

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



**Greetings from Fr. John:**

We are in the Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today many people around us are facing tough times including loss of jobs, loss of homes, and nowhere to turn. When we experience fear or anxiety in our lives, we tend to underestimate God's power and what He can do for us. We trust a great deal in ourselves and ignore God's presence. Often, we feel the situation in which we find ourselves in is too big for God. We must remember that God created the storms and everything else in nature. No matter how doubtful we may feel he is still in complete control over everything. Understanding God means that he can calm the storms in our lives if we will only have a little faith. We may not go through the physical storm as the disciples did, but we all have been through many other storms in our own lives where we feel helpless. We may think or feel like God does not care, but when we realize his true identity, we can entrust him our whole life. We have to learn not to doubt but to completely trust him.

God bless you! Have a great week.

**Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

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**R.E. Coordinators:** PreK-6: Amanda Wiener & Valarie Holzer  
**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**

**St. Mary's Mass with Intentions**

**Wednesday:** Adoration Noon – 8 PM  
**Sun., June 27** 8:30 AM Mass  
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**St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions**

**Tuesdays** Adoration Noon – 5 pm  
**Sun., June 27** 10:30 AM Mass  
For the parishes

**Fr. John is at retreat**

**The Diocese of Crookston is re-instating the Sunday obligation to attend Sunday Mass effective from July 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**"You have been chosen" to serve the Lord.**

July we will start back with Liturgical Schedule for Eucharistic Ministers, Offertory Gifts, Servers, Ushers, & Lectors as we did prior to covid shutdown. Watch for the July calendar schedule. If you are not available for your scheduled Sunday please call someone to fill in for you.

**Birthdays**

June 22 Rita Anderson  
June 26 Ricky Nesvold  
June 27 Mike Moran

**Anniversaries Listed**

June 21 Tom & Rita Holland  
June 25 Rita & Kim Anderson  
June 27 Dave & Rosemarie Brinkman

**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 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, Kristi Maruska, Richard Parent,  
Bruce Donnell, Mark Randall, Brady Jones, John  
Blaser, Carly Hemmingsen, Brett Schulz (5/16),  
Clara Manecke, Jerry Garding (5/26), Dean Vikan  
(6/2) Dorine Schmitz (6/4)

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

Blessed Prayer Shawls are available. Take one  
from the table in the hall for someone in need or  
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, June 27, 2021

Wis 1:13-15; 2:23-24, Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12a, 13b,  
2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15, Mark 5:21-43

**Keep up on the Year of St. Joseph at  
<https://www.crookston.org/stjoseph>**

**Confidential Care for Post-Abortive Women and  
Men** is offered from the Diocese of Crookston. The  
confidential phonenumber is 218-470-0112.

**Diocese of Crookston Summer Camp.** At Oak  
Hills College in Bemidji. **The St. Teresa of  
Calcutta Camp** for youth who are entering grades  
9 and 10. June 20-24. Register at:  
[www.crookston.org/toccamp](http://www.crookston.org/toccamp).

**The St. John Paul 2 Camp** July 18-22, 2021. For  
youth entering grades 7 & 8 only. Registration at:  
[www.crookston.org/jp2camp](http://www.crookston.org/jp2camp) Looking for Staff for  
Summer Camps. Contact Bob Noel.

**Estovir! Be a man! July 7-9, 2021,** at Sand Hill  
Lake Bible Camp by Fosston. A chance for  
Catholic guys, 18 years+, to hang out, Pray, Plan  
and Discuss. **Free.** Register **deadline June 21,**  
2021 at [crookston.org/estovir](http://crookston.org/estovir)  
Contact Fr. Matt Schmitz 218-773-0877  
[mschmitz@sacredheartgf.net](mailto:mschmitz@sacredheartgf.net)

**Applications now open for the next Deacon  
Formation group.** Deacon Mark Krejci has hosted  
several "Discerning the Diaconate" sessions over  
the past seven months and anyone who participated  
in one of these sessions has been notified that  
applications for the next group to enter Deacon  
Formation for the Diocese is now open. If you or  
someone you know has been discerning a vocation  
to the Permanent Diaconate but was not able to  
attend one of the discernment sessions you may still  
apply for this next group beginning formation in the  
Fall of 2021. Those interested in learning more  
and/or applying should email Deacon Mark Krejci,  
Director of Deacon Personnel and Formation  
([mkrejci@crookston.org](mailto:mkrejci@crookston.org)) for information.

**On Formed:** Forgiven: The Transforming Power  
of Confession, explores the grace and healing  
offered in Confession and shows how this  
sacrament of mercy reveals the depth and bounty  
of God's love. Also, Symbolon: the Catholic Faith  
Explained. Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup). "Find Your  
Parish," type in Fosston's zip code of 56542 No  
password needed. Share with others to get them  
started with a complimentary subscription.

**June is the Month of the Sacred Heart.**

Devotion to the Sacred Heart serves as a reminder  
to sinful and hurting people to trust in His Heart,  
which so tenderly loves each of us.

