



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

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

LOVE

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“You shall love the Lord,
your God, with all your heart,
with all your soul, and with
all your mind.”

MATTHEW 22:37

OCTOBER 25, 2026

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Parish Office

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Glenwood, MN 56334

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Parish Staff

Pastor.....Father Joseph Vandeberg

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Sue Heidelberger (7-12)

Youth Ministry Coordinator..... Scott Crumb

Music Director.....Ann Foley

Secretary.....Katherine Chevalier

Coordinator (SJN) Amber Green

Bookkeeper.....Connie DeVault

Judy Radil (SJN)

Custodian.....Kristi Gruber

Sarah Heidelberger (SB)

Mass Schedule

Sacred Heart - Glenwood/Starbuck

Weekend.....Sunday 10:30am

Weekdays as scheduled.....

St. Bartholomew - Villard

Weekend Saturday 4:00pm

St. John Nepomuk - Lowry/Lake Reno

Weekend Sunday 8:30am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Bartholomew.....Saturday 3:00pm

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

Sacred Heart.....by appointment

Other times by appointment.

FINDING PEACE IN CONFLICT

The Book of Exodus describes the journey of the Israelites through times of conflict and oppression by other nations. As a nation they learned God was leading them and calling them to a higher goal than merely survival.

The opening line of this Sunday's first reading is "You shall not molest or oppress an alien, for you yourselves were once aliens in the land of Egypt."

Given a unique set of circumstances, during a time of famine, the Israelites were provided for through the efforts of Joseph who had been sold as a slave to Egypt. God works in mysterious ways.

We can never predict what the Lord will do for us in our time. In the unfortunate conflict with Iran, the Lord is uniting the people of neighboring nations to defend and honor their relationship with one another. Something good is coming of what is a tragic loss of life and property.

We continue to pray for peace in the land of Jesus and greater respect for the lives of all people. We pray for the church to remain obedient to the mission Christ has given us, to share His Word with the whole world. May the Lord grant us peace and protect human life in our households and in our communities.

God's Peace!
Fr. Joe

Deaths

Ron Brezina
October 6, 2026
Marlene Bitten
October 6, 2026



Please keep, Ron, Marlene, and their friends and family in your prayers.

Mark your calendars for Monday, Nov. 9- It is the Annual Memorial/Harvest Mass hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Mass will be at 6pm at Sacred Heart, followed by a meal. All parishioners was welcome to join us!



Cemetery reminder - as the cooler weather sets in, we will be cleaning the cemeteries for the winter season. If there are any items you would like to keep, please remove them for the winter. They can be placed in the cemetery again in the spring.



Be a "Planner aheader" the orders for poinsettias for Christmas are due by Thursday, November 3, which is in less than 2 weeks (Yep...it's early, Halloween hasn't happened, and there is no snow yet). Contact Katherine in the church office if you would like to order. She can be reached at 320-634-3813 or sheartchurch@gmail.com.



6.5" Red or White.....\$21.00

8.5" Red.....\$37.00

Also, coming up:

Mission Group Silent Auction and Craft Sale

from November 14-29.



Check out all of the beautiful quilts to bid on, along with dish towels and other items for sale. All of the proceeds stay local!

Armful of Love Tree at Sacred Heart



the beginning of November

Pope County's way of making sure all children and their families are able to celebrate a joyous holiday together.

W.I.N. Academy Food Boxes

These food boxes are put together for families of the W.I.N. Academy students in Starbuck for a traditional holiday meal. The students often come from families with limited incomes.



The 30th Annual Respect for Life Banquet

takes place on Saturday, November 14, in Morris at the Old No. 1. Come and celebrate 30 years of faith, hope and ministry! Social hour begins at 5:30pm followed by a meal, along with a silent auction and ministry update. Tickets are \$25/person. (Sacred Heart has 4 complimentary tickets - available to whoever asks first). Please RSVP by Novebmer 9 to 320-589-0300 or frontdesk@optionsmorris.com.

Area Catholic Community Update

The recent decree from Bishop Neary renames our parishes *Our Lady of the Lakes*. St. John Nepomuk has filed an appeal with the diocese and it has been forwarded to the Vatican. The decree joining our parishes officially is suspended until the appeal has made it through the process. A final decision may take up to two years.

St. Bartholomew and Sacred Heart continue building our partnership and working close together to form a cohesive staff and spiritual partnership. We thank you all for your support, your time, talent and treasure.



Table talk... When do you allow your spouse, children and friends to see you as you really are?

Faith Formation Notes



Would the Bible ever tell a murderer where to hide? Maybe. The people of that time were told to set aside some "cities of refuge" - where the INNOCENT "murderer" or criminal could go to be safe. The Bible gives this example of an incident that might make a man seek refuge: "If he goes with his neighbor to a forest to cut wood, and as he swings an ax to fell a tree, its head flies off the handle and hits his neighbor a mortal blow, he may take refuge in one of these cities to save his life." This would be a terrible accident; but others might not BELIEVE it was an accident, and the "murderer" might have to run for his life. So the bible says the accidental murderer should save his own life by going to a city of refuge.

