

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



Greetings from Fr. John:

We are in the Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's readings explain how God, like a good shepherd, redeems His people and provides for them. The Gospel of Mark presents Jesus as the Good Shepherd fulfilling God's promise given through prophet Jeremiah in the first reading. Here we see Jesus attending to his weary apostles, who have just returned from their first preaching mission, while at the same time expressing his concern for the people who, like "sheep without a shepherd," have gathered to meet him in the wilderness. Today Jesus reminds us that pastoral ministry includes not only the pastoral care given by ordained ministers but the loving service given by all Christians who follow different callings to serve and lead others. We need God's grace to become good shepherds. We receive strength from God to do our share of the shepherd's preaching and healing ministry by praying to Him individually, in the family and as a community in the parish Church participating in the Eucharistic celebration.

God bless you. Have a great week!

**Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 18, 2021**

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Pr&K-6: Amanda Wieser & Valarie Holzer
7-12 grades: Margarete Fine & Tricia Proulx
Pastoral Council Chair: Doug Schoenborn
Trustees: Dennis Sanden and Paulette Kringlen
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 – 5 PM
Wed., July 21 6:00 PM Mass at Lengby
Grace Berg+
Fri., July 23 8:30 AM Mass
Sus Agnes+
Sun., July 25 8:30 AM Mass
Wayne Paulson+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon – 5 pm
Tues., July 20 5 PM Mass
Michael Grakowski+
Thur., July 22 11:30 AM Mass
Raymond & Carole Quade+
Sun., July 25 10:30 AM Mass
For the Parishes

**Come to the 6pm Mass & Potluck Picnic
Wed., July 21 at the park in Lengby!!**

<u>Birthdays</u>	
July 19	Mary Jacobson
July 19	Marion Parent
July 19	Justin Shultz
July 19	Edith Vedbrasten
July 24	Robert Thompson
<u>Anniversaries Listed</u>	
July 20	Melissa & Ben Hemberger

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 Henningsen, Clara Mancke, Dorine Schmitz (84) Cole Matecjesk (87) Marge Donnell, Jerry Garding, Kerry Gross (713)
"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, July 25, 2021
2 Kings 4:42-44, Psalm 145:10-18
Ephesians 3:14-21; John 6:1-21

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 phone line is 218-470-0112.

The St. John Paul 2 Camp July 18-22, 2021.
For youth entering grades 7 & 8 only. Pray for the spiritual growth and wellbeing of all those attending.

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 the 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) for information.

On Formed: Watch an inspiring film about St. John of the Cross, Carmelite and Doctor of the Church. Listen to an audio talk about Kateri Tekakwitha, the first native American to be declared a saint. The Church celebrated her memorial July 14. Go to formed.org/signup. "Find Your Parish," type in Fosston's zip code of 56542. No password needed. Return often and explore all the great programs. Share with others to get them started with a complimentary subscription.

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).

SPEAK LIFE!

What if you only had 20 weeks to live? How hard would you fight for 30 or 40? Today—we are in the fight of our lives: the fight for life. The loss of a baby should never be marginalized. Twenty weeks in the womb has become a line in the sand that delineates one kind of abortion from another. I'll ask it again. What if you only had 20 weeks to live? How hard would you fight for 40? The unborn deserve nothing less than the fight of our lives fighting for their lives. -a.m.opdahl

"He said to them, "Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while." MARK 6:31 Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year. Spend some "alone" time with God.

World Day for Grandparents & Elderly is July 25. Instituted by Pope Francis, this will be observed the fourth Sunday each July, a date which is close to the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Recalling the upcoming feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple when the elderly Simeon and Anna encountered the child Jesus and recognized Him as the Messiah, Pope Francis said, "the Holy Spirit even today stirs up thoughts and words of wisdom in the elderly." "The elderly," he continued, "remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between the different generations, to pass on to the young the experience of life."

