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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 5
St. John Neumann

8:00am St. Francis Xavier + W & C
8:30am Annunciation + Bernie Thole

Tuesday, January 6

8:00am St. Francis Xavier + Tom Bearson
5:30pm Sacred Heart + Marty Reker
5:30pm St. Stephen + No Mass

Wednesday, January 7

8:00am Sacred Heart + Tate Lehnen
8:00am St. Francis Xavier No Mass / No W&C

Thursday, January 8

8:00am St. Stephen + No Mass
8:00am St. Francis Int. Monica Swanson
8:30am Annunciation + Carmen de la Paz deMier

Friday, January 9

8:00am Sacred Heart + Gail Kiekow & Grace Lytle
8:30am St. Francis Xavier + Jane Long

Saturday, January 10
The Baptism of the Lord

4:00pm St. Francis Xavier + Jim Negen
5:00pm Sacred Heart + Beverly Billig
7:00pm St. Stephen + Louis Counter

Sunday, January 11
The Baptism of the Lord

*Livestreamed Mass

8:15am *Annunciation - For the People of the Parish
9:00am *Sacred Heart + Imelda Stang
9:30am *St. Francis Xavier + Curt Harren
10:00am St. Stephen + George & Viola Dullinger

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 Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25

Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52

Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Ministry & Life Perspectives



Epiphany – Seeing Past Appearances
As I share in this month's FlockNote, growing up, I tried a couple of times to position the Magi from our family nativity scene starting from the hallway and making their slow way from Christmas to Epiphany across the living room to the stable at the foot of the Christmas tree. This interfered clearly with my mother's plans to vacuum and with everyone's navigation of the room, so it didn't get much traction. But for me, it captured the movement and momentum of these searchers, making their gradual way to meet Jesus. And that is, of course, true for all of us.

Epiphany is rich with symbols – the Wise Men, the Star, the journey, the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh, the jealousy of Herod, and usually a camel or two. It is also rich with various meanings that inspire our reflection: following the Light that leads us to Christ, bringing our own gifts to Jesus; being willing to persevere when we are not sure what we will find.

Physically, the Magi saw a baby with his parents. Trusting in the Hebrew prophecies, they recognized that this Child was something more: the Light of the World, the Savior, the Promised One. They adored Jesus, gave their gifts, and left; the Gospels record nothing more of them. What they understood from that time spent with the Child and Mary, his Mother, is not clear to us. But perhaps their lasting gift to us is the lesson of looking beyond the present, the now, what appears before our eyes, and to see the future, the potential, the beginning of God fulfilling promises whose end we may not see ourselves. This is faith. It begets hope, not only for our own personal lives and interests, but for the world and its many challenges, some which seem beyond resolution. May Epiphany hold for you some new revelation of God's presence, promise, and providential care.

All Things New

Our ACC presented our proposed plan to the CAP (Committee on the Affirmation of Plans) on December 3. It was a good dialogue with insightful questions from the CAP and an honest exchange of viewpoints. The CAP will be voting formally on our plan soon, and it will take its place along with the other 28 ACC plans to form an overall vision of the future of our Diocese, which becomes official with the approval of Bishop Neary, perhaps in March or April. Again, this is not official, but it is likely that we will be asked to merge the two smaller parishes into the two larger ones by July, 2027. All four sites will remain in use for Masses and programming. That gives us a year to work on the following five areas carefully and well:

1) - create financial and accounting structures and procedures that bring all finances and property of Annunciation under the parish and civil corporation of Sacred Heart, and the finances and property of St. Stephen under the parish and civil corporation of St. Francis Xavier. We are committed to ensure that no site's debts or liabilities are paid for by another site's assets.

2) - review our ACC staffing to look for functions and procedures that could be combined or streamlined, alignment of job

Ministry & Life Perspectives (cont.)

descriptions, and support and resources for staff to do their ministry well

3) - review our faith formation (youth / young adult / adult) ministries across the ACC. Currently there are both combined and individual aspects of programming in their area. We want to do an objective review with an enhanced existing Faith Formation Committee from the ACC Council to make recommendations. A continued mixture of coordinated combined and individual programming is certainly one of the options.

4) - similarly, review our social outreach and pastoral ministries across the ACC. Currently there are both combined and individual aspects of programming in their area, with many good internal and external opportunities. Here too we want to do an objective review with an ad hoc committee from the ACC Council to make recommendations. A continued mixture of coordinated combined and individual programming is certainly one of the options here as well.

5) - review and revise the Constitution and bylaws of this ACC Council to be more clearly and effectively the primary visionary and advisory leadership body in the ACC. While there will be two Finance Councils (now each overseeing a larger area), the ACC Council will move from an information clearinghouse of existing councils and committees to a more deliberative leadership body. This work will take some time and a motivated sub-committee to envision. Please continue to pray for the future full of hope God desires for us.

