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PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

## Mass Schedule and Intentions

### Monday, February 9

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** – W & C  
8:30am **Annunciation** + Marlene Schueller

### Tuesday, February 10

*St. Scholastica*

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** – Dan Villeneuve  
5:30pm **Sacred Heart** + Sharon Casey Wippler  
5:30pm **St. Stephen** + Jerry Gohmann

### Wednesday, February 11

*Our Lady of Lourdes*

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + Gail Kiekow & Grace Lytle  
8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** + Ron Willey

### Thursday, February 12

8:00am **St. Stephen** + Jessica Mehr  
8:00am **St. Francis** + Jerry Schwieters  
8:30am **Annunciation** + Ruth Ann Dubek

### Friday, February 13

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + Jacqueline Beumer  
8:30am **St. Francis Xavier** + Tenter Family

### Saturday, February 14

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

4:00pm **St. Francis Xavier** + Terry Barrett  
5:00pm **Sacred Heart** – For the People of the Parish  
7:00pm **St. Stephen** + Jim Honer

### Sunday, February 15

6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:15am \***Annunciation** + Delores Krajsa  
9:00am \***Sacred Heart** + Kathy Fink  
9:30am \***St. Francis Xavier** + Jim Negen  
10:00am **St. Stephen** + Jerome Supan

\*Livestreamed Mass

### Reconciliation

#### Saturday:

3:00pm St. Francis Xavier  
3:30pm Sacred Heart  
6:15pm St. Stephen

#### Sunday:

7:40am Annunciation

### Adoration

**First Thursday** at St. Stephen 8:30am-4pm

#### Second and Fourth

**Tuesday** at St. Francis Xavier 4-7pm

**First Friday** at Sacred Heart 8:30am-11am

### Pastoral Needs

Please contact your parish office for Anointing of the Sick, Home Bound Communion, Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests, Marriage and Baptism Preparation.

## Daily Readings

**Monday:** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Ps 132:6-7, 8-10/Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Ps 84:3, 4, 5 and 10, 11/Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40/Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Ps 106:3-4, 35-36, 37 and 40/Mk 7:24-30

**Friday:** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-13, 14-15/Mk 7:31-37

**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-20, 21-22/Mk 8:1-10

**Next Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34/1 Cor 2:6-10/Mt 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

## Ministry & Life Perspectives



From Safari.....

I find the scripture readings this weekend challenging ---- share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless, clothe the naked when you see them; remove from your midst oppression, false accusation, malicious speech; you are the salt of the earth, you are the light of the world, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father.

We would rather hear about God's love for us, his presence in our lives. And yes, in the scriptures we are also reminded of God's unconditional love and support of us. Yet God also nudges, pushes us into action. To be a disciple means we need to get our hands dirty. We cannot divorce ourselves from the ills of our world. Social justice is a nonnegotiable element of the Catholic faith. The issues confronting us are many --- hunger, homelessness, poverty, unemployment, sweatshop labor, labor rights, human trafficking, immigration, health care, violence, abortion. Unfortunately, many of these issues have become political. These are not political issues, these are God's concerns and he invites us to partner with him in answering the prayers of those who are hurting and are in need.

The issues are many and it is easy to become overwhelmed. To pull the sheets up over our heads and hope they will go away. I am reminded of this story: Once upon a time, a young girl was walking along a beach after a storm had washed thousands of starfish ashore. Knowing that the starfish would die if left on the sand, she began picking them up one by one and throwing them back into the ocean.

As she worked, a man approached her and asked, "Why are you doing this? You can't possibly save all these starfish. What difference can you make?" The girl paused, feeling a bit disheartened by his words. However, she bent down, picked up another starfish, and threw it into the water. She looked up at the man and replied, "I made a difference for that one!".



## Ministry & Life Perspectives (cont.)

How can each of us contribute to heighten the kingdom of God. We cannot be well informed on every issue. Situations in life may keep us from being in the forefront. But we can participate through prayer, writing to officials who can make changes, to donate to organizations which work to bring an end to injustices, or by changing our own attitudes and lifestyle.

