

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

The Church celebrates today as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. Today's liturgy combines contrasting moments of glory and suffering – the royal welcome given to Jesus by his followers and the unjust drama of his trial culminating in his crucifixion. Holy Week challenges us to remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation, to appreciate gratefully the price Jesus paid for our salvation, and to return God's love for us (expressed through the suffering and death of Jesus), by loving others. The meditation on these Paschal mysteries should enable us to do our own dying to sin and rising with Jesus, which will result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption. Proper participation in the Holy Week liturgy will also deepen our relationship with God, increase our Faith and strengthen our lives as disciples of Jesus.

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

"Thank You" to everyone who signed up for Holy Week Ministries. This is for the HOLY TRIDUUM, the three days, at St. Joseph's this year. Schedule posted on bulletin board.

Confessions Wednesday, April 17th, 5-6 PM.

**Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
April 14th, 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

Wed., Apr., 17 11:30am Mass,
Philip Schouviller

Sun., Apr. 21 8:30 am Mass,
For the Parishes

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Tues., Apr. 16 3:30pm Mass at Cornerstone NH
All Souls in Purgatory

Thurs., Apr. 18 7 pm Mass-Last Supper &
Institution of the Holy Eucharist,
Allen Theis+

Fri., Apr. 19 6 pm Good Friday Service,
Passion of the Lord

Sat., Apr. 20 8 pm Easter Vigil,
John Shereck+

Sun., Apr. 21 10:30am Mass, Suvakeen+

Birthdays

April 17	Clyde Kringlen
April 17	Mark Randall
April 17	Erwin Zitzow
April 18	Lisa Nesvold
April 21	Ruth Calarese
April 21	Jerry Erdmann
	Anniversays
April 18	Steve & Sarah Chalich

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, Brady Jones,
Betty Bingham, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson,
Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Fr. Don
Braukmann, Roger Scharendroich, Nora Ann
Lentz, Loui Jirik, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger,
Gary Ebling, Allie St. Pierre, Brenda Steffan,
Richard Parent, Dennis Omang, Beverly Roue,
Kaylee, Tracy Kozitka, Bev Drellack, Lynne
Cullen, Bernie Brennan, Paul Silver, Joyce
Klinkhammer, Bob Clayton, Ray Larson.
"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, April 21, 2019
Acts 10:34, 37-43, Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9

For our 2019 Vacation Bible School (VBS),
volunteers needed. Contact Amanda Wiener
218-280-2187 or amandawienner@hotmail.com
or Valarie Holzer toothbtold@gmail.com

2019 Middle School Youth Rally will be held at
Fosston High School on Sunday, April 28th.
Cost is \$50 and includes lunch & dinner.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):

7-12 grades RE class after Sunday Mass
9:45-10:45 AM as scheduled

Youth group, Grades 7-12 meet Wed.,
April 24th 6-8 PM. Supper provided.

Friday class for grades K-6 at 8:30-9:30 AM
NO Friday Class April 19th.

Fr grades 7-12 Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

Fo Grades K-6 Amanda Wiener 218-280-2187 or
at mandawienner@hotmail.com

First Communion Sunday, April 28th, 2019

Please pray for God's blessings on our children
Ethan Geray and Tyrus Lewis as they prepare
for their First Holy Eucharist. Strengthen their
Catholic faith and guide them as they continue
to develop a closer relationship with Jesus.

*Practice for First Communion is on
Saturday, April 27th at 10 am*

A STORY OF FAITH, HOPE AND

FORGIVENESS! Immaculee Ilibagiza lived with
7 other women in a hidden 3 x 4 foot bathroom for
91 days for protection from rape and murder. Hear
her story on Wednesday, April 24, 2019 at 7 PM in
Park Rapids High School, 401 Huntsinger Ave.

Tickets are \$10. Call 218-732-5142 or
annette@arvig.net

What would YOU give up to be a Catholic?

Why would anyone make sacrifices to become
Catholic? Scott Hahn, Jennifer Fulwiler, Jeff
Cavins and many others share what drew them into
the Catholic Church despite all the obstacles.

FREE to all parishioners!

Go to: Formed.org. Parish code: TGVHW3

**Are you or a loved one seeking employment in
a Catholic school or parish? NOW HIRING!**

Visit www.crookston.org/employment for an up-
to date list of open positions in and near the
Diocese of Crookston! **All position openings in
the Diocese will now be listed on there.**

We are pleased to announce the **Priesthood
Ordination** of Deacon Michael Ryan Arey, at 10
AM on Saturday, June 15 at Cathedral of the
Immaculate Conception, Crookston. **Everyone is
invited.** Reception after the Mass.

DAA 2019 We are getting really close to meeting our goal of \$9383. The March 29 report shows 42 donors from St. Mary's have given \$8130 and have pledged an additional \$1100 for a total of \$9230, just \$153 short of our goal. Way to go, St. Mary's! If you have not made your donation or pledge yet, please pick up an envelope by the missalettes and prayerfully consider what your gift will be. Contact Renee Tate at rtate@crookston.org or call the Chancery toll free at 1-855-397-8252 or to go www.crookston.org/daa for more info. May you be blessed for your alms giving during this Lenten season.

"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me." (Luke 22:34) How many times have you heard someone make a disparaging comment about Jesus or our Catholic faith? How did you react? Do you remain quiet not to cause a disturbance? Or, do you remain quiet because you believe people will think negatively about you? Pray for the courage to speak up and enter into a respectful dialogue when the opportunity arises.

