

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the Thirty Second Sunday of the Ordinary Time. This Sunday readings invites us to be ever ready and well prepared to welcome Jesus. Being unprepared can lead to unnecessary trouble. Wedding customs in ancient Palestine required extra vigilance and preparation for everyone involved. To show up for a wedding party without proper attire and travel arrangements was not allowed. Jesus warns us that there are consequences for being unprepared. There are certain things you cannot obtain at the last moment. A person cannot get the right kind of character, strength, and skill required for a task at hand unless they already possess it, such as a captain with courage and nautical skills who must steer a ship through a dangerous storm at sea. When the Lord Jesus comes to lead us to his heavenly banquet, are we ready to hear his voice and follow? Let us prepare ourselves by listening to the Word of God, by sharing God's love with other people, by faithfully participating in the sacraments and by deepening our prayer life.
God Bless You! Have a Good Week.

**Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8th, 2020**

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PARISH STAFF:

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Youth Group Leader: Savannah Conger
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
And also by appointment

St. Mary's Mass with Intentions

Wednesday: Adoration Noon – 8 PM
Wed., Nov. 11 11:30 AM Mass
Betty Worskek+
Fri., Nov. 13 8:30 AM Mass
Souls in Purgatory
Sun., Nov. 15 8:30 AM Mass of Remembrance
For the Parishes

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon – 5 pm
Tues., Nov. 10 5 PM Mass
Carl & Lena Larsen+
Thur., Nov. 12 11:30 AM Mass
Delores O'Conner
Sat., Nov. 14 7:30 PM Hunter's Mass
Molly Carter+
Sun., Nov. 15 10:30 AM Mass
Earl & Pearl Madre & Perry Levett+

Hunters

Prayers for a safe and successful hunting season.

Birthdays
Nov. 15 Bill Bingham
Anniversaries
Nov. 10 Jeanne & Dennis Sanden

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.

**Prayer List NEW POLICY: NAMES FROM
OUTSIDE OUR PARISH WILL BE REMOVED
FROM THE LIST AFTER ONE MONTH.
ADDITIONAL MONTHS MAY BE
REQUESTED AS NEEDED OR DESIRED.**

PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Nash Rosendahl, Brady Jones, Kristi Maruska,
Wayne Paulson, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh
Martinson, Roger Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz,
Allie St. Pierre, Richard Parent, Dennis Omang,
Joyce Klinkhammer, Bob Clayton, Ben Hougen,
Marge Messer, Dave Blazek, Christine Johnson,
Tom Sedler, Ava Lamb-Lopez, Bruce Donnell,
Bethany Andersen, Grandma Dorothy, Paul Silver,
Clara Mae, Lucille Dufault, Mark Randall, Jodi,
Bonnie Schirlinger, Michael Killian, Gail Kjos,
Bethany, Peggy Desizlets, Zach Plante, Susan
Becker, Peggy (10/28), Larry Scott

"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, Nov. 15, 2020
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31, Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-
5, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6, Matthew 25:14-30

Lector:

November 15: Margarette Rue
November 22 Michelle Schoenborn
November 29 Jan Hemmingsen

Lectors: Please pick up your 2020 Workbook
from the Sacristy.

FAITH FORMATION:

YOUTH GROUP grades 7-12, Wednesdays:

Nov. 11th, 6-8PM.

Grades PreK-6th Sunday School Class

November 15TH, after Mass.

Confirmation & Theology of the Body classes
after Mass Sunday, Nov. 22nd.

If you did not register your children for RE yet,
you are welcome to do so at any time.
Registration forms are by the bulletin board.

*"Therefore, stay awake, for you know neither the
day nor the hour." - Matthew 25:13*

Many of us have put off doing something because
we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do
it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too
many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus'
call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current
circumstances. Don't delay. How is God calling
you to use your gifts today? None of us is
guaranteed tomorrow.

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 Gatherings**".

(Both are posted on the bulletin board.) Or go to
www.crookston.org. Please pay close attention to the
diocesan protocols so that all remain healthy!

On formed.org: Learn all about the many Saints
in our lives. 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. The content on
formed.org is amazing!

**The Diocese of Crookston Office of
Communications** is seeking a Multimedia
Journalist for its multiplatform news source: *Our
Northland Diocese*. The position serves as the
primary writer, print designer, and manager of
online content, archives and records. Apply by Nov.
30th, 2020. Contact jgergen@crookston.org.

For Men who are interested in becoming a Deacon: An initial "Discerning the Diaconate" session will be held via zoom on Saturday, November 21, from 9:00 to 11:00. This session is for men and, if married, their wives, who are considering applying for the next deacon formation group which will begin formation in January of 2022. You will meet with Deacon Mark Krejci, Director of Deacon Formation and Personnel and others to join in prayer, reflection, and a chance to ask questions about the program. If you are interested in participating, please e-mail Deacon Mark at mkrejci@crookston.org.