Teresa of Avila (1515–1582) wrote this prayer entitled:

### Christ Has No Body

*Christ has no body but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
Yours are the eyes with which he looks  
Compassion on this world,  
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,  
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.  
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,  
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.*

*Christ has no body now but yours,  
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,  
Yours are the eyes with which he looks  
compassion on this world.  
Christ has no body now on earth but yours.*

May each of us be able to say, "With God's help I made a difference in their life."

Have a faith filled week! Fr. Ron

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# ONE IN CHRIST AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

## NEWS AND EVENTS

### Baptisms

We welcome the following children, baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:



Bria Rose Gombos, daughter of Jordan & Krista, from St. Stephen and

Bryson Paul Ehlen, son of Thomas & Kilee, Lincoln Michael Weber, son of Blake & Elizabeth, Roman Mel Stang & Solana Rose Stang, son and daughter of Kris & BriAnn from St. Francis.

### Marriage Blessings



Congratulations and many blessings to Weston & Valerie Jordan who were married at Sacred Heart.

### Funeral Blessings

Remember in your prayers the family of Ken Hudalla, who passed away on January 27, from Sacred Heart.



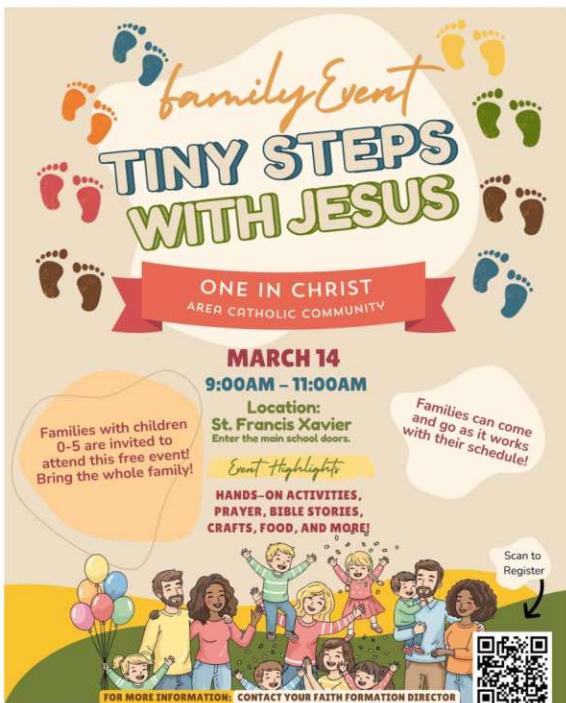
Linda Midas from Sacred Heart who passed away January 25. Her funeral was at St. Stephen and

Charles Ehlen, who passed away on January 21 and Richard Salzer who passed away on January 29 from St. Francis.

Eternal Rest grant unto them Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

### ACC Events

**Cana Dinner:** The Cana Dinner (February 28 @ 6pm) is a marriage enrichment event for anyone who is married 1 day to 75+ years! There is a sign up in the gathering space. Cost is \$40 a couple, childcare is \$10 per child. Space is limited so sign up early!



### Young Adults (ages 19-39)

**Theology on Draft** Our next Theology on Draft takes place on Thursday, February 12th from 6-8 PM at Great River Bowl in Sartell. This month we are partnering with the Diocese of St. Cloud to bring in national renown speaker Robert Feduccia who will be presenting. "I'm listening but are you talking?" We hope to see you there for food and conversations.

**\*There is optional bowling following... Participants are responsible for their own bowling and own beverages.**

**Praise Night** Our next Praise Night is on Thursday, February 26th from 6-7 PM at Sacred Heart. One of the unique things about Praise Nights is that we seek to bring different types of prayer experiences for young adults and their young families. This month we'll be featuring Taize which is a style of prayer that offers reflection through hundreds of candles, repeated and meditative psalm style refrains and silence.

We also would like to extend an invitation to all parishioners of our area Catholic Communities to come pray with us, so come check it out! If you have any questions, contact Jason!

