

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. On this Sunday our Lord Jesus promises that those who seek God and His kingdom will not be disappointed. Jesus warns that money and possessions will not last and can be taken away at any moment by a thief or by death itself. But there is one treasure which can never be lost or destroyed because it is kept secure by God himself. What is that treasure? It is the Lord Himself and His kingdom of righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. Jesus' parable of the master who returns from a wedding feast has an important lesson for each one of us. Just as Jesus is faithful and ready to obey His Father in everything - even to the point of laying down His life on the cross for us, we too are called to be faithful and obedient to the Lord's will for our lives. Let us ask the Lord Jesus to fill us with His Holy Spirit and with a holy desire to seek the Lord and His kingdom first above all else.

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 11th, 2019

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24-hour confidential number

Confession 8 AM, before Sunday Mass

St. Mary's Mass & Intentions

Wednesdays: Adoration Noon – 8 pm

Wed., Aug. 14 11:30am Mass,

Alice Bluemke+

1pm Mass, McIntosh NH,

Kilmer Christopherson+

Thurs., Aug. 15 5:30pm Rosary Procession,

6pm Mass, Sue Agnes+

Fri., Aug. 16 8:30 am Mass, Rick Miller+

Sun., Aug. 18 8:30 am Mass,

Candy Keller+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Thurs., Aug. 15 11:30am Mass,

Allen Theis+

Sun., Aug. 18 10:30am Mass,

For the Parishes

Holy Day of Obligation August 15th.

	<u>Birthdays</u>
Aug. 12	Mark Bingham
	<u>Anniversary</u>
Aug. 13	Eldin & Alice Okstad
Aug. 15	Roy & Crystal Schouville
Aug. 16	Andy & Angie Shimpa

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, Roger
Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz, Loni Jirik,
Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, Gary Ebling,
Allie St. Pierre, Brenda Steffan, Richard Parent,
Dennis Omang, Beverly Roue, Tracy Kozitka, Bev
Drellack, Lynne Cullen, Bernie Brennan, Paul
Silver, Joyce Klinkhammer, Bob Clayton, Ray
Larson, Ben Hougen, Marge Messer, Dave Blazek,
Char Langen, Christine Jahmson.

"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, Aug. 18, 2019
Jeremiah 38:4-6, 8-10, Ps 40:2, 3, 4, 18, Hebrews
12:1-4, Luke 12:49-53

Volunteer Needed to refinish window sills of
church windows where moisture has caused
deterioration of the finish. Just a few windows
need work. Ask Marge for details.



Edith Stein: Experience the enduring and
invincible power of love. The unforgettable
story of this modern-day Carmelite nun who
converted from Judaism and was martyred
in Auschwitz testifies to the truth that love
conquers fear. **FREE** to all parishioners!
Go to: Formed.org. Parish code: TGVHW3

World Wide Marriage Encounter Weekend is
a private weekend for married couples to grow
in their love. The next available weekend is
Sept. 20-22, 2019 in Alexandria, MN. Go to
northmnwwme.org or contact Alan & Missy at
applications@northmnwwme.org
or 888-455-3496

"I am a man with Down syndrome and my life is
worth living," said Frank Stephens, former
special Olympian and actor testifying before
Congress in 2017. He was speaking against
aborting babies with Down syndrome and those
pushing "this particular final solution" that were
inferring people like him shouldn't exist.
Citing a Harvard-based study he concluded,
about individuals with Down syndrome, "We are
an unusually powerful source of happiness...
[our] parents and siblings, are happier than
society at large. Surely happiness is worth
something." Mother Teresa, who said, "Let no
one ever come to you without leaving happier,"
agreed happiness IS worth something. -
a.m.opdahl

**"For where your treasure is, there also will
your heart be." (Luke 12:34)**

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in
heaven. The world encourages us to build up our
treasure in real estate, investments, and material
goods. How much time are you investing in
building up a worldly treasure? How much time
are you investing in building up a heavenly
treasure? To invest more time in the things of
heaven, you must let go of some of the things of
this world.

Our Lady of the Lakes Magnificat, Walker, MN invites men & women to attend a Magnificat Meal Aug. 16 and a Breakfast Aug. 17 at St. Agnes Parish, 210 Division St., Walker, MN. Speaker is Fr. Greg Paffel who will give his testimony of his faith journey before and after his baptism in the Holy spirit and teach on Divine Mercy. Register by August 13, call Lori Hening 218-507-0953 or Jeanette 218-652-2325. Cost is \$15.

BLOCK PARTY (Fall Festival) at St. Philip's Catholic Church, Bemidji: Rain or Shine! August 24th, 4-10 PM. Kids' Carnival, Live Music, Food & Drink, Beer Garden, Bingo & much more. Check out flyer on bulletin board.

MCCL FALL TOUR PRO-LIVE

GATHERING. Learn about the latest threats to unborn children and their mothers-and what you can do to make a difference. September 27th, 7-8 PM at the Community Center McIntosh, 115 NW Broadway.

