

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's gospel is about Jesus walking on the sea of Galilee. Peter often failed and came to grief as a result of his impulsiveness. In contrast, Jesus always advised his disciples to see how difficult it was to follow him before they set out on the way he taught them. A great deal of failure in the Christian life is due to acting on impulse and emotional fervor without counting the cost. Peter, fortunately in the moment of his failure clutched at Jesus and held him firmly. Every time Peter fell, he rose again. His failures only made him love the Lord more deeply and trust him more intently. The Lord keeps watch over us at all times, and especially in our moments of temptation and difficulty. Jesus assures us that we have no need of fear if we trust in Him and in his great love for us.

"Lord Jesus, help us to trust you always and to never doubt your presence. In our moments of doubt and weakness, may we cling to you as Peter did." Amen.

God Bless You! Have a Great Week!

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 9th, 2020

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R.E. Coordinators: PreK-6: Amanda Wiener
7-12: **Needed**
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 with Intentions

Wednesday: Adoration Noon – 8 pm
Social distanced Adoration is encouraged.
Wed., Aug. 12 11:30 AM Mass
Annammal+
Fri., Aug. 14 8:30 AM Mass
Phil Schouviller Family
Sat., Aug. 15 5:30 PM Mass
Ervin & Florence Miller+
Sun., Aug. 16 8:30 AM Mass
John & Fay Hedin+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon – 5 pm
Thur., Aug. 13 11:30 AM Mass
Delores O'Connor
Fri., Aug. 14 5 PM Mass
Larry Kliner Jr.+
Sun., Aug. 16 10:30 AM Mass
for the Parishes

Birthdays

Aug. 12 Mark Bingham

Anniversaries

Aug. 13 Eldin & Alice Okstad

Aug. 15 Roy & Crystal Schouviller

Aug. 16 Angie & Andy 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, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Roger Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, Allie St. Pierre, Richard Parent, Dennis Omang, Tracy Kozitka, Joyce Klinkhammer, Bob Clayton, Ben Hougen, Marge Messer, Dave Blazek, Christine Johnson, Tom Sedler, Ava Lamb-Lopez, Bruce Donnell, Bethany Andersen, Eunice Reinbold, Grandma Dorothy, Ernie Agnes Jr., Paul Silver, Nancy Silver, Clara Mae, Lucille Dufault, Mark Randall, Jodi, Bonnie Schirlinger, Aunt Gen, Michael Killian, Gail Kjos, Tom Houska, Scott Redder, Dean Vikan, Mary Becker, Anthony Perreault, Kim Perreault, Ralph Perreault, Bethany, Peggy Desizlets

"May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"

Blessed Prayer Shawls are available.

Please contact Dorothy Paulson at 435-6836

MASS INTENTIONS: Please note with your donation whether intention is for a deceased or living person. Suggested donation is still \$5.00.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The readings for next Sunday, Aug. 16, 2020

Isaiah 56:1, 6-7, Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8

Romans 11:13-15, 29-32, Matthew 15:21-28

Women's Cursillo Retreat: September 24-27.

Men's Cursillo Retreat October 22-25.

Both held at Sand Hill Bible Camp by Fosston.

Contact Bobbi Mercil 701-866-5706

Put Not Your Trust in Princes. Speaking from his perspective as a historian, Christopher Check reminds us that the crisis of our age is cultural and, in the end, spiritual.

Go to formed.org/signup. "Find Your Parish," type in Fosston's zip code of 56542 No password.

Be sure to share this link formed.org/faithathome with friends and family not yet on FORMED to get them started with a complimentary subscription.

"He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus." (Matthew 14:29) When you hear Jesus calling, do you respond immediately and trust that He knows what He's doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say "yes" to Jesus, we feel the power of His presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen to how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

Support group for all victim/survivors of any sexual abuse. Please email Paula Kaempffer, Outreach Coordinator for Restorative Justice and Abuse Prevention at kaempfferp@archspm.org or at 651-291-4429. The Diocese of Crookston Victim Assistance Coordinator can be reached at: 218-281-7895.

Deacon Formation Program: The next group of men will gather for the first year of formation in 2021-2022. If you are considering the Permanent Diaconate (or think someone else should) please talk with your priest and also Contact Deacon Mark Krejci, Director of Deacon Formation so they can both pray for you and provide you with further information. (218) 281-4533 ext. 425 mkrejci@crookston.org

Find a news source, an app, a good movie, an interesting book, some source that is reporting or reflecting upon the good things that are happening around us all over the world and uplifts the spirit and feeds our hope. **Mental health needs to be taken care of** as much as our physical and spiritual. What affects one affects all.

How to Talk About Racism. Our Diocese is hosting a virtual dialogue on race relations for grades 9-12, Thursday, August 20 at 7 PM. Three presenters will discuss how Catholics can combat racism and discrimination.

Register in advance;

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom-join-link/register/tZipc02ppiMsHNPo8cCiENvjcglpY9lvH28>. A confirmation email about the meeting will be sent. Questions: bnoel@crookston.org

Guidelines, for activities and events, protecting ourselves from COVID-19 while indoors. (<https://mn.gov/governor/news/executiveorders.jsp>) **"Guidance for Providing Food and Beverages for ON-site Consumption at Indoor and Outdoor Gathers"**. (Both are posted on the bulletin board.) Or go to www.crookston.org for more information.

