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Welcome!

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402 Nelson Ave. PO Box 256
Brandon, MN 56315

Mass Time

Weekday: Thurs. 8:30 am

Church of St. Edward

201 Douglas Ave.
Henning, MN 56551

Mass Times

Weekend: Sun. 8:00 am

Weekday: Fri. 8:30 am

Church of St. William

209 West Soo St. PO Box 339
Parkers Prairie, MN 56361

Mass Times

Weekend: Sun. 8:30 am

Weekday: Fri. 7:30 am

Our Lady of the Lake

407 N. Lake Ave. PO Box 671
Battle Lake, MN 56515

Mass Times

Weekend: Sun. 10:30 am

Weekday: Thurs. 8:30 am

Our Lady of Seven Dolors

16921 Co Rd 7 NW.
Brandon, MN 56315 (*Located in Millerville*)

Mass Times

Weekend: Sat. 5:00 pm
Sun. 10:30 am

Weekday: Wed. 8:00 am

Sacred Heart

60 N. Central Ave.
PO Box 339
Parkers Prairie, MN 56361
(*Located in Urbank*)

Mass Time

Weekday: Tues. 8:30 am

St. James

32009 County Hwy 74
Underwood, MN 56586

Mass Times

Weekend: Sat. 4:00 pm

Weekday: Wed. 9:00 am

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross

On the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (or Triumph of the Cross) we honor the Holy Cross by which Christ redeemed the world. The public veneration of the Cross of Christ originated in the fourth century, according to early accounts. The miraculous discovery of the Cross happened in 326 by Saint Helen, mother of Constantine, while she was on a pilgrimage to Jerusalem. Constantine later built the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on the site of her discovery of the Cross. On this same pilgrimage she ordered two other churches built: one in Bethlehem near the Grotto of the Nativity, the other on the Mount of the Ascension, near Jerusalem.

In the Western Church the feast came into prominence in the seventh century — after 629, when the Byzantine emperor Heraclitus restored the Holy Cross to Jerusalem, after defeating the Persians who had destroyed the original church and taken the Cross.

Christians “exalt” (raise on high) the Cross of Christ as the instrument of our salvation. The cross represents the One Sacrifice by which Jesus, obedient even unto death, accomplished our salvation. The cross is a symbolic summary of the Passion, Crucifixion and Resurrection of Christ — all in one image.

The Cross — because of what it represents — is the most potent and universal symbol of the Christian faith. It has inspired both liturgical and private devotions: for example, the Sign of the Cross, which is an invocation of the Holy Trinity; the “little” Sign of the Cross on head, lips and heart at the reading of the Gospel; praying the Stations (or Way) of the Cross; and the Veneration of the Cross by the faithful on Good Friday by kissing the feet of the image of Our Savior crucified.

Placing a crucifix (the cross with an image of Christ’s body upon it) in churches and homes, in classrooms of Catholic schools and in other Catholic institutions, or wearing this image on our persons, is a constant reminder — and witness — of Christ’s ultimate triumph, His victory over sin and death through His suffering and dying on the Cross.

We remember Our Lord’s words, “He who does not take up his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake shall find it” (Mt 10:38,39). Meditating on these words we unite ourselves — our souls and bodies — with His obedience and His sacrifice; and we rejoice in this inestimable gift through which we have the hope of salvation and the glory of everlasting life.

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross is on Monday, September 14.

The 1700th anniversary of St Helen’s discovery of the Holy Cross.

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September 13, 2026 Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Tuesday, September 15: *Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*

8:30 am Sacred Heart, Urbank

Henry Schultz

Wednesday, September 16: *Memorial of Sts Cornelius & Cyprian*

8:00 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

††Arnold & Cyrilla Bitzan

9:00 am St. James, Maine Twp.

