

Eighteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

July 31, 2022



HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

101 Main Street
Rollingstone, MN 55969

Mass Times

8:00 a.m. Tues,
4:30 p.m. Saturday Vigil
Office Hours: Wed 10:00-12:00



ST. ROSE OF LIMA CHURCH

180 Fremont St.
Lewiston, MN 55952

Mass Time

8:30 am Wednesday
8:30 a.m. Sunday



ST. JOSEPH CHURCH

111 N. Mill St.
Rushford, MN

Mass Time

10:00 a.m. Sunday
8:30 a.m. Friday
Contact: Arlene 608-406-1124
stjosephr@hbc.com

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Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23
Colossians 3:1-5, 9-11
Luke 12:13-21

Monday, August 1

Jer 28:1-17
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday, August 2

Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22
Mt 14:22-36

Wednesday, August 3

Jer 31:1-7
Mt 15:21-28

Thursday, August 4

Jer 31:31-34
Mt 16:13-23

Friday, August 5

Na 2:1; 3:1-3, 6-7
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday, July 16

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14
Lk 9:28b-36

Nineteenth Sunday, August 7

Wis 18:6-9
Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
Lk 12:32-48

Rev. Chinnappa Pothireddy, Pastor – frchinnappa@htpm.us; 507-523-2428

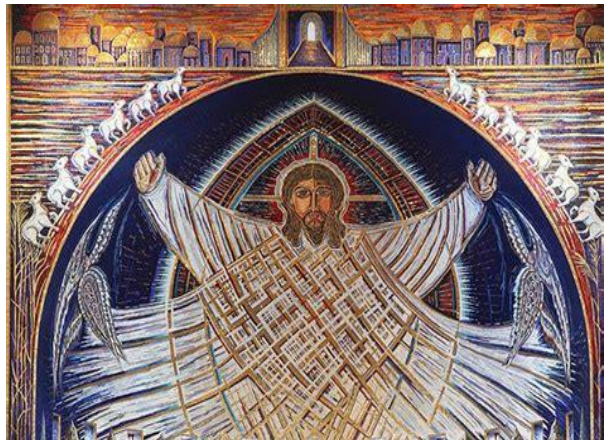
Secretary -Karin– strose@hbc.com; 507-523-2428

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Office Hours T, W, Th 9:00 to 11:00

Mailing Address: PO Box 402, Lewiston, MN 55952.

WHEN CHRIST YOUR LIFE
APPEARS,
THEN YOU TOO WILL APPEAR
WITH HIM IN GLORY.



This Week's Mass Intentions

WELCOME TO OUR

Monday	August 1		
			<i>No mass</i>
Tuesday	August 2		
7:00 a.m.	Holy Trinity		Adoration
8:00 a.m.	Holy Trinity		<i>Chris Schultz+</i>
Wednesday	August 3		
08:00 am	St Rose till 8 pm		Adoration
8:30 am	St. Rose		<i>Bob Kanz+</i>
Thursday	August 4		
8:00 am	Holy Trinity		<i>Communion service</i>
Friday	August 5		
8:30 am	St. Joseph		<i>Paul & Dolores Maloney+</i>
Saturday	August 6		
4:30 pm	Holy Trinity		<i>Ed Speltz+</i>
Sunday	August 7		
8.30 a.m.	St. Rose		<i>The People of our Parish+</i>
10:00 a.m.	St. Joseph		<i>Estelle Whalen+</i>

TRI-PARISH COMMUNITY

NEW PARISHIONERS are invited to contact the Tri-Parish Office at 507-523-2428 or strose@hbc.com.

BAPTISM - Baptisms are regularly celebrated during Saturday and Sunday Masses or by appointment. Parents are asked to meet with Fr. Chinnappa before the baptism of their first child. Please call the tri-parish office to set the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE - Instruction must begin at least six months in advance. Please contact Fr. Chinnappa to begin the preparation process. An Engaged Encounter or similar course is also required.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION – see the following or by appointment.

**St Rose 8-8:20 am Sunday and
8-8:20 am Wednesdays
Holy Trinity 4-4:20 pm Saturday
St Joseph 8-8:20 am Friday**

Adoration times:

**St Rose First Wednesday 8 am – 8 pm
Holy Trinity Tuesdays 7 am - 8 am
St Joseph First Friday 8:30-9:30 am**

Holy Trinity

Giving, July 23, 2022

Church Support..... \$ 410.00

Prayer Requests: Jim Vogel, Dave Nagorski, David Taylor, Jeanne Rainey, Tom Woestman, Lynn Bambenek.

