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BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE DUE IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY 8:00AM ON MONDAYS. THANK YOU!

PLEASE CONTACT YOUR PARISH OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION.

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Monday, January 26
Sts. Timothy & Titus

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** - W & C
8:30am **Annunciation** - Political & Religious Leaders

Tuesday, January 27
St. Angela Merici

8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** + No W&C \ No Mass
5:30pm **Sacred Heart** - Return to Sacraments
5:30pm **St. Stephen** + Leonard & Alma Yamry

Wednesday, January 28
St. Thomas Aquinas

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + John Gans
8:00am **St. Francis Xavier** +Max Villeneuve

Thursday, January 29

8:00am **St. Stephen** + Raymond Schultenover & Gary Gillen
8:00am **St. Francis** + No W&C \ No Mass
8:30am **Annunciation** + Donald & Phyllis Leners

Friday, January 30

8:00am **Sacred Heart** + Patrice Tyo
8:30am **St. Francis Xavier** + Jerry Schwieters

Saturday, January 31
4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

4:00pm **St. Francis Xavier** + Cy, Joan & Paul Valerius
5:00pm **Sacred Heart** + Gary Forner
7:00pm **St. Stephen** + Frances Breth

Sunday, February 1
4th Sunday of Ordinary Time

8:15am ***Annunciation** + Clarence & Audrey Posch
9:00am ***Sacred Heart** + John Gans
9:30am ***St. Francis Xavier** + Don Fitch
10:00am **St. Stephen** - For the People of the Parish

Daily Readings

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1 Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14/Mk 4:21-25

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.

Ministry & Life Perspectives



From Safari....

At times our lives experience dark seasons --- a broken relationship, the death of a loved one, chronic illness, diagnosis of cancer, unemployment, rising costs, shrinking paychecks, or loneliness. During these times it is easy to slip into despair or hopelessness.

Isaiah, writing to a people in darkness, speaks of a light that will transform. By the time of Isaiah, the kingdom of David had been divided into the northern and southern kingdoms. The northern kingdom had already fallen to the Assyrians. Some scholars suggest, Isaiah made this prophecy as a new king was taking his throne in the southern kingdom --- a king who will trust in God, through whom God's promise of light and rejoicing would be fulfilled.

For the Gospel writer Matthew, Jesus is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy. Jesus' public ministry signaled the end of the era of darkness and the birth of the new age of the reign of God. He is that hope in times of darkness. Jesus is the light.

Jesus calls Peter and Andrew, James and John, and each of us to the ministry of light, to draw others to God. Like the moon which reflects the light of the sun, you and I are to reflect the light of the Son, by lifting others from their despair, hopelessness, or doubt. When you reach out to offer forgiveness rather than revenge, bring a meal to a family going through a difficult time, or listen to the story of a person struggling with hardship --- you are being Christ's light to another.

One the ministries of light in our parishes are our Catholic Schools. This is Catholic Schools Week. Among the Catholic Community Schools, three schools impact our parishes – St. Francis Xavier, St Katharine Drexel, and Cathedral. This year's theme is "Catholic Schools: United in Faith and Community."

Ministry & Life Perspectives (cont.)

Our schools have a specific purpose: to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor, and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel. As communities of faith, our schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning. I invite you to check out our schools.

Let us go forth this week, allowing Christ's light to shine through our thoughts, words, and deeds.

Fr. Ron



Catholic Schools
United in Faith and Community

ACC Pastoral Leadership

Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblauch 320-251-8115, ext 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
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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:



Allison Jean Kelly, daughter of Ryan & Heather, from St. Francis.

Funeral Blessings

Remember in your prayers the family of Gerri Downey, who passed away on January 14 from St. Francis.



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

ACC Events

Cana Dinner: The Cana Dinner 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!



Volunteers for the Cana Dinner, February 28th. Volunteers needed from 5:45-10pm Sign up will be available at the beginning of February.

Social cards/ games party-Mayhew Lake

Our next social gathering will be Thursday, February 5th, beginning with Rosary @8:15, Mass at 8:30, coffee and juice after Mass. various games and cards will start around 9:30. Lunch will be served at noon. Please join us, and we ask that you invite a friend or neighbor who just might be waiting for an invitation. Offer a ride if necessary.

Free Throw Contest

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest Saturday, January 31 @ 10:30am

The local council of the Knights of Columbus, Bishop Trobec Council #5276 would like to invite the children of Annunciation, Sacred Heart, St. Stephen and St. Francis parishes to take part in the annual Free Throw Challenge! All children ages 9-14 are invited to participate. The event will be held at SFX School in the gym. This event is sponsored annually by the KC's with the winners from the local level advancing to district, region, and state competitions. All contestants from the local level are recognized for their participation in the event and the winners at each level will receive a trophy. Registration is at the event and must have written consent and age verification from a parent or guardian. Please contact Jake Schneider 320-761-7143 or jakeschneider34@gmail.com.

