

October 11th, 2020 Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Scripture Reflection by Father Matthew

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus,

"Behold, I have prepared my banquet, my calves and fattened cattle are killed, and everything is ready; come to the feast."

God invites us all to come to Him, so why do we hesitate to respond? In Jesus' parable, the invitees have a variety of reactions, from selfish disinterest to violent refusal and murder. When your king invites you, it is a command, not a suggestion, so the king is understandably upset when they not only refuse to come, but even murder his messengers. They are rejecting his authority, not just his invitation.

Is this what we are doing to God? God invites us into relationship with Him both in this life and in the eternal life of Heaven. Why are we so quick to ignore God? God offers us His infinite grace in this life and glory beyond our imagining in the next; do we think we are going to get a better offer? Are the fleeting pleasures of this world so enticing that we are willing to give up eternal life just so that we can have our own way now? Settling for the lesser goods now seems foolish, yet this is what we do every time we sin.

There are really only two options. Either we live now for ourselves and enjoy ourselves here on earth and damn ourselves for eternity in the process, or we choose to live here and now in such a way as to prepare ourselves to enter into Heaven. God has opened for us the way into paradise; all He asks is that we accept His invitation and prepare accordingly. That means living here and now with Christ as our king so that we might be worthy citizens of His heavenly Kingdom in the next life. It means dying to ourselves so that we might live for Him. It means allowing God to be God and not claiming ultimate authority for ourselves. God has told us how we are to prepare ourselves for heaven. It is up to us to accept His invitation and His authority both in this life and in the next—to reject sin and accept Jesus as Lord, on earth as it is in Heaven.

Peace in Christ, *Today's Readings:* IS 25:6-10A; PHIL 4:12-14, 19-20

Father Matthew Kuhn MT 22:1-14

Catholic Daughters Butter Braid Fundraiser



The Catholic Daughters are selling delicious Butter Braids, Pastry Puffins and Puff Crust Pizzas, as a fundraiser to help them raise money for the many charities they give to. One of their main fundrais-

ers was the Style Show, typically held in the fall, which will not be happening this year due to Covid. They are hoping to have this fundraiser be one of their best ever. These tasty frozen pastries come in many delicious flavors and will be delivered in time for the holidays. The last day to order is Thursday, October 22nd, and delivery is set to be on Monday, November 16th.

For more information, or to order, contact Lynn Tobkin at 218-371-1284, or you can fill out an order form, available down information alley. You will, also, have the opportunity to order and ask questions from a Catholic Daughter that will be in the narthex after a few of the Masses. Thank you for your support.

Upcoming Silent Auction

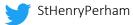
We will be doing an online silent auction November 15-21. This online auction will replace the one we normally do during the Summer Festival. Theme baskets, gift certificates, cash, and other new or gently used items would be welcomed. Your baskets do not need to be cellophaned, because they will be photographed for the online auction. Please bring your items to St. Henry's Church office. We would like all donations turned in by November 9th. Also, we could use baskets for filling.

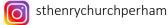
If you have a larger item to donate, please call Sherryl Holzer at 218-457-0984 or Ellen Ceynowa at 218-346-2438. Thank you and God bless!

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Thank you for your generous support last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised \$322.00 to support those on the margins who are living in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections.







Parish news & events

WEDDING BANNS

The Church of Saint Henry, Perham, wishes to inform the public of the upcoming wedding of **Kyle Sonnenberg**, son of Paul & Deb Sonnenberg, and **Helen Schmitt**, daughter of Mark & Mary Schmitt, to be held at St. Henry Catholic Church on October 24, 2020.

Inquiries may be directed to Father Matthew or Deacon Randy at the Parish Office.

Upcoming Baptism Class

Requirements for having your child baptized at the Church of St. Henry are: registration at St. Henry (or another parish) and attendance at a pre-baptism class. Parents are encouraged to take the class before their child is born. This class is normally offered every two months. A class will be offered on Saturday, October 24th from 9:00 am-12:00 pm in the St. JPII Conference Room. If you want your child baptized but have never attended the required class, please register through the Parish Office at 218-346-4240. Please note, this class is only required if this is your first child and you have not attended one previously. Pre-registration for the class is required.

Money Counting Volunteers

Would you be willing to help out by joining the volunteer money counting group? A couple of our money counters will be stepping down at the end of the year, so we are in need of replacements for them. The group they are on meets at 8:00 am on Mondays. Each group is scheduled on a six-week rotation. If this group doesn't work out, but you would be interested in becoming a substitute money counter, we could certainly use the help. Please call the parish office, if you would be willing to help us out in this capacity. Thank you!

