

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**725 6<sup>th</sup> STREET N.E.**  
**FOSSTON, MN 56542**



**Greetings from Fr. John:**

We are in the Thirty Second Sunday of the Ordinary Time. This Sunday readings invite us to be ever ready and well prepared to welcome Jesus. Being unprepared can lead to unnecessary trouble and even disaster! What good is a life-jacket left on the shore when the boat is sinking? Wedding customs in ancient Palestine required extra vigilance and preparation for everyone involved. To show up for a wedding party without proper attire and travel arrangements is like trying to get into a special event today that requires a prearranged permit or reservation. Jesus warns us that there are consequences for being unprepared. There are certain things you cannot obtain at the last moment. For example, students cannot prepare for their exams when the day of testing is already upon them. When the Lord Jesus comes to lead us to his heavenly banquet, will we be ready to hear his voice and follow? Our eternal welfare depends on our hearing. We will not be prepared to meet the Lord, face to face, when he calls us, unless we listen to him today. The Lord invites us to feast at his heavenly banquet table. Are you ready? As we are celebrating the Stewardship Sunday today, please extend your helping hands in all the ministries of our Parish.

**God Bless you. Have a great week.**

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Stewardship Sunday**  
**November 12<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

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**PARISH STAFF:**

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**Secretary: Lu Newell Cell 218-431-0983**

**Office Hours: Wed. 5-8 pm & Fri. 8am-1pm**

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**Office Hours: Mon. & Wed. 3-5 pm**

**R.E. Coordinators: PreK-6: AmandaWiener  
7-12: Lori Balstad**

**Pastoral Council Chair: Connie Smeby**

**Trustees: Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham**

**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:**

**Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895**

**24-hour confidential number**

**Confession 8AM, before Sunday Mass**

**St. Mary's Mass & Intentions:**

**Wed, Nov. 15 Adoration Noon – 8 pm**

**11:30 am Mass**

**Clarence Agnes+**

**1:00 pm McIntosh NH**

**Jerry & Laura Klinkhammer+**

**Fri, Nov. 17 8:45 am Mass**

**Deacon Jarvis Zitzow+**

**Sun, Nov. 19 8:30 am Mass**

**For the Parishes of St. Mary's and St. Joseph's**

**St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions**

**Tues, Nov. 14 Adoration Noon – 6 pm**

**Thurs, Nov 16 11:30 am Mass**

**John Waldorf+**

**Sun, Nov. 19 10:30 am Mass,**

**Allen Theis+**

**Thanksgiving Day Mass November 23**

**St. Mary's will have Mass at 8:30 am**

### **Birthdays**

Nov 15 Bill Bingham  
Nov 17 Melissa Hemberger  
Nov 19 Dennis Hemmingson

### **Anniversaries**

Nov 17 Richard & Marion Parent

### **PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT:**

Carol Aaland 435-6384 (H), 218-686-2710 (C).  
Please notify parish office of names to add or subtract  
and of those who could use a prayer shawl.

### **PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:**

Nash Rosendahl, Hannah Keller, Carly Hemmingsen, Chuck Agnes, Harper Hand, Linda Klinkhammer, Sara Swenson, Brady Jones, William Vener, Alexa Jordan, Betty Bingham, Richard Weiss, Jordyn Werl, Lou Osmundson, Patrick Murphy, Jim McDonald, Dave Ekman, Kevin, Sherilyn Kolstad, Kaylee, Sue Erdmann, Vernon Kleppe, Don Dyrdaahl, Rick Hand, Doug Hoverson, Pam (Larson) Parkin, Johnny Vetter, Sharon Rein, Irma Hemmingsen, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Elaine Martz, Eric Kaml, Paul Silver, Eason, Barb Wickham, Mary Griffin, Margaret Rustad, Ardell Redder, Mandy, Virginia Weber and Mike Lynch.

*"May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"*

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Please note with your donation whether intention is for a deceased or living person. Suggested donation is still \$5.00.

