keep on going to school and studying to some day you can be wise enough to get a job and earn some gold. Or, maybe you should think about what real "wisdom" is. It's not being a smart aleck and always acting like you know everything. Maybe you have real wisdom only when you realize you don't know everything. Read Proverbs 16:16.

The Directors of Faith Formation Shannon Walsh and Sue Heidelberg, can be reached at 634-4828 or by e-mail. Sue: sacredh711@gmail.com Shannon: glenwoodsacredheartrel.ed@gmail.com

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 (9/6/26)	\$8,860.25
Adult Envelope Holders	405
Number of Adult Contributions	75

St. Bartholomew Parish – Villard

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....	\$1,480.00
Collected (9/6/26)	\$1,762.00
Adult Envelope Holders.....	65
Number of Adult Contributions	18

St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....	\$1,400.00
Collected (9/6/26)	\$1,624.00
Adult Envelope Holders	63
Number of Adult Contributions	31



Lateran Basilica

Question: November 9 is the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome. What is the significance of this feast?

Answer: Every diocese has a mother church, the bishop's cathedral, where the diocesan church gathers and celebrates. The cathedral is the seat of the bishop's authority over the diocese. That authority is intended to be one of service to God's people, shepherding and guiding them in a truly pastoral mode.

The pope is first and foremost the Bishop of Rome, as well as the head of the Roman Catholic Church. St. John Lateran is his cathedral, and its prominence derives from that reality. St. John Lateran Cathedral traces its origins to Emperor Constantine, who converted a portion of the Laterani family palace into a church, and gave it to Pope Sylvester (314–335) as the papal church and residence; St. John refers to the two saints in whose honor the church is dedicated, John the Baptist and John the Evangelist. It became known as the cathedral of the pope, and its facade's inscription refers to it as "the Mother and Head of all Churches, in the City and of the World." The universal celebration of this feast emphasizes unity among Roman Catholics as they unite with the chair of Peter. ©LPi



Calling all football fans! The Glenwood Retirement Village is hosting a watch party on September 20, at the Minnewaska House. It's the Vikings and the Bears. The fun starts at 11:30am, with kick-off at 12noon. Here's

the list of other off-field action which will taking place, which are all free will donations: Taco bar, music bingo (with prizes) at halftime, silent auction (do not need to be present to win) and other games. Don't miss out on the fun with friends and family!

St. Alexius Sausage Supper takes place on Sunday, October 4, serving from noon-6pm. On the menu: smoked sausage, sauerkraut and spare ribs, head cheese, glazed carrots, real mashed potatoes, gravy and dessert. There will also be live music, a country store, pull tabs, quilt raffle and bingo!



Glenwood Lutheran's Annual Meatball Supper takes place on Wednesday, Oct. 7, serving from 4:30-7pm.

On the menu: meatballs and gravy, real mashed potatoes, glazed carrots, coleslaw and home baked desserts. There are both dine in and take out options available.

Mass Intentions

Mon. 9/21

Tues. 9/22 11:00am (V) † Arlene McKigney

Weds. 9/23 8:30am (G) † Pat Williams

Thurs. 9/24

Fri. 9/25 8:30am (G) † Wally Rajdl

Sat. 9/26 4:00pm (LR) † Skold family members

5:30pm (G) - For the Parish

Sun. 9/27 8:30am (V) † Raphael & Dorothy Trisko

10:30am (G) † Romie Klimek

Readings for the week of September 20, 2026

Sunday: Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/Mt 20:1-16a

Monday: Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-5/Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday: Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday: Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday: Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14 and 17bc
Lk 9:7-9

Friday: Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday: Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-6, 12-14 and 17
Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-9/Phil 2:1-11
Mt 21:28-32



Coming Events

Tuesday, September 22: Guild meeting and pot luck lunch after 11am Mass at St. Bartholomew.

Tuesday, September 29: Parish Committee meeting at St. John Nepomuk at 6pm, following Mass at 5pm.

Wednesday, September 30: First day of Faith Formation classes and Drop-in.

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

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.



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 at 320-589-4865.

*Note: Most insurances now cover the cost.

25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

