

Holy Trinity Parish

Seventeenth Sunday of Ordinary Time, July 26, 2026

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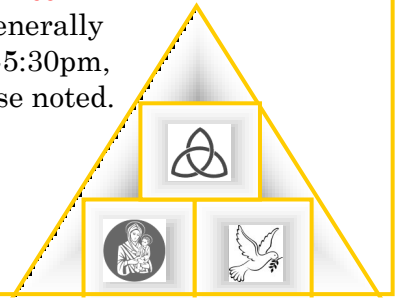
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Marriage: Please call Father McCabe at least one year prior to tentative date.

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Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field... Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net thrown into the sea, which collects fish of every kind. When it is full they haul it ashore and sit down to put what is good into buckets. What is bad they throw away. Thus it will be at the end of the age." See Mt 13:44-52

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE						READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	July 25	+Adam Harmon		See Mass Readings Below
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	July 26	Parishioners		Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Ps 119:57,72, 76-77, 127-130; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-53 or 13:44-46
	10:30AM	SC		Ray McNamara		
Mon	8:00AM	SM	July 27	+Bernard Goihl		Jer 13:1-11; (Ps) Dt 32:18-21; Mt 13:31-35
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	July 28	Kenny & Jane Lexvold Family		Jer 14:17-22; Ps 79:8-9,11,13; Mt 13:36-43
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	July 29	Fr Clayton		Jer 15:10, 16-21; Ps 59:2-4, 10-11, 17-18 607; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42
Thurs.	11:00AM	HT	July 30	+ Henry & Betty Gorman		Jer 18:1-6; Ps 146:1b-6b; Mt 13:47-53
Fri.			July 31			Jer 26:1-9; Ps 69:5, 8-10,14; Mt 13:54-58
First Sat.	9:00AM	SC	Aug 1	Renewal of Confession		Jer 26:11-16, 24; Ps 69:15-16,30-31,33-34; Mt 14:1-12
Sat	5:30PM	HT	Aug 1	+Marvin Zorn		See mass Readings Below
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Aug 2	Enrichment of Marriages		Is 55:1-3; Ps 145:8-9,15-18; Rom 8:35, 37-39; Mt 14:13-21
	10:30AM	SC		Parishioners		

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



Holy Trinity Church (HT)
211 4th Street North
Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Columbkil Church (SC)
36483 County 47 Boulevard
Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Mary Church (SM)
221 Chester Avenue
Bellechester, MN 55027

**Mt 13, 24 through 43**

Jesus uses parables to catch people's attention. Parables are easy to remember, but a person needs to meditate on them to find their deeper meaning.

For example, Jesus describes the Kingdom of God as a buried treasure in a field. And the person who finds the treasure just does not take the treasure, but he sells all that he has to buy

the field and then hides the treasure for safe keeping. Why?

One can understand that he sells everything to totally invest in this treasure. But in order to protect the treasure, he has to buy the whole field which makes it harder for someone to steal it.

The treasure is God's grace which is found perfectly in Jesus' Seven Sacraments flowering and fructifying in his Church – the holy field of God. It is through the seven Sacraments that we receive God's divine life, a life that leads to perfect happiness in heaven which is the goal of every human heart and relationship.

Each sacrament points to Jesus Christ and has a God given purpose. The purpose of Baptism is to cleanse the soul of Original Sin, plants the new life of divine faith, hope and love, and initiates the person into the life of grace. The Holy Spirit dwells within the baptized person who thus belongs to God the Father and Holy Mother Church in order to receive the other essential Sacraments - at the appropriate time and manner - for assured salvation.

Baptism is like a mystical marriage with God and the soul through Jesus Christ, the divine Head of his Church. But that marriage is complete only when that person is Confirmed and receives worthily the greatest sacrament, the Holy Eucharist – the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus Christ. That is why Baptism, as well as Holy Eucharist and Confirmation are sacraments of initiation.

A person receives Holy Communion worthily by loving God above all things and loving other people, which means that there is no known mortal sin on the person's soul. The Eucharist is not only about my personal relationship with God, but includes my relationship with the whole Church, the children of God.

The Sacrament of Marriage has the goal of reflecting that total love, that total investment and life giving commitment of Jesus Christ for his bride the Church, and to his children who are born again in baptism. That is why the celebration of marriage is consummated in the marital act which has two dimensions to be complete: the unitive and the procreative.

A baptized man and woman invest themselves totally to God, each other and the church in the Sacrament of Marriage, so to help each other attain heaven, as well as stay open to children: the new life and crown of love that represents the joy and innocence of heaven.