**Gluten-free hosts available:** Please stop by the sacristy before Mass to let Fr. know your need.

### **THE WORD OF THE LORD**

The readings for next Sunday, Nov 19, 2017  
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31,  
Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5  
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30

Thank you Connie Smeby for accepting the position as the Guild Group 2 Leader along with Lua nn Dufault. Your assistance is gratefully appreciated.

### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):**

PreK-12 grades RE class after Sunday Mass  
9:45-10:45am

Friday class for grades K-6 at 8:30-9:25 am.

For grades 7-12 please contact

Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

For Grades PreK-6 please contact

Amanda Wiener 218-563-2703 or at

amandaw Wiener@hotmail.com

If you have not yet joined Religious Education, you're always most welcome!

**Youth Group will be meeting on  
November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm.**

May God bless them with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and a closer walk with Jesus.

**SUNDAY YOUTH MASS is on Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>.**

### **Debbie's Basket Sale is on December 10, 2017**

In memory of Debbie Agnes, who loved the Basket Sale held annually by Catholic United Financial (CUF), plan now to fill a basket, cookie tin, plate or whatever you desire for the **silent auction to be held during coffee and rolls Sunday, Dec. 10**. This is the second matching grant fund raiser by our CUF Council this year. Again, it all goes to the parish for the religious education program, along with the match provided by Catholic United Financial. Together we can provide great Catholic education for our youth.

**YOUTH RALLY RECAP:** The High School Youth Rally was a great success! More students participated than have in recent years and this may be because it was moved it to a Sunday. Eight students with two chaperones from St. Mary's attended this wonderful event this year! You can see their group photo on the bulletin board as well as stmarysfosston.org

### **16<sup>th</sup> Annual Hospice Tree Walk**

Sunday, December 3 at  
Magelessen Elementary North Gym  
10am – 1pm Pancake Breakfast  
1:30 Celebration of Life Ceremony

### **Community Thanksgiving Eve Service**

Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm  
The service will be held at the  
Kingo Lutheran Church in Fosston this year.  
Community Choir Practice is at 6:00 pm  
Offering designated for Samaritan's Purse:  
Hurricane Relief  
The service is sponsored by the Ministerial.

### **"Bakeless Bake Sale" by CUF Ends Nov 19**

Please make checks payable to St. Mary's CUF  
Council. You can either drop your donation in the  
box in the gathering space or mail to Jan  
Hemmingsen, 39022 335th Ave SE, Fosston,  
MN 56542. All proceeds go to St. Mary's religious  
education and are part of our matching grant fund  
raiser. Last year we received \$1,000 from Catholic  
United Financial matching our donations to the  
Bakeless Bake Sale and the Basket Sale. Thank you  
for supporting the education of our future church.

**Donations for "Journeysongs"** is an on going  
fund raiser so you can continue to donate.  
Special donation envelopes and a donation box  
are available in the gathering space.  
For questions call Theresa Zitzow 435-1182

*Thank you from the Music Committee, Fr. John  
and the Finance and Parish Council for the  
donations that have already contributed to 152  
hymnals!*

### **Hunters**

Prayers for a safe and successful hunting season.

### **St. Joseph's, Bagley, Annual Fundraiser**

December 1, 2017 11:00am – 1:00pm  
Soup & Sandwich, Bake Sale & Raffle

### **Stewardship Sunday is Today**

Please prayerfully consider the gift of your time  
and talent and volunteer for one of the ministries  
here at St. Mary's. A few of the Ministries  
include: Ushers, Lectors, Eucharistic Ministers,  
Cantors, Commentators and Hospitality. A sign-  
up sheet is included in today's bulletin. You may  
also contact the office at 218-435-6484 or email  
stmarysfosston@gmail.com.

### **St. Michael's School is now taking orders for HOMEMADE PIES.**

**Order** yours today: Baked Pumpkin, Unbaked  
Apple or Strawberry Rhubarb ~ \$10.00 each.  
**Pick up schedule** at St. Michael's Church  
Basement will be:  
Saturday, November 18, 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm,  
Sunday, November 19, 12:00 pm – 9:00 pm,  
Monday, November 20, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm.  
**Contact** Gina Noll 935-2931, 261-1005,  
[pngz@hotmail.com](mailto:pngz@hotmail.com) or any St. Michael's School  
Family. See the bulletin board for more  
information.

