

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
725 6th STREET N.E.
FOSSSTON, MN 56542



Greetings from Deacon Aaron:

This is the 5th Sunday of Ordinary time.

Conversion to Conversation All three readings today focus on the call of discipleship by three very different ordinary people who found themselves unworthy to fulfill the request made by God. Our purpose in life is to be converted to the Lord. In the first reading we hear how Isaiah feels unworthy because of his unclean lips, however God sends an angel to purify his lips with an ember from the altar which removes his sin. Through the sacrament of reconciliation our sins can be wiped away as well. Isaiah responds to the call with "Here I am, send me." Will our response be the same? The second reading focuses on how God's grace is the most important factor, as Paul describes how he felt he was born abnormally, and unfit to be called an apostle because he persecuted the Church. But, God expects greater things from us than we can do ourselves. When we cooperate in Christ's works, we accomplish far beyond what we can do on our own. Peter was a skilled fisherman but was astounded by the great miracle of fish they caught with the help of the Lord. Jesus said to Simon, what he speaks to all of us "Do not be afraid" Let us all trust in the Lord and follow Him! God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time February 10th, 2019

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7-12: Lori Balstad

Pastoral Council Chair: Dennis Sanden

Trustees: Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:

Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895

24-hour confidential number

Confession 8 AM, before Sunday Mass

St. Mary's Mass & Intentions

Wednesdays: Adoration Noon – 8:00 pm

Sun., Feb. 17 8:30 am Mass, Rick Hand+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Sun., Feb. 17 10:30am Mass, For the Parishes

Blessing of the Throat Feb. 17th

PRAYER LIST

Carol Aaland 435-6384 (H), 218-686-2710 (C).
Please notify parish office or Carol of names
to add or subtract from prayer list.

Birthdays

Feb 11 Sarah Bjerklie
Feb 14 Doreen Brovold
Feb 17 Linda Hand

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, Harper Hand,
Linda Klinkhammer, Brady Jones, Betty Bingham,
Sharon Rein, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Paul
Silver, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson,
Fr. Don Braukmann, Sally Hanson, Roger
Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz, Loni Jirik, Rick
Miller, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, James
Bingham, Gary Ebling, Allie St. Pierre, Brenda
Steffan, John Keller, Eileen Hegg, Richard Parent,
Dennis Omang, Beverly Roue, Kaylee, Tracy
Kozitka, Deloris Landerville, Bev Drellack,
Lucille Kaml, Marvin Esser, Lyne Cullen, Nick
Prudhomme, Bernie Brennan.

"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, Feb. 17, 2018
Jeremiah 17:5-8, Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6, 1 Corinthians
15:12, 16-20, Luke 6:17, 20-26

TEC Retreat:

February 16-18 at St. Joseph's, Moorhead.
March 16-18 at Sandhill Bible Camp, Fosston.
Open to all students 16 years of age and older.
Email Terry Steen at sjchurchlady@yahoo.com
or call 218-784-4131 with any questions.

FOR SALE: 7 fluorescent bulbs (4 feet long)
\$2.50 each. Contact Linda Hand. Since we
converted to LED bulbs, the bulbs on hand are no
longer needed and cannot be returned because they
were purchased by the case.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):

PreK-12 grades RE class after Sunday Mass
9:45-10:45 AM as scheduled
Youth group, Grades 7-12 meet Wed.,
Feb. 20 from 6-8 PM. Supper provided.
Friday class for grades K-6 at 8:30-9:30 AM.
No Friday School February 15.
For grades 7-12 Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286
For Grades K-6 Amanda Wiener 218-280-2187 or
at amandawiener@hotmail.com

**The Students will be ministering at Mass one
Sunday of each month. We welcome their help.**

For questions contact Lori.

**You're always welcome to join Religious
Education, any time.**

ST. JOHN PAUL II CAMP

Camp sessions: July 7-11 and July 14-18
For all teens entering Grades 7 - 9.
Registration open at
<http://www.crookston.org/jp2camp>.

2019 Middle School Youth Rally: Mark your
calendars for the 2019 Middle School Youth
Rally will be held at Fosston High School on
Sunday, April 28th, 2019.

This Lent, Enter the Greatest Story Ever Told:

Millions have watched our Journey Through
Scripture video Bible studies. Catholics and non-
Catholics alike have a dynamic way to read the
Bible in its fullest sense. Get ready for the study
that inspired it all: **Genesis to Jesus**. This Ash
Wednesday, watch the capstone project of Journey
Through Scripture—based on the covenantal
theology of world-renowned scholar Scott Hahn
and produced by Matthew Leonard. *Genesis to
Jesus* makes the story of salvation history
brilliantly clear and vibrantly alive. Scott Hahn
has called God's covenantal love for us the most
important story ever told. Now, discover your own
place in the story and live it out to the fullest. Don't
forget to invite your friends, Catholic or not,
because this is a study that no one should miss!
FREE to all parishioners!