**Mass and Meal** Our next Young Adult Mass and Meal takes place on Saturday, February 28th starting with 4 PM Mass at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. Meet in the Gathering Space after Mass and go out with old and new friends!

**\*Each participant is responsible for their own meal.**

### Young Life WyldLife (Gr. 6-8)

**Club Update** A new look and semester is about to begin for Granite City Wyldlife... We will now meet on the 2nd Friday of every month from 7-9 PM at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. We love a party with a purpose and our purpose is to bring all middle schoolers from the metro area together for a night of fun, games, food and to hear the Gospel.

Our next Friday Night Party is on Friday, February 13th from 7-9 PM at St. Francis Xavier - it's neon night! Wear your white and or something bright for blacklight 9-square, dodgeball, games, and food. All are invited!

**Summer Camp** Have you heard?! It's time to register for Summer Camp 2026! Sign-up your middle schooler for the best week of their life from July 21 - 25, 2026 at Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes. You can begin your registration here at: [granitecity.younglife.org/camp](http://granitecity.younglife.org/camp).

**Donations** If you'd like to make a donation to our Wyldlife Area for either club supplies or for camp, please contact Jason via phone or email. We sincerely appreciate your contribution in our efforts making sure middle schoolers are known, loved and cared for. Donations can also be made electronically by going to [granitecity.younglife.org](http://granitecity.younglife.org) and clicking the big orange button that says, 'give'. Thank you so much for your generous donation!

## News and Events From Around the Diocese



“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 5:16

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourage more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.



**This is Announcement Week!** Please take this opportunity to read the insert in this weekly bulletin to learn more about the diocesan ministries that continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. They are not possible without your help. Please keep them thriving.

**40 Days for Life** The Lenten 40 Days for Life Campaign begins Wednesday, February 18. For more info visit [www.40daysforlife.com/en/st.cloud](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/st.cloud)



**Diocesan Festival of Families on February 22** at St. Francis Xavier from 9:00AM-3:00PM Don't miss out! Registration is filing fast. Join Bishop Neary and hundreds of Catholics to celebrate the role of family and enjoy activities specifically designed for you! Take a family picture with Bishop Neary in the photo booth, meet Catholic adults from throughout the diocese and offer your children an opportunity to see they are not alone as young Catholics engaged in their faith. The cost is only \$25 for your family! For more information and to register, go to: <https://stcdio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/>

**Men's Conference** The annual Men's Conference is less than one month away! Join us on Saturday, February 28, 2026, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at St. John's University in Collegeville. Don't miss this opportunity to grow in your relationship with the Lord through inspiring speakers and opportunities for prayer, Reconciliation, and Mass. Register online at <https://stcdio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2026/>



## St. Stephen

Fr Ron Weyrens, Pastor

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**Financial Offering for Jan. 31 & Feb. 1:**

Adult	\$ 1,802.00
Online Giving January 24-30	405.00
Plate	184.00
Children	1.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,392.00</b>
Central MN Catholic magazine to date	\$210.00

**Ushers:**

Feb 14: Dave Fiedler, Will Hellmann, Karen Skaj

Feb 15: Matt Nienaber, Nancy & Tom Vouk

**Faith Formation:** February 11 classes for grades 5-9 and Confirmation. Chicken Alfredo will be served in the Parish Hall before classes begin.

**Youth Group** will meet in the Parish Hall following Faith Formation classes on February 11. All students in grades 6-12 are invited and are welcome to bring a friend.

**Vibrancy Committee** meeting will be on Tuesday, February 10, in the annex at 6:05pm. Plans for Fellowship Sunday (February 15) will be finalized. The committee is planning a fundraising breakfast on March 15. More details to come.

**Old Palms:** There are baskets at the entrances for you to drop off your palms from last year. These palms will be burned at St. Francis Xavier Church on Wednesday, February 18, for ashes.

**Contribution Statements:** The 2025 contribution statements are available on the table at the back of the church. If you give online, you can print your 2025 Tax statement directly from your online account.

**Thank You** to those who signed up to donate blood on February 2. While we had 36 people come to donate blood only 27 units of blood were collected.

