

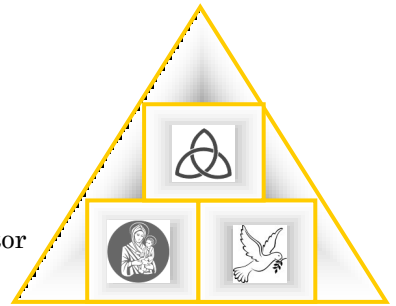
# Holy Trinity Parish

**Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, January 25, 2026**

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As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting nets into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Mt 4:18-19

HOLY MASS SCHEDULE						READINGS
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Jan. 24	+Adam Harmon		(Vigil Mass - readings below)
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Jan. 25	Parishioners		Vigil/Sunday, Is 8:23-9:3; Ps 27:1,4,13-14; 1 Cor 1:10-13,17; Mt 4:12-23
	10:30AM	SC		+Charles and Margaret Ryan		
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	Jan. 26	+Fr. Joseph LaPlante		2 Tm 1:1-8 ; Ps 96:1-3,7-8a,10 Mk 3:22-30
Tue.	8:00AM	HT	Jan. 27	+Fr. Peter Gadiant		2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10; Mk 3:31-35
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	Jan. 28	Fr. Thomas McCabe		2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5,27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thurs	9:00AM	SC	Jan. 29	For World Peace		2 Sm 7:18-19,24-29; Ps 132:1-5,11-14; Mk 4:21-25
Fri.			Jan. 30			2 Sm 11:1-4a,5-10a,13-17; Ps 51:3-7,10-11; Mk 4:26-34
Sat.			Jan. 31			(AM Mass readings) 2 Sm 12:1-7a,10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41
	5:30PM	HT		Parishioners		(Vigil Mass readings below)
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Feb. 1	+Lora Keller		Vigil/Sunday, Zeph 2:3, 3:12-13; Ps 146:6-10; 1 Cor 1:26-31; Mt 5:1-12a
	10:30AM	SC		+Deceased Members of Catholic Order of Foresters		

**Mission:** *We grow together in Christ.*

*Welcome to our Parish Churches!*



**Holy Trinity Church (HT)**

211 4th Street North  
Goodhue, MN 55027



**St. Columbkille Church (SC)**

36483 County 47 Boulevard  
Goodhue, MN 55027



**St. Mary Church (SM)**

221 Chester Avenue  
Bellechester, MN 55027



What is one of the most rewarding things in life? It is a life of friendship with virtuous people that help you grow closer to God. There are two essential elements to this.

First, it is important to understand what “virtue” is.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* defines it as a firm disposition to habitually do that which is good,

even in difficult situations. For example, the person who stretches and exercises every morning has the virtue of physical discipline. The person who prays every morning and night has the spiritual virtue of piety.

A person who wants to exercise every day, but sometimes forgets, and a person who wants to pray every morning and night but sometimes forgets, well, this person is considered as morally weak, but growing toward virtue. However, when he or she begins to do these things automatically, even when tired or distracted, that is a sign that a certain degree of virtuous living has arrived, along with more happiness.

The second element to true happiness is to see that there are different levels of friendship. The basic level of friendship is being respectful to others, and even defending them when they are being disrespected. The second level of friendship is wanting to work with them on a common goal, especially when that goal takes time, effort and humble cooperation. The third level of friendship is all of the above, plus freely sharing your thoughts and feelings in order to support each other’s temporal goals and emotional health.

But the deepest level of friendship is making a commitment to helping a person grow in their friendship with God, even to the point of offering sacrifices so that your friend stays on the straight and narrow path to the eternal goal of heaven. This means setting aside time to walk with them about their spiritual journey.

This is what we read about in today’s Gospel. Jesus calls his first disciples to be fishers of men. Jesus wants them to walk with him, evangelize with him and enjoy his friendship; to work, pray and worship with him, and to share their thoughts and feelings with him.

In this way, Jesus wants them to grow toward the deepest level of friendship with him and one another. Jesus Christ wants them to commit their life to his sacrificial love, his saving truth and his Church. He wants a life changing, intimate friendship with them, and with us, so that we can continue to grow as his missionary disciples.

True friendship takes time and effort, and even if much time and distance comes between us, the Holy Spirit keeps us united as true friends. We are called to do the same as his missionary disciples. I remember making a friend in elementary school. He came up to me and said something like, “We are in the same class and we both like football, so let’s be friends.” I said, “Okay”, and we talked almost daily about family and football, but not much else. It was easy playing football with him and our other football friends because we had fun together, and shared the common goal of winning the game.

However, as we grew older this friend asked me to do some activities that were risky and sometimes morally wrong, and I often said, “No way!”, especially to those morally doubtful things.