Feed My Starving Children Food Packing
May 14 & 15, 2019, at Bagley Hockey Arena
Volunteers are needed to package for two-hour packing shifts. Call 218-766-8176 to sign up. Donations are also needed. Write checks to "Feed My Starving Children" and write 1905-022EA Bagley in the memo. Mail to Bagley Food Packing Event, 14340 Glacier Rd., Clearbrook, MN 56634

"How do Catholic lay people, who love Christ and are already busy people, carry out their God-given mission to bring Christ and the faith to others without becoming busier?" Find out by reading the easy-to-understand "[Integrated Evangelization](#)" booklet that Deacon Mark Krejci left for us on the table in the social hall.

If there is one thing we can do to save the babies and bring down the powerful Planned Parenthood while we pray for the pregnant mothers and pregnancy centers, it is the Rosary. It would be great if we could have one million rosaries weekend of Friday-Sunday, May 3-5.

I would like to thank the parish of St. Mary's for the generous donation. I'm so grateful for your love and support and many prayers. I know they matter! Thank you for always being a part of my life. I carry you with me through this journey. Love, Kristin Litzinger

Development Coordinator Position Available: The Parishes of St. Michael's, Mahnomen, St. Joseph's, Beaulieu and St. Michael's School are seeking to hire a half-time staff member to increase support for the parishes and school. This person will be responsible for grant writing, fundraising, school alumni relations, major gift acquisition and data management. Salary is competitive and commensurate with experience. Catholic identity and affinity for Catholic education is important but not imperative. For a full job description go to www.stmichaelsmahnomen.org and click on [Employment](#). Deadline to apply is April 22, 2019.

Minnesota Catholic Conference sent two small booklets, best used together, **Health Care Directives and a Guide to End-of-Life Care Decisions**. They are from the Catholic bishops of Minnesota. Booklets are located on the table in the gathering area. Please return them when done for others to read.

TOOTSIE ROLL SUNDAY: The Knights of Columbus will be offering tootsie rolls on April 28th. Your donations are used to support programs geared to improve the quality of life for people with disabilities. Your donations are sent to the DAC, Fosston.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY April 21, 2019

Ushers: Doug Schoenborn, Dave Holzer

Gifts: Alice & Elden Okstad

Lector: Clyde Kringlen

Commentator: Michele Schoenborn

Eucharist: *Mark Bingham, Linda Blaser,
Dr. Gabe Wiener, Erv Wickham

Servers: Logan Hemberger, Dane Schoenborn,
Grace Rue

Hospitality: No Rolls today.

Family & Friends of the First Communicants have volunteered to help with Mass, Please note the changes made to the schedule.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY April 28, 2019

Ushers: Dennis Sanden, Erv Wickham

Gifts: Ethan Geray, Tyrus Lewis

Lector: Kiana Anderson, Harlee Bingham

Commentator: Nina Bingham

Eucharist: *Valarie Holzer, Mark Bingham,
Linda Blaser, Dr. Gabe Wiener

Servers: Darien Holzer, Emily Chalich,
Faith Balstad

Hospitality: **Pot Luck served by Guild**

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly: \$ 2425.00

Last Week's Collections:

42 Adult Envelopes: \$ 2036.00

12 Children/Student Donations \$ 12.00

Loose \$ 20.00

Total Sunday Collection \$ 2068.00

Youth Pancakes \$ 1235.15

Easter Flowers \$ 45.00

CRS Rice Bowl \$ 40.00

Votive Candles \$ 42.00

Soup Supper for food shelf \$ 76.00

Capital Improvement \$ 496.00

Capital Improvement Balance \$ 6807.86

Collection Good Friday is for the Holy Land

2nd Collection April 28th for Home Missions

Please return your CRS Rice Bowl by Easter Sunday, April 21st.

SE Seminar was re-scheduled for July 17th due to storms. Please mark your calendar.

You are invited by Bishop Michael J. Hoepfner to attend the Chrism Mass Monday, April 15th, 6:30PM at the Cathedral in Crookston. Representatives from our parish will receive the blessed oils and bring them to our parish.

Two Paid Positions open at St. Mary's: Youth Group Coordinator needed, please prayerfully consider this position. Lori will help train someone during the 2019-2020 school year. Janitor needed. Marge will not work as janitor after July 1, 2019. Talk with Fr. John about both positions.

YARD CLEANUP: TODAY, 3pm, weather permitting. Youth going on the Mission trip and their families are asked to help. Supper will be served. If today isn't suitable because of weather or condition of grounds, please plan for Sunday, May 19 at 3pm.

Divine Mercy Sunday, April 28th, 3pm Chaplet will be at St. Mary's. Divine Mercy Novena and Chaplet pamphlet guide is by each entrance to the church. Please pick one up and start the Novena on April 19th, GOOD FRIDAY. Take home a free CD located at bulletin board for the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet.

"Unplanned," the movie, is in Fosston! Today, Sunday, 1, 4 and 7PM. Monday - Thursday 4 & 7 PM "Unplanned" is the story of Abby Johnson, former director of a Planned Parenthood facility, who now speaks out for life and helps find jobs for those leaving the abortion industry. The movie is rated "R" because of the violence of abortion. Parents, please accompany your teens to the movie and discuss this important issue. If after seeing the movie, you wish to "do something," please join the local MCCL to stay informed. Contact Eileen Hegg at eileenh@gvtel.com or call 218-779-0174.

Volunteers needed to arrange & run the "EGG HUNT" after Mass on Easter Sunday or it has to be canceled. Please contact Nina Bingham 435-1781

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence from meat.