Young Adults (ages 19-39)

Praise Night

Join us for our next Praise Night on Thursday, January 29th starting at 6 PM at St. Anthony's in St. Cloud! This will be a great night of worship, praise, Adoration and more! We hope to see you there. Young families are highly encouraged to join - this event is geared towards you!

Young Life WyldLife (Gr. 6-8)

YoungLife

We are looking for more leaders and more involvement from other Churches and areas, if you are interested, please contact Jason Prigge.

Friday Night Parties are BACK

Join us at our first Friday Night Party of the spring, Friday, February 13th from 7-9 PM at St. Francis Xavier. Neon night, we hope to see you there!

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.

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 and clicking the big orange button that says, 'give'. Thank you so much for your generous donation!

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St. Stephen Church

103 County Road 2 South, St. Stephen, MN
In the Parish Hall

Monday, February 2, 2026

12:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Sign up online: redcrossblood.org
Or call the St. Stephen Church

News and Events From Around the Diocese



"He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed Him." Matthew 4:22

Just as Jesus called the first apostles, He calls each of us to follow Him, too. Not everyone is called to leave their business or family behind, but we are expected to put God first in everything. In gratitude to God, we should give our first and best of everything to Him: our time in daily prayer, our talent in participating in one of our parish ministries and our treasure to support the financial needs of our parish mission.



The 2026 Appeal launches soon.

Announcement Weekend is February 7 - 8: You will receive bulletin inserts highlighting diocesan ministries and be asked to consider a gift to support these ministries on Commitment Weekend.

Commitment Weekend is February 14 - 15: This is your opportunity to support diocesan ministries with a 2026 gift to the appeal. You may bring the envelope you receive in the mail or use a response envelope that will be provided at Mass. Both will be gratefully received in the offertory.

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



Lenten DCCW Women's Retreat Day A great New Year resolution is to **TAKE time for yourself**. Take time now and register for a Lenten Retreat. The upcoming Lenten Retreat "Praying for the Prodigal" will be held Saturday, March 14, 2026, at Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Morris, MN and includes speakers, **Jason Prigge** and Roxane Salonen, the Chaplet to St. Monica, Mass, and of course, lunch. Fee is \$25 by March 2 or \$30 at the door. Feel free to invite your spouse and friends.



Diocesan Festival of Families on February 22 Are you looking for some midwinter family fun? Join us at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell from 9:00 AM - 3:00PM for a day of fun celebrating our Catholic faith. Cost is only \$25 per family (no matter the size), and will include a free carnival, family activities, lunch, age-appropriate activities and Mass with Bishop Neary. Register your family at: <https://stcdio.org/event/2026-festival-of-families/>

St. Stephen

Fr Ron Weyrens, Pastor

Contact: Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Hours: 8am-1:30pm
ststephencurchoffice@gmail.com

Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066
director.ststephenfaith@gmail.com

Financial Offering for January 17 & 18:

Adult	\$ 1,507.00
Online Giving January 10-16	865.00
Plate	301.50
Children	1.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,674.50

Ushers:

Jan 31: Schefers family

Feb 1: Nancy & Tom Vouk, Steve Vouk

Faith Formation: January 28 - Classes for grades **5-8** and Confirmation. Tacos will be served in the Parish Hall before classes begin.

Youth Group will meet in the Parish Hall from 8:00-9:30 pm. All students in grades 6-12 are invited to attend and bring a friend.

Parish Fellowship next Saturday, January 31, after Mass in the annex. The Vibrancy Committee invites you to stop by and visit with fellow parishioners and guests. They will be serving: meatballs, little smokies, sweet treats, hot chocolate, juice and water.

Old Palms: There will be baskets at the entrances for you to drop off your palms from last year. The palms will be burned to make ashes for Ash Wednesday Mass on February 18 at St. Francis Xavier Church.

Women's Bible Study will meet next Sunday, February 1, in the annex from 6:00-7:00 pm. This is open to all women and girls in middle school and higher. This month we will be discussing the women who followed Jesus. There is no prep work or homework. Invite a friend to come along.

St. Stephen Choir Recordings available! The choir has made a recording of some favorite choral music. Please stop in the choir loft after Sunday mass to purchase a recording, available on CD or Flash drive. The cost for either format is \$20.00.

Prayer Line: If you or someone you know needs our prayers, contact the parish office and have your/their name added to the Prayer Line.



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

Contact: Jill Lieser-Legg — 320-251-8115, X114
parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

Financial Offering

Income for the Week of January 18, 2026

Adult Collection	\$8,807.00,
Automatic Giving	\$6,511.17
Children	\$4.00

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

Stewardship

Children's Liturgy of the Word CLOW will be offered every Sunday at the 9 AM Mass for friends in PreK-3rd Grade. We have some amazing leaders but we also need helpers in the room to make CLOW possible, contact Jason Prigge if you are interested or have any questions!