When marriage is not a Sacrament – a total investment into the plan of God – then the couple cannot receive the total investment of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist, unless they are committed to living as brother and sister. However, if unmarried with children they can raise their children Catholic so that the children can grow in divine life by receiving Confession and Holy Communion. Although the parents cannot receive Holy Communion until they follow God's plan totally, they can prepare to join in the total feast by following the path the Church points out to them.

One of the many temptations that attempt to steal away the grace of Sacramental Marriage is the use of artificial contraception. For it is a conscious attempt to give only one portion of oneself to your spouse, and receive only a portion in return. The use of artificial

contraception is a conscious act that tries to exclude God from achieving the goal of human sexuality – the supreme gift of a new child, and total unity.

Each marital embrace is a renewal of the consummation of the Sacrament of Marriage, a total gift of self to God and the other. It needs to be open to God who gives life and grace, and thereby gives sexuality its marital joy, fruitfulness and divine meaning. If God chooses to provide new life of a child, God will also provide the whole field for the family to grow naturally and supernaturally.

The marital embrace has two dimensions, the unitive and procreative, and these need to be always united together as one. If the marital embrace is used only to have children and excludes the love that unites the spouses to God and one another, then it becomes sinful. If it is used only for pleasure and consciously avoids God's procreative power of creating another child in his image and likeness, then it becomes sinful. In both cases there is no total investment into God, one's spouse and the possible child from that embrace. Thus, there is need for repentance and the confession of sins before receiving Holy Communion.

To grow in holiness the couple needs to trust God, turn back to his saving truth and totally invest in the reason God has given them the gift of sacramental marriage.

Each child is a supreme gift from God. And just as a parent loves to see their children eat good food, that is, food that is both tasty and healthy, so too God wants us to protect the two dimensions of the marital embrace, that it remains truly uniting and life giving. By following this divine plan, the treasure of God's graces will flourish in safety within the soul of the couple, the family, and the Church.

However, there can be serious circumstances in a married couple's life when a pregnancy might be too burdensome. That is when Natural Family Planning can be used to avoid pregnancy, but the couple remains open to the blessing of children and God's providential care if a child should be created by God.

Natural Family Planning (NFP) is a morally acceptable, effective and safe way to achieve pregnancy and to avoid pregnancy, because it is a scientifically based program. Many couples understand that their God given mission as a couple is to help each other grow in holiness and to raise any God-given children for the glory of God, the church, and society, but may have difficulty achieving pregnancy. NFP can help with that because it helps the couple monitor the woman's monthly fertility until their menstrual cycle ends around age 40-50, whereas men are generally fertile after puberty until a very old age.

For more information about NFP go online and type in Catholic Natural Family Planning, or call the St. Paul and Minneapolis Archdiocese Office of Marriage, Family and Life, Bill Dill, at 651-291-4553.

Peace in Christ,

Fr. Thomas McCabe

***Behold the Lamb of God!***

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkille from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Spend some time with Jesus!

Pope Leo XIV's Prayer Intention for August 2026:

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Hiring part time Faith Formation Assistant/Safety Environment Coordinator: Must be a practicing Catholic, at least age 21 who has a MN Driver's License. Help Fr. McCabe and volunteers up to 10 hours per week, \$16-\$22/hr. depending on skill set and flexibility which includes helping with Vacation Bible Camp in Summer, NET Ministry retreat and other activities. The Essential 3 Safe Environment program (background check, Code of Conduct and VIRTUS training) will need to be completed. Contact Fr. McCabe at 651-923-4472 and have references available by July 23.

Hope & Harbor Fundraising Gala: Thursday, July 23, 2026. 5:00-8:00PM at Treasure Island Paradise Cove. Includes dinner & live entertainment, silent auction benefiting Hope & Harbor Overnight Shelter, The Next Step resource center and Community Care Fund in Goodhue County. Go to www.hopeandharbor.com to register.

Vacation Bible Camp: *Changemakers Lab*, a science themed interactive VBC where children learn that everyone can make a difference for good in the world! Tues., July 28-Thurs., July 30, 9:00-11:00AM, with Mass on July 30 @ 11:00AM followed by a meal until 12:15AM, all at Holy Trinity Church. Registration forms near main entrance of our churches. Please fill them out completely, due Thursday, July 23, noon.

Archdiocese Events: The Power of "And" Webinar on Monday, July 27, 6:30-8PM for trauma survivors and those who care for them to identify and deal with the distorted story we tell ourselves. "And" allows us to tell a more truthful story and live more abundant lives. Go to archspm.org/events/ to find this and other events available.