**Fellowship Sunday, February 15**

The Vibrancy Committee invites you to enjoy some sweets after Mass next Sunday and visit with neighbors, parishioners and guests in the annex.



**Well n Fit Exercise Class - Open to everyone to attend!**

Classes are held Wednesdays and Fridays in the Parish Hall 9:30-10:30 AM.

Line Dancing will follow each Wednesday class.

Enjoy a fun social time and maintain your strength with low impact cardio, chair and balance exercises.

All levels of fitness welcome!

**Holdingford Helping Hands Outreach-Senior Dining-Everyone invited.** Wednesdays at **Trobec's** in St. Stephen. A meal will be served at noon followed by cards -500. Suggested meal donation \$6. **St. Stephen AA and AL-ANON Meetings:** 103 Main St E. Tuesdays 7pm-Steps and Traditions meeting (aka 12X12) Wednesdays 5:30pm-Al-Anon/AA Mixed meeting Wednesdays 7pm-AA Big Book meeting Saturdays 8pm-AA meeting

# Sacred Heart

Fr Tom Knoblauch, Pastor

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## Financial Offering

### Income for the Week of February 1, 2026

Adult Collection	\$11,826.00,
Automatic Giving	\$5,372.18
Children	\$28.31
Central MN Catholic	\$886.00
Easter Flowers	\$5.00
CRS/Venezuela	\$100.00
Ash Wednesday	\$5.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$19,673

## Stewardship

 **Baby Bottle Campaign** Bottles must be returned by February 15th as they will be sent to the Pregnancy Resource Center on the 16th.



**Palm Branch Collection** You can bring your palm branches from previous years and place them in the Gathering Space between February 7<sup>th</sup> and 15th.

**Altar Servers Needed** It's time to recruit new altar servers again! If your child is in 3rd grade or older and would like to try this ministry, please contact Jill Kiffmeyer in the office to set up a training. Scheduling is very flexible for families, and you're able to set your frequency and dates that you prefer not to be scheduled. This is a very important ministry and a fun way for kids to be involved in Mass. Please consider it!

**Ash Wednesday Ministers Needed** We need ministers to help with our 6:30 pm liturgy on Ash Wednesday, February 18th. If you can help, please sign up using the web terminal or on the sheet near the sacristy. Thank you!

**Lent Decorating** Decorating for Lent will take place on Tuesday, February 17th at 9:00 am. We'll be removing green plants, setting up our Lenten "path", hanging fabric, and doing other decorating. Please come lend a hand if you're able.

**Stations of the Cross help needed** We will again pray the Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 6:30 pm. If you, your family, or a group you are part of would like to lead Stations of the Cross, please contact Jill Kiffmeyer in the office as soon as possible. If you would like to help as a lector, musician, or AV operator, please sign up using the online terminal. Thank you!

DATE	By	Exposition/Benediction
February 20	Open	--
February 27	Social Concerns/OCIA	No
March 6	Young Adults-Contemporary	No
March 13	CUF-Traditional	Yes
March 20	Open	--
March 27	Grace Keys-NEW!!	No

## Youth Ministry

### Grounded Youth Ministry February theme: Grounded in Doubt

- Wed. February 11th (5-8) 7:30-9 PM
- Fri. February 13th (5-8) | Wyldlife Friday Night Party at SFX 7-9 PM
- Wed. February 25th (5-12) | 7:30-9 PM

### Castaway 2026

- Less than 50% of spots remain!! Grades 9-12, don't miss the best weekend of your life March 20-22 at Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes. Cost of this years retreat is \$110 + any clothing students want to order. Register fast as spots will quickly disappear: [linktree.com/groundedym](https://linktree.com/groundedym)
- We have a few of our high school friends that need some financial help in getting to Castaway. If you are interested and are able to help support one of our friends going up to camp, please contact Jason Prigge.