Crockpot Challenge Crockpot Challenge/Winter Raffle: Our Crockpot Challenge will be held next weekend, January 31st following the 5pm Mass. If you would like to sign up to bring a crockpot please do so no later than noon on January 26th. This is a wonderful event with ALL money raised during the event will be matched by the Catholic United Financial group!

We do also need **volunteers** for this event. You can sign up in the gathering space or by going to the sign up genius or by calling Vicki in the office.



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

Catholic United Financial CUF will hold a regularly scheduled meeting January 27 at 6:30pm. We will be in Room C.

SH Women's Book Club will meet on Thurs, Feb 12 at 6 pm. We will be reading The Good Earth by Pearl S. Buck. New attendees are welcome. Please contact Anita at 320.380.1120 with questions.

Festival Yes, we know it is still winter, but we start fundraising for the festival raffle ticket early. You will be receiving a letter in the mail asking for donations to the festival raffle ticket prizes. All prizes for the raffle ticket are from donations we receive. Please prayerfully think about how you could donate to the raffle ticket prizes. This year, we will have a QR code on the letter. You can turn in the slip and donation or you can simply scan the QR code and donate that way! Either way, we are appreciative of any donation given!

Please join us on January 28th in the gathering space after Daily Mass (8:30ish) to stuff those letters so we can get them out by February 1st.

Youth Ministry

Grounded Youth Ministry January theme: Grounded in Well-Being

Sun. January 25th (Grades 9-12) | 5-7 PM

Wed. January 28th (Grades 5-12) | 7:30-9 PM

5th Grade Leader(s) Needed

We are looking for 1-2 Young Adult and or Adult leaders who would be willing to be Small Group leaders for our 5th grade friends. It's rewarding and a ton of fun. Commitment is approx. 2-3 Wednesdays a month. Programming is around the corner, make sure our 5th Graders have a leader, contact Jason Prigge to learn more and get trained before Wed. January 14th.

The Grounded Podcast

Join us weekly (or bi-weekly) for stories and conversations about life that connect us to our faith. At this time The Grounded Podcast can only be found on Spotify. We hope you enjoy it!

Link to access:

<https://open.spotify.com/show/6taeQXnYfwDpL865Xuu3AQ?si=LfCNmUiTwqSwY852q3huA>

Jr. High Lock-In 2026

The Jr. High Lock-In will take place Saturday, January 24th - Sunday, January 25th at the St. Cloud YMCA. The event starts with Mass at 8 PM on Saturday and ends Sunday morning at 6 AM. Cost is \$40, all middle school friends are invited! Registration is available online: linktree.com/groundedym. Contact Jason Prigge if you have any questions or would like to help out!

Castaway 2026

Castaway registration is FINALLY available!! Grades 9-12, don't miss the best weekend of your life March 20-22 at Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes. Cost of this year's retreat is \$110 + any clothing students want to order. Register fast as spots will quickly disappear: linktree.com/groundedym

Upcoming Events

January 26; 12pm--Meal Prep for Place of Hope
7pm--OCIA Meeting

January 27; 6:15pm--Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm--Finance Council
6:30pm--Catholic United Financial

January 28; 8:30am--Festival Letter Stuffing
9am--Bible Study
5:30pm--Kid's Choir Rehearsal
7:30pm--Grounded (5-12)

January 29; 1pm--Art & Environment Meeting
6pm--Young Adult Praise Night- St. Anthony

January 30; 6pm--Chosen Season 4

January 31; Confirmation Commitment Weekend
3:30pm--Reconciliation

6:15pm--Crock Pot Challenge/Winter Raffle

February 1; Confirmation Commitment Weekend
5pm--Grounded (9-12) Murder Mystery
7pm--DTS Session

Prayer Requests

Please add Craig, Jennifer, Char Kipka, Al Moody, Duane Schmidtbauer, Mason Schroeder, Joni Uhlenkamp 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

Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

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cindyg@annunciationmayhewlake.com
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Weekly Collection Budget

Income for Sunday, January 18, 2026

Adult Sunday	\$2,621.17
Visitors	\$223.00
Youth	\$16.00
Central Minnesota Catholic	\$40.00
Votive Candles	\$5.30
Building Fund	\$70.00
Initial Offering	\$16.00
CRS/Caritas Venezuela	\$20.00
Cupcakes for Life	\$730.00
Church in Europe	\$50.00
Breakfast for Foley Catholic School	\$1,169.00
Total Income	\$4,960.47

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget \$3,0370

Mass Schedule

Sun. January 25th, 2026

Lector: Loren Popp and Bob Rajkowski

Eucharist: Lori Popp(H), Brenda Carriveau(C), Amy Krajsa(C)

Servers: Ava Krajsa, Alayna Traut, Makayla Traut

Greeters: Chuck Wocken, Mason Zwilling & Carson Zwilling

Ushers: Jenny Zwilling & Son, Peter Ackerman, Chuck Wocken



Happy Birthday Sarah Larson, Kimberly Dahler, Kyle Haus, Jeremy Janson, Delilah Hiemenz, Fr. Thomas Knoblach.