The Diocese of Crookston Women's Cursillo is the weekend of September 23-26, 2021 and the Men's weekend October 28-31, 2021 at Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp south of Fosston. Applications are at crookstoncursillo.weebly.com. For more information contact Bobbi Mercil at 701-866-3706 or bmercil@holycrossarycc.org

Natural Family Planning Awareness Week: July 25 – 31, 2021. This session, meant for both married as well as engaged couples, will introduce you to God's natural options for family planning. Sponsored by the Diocese of Crookston, Laura Golden, R.N., a trained Natural Family Planning educator, will present an initial session on how to prepare to use NFP. This will be a zoom session and so no need to travel – just sign up through the link found below. The session will be held on July 26th at 8:00 p.m. for one hour. There is no charge for couples from the Diocese of Crookston or those getting married in the diocese. Link to register: <https://bit.ly/3vwdOaZ> Repeat

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

Cathedral School in Crookston, MN is hiring *Pre-Kindergarten Aide, *Two full-time teaching positions in 3rd & 5th grades *After School Care Aide, *After School Care Coordinator ~Please Contact Stephanie Webster at 218-281-1735 or swebster@crookstoncathedral.com

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – July 18, 2021

Ushers: Tom Weber, Dave Brinkman
Gifts: Rosemary & Dave Brinkman
Lector: Jan Henningsen
Eucharist: *Doug & Michele Schoenborn
Servers: Iziah Lewis, Tyrus Lewis
Hospitality: Patty & Tony Maruska

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – July 25, 2021

Ushers: Doug Schoenborn, Dennis Sanden
Gifts: Steve Chulich Family
Lector: Michele Schoenborn
Eucharist: *Eileen Hegg, Valaris Holzer
Servers: Jesse Wornhak, Dorian Holzer
Hospitality: Tom & Rita Holland

If you are not available for your scheduled Sunday, please call someone to fill in for you.

STEWARDSHIP

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2377.48
Last Week's Collections:	
29 Adults	\$ 1300.00
Youth	\$.00
Loose	\$ 81.00
Total Collections:	\$ 1381.00
Coffee & Rolls	\$ 31.00
Alice Balstad Memorial for RE	\$ 50.00
Peter's Pence collection	\$ 107.00
CUF Bakeless Bake Sale match	\$ 709.00
Capital Improvement	\$ 50.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 3108.80

2021 Diocesan Summer Appeal July 25 Please prayerfully consider supporting the Diocese. Envelopes are available by the entrances.

MiniTree is back! Catholic United Financial invites you to submit your deeds of kindness and charity to receive \$5 each for the parish. We earned the max of \$250 for the first half of 2021. With your humble cooperation, we will easily earn the max for the second half of 2021. You can email the parish office, call or text Linda at 218-280-2211 or fill out a card.

HELP WANTED

Parish Secretary to start August 1, 2021
Wednesdays & Fridays 9 to 1.
Youth Group Leader: Wednesday evenings during the school year.
See Fr. John for details.

St. Mary's will host the Parish POT LUCK picnic at Lengby Lake Pavilion Wednesday, JULY 21. Mass will be at 6 PM. Hot dogs & buns, plates & silverware, catchup & mustard, lemonade & coffee will be provided. Volunteers are needed for Liturgical Ministries at the park Mass.

NOTICE: CEMETERY DECORATIONS NOT ATTACHED TO GRAVESTONE WILL BE REMOVED JULY 21, 2021.

The 2021-2022 Safe Environment training module for the Diocese of Crookston is now available. Our Safe Environment year begins on July 1, 2021, and runs through June 30, 2022. This year's module is Component A, "Reporting Child Abuse and Boundary Violations." Safe Environment certification is necessary for every adult, age 18 and over, clergy, employee, independent contractor, and volunteers in the Diocese of Crookston who has the potential for unsupervised contact with children or vulnerable adults.

THANK YOU! Nina & Mark Bingham for cleaning the Crucifix at our townsite cemetery and Jeanne & Dennis Sanden for painting the cross. It looks so much better!

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.