Save the Date: Everyone is invited to help the Sisters of Saint Benedict Monastery celebrate their 100th Anniversary on Sunday, Sept 15th, join them for Eucharist followed by a reception. Go to www.msb.net to meet the Sister of the Day for a peek behind the veil.

Cursillo! Would you like to deepen your faith and let Jesus become more involved in your life? Let the Spirit lead you on a Cursillo. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on the weekend of September 26-29 and a Men's weekend October 24-27 at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp south of Fosston. For more information contact Bobbi Mercil at 701-866-5706. Applications are also available at your parish office or atcrookstoncursillo.weebly.com

Loaves and Fishes food shelf **NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PRODUCE!**

The food shelf welcomes donations of garden produce in any amount. Donations can be dropped off at the food shelf on August 20th, 1-7pm and August 21st, 8-12am. There will be a table available outside to place your produce on. Questions: 218-280-6957. Thank you.

The 2019 Summer Appeal will be taken on the weekend of August 18th. If you haven't done so already, this is a great opportunity to support diocesan efforts to bring the fallen away back to the faith, to offer events for our children and youth, to make sure that our parish has done what it can to support safe environments in our parishes, a Tribunal to bring those with broken families back into full communion with the church and to offer our resistance to the attacks of the secular press. We are all one family sharing our joys, our great resilience and strength as well as our sorrows. Support green giving by becoming a sustaining donor at www.crookston.org/daa or calling 1-218-281-4533 ext. 432

Saturday, September 14th - Christ is Alive! This event is open to anybody in the Diocese who works with young people; ministers, catechists, parents, volunteers, pastors and teachers! All are welcome! Some of the topics we will unpack are: *Authentic ways to engage our young people in faith and ministry. *Mentoring through developmental relationships. *Leveraging the strengths of the i-generation. *Creative approaches to catechesis. The content of this day will be diverse, and applicable to those who minister to and mentor young people of all ages. The day will include keynote talks, discussion and breakout sessions. Register or visit <https://www.crookston.org/christisalive>. For questions, please contact Bob Noel at bnoel@crookston.org

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Aug. 18, 2019

Ushers: Doug Hand, Dennis Sanden

Gifts: Connie Smeby, Carolyn Schmitz

Lector: Lori Balstad

Commentator: Kathryn Ziermier

Eucharist: * Clyde Kringlen, Dorothy Killian,
Mark Bingham, Erv Wickham

Servers: Olivia Rosendahl, Grace & Sofia Rue

Hospitality: Jim & Deb Wille, Theresa Zitzow

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Aug. 25, 2019

Ushers: Jerry Erdmann, Erv Wickham

Gifts: Michele & Doug Schoenborn

Lector: Clyde Kringlen (change made)

Commentator: Amanda Shultz

Eucharist: * Jeanne Sanden, Dr. Gabe Wiener,
Michelle & Doug Schoenborn

Servers: Genevive Rue, Dane Schoenborn,
Ellis Wiener

Hospitality: Eileen Hegg, Sue Defrang,
Nina & Mark Bingham Family

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly: \$ 2425.00

Last Week's Collections:

29 Adult Envelopes: \$ 1085.00

10 Children/Student Donations \$ 14.00

Loose \$ 86.00

Total Sunday Collection \$ 1185.00

Coffee & Muffins \$ 46.80

Capital Improvement \$ 206.00

Capital Improvement \$ 5118.47

Youth Group Coordinator for St. Mary's is needed. It is a Paid Position: Lori will help train someone during the 2019-2020 school year.

Please consider taking the position. Call 435-6484.

ALSO NEEDED

Bazaar Committee Leader. Contact Fr. John at 435-6484. Bazaar is September 29th.

After Mass on Sunday, August 25th we will celebrate **Lucille Dufault's 90th Birthday.** Everyone welcome.

Thank You to everyone who helped Assemble Bazaar Packets last Wednesday.

Raffle tickets will be \$2.00 each. There will be 6 tickets in each book instead of 10. If you buy the whole book, you pay \$10.00. Each bazaar packet will have two books of tickets."

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: School supplies and backpacks needed. Please check out the bulletin board for information and the items needed. Donation bucket by church entrance.

With fall approaching, our teachers are making plans for religious education classes. Volunteers are needed for grades 7 and up to teach, substitute and help in the classroom after Mass and Wednesday evening. Contact Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286 or Amanda Wiener at amandawieners@hotmail.com

This past week we held in prayer the 37 diocesan youth and adults who have traveled to Guatemala, including Bob Noel from the Office of Formation in Discipleship and Fr. Nate Brunn. They spent time working with children and families in some of the most marginalized corners of the country. This experience is part of our new Padre Aplá's Leadership Program, which is an opportunity for young people in the Diocese of Crookston to grow as leaders in the Catholic Church through three phases:

Formation, The Guatemala Experience and a Guided Leadership Project.

Thank you to McKenzie Rosendahl, from our parish, for attending. If you want to learn more about Padre Aplá's, visit:

<https://www.crookston.org/padreaplas>

Holy Day of Obligation:

Thursday, August 15th is the feast day of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

5:30 PM Rosary Procession.

6 PM Mass