2021 Marriage Prep Course Weekend

The Marriage Prep Course weekend will be held at St. Henry's Church on **January 29th & 30th, 2021.** The fee is \$175.00 per couple. For more information, or to register, please contact the Parish Office for a registration form.

Sausage Supper

Catholic United Financial group of Sacred Heart Parish in Dent will have a drive through/take out Sausage Supper on Thursday, October 22nd from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

Preorders call 218-758-2275 or 218-298-0514. Serving fresh smoked sausage, baked potatoes, beans, sauer-kraut, coleslaw and cookies. Adults-\$10.00; Ages 6-12-\$5.00; under 6-free will.

Proceeds to benefit Sacred Heart CCD and St. Henry's Area School.

Have You Noticed the Wicker Trunk in the Narthex?

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month. To assist those who are affected by Domestic Violence, Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St Rita #409 is sponsoring a drive for Someplace Safe. Items can be put in the trunk in the Narthex. They can use a variety of items in new or good condition.

Need some ideas of what to donate? School supplies, toilet paper, cleaning products, small laundry soap, daily necessities & hygiene products are always appreciated. Often, individuals leave situations of domestic violence with little to nothing. What kind of items would one need away from home to assist in being a little more secure and comfortable or in getting a fresh start?



Someplace Safe

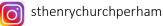
1st Annual Soup & Sandwich Luncheon

The Someplace Safe Perham Advocacy Office is gearing up to host their 1st Annual Soup and Sandwich Luncheon. The fundraiser will be held on Tuesday, October 20th from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm at Lakes Café in Perham. There will be two hearty soup and sandwich options. The luncheon this year will be takeout in response to COVID-19. Supporters and community members of Someplace Safe are invited to join them. The lunch is taking place to raise critical funds for the Perham Someplace Safe office. If you would like to make a monetary donation instead, you may send it to: Someplace Safe, PO Box 207, Perham, MN 56573. They thank you for your support in helping to create safer families and a safer Perham community!

Cremated Remains Collection & Burial

Do you have cremated remains of a family member in your possession that you would like to have laid to rest in a sacred place? Proper burial helps us grieve and find closure while we show respect for the life and remains of our beloved dead. As a free service to our community and those who have died, the Church of St. Ann in Wadena, MN is collecting cremated remains of deceased members who have not yet been buried. On November 2, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. we will have a Memorial Mass for all the dead, with special prayers for the collected remains. A private burial of the collected remains will follow at Calvary Cemetery. St. Ann's church will absorb the cost of the burial, so this is free to you. Cremated remains must be more than 18 months past date of death, need not be Catholic or from the area, and must be accompanied with paperwork. For more information contact Barb at our church office 218-632-7309 or bpiecek@saintanns.net.





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St. Henry's Area School

Congratulations to this week's calendar raffle winners October 7th-Chenoa Pickrain-\$50 and October 9th-Randy and Joan Hutmacher-\$100.

We are beginning our search for 52 \$100 donations for prize money for our 2021 calendar. If you'd like to help us out, you can make your donation by placing it in an envelope marked "calendar" and putting it in the collection. All donations need to be received by the end of October. Calendars will then go for sale for \$50 late November and early December. We have already received a donation for the bi-weekly \$50 prizes as well. Since we are unable to do apple pies this year, we ask for your generous support for this fundraiser.

We are currently looking for janitorial substitutes for this school year. Duties would include cleaning, maintenance, light shoveling, mopping, sweeping, etc. Pay is \$11.00 per hour. Give me a call at 346-6190 if you are interested in filling in when needed.

Mr. Jason Smith, Principal 218-346-6190 or sthenryschool@arvig.net

St. Henry's Area School provides academic excellence while following the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

Bishop's Annual Appeal



You are invited to participate in the Appeal by making a gift or praying for diocesan ministries. If your circumstance permit and your family is

blessed with good health and employment, please consider increasing your gift to make up for those who are unable to make a gift at this time. More information can be found at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal. Your gift will help vital ministries continue to reach out to the faithful in our diocese in new and creative ways. As one Body, we make sacrifices for others, not because they are Catholic, but because we are Catholic!

Faith Formation

RCIA will begin this Wednesday, Oct. 14th at 7:45 pm-9:00 pm at St. Henry's Church in the basement. We will be going through Salvation History for the first 6 weeks. Anyone is welcome to come to RCIA classes, whether you are already a Catholic and want to learn more or if you're not Catholic but are interested in becoming Catholic. There is no cost for these classes.