MinisTREE is a partnership between **Catholic United Financial** and a parish to identify and address unmet volunteer needs in the parish and surrounding community. **You can help** our parish and others and financially support our religious education program. For every 25 deeds turned in, Catholic United Financial will contribute \$125, up to a maximum of \$500 in a calendar year. The Tree with cards will not be set up at this time so for your good deed, simply include a **note in the Sunday offering stating date completed, deed, your name & phone number or email to stmarysfosston@gmail.com** Ideas: Yard work, shopping, meals, phone calls to brighten someone's day, charitable donations, civic leadership, etc.

Glory & Praise to Our God who alone gives light to our days. Many are the blessings he bears to those who trust in his ways. (refrain)

Verse 1: We the daughters and sons of him who built the valleys and plains, Praise the wonders our God has done in every heart that sings. Repeat refrain.

The 25th Annual Marriage Celebration Day will be held on Sunday, October 4th. Bishop Hoeppe will be presiding at a 2:30 p.m. Mass in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception to honor all married couples and to recognize the annual Senior Couple and Newlywed Couple.

2020 Summer Appeal Our Diocesan Annual Appeal needs your attention in this extraordinary year. Next week you will find summer appeal envelopes that will be available in the back of the church. We are asking that even if you have never supported the Diocesan Annual Appeal in the past, or if you have already supported the appeal, that you consider a modest gift to support diocesan ministries. **Drop the second collection for the Summer Appeal on August 23rd in the collection basket by the altar.** Please pick up the envelope, with the sun emblem, pray about a gift and bring it back to the parish on Summer Appeal weekend. We are all in this together!. You can make an online gift at www.crookston.org/daa. Thank you.

Faith Formation 2020-2021 – Preparation, Guidance & Recommendations: As planning for the 2020-2021 begins, the Diocese of Crookston can provide helpful recommendations, guidance and resources to help facilitate the process of preparing and planning. Collaborations with other Diocesan Directors across the state and region, develop guidance for Faith Formation during Covid-19. Please note, this will simply be helpful guidance, resources and suggestions, at the request of Youth Ministers and Directors of RE. Faith Formation plans are done in consultation with your Parish Pastor.
R.E. Coordinator 7-12: Needed for St. Mary's. Please prayerfully consider taking this position.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2218.04
Last Week's Collections:	
27 Adults	\$ 1285.00
Loose	\$.00
Total Collections	\$1285.00
Cemetery Memorial, (Ida Erdmann)	\$ 100.00
Bazaar Donation (1)	\$ 150.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 225.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 1404.08

The Diocese of Crookston Covid-19 protocols in compliance with Minnesota may be found at stmarysfooston.org or www.crookston.org

Sunday Mass at St. Mary's will be held in the church sanctuary with overflow seating in the social hall. Pews in church have been taped off to allow for social distancing. A big screen TV is available to allow participation from the social hall if more space is needed or by those who prefer to be spaced farther apart. Let us continue to respect each other's space so we can all stay healthy physically, mentally, and spiritually.

Everyone over the age of 5 years old is to wear face coverings while in the church and the hall. (with some exceptions) Remove it during communion and replace it after communion.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains indefinitely suspended in our Diocese and the rest of the MN dioceses. Please find a way to keep Sundays holy. Join Mass on TV or at <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass>

Friday, August 14th we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass is at 8:30 AM.

Church is open for visits and personal prayer Wednesdays 9am – 8pm and Fridays 9am -1pm
Safe Environment Certification module 2020-2021 for the Diocese of Crookston. Every person, age 18 or over, who has the potential for contact with children or vulnerable adults physically or virtually, to be certified each year. Component C. Go to www.crookston.org/secertification.

Blessed Mother Mary, our hand-carved marble statue, was set in place near the main entrance of the church. Stop a moment and pray the Hail Mary.

Saturday, August 15th:

5pm Rosary and Blessing of the statue of Blsded Mother Mary by Bishop Hoepfner; 5:30pm Mass for Feast of Assumption of Mary. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Catholic United Financial provided the beautiful flowers you see beside the statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR ALL YOU DO FOR ST. MARY'S!

BAZAAR DONATIONS are already coming in! Thank You so much! \$150 came in last Sunday and more came during the week which will be reported next weekend. With the pandemic situation, we will rely on cash donations to take the place of our usual dinner, raffle and bazaar. The proceeds are needed to meet monthly expenses of the parish. Think of what you spent on a prize you donated for the raffle, the coffee, butter, etc. that you donated, as well as all the tickets you bought. Think of the time you volunteered. Many man hours go into this event each year. What is God asking you to give this year? For so many years, we planned to spend that last Sunday in September at the parish bazaar. What will you do Sept. 27, 2020? Let's all enjoy the day and give thanks for all the blessings. Donations may be put in the Sunday collection, mailed in or delivered to the parish office between now and September 30. God bless you!

Thanks to a personal donation. Two touch-free hand sanitizer dispensers are now ready to use. One is just west of the main entrance and the other is on the pole when you come into the church from the office area. It will spray sanitizer when you hold your hand below the dispenser. Thanks for all your efforts to keep everyone healthy.