Special Intention

6:30 pm Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Faith Formation Families

Thursday, September 17: *Weekday*

8:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Souls in Purgatory

8:30 am St. Ann, Brandon

Deceased Friends

Friday, September 18: *Weekday*

7:30 am St. William Living Center

†† Tony & Mary Suchy

8:30 am St Edward, Henning

† Joanne Weller

Saturday, September 19: *Weekday*

4:00 pm St James, Maine Twp.

† Carol Swentek

5:00 pm Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

†Ken Bitzan, Sr.

Sunday, September 20: *Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

8:00 am St. Edward, Henning

†Elaine Irons

8:30 am St. William, Parkers Prairie

†Rick Klimek

10:30 am Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Mass for the People

10:30 am Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

Mass for the People

On Sunday, September 13, at SW & OLSD, there will be a recognition and blessing of all emergency personnel [police, fire, medical] at the end of Mass.

Confession

Tuesday: 7:45-8:10 am -Sacred Heart, Urbank

6:30 pm -Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

Wednesday: 7:00-7:40 am- Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

8:00 am -St. James, Maine Twp.

Thursday: 8:00 am -Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

7:45-8:10 am -St. Ann, Brandon

Friday: 8:00 am - St. William's Living Center, Parkers Prairie

8:00 am -St. Edward, Henning

Saturday: 3:30 pm-St. James, Maine Twp.

4:00 pm -Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

Sunday: 7:30 am -St. Edward, Henning

Adoration

Tuesday: 7:45-8:15 am- Sacred Heart, Urbank

Wednesday: 5:00-7:45 am - Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

8:30-10:00 am- Our Lady of Seven Dolors, Millerville

8:00-9:00 am -St. James, Maine Twp.

Thursday: 7:45-8:15 am -St. Ann, Brandon

9:00 am- **24 hours** - Our Lady of the Lake, Battle Lake

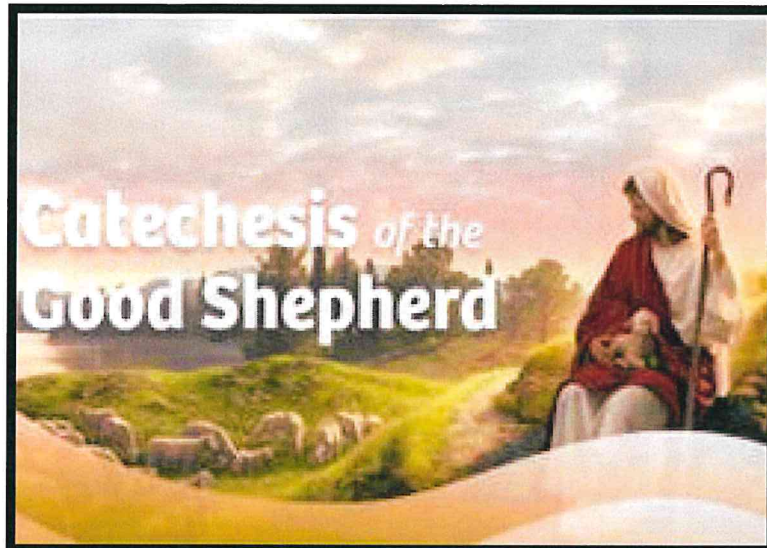
Friday: 8:00-8:45 am- St. William's Living Center, Parkers Prairie

9:00 am-10:00 am -St Edward, Henning

All Things New Updates

Nothing new to report for All Things New. We continue to wait for the decree.

Additional information can be found on the diocesan website at:
<https://stcdio.org/all-things-new/>



COME AND SEE: Please stop by to see the Atrium at an Open House on Sunday, September 13th at 9:00 a.m., immediately following Mass at Saint Edward's Catholic Church. If that time is not convenient, please contact us to make an appointment.

