St. Joseph's Catholic Church

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Victim Assistance Statement of the Diocese of Crookston: 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, please contact Cindy Hulst, LSW, the diocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

Mass: Sunday – 8:30 a.m.; Tuesday through Friday – 7:00 a.m. (see schedule below); Reconciliation: Sunday – 7:45 a.m. or by appt.

Sunday, July 28th, 2019 – Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week's Mass schedule: Tuesday, July 30th: Ellie Byrd req. by John Roche

Wednesday, July 31st: No Mass Thursday, August 1st: No Mass Friday, August 2nd: No Mass

Sunday, August 4th: +Dory Pavek req. by Dwain & Gail Carlson

Ministry	August 4 th	August 11 th	
Lectors	Terri Johnson, Jean Rock	Kirsten Fuglseth, Gay Webster	
Eucharist	Carter Mosher, Jerry Erickson	Aaron Rongen, Karen Kurpius	
Servers	Emily Dufault, Jack Erickson	Dawson Fuglseth, Arthur Rongen, John	
		Douglas Rongen	
Ushers	Aaron Rongen Todd Dufault	Greg Webster, Paul Reese	
Greeters	Elizabeth Massmann, Paul Reese Patty Mosher, Wayne Weber		
Gift bearers	Mark & Janelle Berhow	rhow John & Jami Revier Family	
Sacristan	Larry Ricard	Larry Ricard	
Collection	Matt Erickson, Mark Berhow	Ervin Vigness, Liz Rongen	

Please remember to find a substitute if you are going to be gone. Thank you!

<u>Church cleaning July 8 – August 4th</u>: Pete & Marcia Liebl, Todd & Dorene Dufault, Wayne & Rose Weber, Ervin & Jane Vigness. Thank you for your ministry to our parish.

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> is held every Monday from 4-7 PM; come and spend time in prayer and adoration.

The Rosary is prayed every Sunday morning beginning at 8:00 a.m. Come early for Mass and join us.

Offertory	7/21/19	
Adult	\$530.00	Holy Hog: \$7,588.01
Electronic	125.00	Funds collected & deposited into Building Fund: \$385.00
Youth	7.00	Thank you for being stewards of God's gifts!
Plate	225.00	
Total	\$887.00	

Birthday Greetings: Pat Chisholm (28th), Brady Bjerk (28th), Stella Jagol (2nd) Dennis Tice (2nd), Jami Revier (2nd)

Wedding Anniversaries: Paul & Pam Reese

<u>Food for thought</u>: "Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Luke 11:9) Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. Many people need very little. However, we usually want so much more. A good steward only asks God for what he needs.

Answers to last week's puzzles: BATHE, WATER, FROM, MAY. Answer: MARY and MARTHA.

<u>Prayer blankets were given to</u>: Linda Monroe, Anoka, MN, from Dwain & Gail Carlson; *Patti Page*, Thief River Falls, from Patty Mosher; *Randy Bring*, Reynolds, ND, from Patty Mosher. Please keep everyone covered with a prayer blanket in your prayers. Thank you.

<u>We will be making prayer blankets</u> on Monday, July 29, from 1-4 PM. We are in need of more people to help with cutting, ironing, and finishing the prayer blankets. If you can help in any way, please join us on the 29th.

Hoedown Bingo: Wow my list is full. Thank you so much for your kindness. ~Ruth Cameron

<u>Altar & Rosary Society</u> will have a meeting Wednesday, August 7th at 7:00 p.m. We will be discussing the church kitchen layout, etc. If you have input to share, please come to the meeting.

Again this summer we will be having breakfast served after mass on one Sunday of the month. Upcoming date for this gathering is August 18. Corrie Doyea has volunteered to coordinate these breakfasts. If you are able to help serve any of these dates, please contact Corrie. The funds generated from the free will offerings at these breakfasts will go towards finishing the kitchen.

St. Joseph parish, I would like to thank you for remembering me on my graduation and for the gift of a crucifix. I really appreciate knowing that there is a parish family behind me supporting me in all I do! ~ Emily Dufault

<u>Save the date!</u> The Sisters of Saint Benedict are concluding their Centennial with a capstone event - a Mass on Sunday, September 15th, 2019 at 2:00 pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Crookston. They are hosting this Mass to give thanks for, and to celebrate, the wonderful support they are so grateful for from all of their friends over these 100 years. A reception, with the gracious help of the Catholic Daughters, will be held following the Mass. This liturgy can be your Sunday obligation for the week. ALL ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!

Position Opening: Pastoral Associate to the Office of Formation in Discipleship – Diocese of Crookston: The Diocese of Crookston is seeking a Catholic to serve as a Pastoral Associate in the Office of Formation in Discipleship. This person will serve on a team with the Director of the Office and the Formator for Discipleship. Ministry will involve advancing the mission of the Office by forming disciples to reach others for Christ. This will include working with priests, deacons, diocesan and parish staff, and lay Catholics based on the candidate's gifts and needs of the office. This is a full-time benefit eligible position based at the Chancery in Crookston, Minnesota. Applicants should be a practicing Catholic, motivated to engage in the New Evangelization as articulated in the Joy of the Gospel, a bachelor's degree and active participation in the life of the Church. Applications should include a letter of interest, resume, and names of three references. References will only be contacted after applicants are notified that they will be interviewed for the position. Applications or inquires for more information should be e-mailed to Dcn. Mark Krejci, Ph.D., at mkrejci@crookston.org.

<u>Holy Hog</u>: Thank you to everyone who helped with our Holy Hog food stand during the fair and to all who stopped by to support our parish fundraising event. We were able to deposit \$7,588.01!

<u>Rockin' 50's Hoedown and Car Show</u>: September 7th is just around the corner – just 6 weeks away. Now is the time to start planning and putting together your silent auction baskets/items, My Favorite Things (3 identical items that are your 'favorite things') and Little Rascals Kids Auction items. Tables will be set up in the social hall for items to be dropped off. We encourage you to not wait until the last minute as it is very beneficial knowing what we have a few weeks in advance.

Hoedown Sign-up: Please sign up to help with this year's Hoedown! Sign-up sheets are in the gathering area. Thank you!

Representatives from Catholic Bethlehem Christian Families will be with us on the weekend of August 10/11, 2019, to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, it has caused these families to face devastating economic strain, and caused the population to decrease to less than 2% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourist. So, they have come to the U.S. to try to help support these families by bringing their artifacts to sell. All the proceeds from sales will be sent back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide for their families. The last few years were very tough for the Christian families, and this is the only source of income for them. Please take some time to browse their items and possibly get some of your Christmas shopping done early.