

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in Thirty Third Sunday of the ordinary time. On this second last Sunday of the Church's liturgical year, we are called upon to reflect on the end times and the importance of the endurance. In today's Gospel Jesus assures the Apostles that he will be with them no matter what hardships they face. He teaches them that authentic Christian living is about meeting the challenges of the day and not of just thinking when the end will come. The Gospel presents us the scene where Jesus and his disciples are looking at Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives, at the object of his mission. The disciples are looking with admiration their beautiful artistic Temple of Jerusalem. Jesus then speaks of its destruction and told them that not a stone would remain on the other. This would certainly have shocked his disciples. Jesus uses this episode to teach about the end of the world to come and about the persecutions the disciples will have to endure. Today's Gospel invites us to be prepared to receive the Lord worthily without any fear. We are still called to persevere in our living faith and look forward in hope

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time November 17th, 2019

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7-12: Lori Balstad
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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 – 6:30 pm
Wed., Nov. 20 11:30 am Mass,
Annamal+
Fri., Nov. 22 8 am Mass, (Time Change)
Viola Hand
Sun., Nov. 24 8:30 am Mass,
Rick Miller+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon – 6 pm
Tues., Nov. 19 3:30 pm Mass, Cornerstone NH
Franklyn Renner+
Wed., Nov. 20 1:30 pm Youth Mass,
Margie Galli+
Thurs., Nov. 21 11:30am Mass,
John & Charlotte Vorderbruggen+
Sun., Nov. 24 10:30am Mass,
For the Parishes

Birthdays

Nov. 19 Dennis Hemmingsen
Nov. 20 Jon Hand
Nov. 24 Roy Schouviller
Anniversaries
Nov. 21 Jan & Dennis Hemmingsen

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, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Roger Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz, Loni Jirik, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, Allie St. Pierre, Richard Parent, Dennis Omang, 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 Johnson, Chad Blaser, Rod Nielsen, Kerry Redder, Ethan Asher, Shirley Kowalski, Tom Sedler, Ava Lamb-Lopez, Florence Nesvold, Bruce Donnell, Ruth Calarese, Joey Bauer, Sam Christopherson.

"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, Nov. 24, 2019
2 Samuel 5:1-3, Ps 122:1-2, 3-4a, 4b-5, Colossians 1:12-20, Luke 23:35-43

NEEDED: 1) Youth Group Coordinator for St. Mary's (paid position) 2) Bazaar Leader 3) Funeral Coordinator with Deb Wille
Please Contact Fr. John at 435-6484.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):

For PreK-10th grades Class after Mass 9:45-10:45 AM. Nov. 24th.

Youth group, grades 7-12 meet Wednesday, Nov. 20th, 6-8 PM. Supper provided.

Friday class for grades K-6, 8:30-9:30 AM.

No Friday School Nov. 29th.

7-10 grades contact Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

For grades K-6th please contact Amanda Wiener 218-280-2187 or at amandaw Wiener@hotmail.com

If you did not register your children for RE yet, you are welcome to do so any time.

Teens Encounter Christ. The TEC retreat weekends this year are: February 15-17, 2020 at St. Joseph's, Moorhead and March 21-23, 2020 at Sandhill Lake Bible Camp by Fosston. Terry Steen at sjchurchlady@yahoo.com is contact.

Be Set on Fire to Read God's Work.

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Go to: Formed.org. Parish code: TGVHW3.

Trouble getting into formed.org? Just go to formed.org/signup. For "Find Your Parish," type in Fosston's zip code of 56542. (Code not needed.) Click on St. Mary's, Fosston, MN. Then click on Next and add your name and email address. No passwords needed. Enjoy! Learn! Grow in Faith and Knowledge!

Arrange to borrow the movie, "Unplanned," from MCCL by contacting Linda Blaser at 435-6628.

Snow is such a beautiful gift from God. You can play in it, or on it or with it. Enjoy.

Our Northland Diocese, official publication of the Diocese of Crookston since 1946, is now available via **eOND**, an electronic newsletter full of the latest and biggest news of our local Church! In addition to monthly print issues delivered to household mailboxes, **eOND** arrives to email inboxes twice monthly. Each **eOND** offers local, national and world news published digitally between print issues, as well as local monthly commentary. Parishes pay an annual subscription rate of \$15.36 per household for all services but opt-in is required for **eOND**. Subscribing is as simple as providing your name and email address so do not delay!
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All volunteers, employees and parents who assist in the RE programs must certify for Safe Environment each year. Go to www.crookston.org. Component B. Call the Church office 435-6484 if you have questions.

What's the Difference Between a Good Advent and a Great Advent? Just 4 Minutes!
Sign up at dynamiccatholic.com for this totally free and totally awesome daily video program (sent straight to your email) that will help you prepare for Christmas like never before!

2020 Calendars are now available. They are in the gathering space. Please pick one up and take it home. This year it is titled "Illustrations of Catholic Life in the Twentieth Century." Please thank the **Carlin-Hoialmen Funeral Home** for the wonderful donation to us.