After a while, he decided that our friendship was not that important. He talked with me less and less. We still played football together but there was nothing more to talk about. I saw him less frequently at school and at church. That was a lonely and difficult time for me.

Fortunately, another friend and teammate saw what was happening and started talking with me more often, especially after Church events. Soon I called him to do some yard work with me for an elderly couple who wanted to employ us.

After we finished many hours of work for them, they complimented my friend and I for doing good work. They confided in us that they were unsure if two friends could get the work done in a timely manner.

My friend and I talked about everything, and even talked about faith and politics. Although we did not always share the same opinion, we shared the essentials of true freedom: that God was the giver of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness, in that order.

The most important thing for both of us was our relationship with God and growing in our Catholic faith with Jesus Christ. As we neared graduation from High School, he was one of the first people I told that I was going into the seminary to see if God wanted me to become a priest. He has been a great friend in Christ ever since.

When I was ordained a deacon, he and his future wife invited me to participate at their wedding. Today we share our joys, challenges, and the ongoing adventure of being friends in the Lord Jesus Christ and raising a family for God. He seeks my prayers and advice about his children’s spiritual journey, and I seek his prayers and advice about being a better spiritual father.

A couple of months ago they were happy to inform me that their children were still practicing Catholics and strongly pro-life. They were thankful to God that they were inspired to talk to their children about what is good and bad in our society, and how we need to walk with Jesus and his Catholic Church to grow in virtue.

Some of their friends thought that taking their children to the Pro-Life Rallies when they were young was a dubious thing, but it turns out that when parents talk to children about the good and bad realities of life, they listen to their children’s fears, hopes and dreams. This is key for growing in the virtues as a family.

We all realize more and more that as different crises come and go in our culture and Church, we need our friendship with Jesus Christ and one another to be nurtured. We foster our friendship with the Lord and our friends through prayer and sacrifice, and open conversation with each other and Christ’s Church. There is much joy to be found by walking with good friends who follow Jesus Christ and seek to grow in virtue: those firm habits of doing that which is right for the glory of God and true happiness, even in difficult moments.

Peace in Jesus Christ and His Church,  
Fr. Thomas McCabe

**MCCL (Minnesotans Citizens Concern for Life): Make a difference for Life** : The 2026 precinct caucuses will be held Tuesday, Feb. 3, at 7 p.m. Mark your calendar and plan to attend. This is where candidates are endorsed, and bills formulated - true democracy. The location of your caucus can be found via the Caucus Finder at the [Secretary of State’s website](#) . Please help make a difference for Life at your caucus: **+Attend your precinct caucus on Feb. 3 and vote for pro-life delegates to your local endorsing convention.** Get friends to attend their precinct caucus and vote to elect themselves and other pro-lifers as delegates. **+ [Go to mccl.org/caucus to sign up for one of MCCL’s short, half-hour caucus trainings by Zoom or phone, or call MCCL at 612-825-6831.](#)** **+ [Let us know you’re attending your caucus by calling us.](#)** We’ll make sure you receive your caucus location and other important information. **Thank you!**



### *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!*

## News/Events

### **Catholic Daughters of America: "Meal in a Bucket"**

available for pickup after Mass January 24 in Goodhue and January 25 at St Mary and St Columbkil. Your support is truly appreciated.

**Catholic Young Adults:** Potluck, ProLife Presentation and Prayer, Sunday, January 25, 6:30-9:00pm at Church of the Holy Trinity. Tell us what you can bring to the potluck and the number joining you by calling the parish office: (651)923-4472

**Church of St. Mary:** St Mary coffee and rolls first Sundays of the month are in need of more volunteers to fill out the year. Sign up sheet on the pin up board near the custodian closet.

**Church of St. Mary's CCW :** (Council of Catholic Women) will meet Tuesday, January 27 at 7pm in the community room.

### **Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast:**

Sunday, Jan. 25, 9am -12:30pm at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Mazeppa. Free will donations accepted to support various charities, pro-life causes, families in need and St. Mary/Sts. Peter and Paul K of C council operations. *Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage and Beverages!*

**Quilters Invited:** to join other quilters on Thursdays, 9:00-11:00AM at Holy Trinity. Please enter through the door nearest the school, east side of Holy Trinity Church.

**Open Hearts Prayer Group** will study the Psalms. These prayers Jesus himself prayed and quoted. We will use a book written by Irene Oswell's, OSB, *Pleading, Cursing, Praising: Conversing with God through the Psalms*. This 9 week study will begin on Tuesday, January 13 following rosary after mass. Contact Teresa Buck at (651) 380-6770 if you have questions or want assistance in obtaining the book - available through Amazon or other sources.

