

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



### Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the Fourth Sunday of Easter. It is called *Good Shepherd Sunday*. This is also the *World Day of Prayer for Vocations*. Today, we celebrate the Risen Lord as the Good Shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep. Every priest is a shepherd, he leads, feeds, nurtures, comforts, corrects, and protects Christ's sheep in the parish. In the Gospel passage, Jesus introduces himself as the "Good Shepherd." Jesus claims that as Good Shepherd he knows his sheep and loves them so much that he is ready to die for them. The Gospel text offers us both comfort and challenge. The comforting Good News is that Jesus, the Good Shepherd, knows us, provides for us and loves us. The challenge is for us to become *good shepherds* to those entrusted to our care and *good sheep* in our parish, the sheepfold of Jesus the Good Shepherd. Let us become good shepherds & good sheep in the fold of Jesus, our Good Shepherd. Let us pray for vocations to the Priesthood, the diaconate and the consecrated life. Have a Happy Mother's Day.

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

## Fourth Sunday of Easter May 12, 2019

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### PARISH STAFF:

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7-12: Lori Balstad  
Pastoral Council Chair: Dennis Sanden  
Trustees: Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham  
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Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895  
24-hour confidential number

### Confession 8 AM, before Sunday Mass

#### St. Mary's Mass & Intentions

Wednesdays: Adoration Noon – 8 pm

Wed., May 15 11:30am Mass,  
Alice Bluemke+  
1 pm Mass at McIntosh NH,  
Bernice Fesko family

Fri., May 17 8:30am Mass,  
Rick Miller+

Sun., May 19 8:30 am Mass,  
For the Parishes

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

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Thurs., May 16 11:30am Mass,  
Tina Linehan+

Sun., May 19 10:30am Mass, Allen Theis+

The Rosary will be prayed at 8:10 AM before Mass each Sunday morning during the month of May. Led by Catholic United Financial.

	<u>Birthdays</u>
May 15	Audrey Schmit
	<u>Anniversays</u>
May 11	Edna & Bill Kaupang
May 15	Justin & Amanda Schultz

**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, Loni 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, Ben  
Hougen, Marge Messer, Jesse Maruska, Brandon  
Wendland

*"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, May 19, 2019  
Acts 14:21-27, Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13,  
Revelation 21:1-5a, John 13:31-33a, 34-35

**Are you or a loved one seeking employment in a  
Catholic school or parish? NOW HIRING!** Visit  
[www.crookston.org/employment](http://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.**

**Caregiver Discussion Group** for anyone who  
provides care to a family member who is elderly,  
has a disability or chronic condition. Meeting at  
Essentia Health, Fosston, every third Monday of  
the month at 10AM. Free. Call 435-7661

Religious Education classes will resume in  
the Fall 2019.

**ST. JOHN PAUL II CAMP 2019**

Camp session: July 14-18

For all teens entering Grades 7 – 9.

The theme for this year will be called Relentless  
Father and the keynote talks will revolve around  
how the Father never gives up in pursuing us.  
Northern Pines Camp, 20033 County Rd. 1, Park  
Rapids. Registration open at

<http://www.crookston.org/jp2camp>.

Still in need of high school men to join our Service  
Team and 18+ year old women to serve on staff. If  
you know any individuals that would love to serve  
the diocese at camp, please encourage them to go  
to the diocesan website and apply.

**FATIMA.** Living the Message. *Heed Your  
Mother's Advice!* Many of us have heard of our  
Lady of Fatima's apparitions, but do we live out  
her message? Find out how.

**FREE** to all parishioners!

Go to: [Formed.org](http://Formed.org). Parish code: TGVHW3

**2019 Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA)**

2019 GOAL:	\$9383.00
DONATIONS	\$8751.50
PLEDGES (UNPAID)	\$ 987.50
<b>TOTAL DONATIONS &amp; PLEDGES</b>	<b>\$9739.50</b>

Donations are welcome. Use envelope provided  
by Diocese. Contact Renee Tate at  
[rtate@crookston.org](mailto:rtate@crookston.org) or call toll free 1-855-397-  
8252. Thank you so much to all who  
participate!

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.

The Chancery has received some calls about plans to support Notre Dame Cathedral following the fire. For more information on how you can support Notre Dame Cathedral go to [Fund created to support Cathedral of Notre Dame following devastating fire.](#)

**On evangelization by the laity** "The first focus for one who wants to evangelize is not on converting the other, but focusing on one's own need for deeper conversion. At this point in your life, where is that for you? With confidence in the mercy of Jesus, I encourage you to bring that to Him often." *From "Integrated Evangelization"* Get your free copy on the table in the social hall.

**"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit."** (Acts 13:52)

The disciples heard Our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to.

**St. Damien Joseph de Veuster.** Born in Belgium, 1864 served as priest for 9 years in Hawaiian Islands, volunteered as chaplain for the leper colony on the island of Molokai. He spent the rest of his life working to restore the dignity and improve the living conditions of the lepers. Died of leprosy. He is also honored by Hawaii with a statue in the US Capitol.