3 Lectors: Please pick up your 2020 Workbook in the Sacristy.

Annual Soup and Sandwich Lunch
December 6th, served 11 am- 1 pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church of Bagley. Free will offering. Also, holiday bake sale/silent auction/crafts and raffle. Doors open at 10:30.

DEBBIE'S BASKET SALE, DEC. 1, 2019. In memory of Debbie Agnes, who loved the Basket Sale held annually by Catholic United Financial (CUF), please plan to fill a basket, cookie tin, plate or whatever you wish for the **silent auction to be held after Mass during coffee and rolls Sunday, Dec. 1.** This is the second matching grant fund raiser by our CUF Council this year. It all goes to the parish for the religious education program, along with the match provided by Catholic United Financial. Please plan to contribute and to join in the bidding so that we can attain the maximum match offered. *God loves a cheerful giver!*

Bazaar meeting:

Discussed how to promote better parishioner attendance at the bazaar.

Raffle items in 2019 were 45. In 2018 were 50. But a nice list of items. Ticket sales were down from last year at \$1024. Make note that if parishioner sell 5 or more raffle books their name goes into drawing for \$50.00 prize. Anyone can purchase their own books if they choose. Unnecessary expense was discussed. Note next year in packet about when some items are needed early. Pre-cooked potatoes discussed for next year. Need to try test run some Sunday. This may free-up helpers for other jobs as we are becoming short of workers. Make sure to turn in Bake Walk items. We ran out of items before 1:30. Freeze them & turn in early if you are not able to attend Bazaar. Few items from Country Store are stored for next year. Little more training needed for table servers, such as finish serving one table before starting next one. Plastic bags will be used for take-outs next year, not paper. Those on clean up need to stay until all is cleaned & put away. Jobs will be highlighted next year, watch for more than one job. If a (*) is by your name please call those in your group to see if they will attend. Call Paulette or Carol if short handed in your group. Thank you to everyone who worked so hard for the Bazaar.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Nov. 24, 2019

Ushers: Doug Schoenborn, 2 Youth

Gifts: Youth

Lector: Youth

Commentator: Youth

Eucharist: *Jan Hemmingsen, John Keller,
Clyde Kringlen, Erv Wickham

Servers: Youth

Hospitality: Tyler & Melissa McGlynn Family,
Jerome & Linda Klinkhammer

LITURGICAL MINISTRY Dec. 1, 2019

Ushers: Doug Hand, Jerry Erdmann

Gifts: Mark Worshek Family

Lector: Jan Hemmingsen

Commentator: Nina Bingham

Eucharist: *Dorothy Killian, Linda Blaser,
Doug Schoenborn, Jeanne Sanden

Servers: Tessa & Kayla Zitzow,
Isabel Klinkhammer

Hospitality: Carol Aaland, John & Linda Blaser

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly: \$ 2429.00

Last Week's Collections:

37 Adult Envelopes: \$ 1495.00

2 Children/Student Donations \$ 2.00

Loose \$ 37.00

Total Sunday Collection \$ 1534.00

Coffee & Rolls (Cost \$33.99) \$ 42.00

Archdiocese for Military \$ 255.00

Capital Improvement \$ 40.00

Capital Improvement Balance \$ 4602.12

2019 DAA Report: Goal: \$9383.00

Total Pledged & Donated: \$9839.00

Unpaid Pledge to Date: \$ 212.50

Thank you so very much!

Special Collections:

Nov. 24: Campaign for Human Development

Nov. 28: Loaves & Fishes Food Shelf

Dec. 1: **St. Mary's Mission Appeal (Red Lake)**

Mark Your Calendar Please:

Nov. 19: Catholic United Financial mtg 4pm

Nov. 27: Thanksgiving service at Bethel 7pm

Mass of Remembrance

During the month of November we remember all the deceased people of our families in our prayers. May they and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

There is an area at the back of the church displaying pictures of those we wish to honor and remember. Also, names in the special book of the dead are included in our prayers.

Since last November, our parish has mourned the passing of: Candy Keller, Jim Mireault, Mary Griffin, Dennis Killian, Rose Mireault, Herman Burgraf and Betty Bingham. Blessed be their memories and their souls.

St. Mary's Catholic United Financial Council sincerely thanks you for your participation in the Bakeless Bake Sale and the MinisTree project. If you didn't have a chance to contribute, send your donation to Janyce Hemmingsen, 39022 335th Ave SE, Fosston, MN 56542. All proceeds and the match go for religious education programs in our parish. We have already submitted more than enough MinisTree cards to receive the maximum earnings of \$250 for the last half of 2019. We can submit cards again after the first of 2020.

St. Mary's Mission Appeal (SMMA) 2019 will be December 1st, weekend following Thanksgiving. For the past eight years we have taken a collection for St. Mary's Mission Parish and School in Red Lake, MN. The caring people of the Diocese of Crookston have steadfastly remained the single largest contributors to the viability of their Catholic School which now offers quality education to 131 Ojibwe children in grades pre-k – 8th grade. Please enjoy the mailing that will come to your home and if you have a few minutes.....view the NEW St. Mary's Mission Appeal Video at www.crookston.org/smma. You'll be glad you did!