Marriage Encounter Weekend: August 1-2, 2026 at Mt. Olivet Retreat Center, Farmington, MN. An opportunity to enrich, celebrate and strengthen your marriage! Register at marriages.org. Questions? Call Mary at 651-454-3238

Thoughts, Prayers, & Action: The Catholic Call to End Gun Violence: Saturday, August 8, 2026 * 9AM - 12PM * Church of St Timothy, Blaine. Join us for spiritual - centered conversation about what our faith calls us to do in face of gun violence. Keynote, survivor panel data presentation and breakout sessions on advocacy, safe storage education and courageous conversations. All are welcome. RSVP at <https://givebutter.com/GVPcatholics>.

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Fr. Jim Notebaart: will be substituting for Fr. McCabe at the First Friday Mass at St. Mary's on Aug. 7, (8:00PM Mass only) and then over the weekend of August 8-9. He prefers not to have altar servers so none will be scheduled and none need not step up to help.

Holy Trinity is dedicated to protecting children and vulnerable adults. Volunteers serving with minors and vulnerable adults must complete requirements before engaging in ministry. Contact, Zach Siebenaler parish Safe Environment Coordinator, at: holytrinitygoodhue@gmail.com.

Please pray for: Bob Eppen, Margaret Wagner, Ann Merry, Ed Heppelmann, Ray & Gloria Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Neil Stehr, Jen Berg, Marge Majerus, Shawn Frederixon, Gabe Ryan, Ryan Zorn, Beth Carlson, Chuck Havrilla, Randy Nardinger, Amy Feely, Alan Gadiant, Wilma Seither, Susan Brown, Jocelyn O'Reilly, Marci Dillworth, George Zanic Miller, Dave Huneke, Paul Huneke, Donny Strauss, Bryan Vogel, Steve O'Reilly, Paul Ryan, Loretta Froyum, Mary Haas, Bruce Nord, Rick Shane, Marlys Hofgren

Calendar/Events

Sat. July 25	HT	4:45PM-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun. July 26	SM	8:20AM-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Mon. July 27	SM	6:30PM-9:00PM	Eucharistic Adoration
Tues. July 28	HT	9:00AM-11AM	Vacation Bible School
Weds. July 29	HT	9:00AM-11AM	Vacation Bible School
Thurs. July 30	HT	9:00AM-11AM	Vacation Bible School
Thurs. July 30	HT	12:15AM	Meal for Vacation Bible School
<u>First Sat. Aug 1</u>	SC	8:00AM-8:45AM	Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Confession
Sat. Aug 1	HT	4:45PM-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun. July 26	SM	8:20AM-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession

Sunday Collection July 18/19, 2026

Holy Trinity	St Columbkil	St Mary
\$621.66	\$1070	\$871.90

Weekend Ministry Schedule

Church	Role	July 25/26	August 1/2
HT: Saturday 5:30PM July 25 & August 1	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Cindy Eppen
	Cantor	Laural Seither	Katie Ludwig
	Lector	Leeta O'Reilly	Bjorn Otterness
	Servers	Aubriel, Oleana & Stuart O'Reilly	Madalyn, Caleb, Cameron Schofield
	Ushers	Mike Zorn	Mike Zorn
SM: Sunday 8:45am July 26 & August 2	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	Cantor	Cathy O'Reilly	Taylor Dowden
	Lector	Patricia Mensink	Cooper Utle
	Servers	Henry Keller, Derek Stehr	Danny Keller, Isaac and Mabel Ryan
	Ushers	Jim Strauss, Ross Freiheit	Tim Huneke, Henry Keller
SC: Sunday 10:30am July 26 & August 2	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	Cantor	Eleanor O'Reilly	Shelly Jacobson
	Lector	Jay Dicke	Becky Diercks
	Servers		
	Ushers	Bruce McNamara	JJ and Chris O'Reilly

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**CHANGEMAKERS
LAB**

Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Goodhue
9:00 a.m.-11am on July 28th & 29th
9:00 a.m.-12:15p.m. on July 30th, which includes mass & lunch afterwards

Open to all youth entering PreK4-5th Grade
Volunteers Needed:
6th -9th graders as small group helpers
10th grade & up as lead teachers



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<https://forms.gle/p8HbJiAdXjTWT1aW8>
or on paper at the event

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Adult Lead: Carrie O'Reilly 651-764-9684



**Beginning
September 6
Mass Time Change**

Sunday Mass
St Mary's 8:30am
St Columbkil 10:00am