

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
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**Twenty Third Sunday in
Ordinary Time
September 9th, 2018**

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24-hour confidential number

Please note office hours have changed.

Confession 8AM, before Sunday Mass

St. Mary's Mass & Intentions

Wed., Adoration Noon – 8 pm

Wed., Sept. 12 1 PM Mass, McIntosh NH
Rick Hand+

Fri., Sept. 14 8:30 am Mass, Janetta Lara+

Sun., Sept. 16 8:30 am Mass,
Proulx Family+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Thur., Sept. 13 8:30 AM Mass,
Frank & Minnie Shereck+

Sun., Sept. 9 10:30 AM Mass,
For the Parishes of St. Mary's
& St. Joseph's

Catechetical Sunday September 16th.

Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's Scripture readings offer us an invitation to become humble instruments of healing in Jesus' hands by giving voice to the voiceless, the needy and the marginalized in our society. It also invites us to open our ears to hear the word of God and to allow the Holy Spirit to loosen our tongues to praise and worship Him and to convey the Good News of God's love and salvation to others. Today's Gospel describes how Jesus, by healing a deaf man with a speech impediment, fulfills Isaiah's Messianic prophecy, *"The eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped."* What we see is not simply the healing of a physical defect, but a concrete sign of the transforming power of God's Love. The power of God's Love is working in our lives to transform sorrow into joy, sickness into health, death into new life. In Baptism, the priest or deacon who baptized us touched our ears and mouths that we might hear the word of God and speak about Christ to others. Let us allow Jesus to heal our spiritual deafness and muteness.

God Bless You! Have a great week!

Birthdays

Sept 10 Margarette Rue
Sept. 12 Don Drydahl
Sept. 16 Lynn Vennes

Anniversaries Listed

Sept. 11 Bill & Betty Bingham
Sept. 14 Doug & Michele Schoenborn

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, Candy Keller, Hannah Keller,
Chuck Agnes, Harper Hand, Linda Klinkhammer,
Brady Jones, Betty Bingham, Lou Osmundson,
Kaylee, Sharon Rein, Kristi Maruska, Wayne
Paulson, Paul Silver, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh
Martinson, Fr. Don Braukmann, Charlene Langen,
Sally Hanson, Roger Scharendroich, Nora Ann
Lentz, Cele Winkler, Loni Jirik, Rick Miller,
Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, Jackie Randall,
Connie Smeby, Vernon Kleppe, James Bingham,
Gary Ebling.

"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, Sept. 16, 2018

Isaiah 50:4-9a, Ps 116:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9, James
2:14-18, Mark 8:27-35

2018 High School Youth Rally will be held at
Sacred Heart in East Grand Forks on Sunday,
October 28th.

Pro-Life Gathering, Monday, Sept. 17th at
7 PM, St. Philip's Catholic Church 702 Beltrami
Ave. NW Bemidji. www.mcccl.org. Free

LECTOR Workshop 2018

October 13, 9-11 am –St. Joseph-Bagley

Walk to Remember event October 6th,

9 AM at the Sanford Medical Center, Bemidji. The
event supports the "Parents Embracing Time After
Loss" program.

Contact 218-333-5755. Check out bulletin board.

How Do We Respond to a Culture that No Longer Believes in Truth?

Join us for an exclusive FORMED digital study led
by Dr. Edward Sri! Over the course of four weeks,
learn to respond to the world's questions on
morality and relativism with weekly sessions of
Who Am I to Judge? direct to your inbox and
engaging discussion with Dr. Sri and other
participants. September 20 with a FORMED Live
Event where Dr. Sri and Sean Dalton will discuss
relativism in modern culture and how Catholics
should respond. **Free!**

Go to: Formed.org. Parish code: TGVHW3

Saint Peter Claver Feast day Sept. 9 – Memorial,
USA. St. Peter was from Spain and joined the
Jesuits and requested to serve in the American
missions. He dedicated himself to the physical and
spiritual care of African slaves. He met every slave
ship he could, using interpreters, he greeted the
traumatized chained men and women with fresh
water, ripe fruit, bandages and more. He baptized
more than forty thousand souls and died forgotten,
alone, and poor.

**"Did not God choose those who are poor in the
world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom
that he promised to those who love him?" JAMES 2:5**
What is more important - being rich in faith or rich
in possessions? Society teaches us that possessions
are most important. God teaches a different lesson.
When we are rich in faith, we keep God first in all
things and realize that material things really don't
matter and that it's more important to share with
those who have less.

DIGGER DEEPER into your Faith Class

Why are you Catholic? Did you ever wish you had
an answer to someone questioning to your faith?
Sept. 27, 2018 through January 24, 2019. \$20. 5-7
PM. Dead line to sign up Sept. 19, call Diane
Waggoner 218-760-6928 St. Philip's, Bemidji

ST. MARY'S PARISH BAZAAR

Sunday, September 30th, 2018

Please **bring any plastic bowls & lids** you have to use for to-go meals. Please label your items for the Country Store and Bake Walk.

Workers: please park in the back of the Church, to leave room in the parking lot during the Bazaar. God Bless. The Bazaar Committee.

Blessing of Cemeteries;

There will be a Mass at **Hansville cemetery** at 11:30am on Wed., Sept. 26th, followed by blessing of the cemetery.

Blessing of St. Mary's cemetery behind the church after the Mass October 7th.

All are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Anointing of the Sick:

Sunday, October 21st at end of the Mass.

Fall Cursillo, Women's Cursillo Sept. 27-30, and Men's Cursillo Oct. 25-28 at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp, Fosston. Contact Carol Olsonawski 218-689-9081 or Bobbi Mercil 701-866-5706

Applications at crookstoncursillo@weebly.com.