If you are interested, have any questions or want to register your children please contact
Sheila Newark, newarks1123@gmail.com;
Darby Bradley, dpbradley61@gmail.com
or Mary Trana; marytrana@hotmail.com



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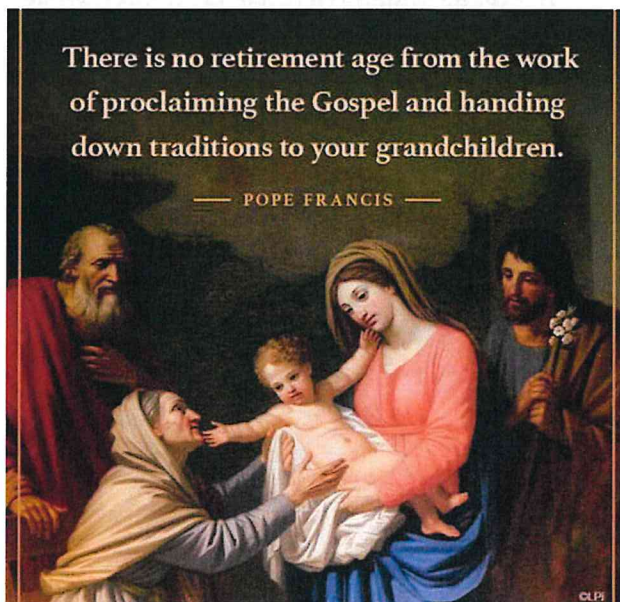
The Bible Timeline

There's still time to sign up for this Bible Study!

Sessions will begin on September 24, 2026 at 10 am at the Sacred Heart Parish house in Urbank (aka Youth House). Workbooks are \$43 payable to OLSD. Contact Rose Suchy for more information.

There is no retirement age from the work of proclaiming the Gospel and handing down traditions to your grandchildren.

— POPE FRANCIS —



Daily Readings

Monday, September 14 *Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross*

Numbers 21:4b-9 Psalm 78:1bc-2, 34-35, 36-37, 38
Philippians 2:6-11 John 3:13-17

Tuesday, September 15 *Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*

1 Corinthians 12:12-14, 27-31a Psalm 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5
John 19:25-27

Wednesday, September 16 *Memorial of Saints Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs*

1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13 Psalm 33:2-3, 4-5, 12 and 22
Luke 7:31-35

Thursday, September 17 *Weekday*

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Psalm 118:1b-2, 16ab-17, 28 Luke 7:36-50

Friday, September 18 *Weekday*

1 Corinthians 15:12-20 Psalm 17:1bcd, 6-7, 8b, 15 Luke 8:1-3

Saturday, September 19 *Weekday*

1 Corinthians 15:35-37, 42-49 Psalm 56:10c-12, 13-14
Luke 8:4-15

Sunday, September 20 *Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Isaiah 55:6-9 Psalm 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18

Philippians 1:20c-24, 27a Matthew 20:1-16a

Oktoberfest

Mark your calendars for the 48th Annual
Knights of Columbus Oktoberfest Sausage
Dinner on Sunday October 11, sponsored by
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See you at Our Lady of Seven Dolors parish
hall in Millerville!

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ST. EDWARD

Just a reminder: the Fall Church cleaning will take place on Saturday, September 19th starting at 8 am; a Noon lunch will be provided. "Many hands make light work", as the saying goes!

Fall Bingo will take place on Sunday, October 18th (MEA Weekend) at 1 PM. Like last year, we are asking parishioners to bring theme baskets for bingo prizes. Ideas for theme baskets will be posted by the Parish Office. Watch the bulletin for more information.

New Parishioners Brunch to be held after Mass on Sunday, October 4th. Each year we recognize the new members of our church family by calling them up to receive a Welcome Basket at the end of Mass. Everyone is welcome to stay for fellowship and welcome our new members. We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Larry Koep from Battle Lake. His Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated on Friday, September 4th. May Larry know eternal peace and joy in heaven and may God grant comfort to his family and friends.

OUR LADY OF THE LAKE

The next Hospitality Sunday is scheduled for September 20th.