Liturgical Ministry – August 6, 2022

Lector: Terry Full
EMHC: Leo Speltz
Cantor: Theresa Speltz
Usher: Pete Hutkowski
Gifts: Randall Sullivan Family
Servers: Grayson & Greenlee Speltz
Greeter: Steve & Bonnie Kalmes

St. Rose

Giving, July 24, 2022

Church Support..... \$ 1828

Liturgical Ministry – August 7, 2022

Lector: Joel Hennessy
EMHC: Greg Bronk, Stacy Bronk, Jerry Hennessy
Servers: Alyssa Hansen, Jayden Hansen, Kaylee Hanson, Emily Burt
Ushers: Tim Hennessy, Cory Schmitz, Mark Ernster, Brian Daley

St. Joseph

Giving, July 24, 2022

Church Support..... \$

Liturgical Ministry – August 7, 2022

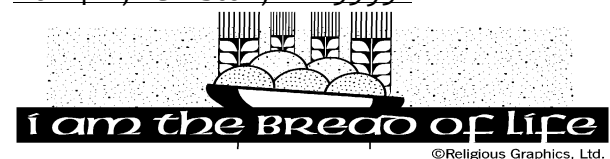
Lector: Anne Spartz
EMHC: Marcie Hosch
Sacristan: Tracie & Charlie Peterson
Usher & Cross: Gary Marcoux & Steve Feldmier
Offertory: Helen & Terence Bollinger
Rosary: Chuck Ehler

Tri-Parish News and Notes

Parishioners who are coming to any of the churches in our Tri-Parish from merged or closed parishes are requested to use the offertory envelop they received. Ensure to make the check or cash in the Name of the current church they have joined.

Holy Trinity News and Notes

Office Address: In an effort to streamline our office tasks, all mail is being handled by the office in Lewiston. Please send all Holy Trinity mail to PO Box 402, Lewiston, MN 55952



Church Fest News—Church Fest is Sept. 11, 2022. Our Big Ticket Raffle Tickets are ready for you to pick up from the back of church. Please, if you see anyone else's tickets that you can deliver, do, as this will save us postage.

If you would like additional tickets you can find them at Bonnie Rae's during business hours or call Steve and Bonnie Kalmes-523-3656. We will also have extra tickets after Mass each Saturday before the Fest. You may return stubs/tickets/money to Holy Trinity's collection basket or Bonnie Rae's. **Please mark your envelope clearly**—Church Fest Tickets.

If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the food for Church Fest, contact Steve and Bonnie Kalmes.

Please do your best to sell or buy these tickets! This is our biggest fund raiser of the year for our parish. Remember, WE can't do this without all of YOU! Thank you!

Holy Trinity Finance Council Meeting Report – July 19, 2022: After the notes and finance statements were reviewed, the change of Bank was noted: HT Checking Accounts of Parish and Cemetery have been opened at Oakwood Bank. New income will be deposited at Oakwood. Bremer accounts will remain until all outstanding expenses have been paid and auto-pay accounts have been changed over to Oakwood. Then discussions continued on what to do with the HT Rectory, should it be rented, sold, or other. More information and further discussion is needed before taking options/recommendation to parish council, parishioners, and diocese. Target date for information & communications is October when we present the Annual Report to the Parish. HT share of new Tri-cluster expenses will begin in July at 22%.

It is decided to sponsor child at a faith-based summer camp. The camp is to be faith-based and the following guidelines were approved for youth requests: The family must be a registered member of Holy Trinity, the activity must be faith-based and in-line with Catholic values, the maximum amount we would sponsor is \$200.

HTCC Air Conditioning project is in its completion stage and soon we will have the air cooling as well. Meanwhile the Church Air-conditioner has failed and is replaced at a cost of \$6500.00. Contributions are welcome. The new mailing address for the new cluster is PO Box 402, Lewiston, MN 55952. (Reported by Rebecca McCormick)

CMA 2022 as of July 22: Goal \$6994.00
Received \$4590.00; To Goal \$2404.00

Baptism: Ellsie Margaret Tibor Born to Benjamin and Elle Tibor. At Holy Trinity on 7-31-22 at 2pm. Welcome to God's community.

St. Joseph News and Notes

St. Joseph Finance Meeting Report: July 20, 2022.

After the usual business of reviewing finance statements, Charlie Mueller presented blueprints and gave info on obtaining bids to replace wall and redesign front of Montini Hall. The amount will be decided after receiving the estimates as it needs to be done by winter. Church AC has failed and needs to be replaced with new immediately @ \$8500. Montini Hall air conditioners also need to be replaced eventually. Motion made to approve the purchase of unit for the church. We need to reach the goal of CMA 2022 as otherwise we will be paying from offertory and the assessment will go up. The outstanding amount of \$5352.00 needs to be reached by making direct donations by more members on a regular basis. Please use the envelopes available in church hall. It was agreed to find possibilities for rental of rectory for traveling staff or otherwise. It was suggested to have one more parking spot with wheelchair access but was decided to make the current two into larger spots for handicap access. Share of Common expenses from July 1 for St. Joseph is 31%.

CMA 2022 as of July 22 Goal \$7068.00
Received \$1771.00; To Goal \$5297.00

St. Rose News and Notes

CMA 2022 as of July 22: Goal \$11427.00
Received \$14676.00; \$3249 over goal. 128%

Mass Offerings: We have spots available for Mass intentions, which you may send in an envelope with details and suggested offering of \$5.00 per Mass or more to the Tri-Parish office.