### **SPEAK LIFE!**

A heartbeat. The world can change in a heartbeat. Life can change in a heartbeat. Life can end in a heartbeat. With every beat of my heart another heart stops beating. The crushing reality? That heartbeat belongs to a baby. It has been purposefully silenced—somewhere in this world—forever. While my heartbeat signifies life, it has also become the death knell by which I count the loss of babies all over the world. One for every beat of my heart. My heart can't take it. I have to speak LIFE. a.m.opdahl

**Promise to Protect, Pledge to Heal:** If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

### **Would you like to deepen your faith and let Jesus become more involved in your life?**

Let the Spirit lead you on a Cursillo weekend. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on the weekend of September 23-26, 2021 and a Men's weekend October 28-31, 2021 at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp south of Fosston. Applications are at [crookstoncursillo.weebly.com](http://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com). For more information contact Bobbi Mercil at 701-866-5706 or [bmercil@holynosarycc.org](mailto:bmercil@holynosarycc.org)

**Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: July 25 – 31, 2021** The Office of Formation in Discipleship, as part of Marriage and Family Life ministry as well as Respect Life ministry, is sponsoring free quarterly NFP introduction sessions to engaged and married couples from the Diocese of Crookston via Zoom. Presented by Laura Golden, RN, who is a member of St. Peter and Paul parish in Warren and who is trained in the Creighton Model. The first session will be held in July.

**Huge Thankyou to Everyone who helped in any way with VBS:** VBS was an amazing faith-filled experience for our Kids and volunteers.

Thank you to all of our wonderful youth & adult volunteers who donated their time and talents to make our VBS successful. Thank you, also, to all of St. Mary's for your generous monetary donations so our kids could attend, worship with their own music CDs and eat supper every night free of cost. We appreciate all of you!

Check out the video St. Mary's web site or at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VcxGx6lWv7A> Special THANK YOU to Amanda Wiener and Valarie Holzer for their great work in putting this all together.

**PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP** for the Diocese of Crookston: Praise to you, Lord our God, our eternal shepherd and guide. In your love, grant the Diocese of Crookston a shepherd who will lead us in being Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope, and hands of justice. Help him to fill our minds and hearts with the truth of the Gospel, the power of the sacraments, and the desire to build up your holy Church. We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever. Amen

Bless every father and every grandfather with the best of your spiritual blessings today. Let him know he is not alone in the tasks you have given him to provide for and support those under his care. Show him how much you delight in his work, and affirm the value of whatever You have given him to do—both as a father or grandfather and as a child of Yours. Confirm his worth daily so he has no reason to doubt whether he is loved in the eyes of his Heavenly Father. May all the faithful departed fathers rest in peace.

### STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2218.04
<b>Last Week's Collections:</b>	
28 Adults	\$ 1325.00
Youth	\$ 0.00
Loose	\$ 64.25
<b>Total Collections</b>	<b>\$ 1389.25</b>
Coffee & Rolls	\$ 39.00
Retired Priests	\$ 50.00
Faith for Tomorrow Grant	\$ 500.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 20.00
<b>Capital Improvement Balance</b>	<b>\$ 2473.80</b>

**St. Mary's Church needs your help:** A volunteer person is needed to work with Deb Wille planning &/or serving food at funerals. Training available. Call 668-2096 for information.

**One person cannot be available all the time.**

If you have flowers from your gardens to share, please call the church and bring them Friday 9AM-1PM or Sunday AM ready to display before Mass.

**Mark your calendar: Mass and joint parish POT LUCK picnic at Lengby Lake Pavilion July 21. St. Mary's will sponsor it this year.**

**Thank You Lectors for Proclaiming the Word!**

Sunday, June 20	Lori Balstad
Sunday, June 27	Nina Bingham
Sunday, July 4	Margaret Rue
Sunday, July 11	Kathryn Ziermier
Sunday, July 18	Jan Hemmingsen
Sunday, July 25	Michele Schoenborn

**ROLLS AFTER MASS ON SUNDAYS will have to be canceled if no one volunteers to serve them.** Today, June 20<sup>th</sup>, Jan & Dennis Hemmingsen will serve. Doug & Michele Schoenborn will serve June 27<sup>th</sup> & July 4<sup>th</sup>. Patty & Tony Maruska will serve July 18<sup>th</sup>. **Volunteers needed for July 25<sup>th</sup>. Please call or email the parish office with the date you can serve.** For the month of August, a schedule will be made.

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**THANK YOU for serving St. Mary's Church!**

Jeanne Sanden for your 6 years of service as Trustee.

Erv Wickham for your 4 years of service as Trustee.

Craig Hemmingsen for your service on the Pastoral Council

Chuck Redder for your service on the Finance Council.

**WELCOME to the new Trustees as of July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

Dennis Sanden

Paulette Kringlen

Happy Father's Day! Remember the needs of our retired priests today! Your generosity provides funding for health and dental insurance premiums, continuing education, and miscellaneous expenses for all of our retired priests. Each of them has worked until they were 70 years old, health permitting, and many continue to serve as substitute priests long after retirement. You can make a gift by using your offertory envelope or donating online at [www.crookston.org/stewardship/fathersday](http://www.crookston.org/stewardship/fathersday)

**Our sincere sympathy to the Family of Linda & Jerome Klinkhammer and Larry & Lisa Handyside in the loss of their sister, Susan Wynne. May Sue and all the faithful departed rest in peace.**

**Our sincere sympathy to the Family of Harold Balstad in the loss of his wife, Alice Balstad. May Alice and all the faithful departed rest in peace.**

The wake service will be June 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6 PM. Visitation will be prior to the service. Funeral will be June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 11 AM. All at St. Mary's Church.