### **Loaves and Fishes Food Shelf**

Please prayerfully consider donating a non-  
perishable food item to the Loaves and Fishes  
Food Shelf. For every item received, Thrivent  
Financial will donate \$1 (up to \$500) to the Food  
Shelf in Fosston.  
In thanksgiving for the blessings we have received,  
**we will collect food donations until Nov. 26  
which is the Sunday after Thanksgiving.**  
Monetary donations may be put in the Sunday  
collection basket marked for the food shelf or  
mailed directly to Loaves and Fishes at PO Box  
152, Fosston, MN 56542

### **Ham Dinner at Kingo Lutheran Church**

Sunday, Nov 19, 2017 from 11:00am – 1:00pm  
Adults- \$10.00 and Children 10 and under - \$5.00  
Take out offered – Call 435-6331

Start Each Day with a Grateful Heart.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Nov. 19, 2017**

**Ushers:** Tom Weber, 2 Students

**Gifts:** Students

**Lector:** Student

**Commentator:** Student

**Eucharist:** \*Jeanne Sanden, Erv Wickham,  
Michelle Schoenborn, John & Candy Keller

**Servers:** Students

**Hospitality:** Eileen Hegg, Sue & Jerry Erdmann

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Nov. 26, 2017**

**Ushers:** David Brinkman, David Holzer

**Gifts:** Pat & Michael Lynch

**Lector:** Michelle Schoenborn

**Commentator:** Jan Hemmingsen

**Eucharist:** \*Eileen Hegg, Kathryn Ziermeier, Gave  
Wiener, Doug Hand, Doug Schoenborn

**Servers:** Kayla Zitzow, Trent Balstad, Ben Keller

**Hospitality:** Jerome & Linda Klinkhammer, Tyler  
McGlynn

**STEWARDSHIP**

Budget needed weekly: \$2320.15

Last Week's Collections:

29 Adult Envelopes: \$1560.00

5 Children/Youth: \$ 5.00

Donations for Rolls:(Cost of rolls\$30.99) \$ 33.00

All Saints Day: \$ 127.00

Youth Service Project: \$ 35.00

Capital Improvements: \$ 269.00

**Capital Improvement Balance:** \$3867.48

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Nov. 19 is for the Campaign for  
Human Development.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Nov. 26 is for St. Mary's  
Mission Appeal**

**60 Years Married**

Florence and Ernie Nesvold will celebrate their  
60 year Wedding Anniversary on November  
29<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations and blessings to both of  
you.

**Holy Day of Obligation Ministries**

Please let Lu know your availability to participate  
in the Ministries for the upcoming Holy Day of  
Obligation Masses on Christmas Eve, Christmas  
Day and New Year's Day. Ministries include:  
Ushers, Gifts, Lector, Eucharistic Ministers and  
Servers.

You may text 218-431-0983 or email the office.  
[stmarysfosston@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysfosston@gmail.com)

**During the month of November we remember  
all the deceased people of our families  
in our prayers.**



Since last November, our parish has mourned  
the passing of:

**Dean DeFrang, Marie Straub, John Reinbold,  
Dave Siedschlag, Ricky Simmons, Scott  
James Bruce and Annammal..**

May they and all the souls of the faithful  
departed rest in peace. You are encouraged and  
invited to bring pictures of those you wish to  
honor and have us remember. There is an area  
at the back of the church for them to be  
displayed. Also, please enter their names in the  
special book of the dead so that they may be  
included in our prayers.

**2017 St. Mary's Mission Appeal**

Please keep in prayer this Appeal which will be  
taken up on November 26<sup>th</sup>, the weekend after  
Thanksgiving. Our gifts to the Appeal are so  
critical to the wellbeing of St. Mary's Mission  
School. The 108 children who are receiving a  
quality Catholic education there will become the  
future leaders of the Red Lake Nation. You can  
donate online and view the award-winning St.  
Mary's Mission Appeal Video at  
[www.crookston.org/smma](http://www.crookston.org/smma).