Thank You

On a personal note, I want to thank all of you for your prayers, cards, words of concern and support in my unexpected health challenges since October 20, along with the many kind Christmas messages. I have a few more steps to take with doctors to explore returning to full health, but I am feeling slowly stronger and striving to keep up with the service of God's people. I am grateful for your patience as I have had to trim my schedule somewhat and focus on getting back to normal. Your kindness has been a remarkable Christmas gift!

ACC Pastoral Leadership

Pastor	Fr. Tom Knoblauch 320-251-8115, ext 112 pastor@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
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Deacon	Terry Jancik tjancik@sacredheartsaukrapids.org
Deacon	Steve Pareja 320-761-2503
Pastoral Associate	Sandee Kremers 320-252-1363, ext 403 skremers@sffrancissartell.org

ONE IN CHRIST AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

NEWS AND EVENTS

Baptisms

We welcome the following children, baptized into our parish family and the Christian community: Sophia Isabel Schmitz, daughter of Joshua & Marita, from Sacred Heart and



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

Funeral Blessings

Remember in your prayers the family of Mary Ann Esselman, who passed away on December 13th and Barbara Thompson, who passed away on December 15th, from Sacred Heart,



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

ACC Events

Tabernacle for Toksook Bay. As a capstone to our ACC's Jubilee Year of Hope plans, our One in Christ ACC is raising funds for a tabernacle to replace the damaged one in the church in Toksook Bay, Alaska. The total cost for the tabernacle is \$6000. This gift will be an enduring witness to our unity in the One Body of Christ through the Eucharist. Checks can be made payable to Sacred Heart with Tabernacle included on the memo line. Place cash or check in an envelope marked "Alaska Tabernacle" and drop it off or mail it to your parish office, or drop it in the regular weekend collection. Donations will be accepted until February 15, 2026. Any funds raised that exceed the cost of the tabernacle will be sent to the Diocese of Fairbanks for their ministry needs. Thank you.

Fellowship Event: The next fellowship event will be held on January 18th in the basement of Annunciation church. The event will begin with Mass at 8:15. We are focusing on those people involved with funeral lunch helpers, funeral Mass helpers, St Monicas, The Knights of Columbus, and Men's Club. Deacon Terry will be the speaker and the topic will be on Luke: 38-42—Martha and Mary, the balance of ways to honor the presences of Jesus and the needs of the Body of Christ. There will be muffins and juice/coffee served. No need to RSVP, and if you are not part of one of these groups and would like to come please do so.



Widows/Widowers Group We now have a widow/widowers group for the ACC. If you are a widow/widower, you are invited! This group will meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month, from 1-3 at Sacred Heart. The next gathering will be January 13th. Please enter through door 5—the office doors. This is not a grief group. We visit, play cards, eat a little and get to know each other. All widows/widowers are welcome!

Young Adults (ages 19-39)

Young Adult Bible Study

Join us as we start a brand new series this Thursday, January 8th from 7-8:30 PM at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. We'll meet in Xavier Hall which is the back side of the school - it's a separate building. We'll begin reading and discussing the Psalms along with the Book of Proverbs. This is a great space to come have casual conversations while diving into the Scriptures.

Theology on Draft

Our next Theology on Draft takes place on Thursday, January 15th from 6-8 PM at Iron Street Distillery in St. Cloud! Hope to see you there!

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)

We begin a new semester of Friday Night fun starting Friday, January 9th from 7-8:30 PM at a brand new location. Make sure you join us at St. Francis Xavier in Sartell. All friends in grades 6-8 are welcome - should be a super fun night!

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

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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News and Events From Around the Diocese



"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh." Matthew 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.



2024 BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Blessings to you In the New Year! We are very grateful to those of you who have already supported diocesan ministries in 2025 through the Appeal. As of December 22, the Bishop's Annual Appeal for 2025 has raised \$1,532,689 toward our goal of \$1,500,000 (102.18%). This was made possible through the generous donations of 6,902 people throughout the 16 counties of our diocese. Your support of these vital ministries make a real difference in people's lives. Visit www.stedio.org/annualappeal.

Plan with Faith, Live with Mercy - Bishop Neary

Bishop Neary is inviting all parishioners to take part in a new diocesan initiative to help Catholics prepare for the future with confidence and care. Through a partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, the Diocese of Saint Cloud is offering free access to a trusted online platform where you can:

- Create a Last Will and Testament
- Plan a funeral rooted in Catholic tradition
- Consider a bequest to your parish or diocesan ministries

This is a simple and meaningful way to care for your loved ones and live out our call to stewardship. For more information, visit MyCatholicWill.com/STCDIO.