**YOU ARE INVITED!** For the 10th year at St. Mary's Church, Jesus has given you an open invitation to spend time with Him anytime on Wednesdays between noon and 8pm for Eucharistic adoration. (Closing time varies depending upon church activities.) **Have you visited Jesus in the past 10 years?**

**The Boundary Training (SE)** by Deacon Bernie Nojadera, Executive Director of the USCCB Secretariat of Child and Youth Protection, has been rescheduled for July 17, 2019 (FREE) Please RSVP to Renee Tate (rtate@crookston.org)

Please read the flyer in the bulletin insert today about the **FIVE WAYS** to protect your children from sexual abuse. Parents play the primary role in educating their children about sexual abuse.

**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

**ESTO VIR "BE A MAN!"**

August 6-8, 2019 at the Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp South of Fosston. ESTO VIR is a vocation camp for young men (age 16+) sponsored by the Diocese of Crookston's Office of Vocations. Gather with the seminarians of the diocese for sports, games, lakeside recreation, prayer, food and fellowship. Contact Fr. Matt Schmitz 218-773-0877 or mschmitz@sacredheartegf.net.

**The women at Vernes are hosting a day of Faith, Food, and Fun!** Called **CHATTERING CHICKS**, Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 10:30 AM at the Vernes Lutheran Church 29961 300<sup>th</sup> St. SE, McIntosh. **Violence Intervention Project.** Call Kathy 218-368-6374, Marlys Brovold 651-295-4718 or Carol Sollie 435-1525. Check out the bulletin board for more info.

**Of all the special joys in life,  
The big ones and the small,  
A mother's love and tenderness  
Is the greatest of them all. – Anon.**

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY May 19, 2019**

**Ushers:** David Brinkman, Tom Weber

**Gifts:** Florence Nesvold, Alice Balstad

**Lector:** Lori Balstad

**Commentator:** Jan Hemmingsen

**Eucharist:** \* Jeanne Sanden, Dr. Gabe Wiener,  
Erv Wickham, Mark Bingham

**Servers:** Lance Balstad, Genevieve Rue,  
Ron Jackson

**Hospitality:** LuAnn Dufault, Marion Parent,  
Mark & Jacelyn Randall

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY May 26, 2019**

**Ushers:** Mark & Harlee Bingham

**Gifts:** David & Rosemary Brinkman

**Lector:** Clyde Kringlen

**Commentator:** Margarette Rue

**Eucharist:** \* Eileen Hegg, Linda Blaser,  
Michelle & Doug Schoenborn

**Servers:** Grant Hemberger, Grace & Sofia Rue

**Hospitality:** Jan & Dennis Hemmingsen,  
Clara & Eugene Manecke

**STEWARDSHIP**

Budget Needed Weekly: \$ 2425.00

Last Week's Collections:

41 Adult Envelopes: \$ 1505.00

2 Children/Student Donations \$ 2.33

Loose \$ 95.00

**Total Sunday Collection \$ 1597.33**

Coffee & Rolls (cost \$40.97) \$ 40.33

Home Mission \$ 10.00

Easter \$ 125.00

Youth Fund \$ 25.00

Holy Thursday, Loves & Fishes \$ 47.26

Tootsie Rolls for DAC \$ 121.00

Rice Bowls \$ 205.46

Capital Improvement \$ 378.00

**Capital Improvement Balance \$ 7351.86**

**YARD CLEANUP:** Sunday, May 19, 3pm,  
weather permitting. Youth going on the  
Mission trip and their families are asked to  
help. Supper will be served.

Bring tools, gloves & lots of energy! Some grass  
needs to be planted.

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for  
blessing all mothers today with a carnation  
in appreciation for the gift of life.

*Happy Mother's Day!*

**Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>:**

**Honor our High School Graduates,  
McKinsey Rosendahl**

**Isaac Chalich**

**Drew Nesvold**

**All are invited to celebrate following Mass  
with Pot Luck**

**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.

Fall Bazaar is right around the corner! Please  
start saving plastic containers for take-outs.

**A Bazaar Committee Leader is needed.**  
**Contact the parish office at 435-6484.**

Fr. Don Braukmann recently transitioned from  
assisted living to full-time nursing care within  
the same facility he moved to last year. His  
updated address is: 1000 Anne St. NW, Bemidji,  
MN 56601.

**For our 2019 Vacation Bible School  
(VBS), June 3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am-11:30am,**  
volunteers needed. Contact Amanda Wiener  
218-280-2187 or [amandawiener@hotmail.com](mailto:amandawiener@hotmail.com)  
or Valarie Holzer [toothbtold@gmail.com](mailto:toothbtold@gmail.com)  
**Donations needed.** Check out the donation  
board in the gather space. Take an envelope  
from the board & please consider making a  
donation. Thank You.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection May 19<sup>th</sup> for Catholic  
Communication Campaign.**

**Guild Meeting "Tuesday" May 14 at 6PM  
(Guild changed day)**