

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
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FOSSTON, MN 56542



Greetings from Fr. John:

I thank you so much for your loving prayers for my mission. We are in the Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Today's Gospel describes Jesus' discourse in the synagogue at Capernaum on his return there after his miraculous feeding of the five thousand. During the discourse, Jesus reveals himself as the true "*Bread of Life that came down from Heaven*," to give life to the world. Jesus proclaims himself as the new and perfect manna, the Incarnate Son of God literally "come down from Heaven." This means that by the Holy Eucharist, Jesus actually gives us a share of eternal life while we are still on earth. But some of Jesus' followers would turn away when he explained the source of his mysterious power and his Heavenly origin. Let us recognize that Jesus whom we consume in the Holy Eucharist is actually God Who assimilates us into His being. Since the Holy Eucharist is "the Body and Blood, together with the Soul and Divinity of our Lord, Jesus Christ," the Sacrament increases our intimate union with Christ. Let us continue to pray for more rain.

God bless you! Have a great week.

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time August 8, 2021

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7-12 grades: Margarete Rue & Tricia Proulx
Pastoral Council Chair: Doug Schoenborn
Trustees: Dennis Sanden and Paulette Kringleen
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

Wed., Aug. 11 11:30 AM

David Bruce Kollitz+

Fri., Aug. 13 8:30 AM Mass

Lawrence Dufault+

Sun., Aug. 15 8:30 AM Mass

Jarvis Zitzow+

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions

Tuesdays Adoration Noon – 5 pm

Tues., Aug. 10 5 PM Mass

Annamal & Suvakeen+

Thur., Aug 12 11:30AM Mass

Raymond & Carole Quade+

Sun., Aug. 15 10:30 AM Mass

For the Parishes

**Sun. Aug. 15: Solemnity of the Assumption
of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Our patroness)**

Happy & Blessed Birthday to:

August 9 Florence Nesvold

August 12 Mark Bingham

Happy Anniversary! Be Blessed:

August 13 Eldin & Alice Okstad

August 15 Roy & Crystal Schouviller

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, Clara Manecke, Dorine Schmitz (8/4) Kerry Gross (7/13) Lissa Handyside (7/30) Linda Klinkhammer (8/4)

"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, August 15, 2021
Revelation 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab; Psalms 45: 10, 11, 12, 16; First Corinthians 15: 20-27; Luke 1: 39-56

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 phoneline is 218-470-0112.

For drought relief resources, go to: www.fischbach.house.gov/drought

The Office of Formation is looking to put together a youth advisory cohort that will help shape ministry in the Diocese of Crookston. It is important to have our young Church be an active part of shaping ministry. If you know someone who would be excellent at taking leadership and shaping ministries such as youth rallies, retreats, or other youth-focused ministries, please share their name with Bob Noel at bnoel@crookston.org

On Formed: Aug. 4 was the feast of St. John Vianny. Explore the life of this great priest and saint with this incredible live drama. 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.

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.

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!

I am twenty-three. Twenty-three weeks old. My heart is growing strong and I have another goal! In the next four weeks I will double my weight. Make sure you have snacks in every room and in your purse, Mom. And tell Dad, I don't mind the cracker crumbs in bed. The sounds I hear are more distinct. I hear the differences between your voice—Mom—and music. My eyelashes have grown in and my lungs are forming alveoli. Try saying that five times fast! I'm almost a foot long from head to toe and about as big as a mango. -a.m.opdahl

Make your voice heard: The House of Representatives has not included the Hyde Amendment in the budget passed this past week. Let your Senators know that you do not want your federal tax dollars paying for abortion. Amy Klobuchar, 425 Dirksen Senate Bldg., Washington, D.C 20510 Phone 202-224-3244 & Tina Smith, 720 Hart Senate Office Bldg, Washington, D.C. 20510. Phone 202-224-5641. You can add your name to the petition at <https://www.notaxpayerabortion.com/> Also, <https://www.respectlife.org/no-taxpayer-abortion> is a site where you can get good info.

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!" 1 KINGS 19:7 God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own, we need His help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

Blessed be the great mother of God, Mary most holy. Blessed Mother Mary, pray for us.

2021 is a milestone year for Bishop Emeritus Balke. On Sept. 2 he will celebrate the 45th anniversary of his episcopal ordination and on Sept. 29 he turns 90 years old. An open house to recognize these milestones will take place at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Crookston, on Sunday, Sept. 12 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. All Diocese of Crookston faithful are invited.

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

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 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 701-866-5706 or bmercil@holyrosarycc.org

Next Sunday we celebrate the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is our feast day, St. Mary's!! Special flowers will be donated by Dennis & Jan Hemmingsen in honor of their first great-grand-child, Audrey Helen Sinclair, born August 4, 2021.

God of mercy and compassion, look with pity upon us and send us the rains we need to replenish the earth. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Aug. 8, 2021

Ushers: John Blaser, Gabe Schouviller
Gifts: Patty & Anthony Maruska
Lector: Michele Schoenborn
Eucharist: *Linda Blaser, Eileen Hegg
Servers: Ron Jackson, Anna Jackson
Hospitality: David & Rosemarie Brinkman

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Aug. 15, 2021

Ushers: Harlee Bingham, Phil Schouviller
Gifts: Florence Nesvold & Dorothy Killian
Lector: Nina Bingham
Eucharist: *Mark Bingham, Clyde Kringlen
Servers: Jesse Worshek, Isabel Klinkhammer
Hospitality: Sarah Bjerklie & Doreen Brovold

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:	
35 Adults	\$ 2125.00
Youth	\$ 7.00
Loose	\$ 112.00
Total Collections	\$ 2244.00
Coffee & Rolls	\$ 38.00
Votive Candles	\$ 24.50
Rice Bowl	\$ 27.46
Capital Improvement	\$ 275.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 2128.28

Your everyday actions can be used to earn cash for the parish! Just fill out a MiniTree card supplied by Catholic United Financial and drop it in the collection basket or turn into the office. The cards are on the table by the bulletins. Or, just let Linda in the parish office know what you have done for others. Helping with the joint parish picnic is an example. If this is your first submission, please include your address and phone number. You must be over 18 to participate. We are almost half way to the max. Keep them coming please!

HELP WANTED
Youth Group Leader: Wednesday evenings during the school year.
See Fr. John for details.

WANTED: A volunteer to work with Deb Wille planning &/or serving food at funerals. Training available. Call 668-2096 for information.

The 2021-2022 Safe Environment training module for the Diocese of Crookston is now available. Our Safe Environment year began 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. **Please complete at your earliest convenience.**

QUILT FUND RAISER: Florence Nesvold has made and donated a beautiful quilt that can be yours if you have the highest bid at 10am on Sunday, September 26, 2021. See it in the social hall. Funds raised will be added to the Bazaar "dinnerless" Appeal. Minimum bid is \$100.

BRIDAL SHOWER
FOR AMBER KLINKHAMMER
SAT., AUG 14, 2021 10 A.M.
ST. MARY'S SOCIAL HALL
ALL ARE WELCOME!

We extend our sincere sympathy to the Sue & Lynn Vennes family on the death of Sue's brother, Jerry Garding. *May his soul and the soul of all the faithful, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*