Project Rachel: Confidential Care for Post-Abortive Women and Men The Diocese of Crookston has a confidential phone service for women or men who are seeking healing, hope and reconciliation after abortion. Staffed by a female counselor trained in Project Rachel ministry - a ministry of the Catholic Church showing that there is hope after abortion. Calls are answered Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The confidential phoneline is 218-470-0112.

2017 St. Mary's Mission Appeal (SMMA)
Please keep in prayer this Appeal which will be taken up on November 29th, the weekend after Thanksgiving. Our gifts to the Appeal are so critical to the wellbeing of St. Mary's Mission School. The many children who are receiving a quality Catholic education there will become the future leaders of the Red Lake Nation. You can donate online and view the St. Mary's Mission Appeal Video at www.crookston.org/smma.
The work you have done in the past years has born much fruit and offered so much help, in not merely keeping the doors open at St. Mary's Mission, but providing rigorous academic training and precious Catholic education.

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Visit www.crookston.org/subscribe.

Loaves and Fishes Food Shelf

The basket in the social hall awaits your donation to the Loaves and Fishes food shelf. In thanksgiving for the blessings we have received, we will collect food donations until Nov. 29, the Sunday after Thanksgiving. Monetary donations may be put in the Sunday collection basket marked for the food shelf or mailed directly to Loaves and Fishes at PO Box 152, Fosston, MN 56542

Safe Environment Certification module 2020-2021 for the Diocese of Crookston.

Every person, age 18 or over, who is in contact with young people in the church under the age of 18 years or vulnerable adults, physically or virtually, must certify each year. This includes anyone who serves meals, etc. Religious Education (RE) has started. If you have questions or need help please call Marge at 435-6484.
Go to www.crookston.org/secertification.

Advent begins Nov. 29th. The "Living the Word" Bible study begins Nov. 23rd FREE from the Diocese, Deacon Aaron Kaiser and Deacon Mark Krejci will offer a zoom. Contact Deacon Aaron at akaiser@crookston.org.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2218.04
Last Week's Collections:	
32 Adults	\$ 1380.00
1 Youth	\$ 2.00
Total Collections	\$ 1382.00
All Saints	\$ 95.00
CUF Match	\$ 637.50
Bazaar	\$ 200.00
Capital Improvement Donation	\$ 240.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 3964.08

2020 BAZAAR DONATIONS from 54 PARISHIONERS & the QUILT AUCTION PROCEEDS TOTAL \$10,826. It's quite alright to keep donating. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!**

MiniTREE project by Catholic United Financial needs just a few more of your good deeds to earn the maximum allowed for the year (\$500). Please drop a note in the collection with your name, address, phone number and your act of kindness or send an email to the parish office.

Msgr. Gerald Noesen passed away on Tuesday, November 3rd. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

Public Visitation Sunday, November 8th, 2020
2:00-4:00 p.m. followed by prayer service.
Funeral Mass Monday, November 9th, 2020,
11:00 a.m. with Bishop Hoepfner presiding; all at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Crookston. No lunch. Covid protocols followed.
Msgr. Jerry Noesen funeral live stream at www.crookstoncathedral.com

November 11th is Veterans Day.

If you are a Veteran "Thank You".

If you know a Veteran, "Thank Them".

Thanksgiving Day Mass November 26th

St. Mary's will have Mass at 8:30 am

2nd Collection November 22nd for Human Development.

2nd Collection November 29th for St. Mary's, Red Lake, Mission Appeal. Envelopes available.

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

Masses at St. Mary's are held in the church sanctuary with overflow seating in the social hall. We have plenty of space for all to worship while being spaced apart from other households. **Please come**, wear masks (if over 5 and not medically challenged), use touch-free hand sanitizer located by each door and keep yourself socially distanced.

The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains indefinitely suspended in our Diocese and the rest of the MN dioceses. If you cannot be with us for Sunday Mass, please find a way to keep Sundays holy. You can join Mass on TV or at <https://www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass>

During the month of November we remember all the deceased people of our families with special prayers.



Since last November, our parish has mourned the passing of **Dave Holzer & Ruth Calarese**. Blessed be their memory.

May they and all the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.

You are encouraged and invited to bring pictures of those you wish to honor and have us remember them. There is an area at the back of the church for them to be displayed. Also, please enter their names in the special book of the dead so that they may be included in our prayers.

Mass of Remembrance will be Sunday, November 15th during 8:30 AM Mass.

Thank You to Theresa Zitzo for the beautiful winter potted arrangements on each side of the St. Mary's statue outside.