Upcoming Two Week Pastors: During my vacation from August 2 to 16, Fr. Kenneth Thesing and Fr. Tom Jennings have been gracious to minister in our Tri-Parish cluster. Thanks for their generosity. For Urgent matters you may contact Fr. Tom Jennings 507-459-6764

VBS-Vacation Bible School August 1-5 at St Rose. Please pray for all our student & helpers.

Area News and Notes

Cardinal Jean-Claude Hollerich of Luxembourg will be visiting and touring the Luxembourg Heritage Museum, Holy Trinity Church and Cemetery on Monday, Aug, 8th from 2:30 – 5:00 p.m. Let's give him a big welcome, all are invited.

Lewiston Volunteer Fire Department
Chicken BQ July 31 11:00 am until gone

Consignment Auction at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lewiston. September 17th 10:00. Now accepting items to sell – all proceeds go to building fund. Contact Randy Hoekstra 507-316-8196.

Good Shepherd Golf Classic will be held at Ferndale Golf Course on Saturday, August 13th. Money raised from this annual fundraiser will be used to repair windows in the nursing home. Call Daun: 507-864-7714.

Your community needs you! Right now, our local fire and ambulance services need your help! Winona County is looking for men and women who would like to become Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT) and Fire Fighters in Winona County. Free classes to learn the necessary life-saving skills. This is the perfect opportunity for college students and those interested in the medical field, public works, and local government. Contact Ben Klinger, Winona County Emergency Coordinator: 507-457-6473; email em@co.winona.mn.us. You can also visit our website at winonacountyemergency.com.

Midsummer Day's Wake-Up

Perhaps it relates to today's parable on the suddenness of death, but I had to laugh at the following bumper sticker: I want to die in my sleep like my grandfather ... not screaming and yelling like the passengers in his car. It looks like someone else has a morbid sense of humor.

Anyway, this Sunday we see one of the curious features of our lectionary: In the middle of the summer, when many people are thinking about getting away to the beaches or the mountains, we have some of the Bible's most depressing readings. Qoheleth gives the famous words: "Vanity of vanity! All things are vanity!" Then he goes on to describe the toil, anxiety, sorrow, and grief which fills man's days. And even though he is plagued by fatigue, he no longer experiences the sweetness of falling gently into sleep.

Jesus is equally stark. A man comes to him all worked up because his brother has cheated him out of the inheritance. Rather than show sympathy, Jesus tells a story about a person who amasses wealth, hoping it would bring him peace of mind. Just at the moment when everything fell into place, God demands his life. Fool!

These are hardly the thoughts one wishes to meditate on before taking a summer vacation. However, if my own experience is any indication, I would argue that summer is the best time to read the book of Ecclesiastes. I find

myself susceptible to an odd depression just when things seem the best. But far from making me feel more blue, Qoheleth has a way of pulling me out of it. If this sounds strange to you, all I can say is, give it a try.

Like the Buddha or like the German pessimist Schopenhauer, Qoheleth faces the tragic sense of human existence. Nevertheless, he also makes room for enjoyment of life: "If a man lives many years, let him enjoy them all...Rejoice, O young man, in your youth and let your heart cheer you in the days of your youth." (11:8,9).

For his part, Jesus did not spend time brooding over life. He had a direct realism about what this world can and cannot offer, but it did not cause him to be a "wet blanket." On the contrary, his enemies accused him of being a "glutton and a drunkard." (Mt 11:19) A false charge, but like any memorable accusation, it had some basis in reality. The Gospels attest that Jesus enjoyed festive gatherings.

What Qoheleth and Jesus knew well is that even the best things of this life cannot give unqualified satisfaction. And the one who seeks his happiness here turns out to be the most pitiable. Peter Kreeft has a worthwhile series of lectures titled What Would Socrates Do?: History of Moral Thoughts and Ethics (Portable Professor Series). In the course of the lectures he emphasizes that we humans are oriented toward meaning. We can forge ahead, even in miserable circumstances, if we see something which gives us hope. Holocaust survivor Victor Frankl attested to this in his book Man's Search for Meaning. And Peter Kreeft notes that depression and suicide are more common in countries like Sweden and Denmark where citizens are well provided for. In contrast, countries like Mexico and Greece have quite low suicide rates. This does not mean that wealth and security are bad – but they do not bring ultimate satisfaction.

This wisdom is common across many cultures. It forms the foundation for the Buddhist religion – and can be seen in the Hebrew Scriptures, as well as throughout the long Christian tradition. Unfortunately, although this wisdom is common, we humans easily lose sight of it. We would do well to return often to today's Psalm. After mentioning that a typical life span is seventy to eighty years, the psalmist reminds us that in reality our lives are like the grass which wilts in a single day - and that God can claim a person's life while he sleeps. Then he adds this prayer:

*Teach us to number our days aright,
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,
that we may shout for joy and gladness all
our days.*