There will be no Faith formation for 7-12th graders at the Church this Wednesday, due to MEA break, and there will also be no Mass this Wednesday night at 7:00pm. We are still in need of teachers once a month for Family Faith Formation. I am currently looking for a 4th grade teacher once a month on Sundays and a 1st and 5th grade teacher once a month on Wednesdays. Please consider helping the Church out in this way. If you have the availability to teach, please contact Lisa in the parish office.

Lisa Hendrickx, DRE 218-346-7030, religioused@st-henrys.org



Perham Backpack Program Making an impact on children who struggle with hunger

- Began in 2009-2010 school year with 50 students; in 2019-2020 school year served 185 students
- Schools served: Head Start, Kids Adventure, ALC, St. Paul's, St. Henry's, HOTL, PWMS, and PHS
- Over 160 backpacks go home with students each Friday and double bags on long weekends
- Food is ordered from the food bank and a piece of fruit, cheese stick and snack are added
- Volunteers pack and deliver bags to schools
- \$144 fills a backpack for 1 child every weekend for a full school year
- Sponsored by Calvary Lutheran, St. Paul's Lutheran and St. Henry's Catholic churches
- Funds managed through Calvary Lutheran Church

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Catholic Charities

Catholic Charities is supported by generous individuals, foundations, businesses and faith communities like yours. In 2019, they provided services to 53,493 individuals. For some, they provided a place to live; for others, food and clothing. They worked with individuals in improving or maintaining their mental health, and for many seniors, they provided healthy and nutritious meals that improved their quality of life. At each interaction, they sought to continue our mission of serving and enhancing human dignity for people of all faiths and beliefs. Today, as we navigate the current pandemic, your support of Catholic Charities is needed more than ever. Their ability to help our neighbors, this year, depends on the success of this campaign, and 100% of all donations support Catholic Charities programs throughout Central Minnesota. It goes without saying that these are extraordinary times, and in times of great uncertainty, the Church is called to spread hope. Although your church doors might be closed, the work of the Church remains open and continues to live its mission with open arms. Thank you again for joining Catholic Charities Make God's Love Visible 2020 annual appeal, and for helping provide hope to our Central Minnesota neighbors.

Liturgical Ministers

The next scheduling period will be from November 26th through February 16th. Please remember to inform us of any dates you will not be available to serve in this period before Monday, November 2.

Special Liturgies that you should inform me about your availability for are:

Thanksgiving Day Mass - Thursday November 26th 9am The Immaculate Conception - Tuesday December 8th 11am and 7pm

Christmas - Thursday December 24th 4pm. Friday December 25th 8am and 10am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - Friday January 1st

Other days you may want to keep in mind:

Super Bowl - February 7th.

Catholic Schools week January 31st-February 5th.

Thank you in advance for any unavailable dates you are able to give me.

> Michael Mettler, Director of Music & Liturgy 218-346-7030, music@st-henrys.org



Isaiah Blickenstaff's CD Available

If you would like to purchase a copy of Isaiah Blickenstaff's CD, they are available in the

Remembering Our Loved Ones

During the Month of November we take time to remember those who have passed away. As Catholics, we always want to pray for these souls. If you would like to have us, as a parish, pray for and honor your loved ones, we can do this in 3 different ways.

- 1. If your loved one did not pass away after October 31st, 2019. You can write their name in the Book of Remembrance that will be at the front of the Church throughout the month of November.
- 2. If your loved one passed away after October 31st, 2019, but is not a parishioner, you can do the first option mentioned and you can ask for them to be included in the litany sung during the Liturgy on November 7th at 5pm. This Mass will be recorded and posted on our online platforms. I will use an electronic picture and the death date of your loved to show on the video when their name is mentioned if you are able to provide it.
- 3. If your loved one passed away after October 31st, 2019, and is a parishioner, you can participate in the first option. Let me know if you have not received your letter about the Mass of Remembrance! They will also:
- a. Have their name mentioned in the litany.
- b. Have their picture on the Mass of Remembrance board at the front of the Church.
- c. Have a candle lit for them by the Remembrance Board.
- d. Be included in the Mass of Remembrance Video in the Narthex. (I already have their picture from the funeral home websites.)

Michael Mettler, Director of Music & Liturgy 218-346-7030, music@st-henrys.org

World Mission Sunday

The weekend of October 18th we will join Catholic parishes all over the world in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to the call saying, "Here Am I, Send Me!" We act in solidarity this day, as we pray and share our gifts to help build-up the church around the world where the witness of Christ and support of the poor is still needed most. Envelopes are available in your monthly packets. All funds collected on World Mission Sunday support the pastoral, catechetical, charitable and evangelizing work of the Church in over 1,111 of the most in-need dioceses in 180 countries through the efforts of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society directed by Pope Francis and administered by the local St. Cloud Mission Office. Please plan to give generously. For more information on the mission needs of our world and mission activities of our diocese, visit: http://mission.stcdio.org.