Go to: Formed.org. Parish code: TGVHW3

**Register for Catholics at the Capitol NOW!
Deadline has been extended to Feb. 14**

Answer the call to be an advocate for life and dignity! Following New York's recently signed abortion law – legalizing abortion through all nine months of pregnancy and removing protections for babies who survive an abortion – the USCCB is calling on all Catholics to "fight with renewed vigor for the unborn." Although overturning the Roe v. Wade decision is a central goal of the pro-life movement, we must take action on the local level to pass laws that protect women and the unborn here in Minnesota. **Catholics at the Capitol** is the event that will equip you to be an effective advocate. Catholics from across Minnesota are coming together for life and dignity on **Tuesday, February 19th!** Through this day of prayer, inspiration, education, and advocacy for **pro-life legislation** you can make Catholic voices count at the Capitol! The Diocese of Crookston will be providing transportation to this event. **A bus will leave St. Philip's in Bemidji at 4 AM.** Information on Catholics at the Capitol can be found at <https://catholicsatthecapitol.org/>

"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" (Isaiah 6:8) Every day, in little & big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether to take on a new ministry, give a friendly smile to a stranger or say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. **The next time you hear God calling, have the courage to walk through the door and say "Here I am, Lord."**

Saint Valentine is a third-century Roman saint widely celebrated on February 14. St. Valentine was presented with a judge's blind daughter and told to restore her sight. If he succeeded, the judge vowed to do anything for Valentine. Placing his hands onto her eyes, Valentine restored the child's vision. Patron Saint of affianced couples, bee keepers, engaged couples, epilepsy, fainting, greetings, happy marriages, love, lovers, plague, travelers, and young people.

2019 DAA This is commitment weekend for the Diocesan Annual Appeal. The Diocesan goal for the Appeal will remain at \$99,000. This goal is shared and pro-rated among our 66 parishes based on the prior year's offertory and the number of donors. Our parish goal for 2019 is \$9,383, which is an increase of \$447. You should have received a mailing from Bishop Hoepfner at home. Envelopes are also available in the pews. Please pray about a gift to the Annual Appeal. Check out the website at www.crookston.org/daa to see a description of the ministries the DAA gifts support and the options for giving. Whether or not you are able to make a gift, Bishop Hoepfner humbly asks that you send your prayer requests to the Chancery so that he and his staff can pray for your intentions at daily Mass.

OUR NORTHLAND DIOCESE (OND) 2019

READER SURVEY: During Feb. and Mar., every person who receives Our Northland Diocese in their mailbox or reads OND news online is invited to offer comments – positive and negative – in a reader survey! The feedback will be used to aid the continuing evolution of the publication. OND Staff and Board of Directors want to know your level of satisfaction with the print design, commentary columns and how the publication is living out its mission to publish Good News for furthering and strengthening the reign of God in the Diocese of Crookston! The survey is 20 questions long and should only take a few minutes of your time. Visit www.crookston.org/ondsurvey to learn more and participate!

Cursillo weekends at Sand Hill Bible Camp.
The Men's weekend is February 21-24, 2019
The Women's weekend is March 21-24, 2019

Please note changes made to schedule:

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Feb. 17, 2019

Ushers: David Brinkman, Doug Hand

Gifts: Jan & Dennis Henningsen

Lector: Lori Balstad

Commentator: Michele Schoenborn

Eucharist: *Jeanne Sanden, Clyde Kringlen,
Doug Schoenborn, Jan Henningsen

Servers: Genevive Rue, Evan Chalich,
Tessa Zitzow

Hospitality: Lynn Jackson, Kathryn Ziermeier,
Connie Smeby

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Feb. 24, 2019

Ushers: Dave Holzer, 2 Youth

Gifts: Youth

Lector: Youth

Commentator: Youth

Eucharist: *Jeanne Sanden, Kathryn Ziermeier,
Dr. Gabe Wiener, Michelle Schoenborn

Servers: Youth

Hospitality: Dave Holozer, Steve Chalich,
Randy Rue

**More volunteer Ministers are needed.
Pray about being a Eucharistic Minister.
Also, a Bazaar Committee Leader is needed.
Contact the parish office at 435-6484.**

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 1749.67
Last Week's Collections:	
42 Adult Envelopes:	\$ 2051.00
2 Children/Student Donations	\$ 2.00
Loose	\$ 26.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 2079.00
Coffee & Rolls (cost \$32.43)	\$ 35.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 414.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 5773.86
Votive Candles	\$ 27.00

Liturgy Basics Workshop

St. Mary's Fosston, will host a diocesan "Liturgy Basics Workshop," Saturday, February 16th, 2019, 8:30am – 1:30 pm. (Lunch provided) Forgot to register? Call the Diocese at 218-281-4533

Our sincere sympathy to

David Brinkman and his family on the death of David's Father, Dewain Brinkman.

Carol Broadwell and her family on the death of her father, Jack Rinkenberger.

Ardell Redder and her family on the death of her Brother, Vernon Kleppe

May Dewain, Jack, Vernon and all the faithful departed rest in peace with Jesus and may those who mourn be comforted knowing they may be reunited in heaven.

From Candy Keller's Mom, Marjorie: **Thank You to everyone** who helped with Candy's funeral. (Please read the special thank you card on the bulletin board).

St. Mary's Church has received "Choice Dollars" grant funds thanks to Thrivent and its members. Eligible Thrivent members can recommend where Thrivent Financial distributes some of its charitable outreach funds by directing **Choice Dollars by March 31st, 2019.** Call 218-435-7800.

February 14th, Giving Hearts Day. Go to GivingHeartsDay.org & donate to your favorite local charities.

Our Youth Group Needs You! The youth group is doing a fund raiser for their Mission trip, planned for the summer of 2019. Please help support our youth by ordering from a various assortment of Butterbraids and/or Old World Brand Coffee. **Ordering starts today, Sunday, February 10th and goes through Sunday February 17th.** Contact will be in gathering space after Mass. Thank you for all you do to support our youth.

World Marriage Day: Today, February 10th. It's not love that keeps your marriage alive. It's marriage that keeps your love alive. Please take a minute & read the insert today.