## Thank You

Wooo whooo! **The Winter Raffle is complete**, we once again sold all 250 tickets! This year we did it with two weeks to spare! Thank you to everyone who purchased or helped to sell tickets! We couldn't do it without you! The winning tickets were drawn on Jan. 31st at the Crockpot Challenge, phone calls were made on Feb. 2nd, so if you didn't get a voicemail from Vicki, please try again next year.

**Crockpot Challenge:** Another successful Crockpot Challenge in the books! There are so many thank yous that need to be said, but because I only have a little space I will just say, anyone who helped with anything for this Crockpot Challenge, THANK YOU! This isn't as big as the summer festival, but it sure does help to have people to make it run as smoothly as it did! We appreciate all of you! The Challenge winner was new this year, Dana Howard came in as the winner with her Chicken Teriyaki (homemade sauce) on rice! A special thanks goes to the Catholic United Financial group for helping with the event AND for giving us a matching grant!

## Upcoming Events

February 9;	6:15pm--Bells of the Heart Practice 6:30pm--St. Arnold's Group 7:00pm--OCIA
February 10;	1:00pm--Widow/Widowers Group 6:15pm--Choir Rehearsal 7:00pm--ACC Planning Council Meeting
February 11;	9:00am--Bible Study 1:00pm--Craft Group 5:30pm--Kid's Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm--K-8 Faith Formation 7:30pm--Grounded (5-8)
February 12;	6:00pm--SH Book Buffet 6:00pm--Theology on Draft-Los Mariachis-SR
February 13;	6pm--Chosen Season 4
February 14;	3:30pm--Reconciliation
February 15;	11am--Confirmation Learning Centers-SS

## Prayer Requests

Please add Jennifer, Char Kipka, Duane Schmidt bauer, Pam Smoley and Samantha Voigt to your prayers. If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put in the prayer corner, please call 251-8115.

# Annunciation

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## Weekly Collection Budget

Due to scheduling issues, the Financial Stewardship for Sunday, Feb. 1st, 2026 will be in next weeks bulletin.

## Mass Schedule

### Sun. February 15th, 2026

**Lector:** Karla & John Koenig

**Eucharist:** Deacon(H), Amy Krajsa(C), Katie Lentner(C)

**Servers:** Hallel Krajsa and Brynn Krajsa

**Greeters:** Chuck Wocken and Mason & Carson Zwilling

**Ushers:** Jenny Zwilling & son, Peter Ackerman, Chuck Wocken.



**Happy Birthday** Jackson Ackerman, Vernon Kosloski, Marilee Pflipsen, Oliver Skroch, Alayana Ackerman, Jill Brenny, Walter Burczyk, Joyce Notsch, Sarena Bemboom, Michael Gans, Abigail Scapanski.

**Holy Hour for Peace** Monday, February 9th from 9-10am here at Annunciation after morning Mass. The time will include silent adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, Scriptural readings and reflection, and specific prayers for peace and healing. Please join us as you are able or make your own Holy Hour.

**Upcoming Service Event** Grades 6-12 will be visiting Good Shepherd to play bingo and visit with the residents on Friday, February 13th from 5:45-7pm. If you need a ride, meet at Annunciation at 5:10pm. We will be back at 7:20pm. Call Karen or Scott to sign up.  
also.....

**Youth Group** (6th-12<sup>th</sup> grade) will meet on Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm.

**2026 Catholic Men's Conference** Deepen your personal relationship with God and find practical habits to strengthen your hope at the upcoming Catholic Men's Conference on Sat. Feb. 28th. This event is open to all men, whether practicing Catholics or those seeking to deepen their faith. Register at <https://stedio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2026/>

**Life-Giving Wounds Retreat** for adult children of divorce and separation. Feb. 27th-March 1st, 2026 at St. Francis Retreat and Conference Center, Hankinson, ND. For more information or register visit [www.fargodiocese.org/lgw](http://www.fargodiocese.org/lgw)

In addition, now that Pope Leo has declared the Jubilee of St. Francis, those attending this retreat can gain a plenary indulgence, since the retreat center is run by Franciscan Sisters.