Wedding Banns III: Alexis Newark and Christopher Vinson
Wedding Banns II: Amanda Lanter and Daniel Ukkelberg

Fall is here, Circle 3 and CCW will be joining together to provide a women's group at St. James. All women are invited to join us for our first meeting on Monday, Sept. 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. We hope you will join us.

SACRED HEART

Please join us in the church on Tuesday evenings to pray the rosary.

ST. ANN

No news to share.

ST. JAMES

Fall is here, Circle 3 and CCW will be joining together to provide a women's group at St. James. All women are invited to join us for our first meeting on Monday, September 14, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. We hope you will join us then.

SEVEN DOLORS

Wedding Banns I: Alayna Cline & Melvin Blumer

Millerville Legion Post 527 and Auxiliary Meatball Dinner and Raffle Sunday, September 27, 11am-1pm at Millerville Church Hall. Meatball dinner with mashed potatoes, gravy, glazed carrots, salads and dessert.

ST. WILLIAM

Thanks to all who helped with St. William activities at the Parker's Prairie Fall Festival. Profit was \$11,950.00.

Faith Formation

SW Site: 9/16/26 1st-5th grade Family Formation
6:45pm-8pm with optional meal at 6:15pm

OLSD Site: 9/16/26 6th-10th grade Class night
6:45pm-8pm with optional meal at 6:15pm

OLL Site: Faith Formation begins on Wednesday, September 16 with Mass at 6:30 pm.
Everyone is invited to attend the Mass which will be offered for Faith Formation Families.

FORGIVE

"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus answered, "I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."

MATTHEW 18:21-22

PRAYER LIST

Jeff Boesl, Rita Cichy, Les Freske, Nancy Benzinger, Jim Boesen, Betty Thoennes Hackbarth, Heidi DornThoennes, Clarence Otto, Savanna Shepard, JoAnn Volker, Paul Suchy, Patsy Shea, Susan Strese, Lavern Bitzan, Dennis Stramer, Don Maslow, Patrick Davis, Steve Schabel, Mark Streasick, Bernie Koep, Ron Christianson, Patty Kenaley, Stacy Livingston, Joann Bauer, Dacia Teberg, Matthew Haugh, Kathy Stratton, Angela Gilles

Have a prayer request? Please call or email the Parish Office. Names will only be published in the bulletin for parish prayers with permission from an immediate family member or from the person we are praying for. Their name will stay on for one month, unless you contact your parish secretary to keep them on.

Pray for Priests, Seminarians & Deacons

- 14 - Rev Thomas Friedl
Dcn Robert Craven
- 15 - Rev Timothy Gapinski
Dcn Daniel Dullinger
- 16 - Rev Lauren Germann
Dcn Steven Dupay
- 17 - Deceased priests with September anniversaries
Dcn Jeff Fromm
- 18 - Rev David Grundman
Dcn Mick Froslee
- 19 - Rev Omar Guanchez-Rivas
Dcn Bruce Geyer
- 20 - Paul Guertin
Dcn Chris Goenner



Calendar

September

- 14 Women's Group 9 am @ SJ
- 14 Acts Bible Study - 1 pm, Sacred Heart Hall
- 16 Faith Formation begins at OLL Site
- 19 Cleaning Day at SE - 8 am
- 24 Bible Timeline begins at 10 am at Youth House in Urbank

October

- October 4 - New Member Welcome Breakfast after Mass, St. Edward
- October 18 - Fall Bingo beginning at 1 PM, St. Edward Fellowship Hall



Year-end financials for OLSD, SW, SA, SH will be available at OLSD & SW.

FINANCIALS

	SA	SE	SJ	SW	OLL	OLSD	SH
9-6-2026	\$1,456.00	\$2,594.75	\$1,715.00	\$4,581.15	\$5,561.00	\$4112.92	\$627.00

Weekly Budget

YTD Actual

YTD Budget





Pope Leo September Intention:

For the Care of Water
Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

THANK YOU

A Vocation View:

"Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us." Make a stand for mercy, empathy, forgiveness, and selflessness!

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