Your ways are not my ways says the Lord. Do you what the Lord's ways are? **CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA** is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for January 23-25, 2026, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

Silent LENTEN Midweek Retreat for Men and Women – Blessed are They Who... (February 17-19, 2026) At the heart of the teaching of Jesus is the Sermon on the Mount. At the heart of the Sermon on the Mount are the Beatitudes. Jesus asks that we see the world in a new way, where weakness is strength and poverty is wealth. During our 2026 retreats, we will seek to embrace this challenging vision. King's House has private sleeping rooms with a lake view and its own bathroom & shower. Meals are included. \$50 deposit with registration. Register/make reservation online at www.kingshouse.com/events or call 763-682-1394

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 December 20 & 21

Adult	\$ 1,616.00
Online Giving December 13-19	868.00
Plate	337.25
Children	23.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,844.25

Ushers:

Jan 10: Schefers family

Jan 11: Tim Rudser, Nancy & Tom Vouk

Faith Formation: January 7-Classes for grades 1-4 and Confirmation. A Tater Tot Hotdish meal will be served in the Parish Hall before classes. A teacher is needed for our 7th grade class. If you would like to share your faith with our 7th graders contact Danna Gasperlin.

Adoration: There will not be Adoration in January.

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.

Women's Bible Study will meet Sunday evening, January 4, in the annex at 6:00 pm. This month we will discuss Veronica. This is open to all women and girls from middle school and up. Come and connect with other women. Bring a friend.



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.

A great way to start off the new year. 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 Knoblach, 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 Dec 21, 2025

Adult Collection	\$11,663.00
Automatic Giving	\$5,459
Improvements	\$100.00
Holy Day	\$5.00
Friends In Need	\$5.00
Christmas	\$1,690.00
Christmas Flowers	\$85.00

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!



Christmas Flower Fund donations Thank You

A huge thank you to all who donated to our Christmas Flower Fund! The funds collected will cover the cost of flowers, plants, fabric, candles, and other decorating supplies used throughout the year. Thank you for your generosity!!!!

Christmas Takedown Christmas decorations will be taken down on Sunday, January 11th immediately after the 9:00 am Mass. Much help is needed with removing ornaments, fabric, lights, and garland as well as taking down the nativity scene/trees and rearranging poinsettias. Please stay after Mass if you can help.

Liturgical Ministers, Musicians, and Art & Environment Thank you! Thank you to all the liturgical ministers, musicians, choirs, and decorators for their gifts of time, talent, and ministry this Christmas season! Many people are needed to make sure all of our liturgies are beautiful and prayerful. It's wonderful to know we have so many faithful volunteers at Sacred Heart, willing to give of themselves and their time and talent. God bless you all during this holiday season.

Winter Raffle: Winter Raffle tickets are now on sale! \$100 tickets, just 79 tickets left for the church to once again make \$20,000 from this one fundraiser. Tickets are sold before and after Masses or in the office during business hours until they are sold out!



Prayer Requests

Please add Kim Collins, Jeff Crane, 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 320-251-8115.



Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain. Please call 320-492-9361 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

Youth Ministry

January theme: Grounded in Well-Being

- Fri. January 9th (Grades 6-8) | Wyldlife Friday Night Party | 7-8:30 PM | *St. Francis Xavier Church in Sartell*
- Sun. January 11th (Grades 9-12) | 5-7 PM
- Wed. January 14th (Grades 6-8) | 7:30-9 PM
- Wed. January 21st (5th Grade Only) | 6:30-8:00 PM
- 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=LfCNnmUiTwqSwY852q3huA>

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!

Faith Formation

First Eucharist Parent meetings are Sunday, January 11th from 10:15 AM -11:00 AM and Monday, January 15th from 6:00 PM - 6:45 PM. Parents are expected to attend one of the meetings at which they will pick up the at home preparation materials and project. If you have questions, contact Scott Frieler at the parish office

Upcoming Events

January 5; 5pm--Men's Group
6:15pm--Bells of the Heart Practice
6:30pm--Baptism Prep Class

January 6; 4pm--Discipleship Committee Meeting
6:15pm--Choir Rehearsal

January 7; 9am--Bible Study
1pm--Prayer Blanket Ministry
5:30pm--Kid's Choir Rehearsal
6:30pm--Faith Formation K-8
6:45pm--Peer Ministry Meeting

January 8; 6pm--SH Book Buffet
7pm--Young Adult Bible Study (SFX)