Fall Dinners/Festivals/Bazaars

Our Northland Diocese published Fall Dinners, Festivals and Bazaars from around the Diocese of Crookston in Aug. 22. A copy of it is on the bulletin board. www.crookston.org/falldinners

St. Joseph's, Beaulieu, serving Family Style Roast Beef & Ham dinner with all the fixings Sept. 16th. Includes Bazaar, Raffle & Games.

TOMORROW, Monday, Sept. 10th from 4-7 PM **Prairie Pines Community Carnival** (903 Prairie Pines Drive, Fosston) \$5 meal, Bake sale & much more. Check out the bulletin board.

Pancake breakfast TODAY, Sept. 9th 10am-2pm at the United Methodist Church. The free will offering will go to the Fosston After School Time program. FAST will start Wednesday, Oct. 3rd for all 4th thru 6th grades

Marriage Celebration Day

Bishop Michael J. Hoepfner invites all of the faithful to join him and married couples from across the Diocese of Crookston for the 2018 Marriage Celebration Day on Sunday, October 7th at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Crookston. The celebration will begin with Sunday Mass at 2:30 p.m. during which couples will be honored. All married couples as well as widows and widowers will receive a special blessing from Bishop and each couple will receive a gift in thanksgiving for their support of marriage. Following Mass, supper will be served. If you are planning to stay for the meal, please RSVP by September 24th at www.crookston.org/marriageday or by calling the Diocese of Crookston at 218-281-4533

The decorating committee is looking for fall decoration items/donations:

Pumpkins and gourds - all sizes

Corn stalks and ornamental corn

Birch sticks or dogwood branches

Wheat stalks and ornamental grass (if you had ornamental grass in planters that has now dried, this is perfect- just tie off with twine and cut)

Sunflowers and hydrangeas -can be dry

We're also looking to borrow (or donate)

Small wooden wagon, wagon wheel, apple baskets, old wash tub, old milk can. (thanks for the ladder) Money to buy mums - which can be donated in someone's name - Please drop off at the church by Sept 9th. Thank you!

Your Fall Live Drive on **Real Presence Radio** is coming September 19 - 21. Tune in to hear several local guests to help kick off the event. Call 1-877-795-0122 or send your gifts to PO Box 13703 Grand Forks, ND 58208. Call in your support for your local Catholic Radio station 820AM (Bemidji), 1280AM (Fargo/Moorhead), 1370AM (Grand Forks/East Grand Forks).

Thank you for your prayers and support.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Sept. 16, 2018

Ushers: Doug Schoenborn, Dennis Sanden
Gifts: Gabe & Amanda Wiener Family
Lector: Lori Balstad
Commentator: Michele Schoenborn
Eucharist: *Eileen Hegg, Dorothy Killian,
Steve & Lorri Massmann, Mark Bingham
Servers: Grace Rue, Dane Schoenborn,
Jesse Worshek
Hospitality: Valarie & David Holzer Family,
Dorothy Killian

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Sept. 23, 2018

Ushers: Tom Webber, Erv Wickham
Gifts: Tom Webber, Erv Wickham
Lector: Clyde Kringle
Commentator: Margarette Rue
Eucharist: *Kathryn Ziermeier, Valarie Holzer,
Doug Schoenborn, Mark Bingham, Gabe Wiener
Servers: Kayla Zitzow, Isaac & Emily Chalich
Hospitality: Mark & Nina Bingham Family,
Mary Jacobson Family

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$2403.67
Last Week's Collections:	
30 Adult Envelopes:	\$ 1500.00
3 Children/Student Donations	\$ 3.00
Loose	\$ 100.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 1603.00
Coffee & Rolls (cost 28.98)	\$ 17.00
Building Fund	\$ 178.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 4113.21

Please consider being a Eucharistic Minister.

Bazaar Committee Leader still needed.
Please prayerfully consider volunteering for this very important job.
Contact Fr. John at 435-6484.

There will be Mass at St. Mary's on Saturday, September 29th at 5 PM.

Thank You to Jeanne & Dennis Sanden & John Blaser for removing the broken tree in the back of the rectory.

Finance Council meeting Sept. 20th, 7 PM
Pastoral Council meeting Sept. 25th, 6 PM

BUILDING IMPROVEMENT PLANS

If you have questions or comments about the proposal of installing twelve windows (sky lights) on the north side of our worship area, or looping of the church for the hearing impaired or acoustic panels for the social hall, please feel free to talk to a member of the Building Committee, the Pastoral Council or the Finance Council.

ST. MARY'S PARISH BAZAAR

Sunday, September 30th, 2018

Please let Carol Aaland 435-6384 know if you are unable to be here for your assigned job.
More raffle books are available in the Office.
6:30 PM Guild Meeting Thursday, Sept. 13th

Any employee or volunteer of St. Mary's involved with the Youth of our parish, please certify in Safe Environment (SE)

Go to the Diocesan website main menu:
www.crookston.org/secertification or
www.crookston.org under "Safe Environment".

Do Component A.

Questions please call the Church office
435-6484 / E-Mail: stmarysfosston@gmail.com

Please Register your children for Religious Education (RE). Forms are available in the gathering space. Classes start for Pre K – 12 grad.
High School Religious Ed starts Sunday after Mass Sept. 16th.

Friday Release time starts Sept. 28th.
Pre-6th grade starts after Mass, Sunday, Oct. 7th.

Catechetical Sunday September 16th

All Teachers & Volunteers: A catechist is one who teaches in the name of the Church and will be called forth during Mass to be commissioned for their ministry.

Our heart-felt condolences to the family of Roberta Werstlein, who passed away August 30th. Roberta is Clara Maneckie's sister.
Let us continue to lift them up to the Lord!