**Soup, Chili & Potato Bar Feed:** Sunday, January 25, 10:30am-1:30pm Lions Community Center, Broadway Street, Goodhue. \$11 Adults, \$5 extra for Soups & Potato Bar, \$7 12 and under, 4 and under eat for free.

**Save the Date: Mardi Gras, Sunday Febraury 15, 12 Noon - 3:00 PM at Lions Building, Goodhue. Fun-Raiser for Holy Trinity Parish Faith Formation. Mardi Gras/American Cuisine Free will offering; Accelerated Corn Holy Toss, \$10.00: 1st Prize - \$200.00, 2nd - \$150.00, 3rd - \$100.00; Free Children games and mask/face painting!**

**Please pray for:** Bob Eppen, Margaret Wagner, Ann Merry, Ed Heppelmann, Ray & Gloria Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, 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 Gadi-ent, Wilma Seither, Susan Brown, Jocelyn O'Reilly, Marci Dillworth, Bjorn Otterness, George ZanMiller and John McCabe, Jr.

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.

*The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for January 2026:*

**For Prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

### **Calendar/Events**

Sat., Jan. 24	HT	4:45-5:20PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Jan. 25	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun., Jan. 25	HT	6:30-8:00PM	Catholic Young Adult potluck and prayer
Mon., Jan. 26	SM	6:30-9:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration
Mon. Jan. 26	HT	7:00-8:30PM	Finance Council Meeting
Wed., Jan. 28	HT	9:00AM -*1:00 PM	Eucharistic Adoration (Mass at 8:00AM)
Wed., Jan. 28	HT	2:15-3:30PM	Faith Formation grades 1st-6th
Wed., Jan. 28	HT	7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation grades 7th-9th
Thur., Jan. 29	SC	8:00-8:45AM	Adoration/Confession (9:00AM Mass)
Sat. Jan. 31	HT	4:45-5:20 PM	Sacrament of Confession
Sun. Feb. 1	SM	8:20-8:40AM	Sacrament of Confession
Tues., Feb. 3	precinct	7:00PM	Call MCCL to find out more:612-825-6831

**Holy Trinity Church  
(HT) Collection:**

1/17/'26: \$ 431.00

**St. Columbkil Church  
(SC) Collection:**

1/18/'26: \$804.00

**St. Mary Church  
(SM) Collection:**

1/18/'26 \$2,132.00

### **Weekend Ministry Schedule**

Church	Role	Jan. 24/25	Jan. 31/Feb. 1
HT: Saturday 5:30PM Jan. 24 & Jan. 31	<b>Musician</b>	Kim Cory	Cindy Eppen
	<b>Cantor</b>	Kim Cory	Laural Seither
	<b>Lector</b>	Loretta Froyum	Kyla Nardinger
	<b>Servers</b>	Nora, Brynn, Lucas Frederick	Ellie Nardinger
	<b>Ushers</b>	Mike Zorn	Mike Zorn
SM: Sunday 8:45am Jan. 25 & Feb. 1	<b>Musician</b>	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer
	<b>Cantor</b>	Cathy O'Reilly	Taylor Dowden
	<b>Lector</b>	Patricia Mensink	Jeremy Keller
	<b>Servers</b>	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller	Danny Keller, Derek Stehr
	<b>Ushers</b>	Don Strauss, Derrick Stehr	Todd Majerus, Dominic Frazier
SC: Sunday 10:30am Jan. 25 & Feb. 1	<b>Musician</b>	Cindy Eppen	Cindy Eppen
	<b>Cantor</b>	Shannon Dicke	Denise Voth
	<b>Lector</b>	Chris Poncelet	Barb Lexvold
	<b>Servers</b>	Brady and Liahna McNamara	Jay Roschen, Caleb Schofield
	<b>Ushers</b>	Chris and JJ O'Reilly	Bruce McNamara



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**Knights of Columbus** Free Family  
Bowling day, January 18, 3:00-4:30  
PM at Trailhead Grill and Lanes,  
Pine Island, MN. A good time was  
had by all!

"Christians are baptized in the *name* of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit: not in their *names*, for there is only one God, the almighty Father, his only Son, and the Holy Spirit: the Most Holy Trinity." *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, par. #233. "The mystery of the Most Holy Trinity is the central mystery of Christian faith and life. It is the mystery of God himself. It is the source of all the other mysteries of our faith, that light that enlightens them... [T]he one true God... reveals himself to men 'and reconciles and unites with himself those who turn away from sin.'" CCC #234

**Knights of Columbus** **Pancake Breakfast**  
**Sts. Peter & Paul - Sun Jan 25<sup>th</sup>**

Please join us on Sunday January 25 at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church,  
9am-1230pm. Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, and Beverages will be  
served. Free will donations accepted to support various charities, pro-life  
causes, families in need, council operations and charitable works.




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