Were you ever accused of doing something wrong when it was really just an accident? You probably felt awful - and didn't expect you would need a "city of refuge" where you could go. If that happens again, remember God is your refuge. He knows the truth, and he also knows when it was NOT an accident. Read Deuteronomy 19:3-6.

The Directors of Faith Formation

Shannon Walsh and Sue Heidelberger, can be reached at 634-4828 or by e-mail. Sue: sacredh711@gmail.com
Shannon: glenwoodsacredheartrel.ed@gmail.com

First Friday Senior Mass
has been cancelled
for the month of November.



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 (10/11/26).....	\$9,989.72
Adult Envelope Holders	405
Number of Adult Contributions	90

St. Bartholomew Parish – Villard

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....	\$1,480.00
Collected (10/11/26)	\$3,882.74
Adult Envelope Holders.....	65
Number of Adult Contributions	20

St. John Nepomuk—Lowry/Lake Reno

2026/27 Weekly Collection Goal.....	\$1,400.00
Collected (10/11/26)	\$1,281.00
Adult Envelope Holders	63
Number of Adult Contributions	30

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

Halloween



Question: Is Halloween a pagan holiday or a Catholic one?

Answer: The short answer: nowadays, a little bit of both. But it wasn't always that way. Halloween and All Saints' Day are closely connected. In the 800s, the Catholic Church began celebrating All Saints' Day. It was originally called All Hallows' Day or Hallowmas. The celebration began early on All Hallows' Eve. But if Halloween is really about the saints in all their victorious glory, where do we get haunted houses, costumes, and pranks?

All Saints' Day became associated with the other deceased rather quickly. November 2, is All Souls Day, where we pray for the souls in purgatory. Throughout the European world, especially with the Celtic and Germanic peoples, the dead were honored in the autumn months. The Celtic pagan celebration of Samhain had its own folk rituals and occurred around the same time as these Catholic feast days.

Within the last few hundred years, this included dressing in disguise and going door to door, asking for food in exchange for a rhyme or poem. Some people masqueraded as "dark" spirits and pulled pranks on others. Today's celebration of Halloween tends to take on these later practices, rather than the original meaning of celebrating the saints. But remember ... this feast was Catholic first!

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As the cold months approach, many individuals and families in our community face the harsh reality of living without adequate heat or utilities. No one should have to endure the winter in discomfort and uncertainty. If you could find yourself in this situation, check out the bulletin board in the main entrance or SW entrance at Sacred Heart. There is an easy application for both homeowners and renters to apply. There are no asset limits. Homeowners may receive free furnace repair and replacement.



The Church of St. Francis deSales will host their Fall Sausage Supper on Sunday, Oct. 25, from 2:30-6:30pm. See you there!

Food Shelf donations - We are unable to take anything perishable (fruits, vegetables, bread). Please donate canned or boxed items. Also, make sure to drop them off in the box located in the narthex at Sacred Heart. If they are left outside, we may not see them for several days.



Mass Intentions

Mon. 10/26

Tues. 10/27

Weds. 10/28

Thurs. 10/29

Fri. 10/30

Sat. 10/31

Sun. 11/1

9:00am (LR) † Mary Jo Lesch

8:30am (G) † Bev Anderson

4:00pm (G) - For the Parish

8:30am (G) † Peggy Klick

4:00pm (V) † Vernon & Ellen Bentfield

5:30pm (G) † Lovaida Mae Olson

8:30am (LR) † Emily Trousil

10:30am (G) † Romie Klimek

Readings for the week of October 25, 2026

Sunday: Ex 22:20-26/Ps 18:2-4, 47 and 51

1 Thes 1:5c-10/Mt 22:34-40

Monday: Eph 4:32-5:8/Ps 1:1-4 and 6/Lk 13:10-17

Tuesday: Eph 5:21-33/Ps 128:1-5/Lk 13:18-21

Wednesday: Eph 2:19-22/Ps 19:2-5/Lk 6:12-16

Thursday: Eph 6:10-20/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Lk 13:31-35

Friday: Phil 1:1-11/Ps 111:1-6/Lk 14:1-6

Saturday: Phil 1:18b-26/Ps 42:2, 3, 5cdef/Lk 14:1, 7-11

Next Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-6

1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a



Coming Events

Wednesday, October 28: All Saint's Day Mass at 4pm at Sacred Heart.

Saturday, October 31: Vigil of All Saints Masses at 4:00pm at St. Bartholomew and 5:30pm at Sacred Heart

Sunday, November 1: All Saint's Mass at 8:30am at St. John Nepomuk and 10:30am at Sacred Heart.

Monday, November 2: All Souls Day Mass at 8:30am at Sacred Heart.

Thursday, November 5: Befrienders Meeting at 2pm 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

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.

30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