StHenryPerham

MASS & MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 12-18 (AS OF OCTOBER 7)

Tue. Oct 13, 8:45 AM (School Mass) Special Intention

Dot Hofland Rosary **NOT FILLED** Lector Sacristan Renee Doll

Wed, Oct 14, 5:15 PM (Holy Cross) + John Rohr

Wed, Oct 14, 7:00 PM (No Faith Formation - No Mass)

Thu, Oct 15, 8:45 AM (School Mass) +Don & Dorothy Weickert

Rosary Carol Doll Sacristan NOT FILLED

Fri. Oct 16. 7:00 AM +Delores Sazama

Rosarv Ardith Altstadt Lector Lori Curtis Sacristan Renee Doll

Fri, Oct 16, 1:00 PM + Jackie Lachowitzer

(This Mass is for our at-risk parishioners. Extra sanitary

precautions are taken for this Mass.)

Rosary **NOT FILLED NOT FILLED** Lector Sacristan NOT FILLED Sanitizers Ralph & Nancy Moris

Readings for the Week

Monday: GAL 4:22-24, 26-27, 31-5:1 LK 11:29-32

Tuesday: GAL 5:1-6 LK 11:37-41 Wednesday: GAL 5:18-25 LK 11:42-46 Thursday: LK 11:47-54 EPH 1:1-10 Friday: EPH 1:11-14 LK 12:1-7 Saturday: EPH 1:15-23 LK 12:8-12 Sunday: IS 45:1, 4-6 1 THES 1:1-5B

MT 22:15-21

Holy Father's October Prayer Intention:

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate in more areas of responsibility in the Church.

Collection for September 26th & 27th

Adult	6,351.00	Youth Offering	4.00
Plate	596.25	Silent Auction	310.00
Fall Collection	577.00	Votives	45.00
Faith Formation	150.00	Coffee	25.00
Donations	407.00	Elec. Transfers	2,934.00

Deacon Randy Altstadt—Parish Administrator

Total

Average amount needed to meet weekly operation of St. Henry for the fiscal year is: \$15,045.00

New School	Capital	Campaign	Undate
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Goal	\$7,343,900.00
Pledged	\$4,860,449.00
Needed	\$2,483,451.00
Received	\$4,495,992.00
Pledges Received 10-04	\$54,698.00

Sat, Oct 17, 5:00 PM Oscar & +LaVonne Kawlewski's Anniversarv

Joyce Wegscheid Rosarv Lector Kristi Karels (sub req.)

Body Father Matt Kuhn, Deacon Richard Quistorff Jeff Fritz, Wayne Lehman, Jim Neuerburg Ushers

Eileen Lehman Sacristan

Michael Mettler. Ann Dardis Music

Sanitizers 3 NOT FILLED

Sat, Oct 17, 8:00 PM (Holy Cross) +Bruce Hendrickx

Sun, Oct 18, 8:00 AM For the People of the Parishes

Joe & Kathy Hemmelgarn Rosary

Lector Dorothy Doll

Father Matt Kuhn, Deacon Richard Quistorff Body Ushers Ron Berns, Joe Sczygiel, Peter Zavadil

Sacristan Elizabeth Sazama

Michael Mettler, NOT FILLED Music

Sanitizers 3 NOT FILLED

Sun, Oct 18, 10:00 AM (CDA Mass) Living & Deceased CDA Members

Rosary Rosie Altstadt Lector Renee Doll

Father Matt Kuhn, Deacon Richard Quistorff Body

Roger Altstadt, Mary Holzer, Adam Holzer, Nick Price Ushers

Sacristan Lynn Schwanke

Gina Cavanagh, Ann Dardis Music Sanitizers Sue Wagner, NOT FILLED

Please Pray For Those in need of healing in our parishes:

Sue Baumgart, Karen Byer, Joel Carlson, Harriet Daiker, Hudson Hendrickx, Barb Jarchow, Helene Johnson, Oscar Kawlewski, Chris Koplin, John Ogroske, Lois Porath, Bob Riestenberg, Joan Schmitz, Anthony Thompson, Gertie Ulschmid, Liam Voss, Gerald Wegscheid & Larry Wegscheid

All military personnel, especially:

Martin Ara, Jesus Guajardo, Ed Guck, Greg Hirschey, Sandra (Silbernagel) Lagnese, Nicholas Melz, Tanner Neyens, Luke Potts, Zoe Potts, Jason Richter, Tanya Robison, Tommy Robison, Steven Sundberg and Tyler Van Wa-





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