Youth Group — **TODAY** — Youth group meets **TODAY**, from 5-7pm at the Parish Hall. All 6th—12th graders are invited.



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.

GIVE BLOOD **BLOOD MOBILE** American Red Cross, Mon. Feb. 2nd, 2026 at St. Stephen Church, St. Stephen from 12pm—6pm. Sign up online: redcrossblood.org Or call the St. Stephen Church office at 320-251-1520.

Cemetery Cross after voting, Cross A received 38 votes and Cross B received 110 votes. Cross B will be ordered in a timely manner and if all goes well we could be placing it sometime as Spring weather allows. As a reminder here is Cross B: Thank you to everyone who voted and all who have generously donated to getting the cross replaced.



Roses For Life Will be available for after Mass on Feb. 1st by the Knights of Columbus. Donations will be accepted.

St. Francis Xavier

Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

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Bev Wiehoff 320-492-0135

Karen Reinholtz 320-260-6158

Prayer Line: Margaret Stang 320-249-9304

Weekly Collection Budget

Weekly Collection Budget	\$21,346.15
Collected 1/18/2026	\$15,366.31
Excess (Deficit)	\$ (5,979.84)
YTD Collection Budget	\$619,038.45
YTD Collected	\$653,319.82
Excess (Deficit)	\$34,281.37

2025 Contribution Statements

2025 contribution statements are available for pickup in the Gathering Place.

Altar Server Training

Any youth in the fourth grade or older is invited to be an altar server here at St. Francis Xavier. In order to be a server, you must participate in a training session. The session will be on Thursday, February 5 at 5:30pm. The training will last one hour. You will be able to indicate which Mass you would like to serve at - either Saturday at 4:00pm or Sunday at 9:30am. Please call the parish office at 320-252-1363 to let us know that you will be attending. Hope to see you there!

Adoration



Eucharistic Adoration January 27, 4-7 pm.
Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus.

TEC Retreat

Saturday, February 14 to Monday, February 16

TEC (Together Encountering Christ) is a three day Catholic retreat based on the Paschal Mystery. Its an opportunity to discover more about yourself, connect with other faith-based individuals and deepen your relationship with Christ.

Join our community of over 40,000 people who have made a TEC weekend in Central MN. Three days might just change your life. Open to anyone ages 16+.

All students can have their \$30 deposit waived by entering the code 'SCHOOLSPECIAL' in the gift certificate line! Need additional scholarship support? We never want cost to be the reason someone can't experience a TEC weekend. Reach out! Direct any questions to Mike - mike@cmtec.org. Use the QR code for a link to the application.



Faith Formation

Group C will meet Wednesday, January 28. If you can't make it, please let Sandee Kremers know at 320-252-1363 or skremers@stfrancissartell.org.

Thank You

We want to extend a big thank you to everyone who helped decorate and undo the decorations for our St Francis Xavier Christmas season. We appreciate our church community and enjoy meeting and working with our regulars and our newcomers!

Job well done, thank you!

Liturgical Environment Committee

Catholic Charities Food Shelf

January is the month that St. Francis is asked to help staff the volunteer needs at the Catholic Charities Food Shelf. Please use the link provided to find available time slots and sign up to help.

<https://csccloud.volunteerhub.com/>

If you need help with getting on the schedule, call Elizabeth Hamak at Catholic Charities and she'll help you out.

Elizabeth Hamak
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February Rooted Family Faith Formation

Wednesday, February 4 – ALL FAMILIES optional Mardi Gras Party! Look for family sign up. Dinner & Bingo.

Wednesday, February 18 – 6:30 pm – ALL FAMILIES requirement – Ash Wednesday Mass

Cemetery Records Update & New Website

The records for our cemetery have been kept in a large book and on a paper map since it started in the early 1950's. Those records are hard to read and are fading with time. We are in the process of having the cemetery records digitized and stored electronically going forward. With that, a cemetery website is being created, and it will make it possible to look up where people are buried and give directions to them.

Why do we have cemeteries? A cemetery is a designated area for the burial and memorialization of deceased individuals. Its primary function is to serve as a final resting place for human remains, while also providing a space for the living to remember and honor their loved ones. If you are considering plans for your final resting place, please contact Tom Offerdahl in the parish office. There are options for traditional "full" burials, cremation burials, and inurnment of cremated remains in a niche in one of our above ground columbaria.

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