# St. Francis Xavier

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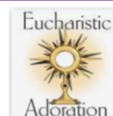
Karen Reinholtz 320-260-6158

**Prayer Line:** Margaret Stang 320-249-9304

## Weekly Collection Budget

Weekly Collection Budget	\$21,346.15
Collected 2/1/2026	\$30,156.38
<b>Excess (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$8,810.23</b>
YTD Collection Budget	\$661,730.75
YTD Collected	\$704,789.23
<b>Excess (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$43,058.48</b>

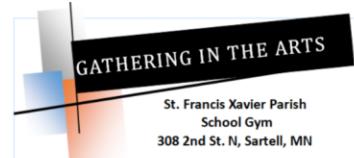
## Adoration



Eucharistic Adoration February 10, 4-7 pm.  
Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Arts & Crafts Fair

Please join us for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Arts & Craft Fair. There will be over 40 area artists & crafters featuring handcrafted artworks and crafts.



**Sunday, March 15, 2026**

**11:00am - 4:00pm**

**Gathering Place**

Refreshments will be available.

## Home Bound Ministers Needed

Home Bound Eucharistic Ministers Needed.

We are in need of volunteers who are willing to visit and bring Eucharist to our home bound parishioners. Training provided. Make someone's day -bring EUCHARIST and a visit!



## Youth Ministry

**MONDAYS at the MANOR:** Monday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from 7-8pm at Country Manor (enter in Door #1). More details sent out on Flocknote.

**TREMOR:** Sunday, February 15th from 3:30-5:30pm in the Gathering Place for grades 4-5. More details sent out on Flocknote.

**FAITH in ART:** Monday, February 16<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8pm at Xavier Hall. More details sent out on Flocknote.

**AFTERSHOCK:** Wednesday, February 25<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-8:30pm - PLEASE NOTE DATE! More details sent out on Flocknote.

**SAVE THE DATE** for Summer IMPACT: Monday, July 6-Thursday, July 9, 2026. More details will be coming out at the end of March. Open to all One In Christ ACC youth in grades 6-12 (fall of 2026).

## Lenten Series

St. Francis Xavier  
Health & Wellness Team

# LENTEN SERIES

## TECHNOLOGY AND

## OUR MENTAL HEALTH

LOOKING THROUGH THE LENS OF OUR FAITH

Guest Speaker

Bethany Tollefson

DNP, MSN, RN, PHN

**MARCH 12, MARCH 19 & MARCH 26**

5:30-6:00 PM OPTIONAL SOUP & SANDWICH DINNER

**6:00-7:00 PM SPEAKER**

*All are Welcome!!*

*Join us for one or all of the nights.*

*Free will offering will be accepted for dinner.*

*St. Francis Xavier - Gathering Space*

*219 2nd Street S., Sartell, MN*

*Sign up by calling Sandee Kremers*

*320-252-1363 or skremers@stfrancissartell.org*

## Lent Book Club

### Lent Book Club - Discussion Group

**The Practice of the Presence of God by Brother Lawrence**

Lets Explore a book that Pope Leo XIV has described as one of his favorite books. He describes the core message of the book as a “type of prayer and spirituality where one simply gives his life to the Lord and allows the Lord to lead.” This teaching emphasizes experiencing God’s presence not just during formal prayer times, but in every moment and every ordinary, daily task, such as working in a kitchen. Dive deeper into your faith this Lent. We will spend three weeks discussing each part of the book and how we can use it in our daily lives to let the Lord lead us.

**Part One - February 19**

**Part Two - February 26**

**Part Three - March 5**

**St. Francis Xavier Gathering Place from 6-7:00 pm**

Contact Sandee Kremers to sign up at 320-252-1363 or [skremers@stfrancissartell.org](mailto:skremers@stfrancissartell.org).

The book can be purchased on Amazon or through St. Francis.

## Gathering in the Arts

Our next Bling sale is scheduled for April of 2027. To give you enough time to go through your closets and jewelry boxes, we are collecting handbags, jewelry & scarves the months of February - April 2026 and again in 2027. Collection boxes are outside of the parish office. Thank you for your support.

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