January 9; 6pm--Chosen Season 4
7pm--Wyldlife Club-YMCA

January 10; 3:30pm--Reconciliation
6pm--Parish Potluck

January 11; 10:30am--Diocesan Confirmation Retreat
10am--Christmas Takedown
10am--Parent/Child Group
12pm--Lunch, Movie "No Address" and Discussion
5pm--Grounded (9-12)

Annunciation

Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

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cindyg@annunciationmayhewlake.com

Faith Formation: Karen Handeland 320-259-4941
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Weekly Collection Budget

Income for Sunday, December 21, 2025

Adult Sunday	\$3,489.26
Visitors	\$183.00
Youth	\$46.25
Christmas	\$275.00
Votive Candles	\$1.00
Building Fund	\$150.00
Christmas Flowers	\$45.00
Immaculate Conception	\$50.00
Religious Retirement	\$120.00
Poor Clares	\$50.00
New Cemetery Crucifix	\$390.00
Petty Cash Bake Sale	\$100.00
Rel. Ed Bake & Craft Sale	\$980.00
Rel Ed Breakfast	\$1,500.00,
Total Income	\$7,379.51
Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget	\$3,0370

Mass Schedule

Sun. January 11th, 2026

Lector: JoAnn Marshall and Janessa Strande

Eucharist: Lloyd Lyon(H), Karla Koenig(C), John Koenig(C)

Servers: Halle Krajsa and Nora Fitch

Greeters: Dan Bemboom, Logan Simmons, and Wyatt Montag

Ushers: Jeff Wollak, Dan Bemboom, Lora Knafla, Dan Brenny

 **Happy Birthday** Donna Burczyk, Corina Schlichting, Tonya Simmons, Wyatt Montag, Jeremy Brand, Cailyn Fleck, Lexi Novak, Jason Brenny, Gerald Wruck.

Please Vote Please see the display board showing the two options for our new crucifix for the Cemetery. Please vote once for the crucifix you prefer. You can vote TODAY or Jan. 4th.

Coats for Kids You can drop off at the hall or in the box in the entryway of church. They will also accept gently used hats, mittens, gloves and boots. The box will be back in the entryway after Christmas. Thank you



 **Parish Breakfast** Sunday, January 11th after Mass. Proceeds will be going towards St. John's Catholic School, Foley. Please come and support our students in Catholic Schools.

Thank You to everyone who helped with getting the church ready for Christmas, for those involved in the Christmas pageant, for those helping with the religious ed breakfast and Bakesale, for those who helped with decorating, for the choir that makes our holiday bright, and thank you to Father Tom and Father Ron and all the priests that were here to bring good tidings and blessings to all. We are so blessed to have many people who are willing to share their God given talents with all of us. A late Merry Christmas to all and a very Blessed New Year to everyone.

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 12/21/2025	\$24,369.36
Excess (Deficit)	\$3,023.21
YTD Collection Budget	\$533,653.85
YTD Collected	\$558,270.46
Excess (Deficit)	\$24,616.61

Coffee & Community

Please join us for 1st Wednesday Coffee & Rolls on Wednesday, January 7, after the 8 am Mass.



Health & Wellness



Health & Wellness Meeting

Thursday, January 8

5:30pm

Gathering Space All are Welcome!

Cemetery News

If you place something on a gravesite for Christmas, please have it removed by January 6th. Any items remaining after that date will be removed and discarded. Thank you for following the rules/guidelines of our cemetery.

Ministry Help Needed

With some "snow birds" leaving the area for while and some "players" on injured reserve, we have needs and openings for additional Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers (4:00pm Mass in particular.) These are ministries critical for making our worship run smoothly and effectively. Please contact Tom Offerdahl to inquire more about helping. Training is offered, you'll make new friends, and benefits are "out of this world"!

St. Rose of Lima Rosary Group

The St. Rose of Lima Rosary Group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month from 9:00am - 11:00am in Xaiver Hall. Learn to make rosaries and all of the supplies are provided. Easy to learn, we will teach you! All rosaries are donated to missions around the world.



Youth Ministry

- **TREMOR** is tonight!! January 4th at SFX Gathering Place for grades 4-5. We will be playing Minute-to-Win-It games and having a Christmas Party! Come join us from 3:30-5:30pm!
- **Monday at the Manor** is on Monday, January 12th from 7-8pm at the Country Manor in Sartell. Come and join us for games!
- **Faith in Art** is Monday, January 5th from 6:30-8pm at Xavier Hall. Hope to see you there!
- **UPCOMING Aftershock FUNDRAISER** - We will be hosting a BINGO fundraiser on Friday, February 13th from 6-8:30pm in the Gathering Place.

Card Group



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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://ccstcloud.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/AdoptAMonth>

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

Elizabeth Hamak
Volunteer Coordinator
Emergency Services
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