

# 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, September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019 – Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**This week’s Mass schedule:**      Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>: +Helen Schmitz req. by Dennis & Paula Tice  
Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>: +Mary Leonard req. by Joan Combee  
Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>: +Ardis Chisholm req. by Jerry & Jan Erickson  
Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>: Katie Richards req. by Michelle Geraghty  
Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>: Parishioners

Ministry	September 29 <sup>th</sup>	October 6 <sup>th</sup>
Lectors	Kirsten Fuglseth, Terri Johnson	Jean Rock, Gay Webster
Eucharist	Carter Mosher, Paul Reese	Aaron Rongen, Jerry Erickson
Servers	Emery Erickson, Jack Erickson	Dawson Fuglseth, Arthur Rongen, John Douglas Rongen
Ushers	Greg Webster, Steven Massmann	Rose Weber, Wayne Weber
Greeters	Paul Reese, Elaine Ricard	Brain Massmann, Jan Erickson
Gift bearers	Matt & Patricia Erickson family	Andrea Gunufson family
Sacristan	Ruth Cameron	Larry Ricard
Collection	Ervin Vigness, Sue Erickson	Liz Rongen, Matt Erickson
Breakfast	Nancy Vigum, Betty Solie, Paula Tice	No Breakfast – Fall Dinner

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

**Church cleaning: September 2<sup>nd</sup> – September 29<sup>th</sup>:** Duane & Nicole Straus, Bonnie Rongen, Aaron & Liz Rongen, Ben & Ashley Hand. Thank you for your ministry to our parish.

**Eucharistic Adoration** 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.

<b>Offertory</b>	<b>9/15/19</b>	
Adult	645.00	Sale of enclosed trailer deposited into Building Fund:\$8,900.00 Funds collected and deposited into Building Fund: \$640.00 <b><i>Thank you for being stewards of God’s gifts!</i></b>
Electronic	175.00	
Youth	23.00	
Plate	194.00	
Total	\$1,037.00	

**Birthday Greetings:** Jerry Erickson (24<sup>th</sup>), Dale Mackowick (25<sup>th</sup>), Kirsten Fuglseth (26<sup>th</sup>), Donna Bjerk (27<sup>th</sup>), Bonnie Bohnenkamp (28<sup>th</sup>)

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Aaron & Liz Rongen

**Food for thought:** “My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established.” (Luke 16:25-26) When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today’s Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

**Prayer blankets were given to:** *Liz Lisburg*, Fertile, from Pam and Paul Reese; *Jane Chisholm*, CA, (no giver listed); *Kitty Redmon*, Louisville, KY, from Liz Rongen; *Ken Hodney*, Newfolden, from Scott Kuznia. Please keep everyone covered with a prayer blanket in your prayers. Thank you.

**Answers to last week's puzzles:** SWORE, SPURN, LEAVE, SWINE. Answer: Jesus came to SAVE SINNERS.

**The Religious Education program** is in need of volunteer children's Religious Education substitutes to help spread the Good News and share the Catholic faith with our parish children. Please contact Monica Lisburg or Kirsten Fuglseth if you are willing to help out.

**SAVE THE DATE** Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM, we will be praying a human rosary and need your help to make this happen. Each parish in the Diocese has been asked to participate in the 40 Days for Life by praying the rosary. Please plan to join us at 7:00 p.m. as we pray for an end to abortion and a greater respect for life from conception to natural death. Please sign up on the sheet provided on the table in the vestibule. We will be serving ice cream sodas afterwards!

**Sunday "Cup a' Joe":** Sunday mornings from 10-10:45am, we will be having a 'Cup a' Joe'. Instead of hosting a Bible Study on Sunday's after mass we will be hosting a casual round table fellowship over coffee. Each week will be a different topic starting with a brief teaching video followed by open discussion by the group. Our prayer is that this is an opportunity to WELCOME ALL, GROW in our FAITH & UNDERSTANDING of our church teachings, and more importantly GROW in our FELLOWSHIP with each other! Any questions, please reach out to Aaron or Liz Rongen – we look forward to hanging out with you, please stop in anytime – **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**St Williams Catholic Church, Twin Valley**, is holding their annual Fall Dinner & Bazaar on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Grilled Turkey, Ham, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Assorted Salads, Desserts & Beverages. Cost: Adults \$10.00, Children 10 and younger \$5.00. Takeout meals available – please call 584-5352.

**St. Mary's Catholic Church, Fosston**, is holding their annual Parish Bazaar on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Turkey Dinner, Country Store, Raffle, Bake Walk, Fishpond. Cost: Adults - \$10.00 Children under 12 - \$5.00

**St Ann's of Waubun** will hold their Fall Festival on October, 6<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Waubun Community Center. Ham & Meatball Dinner – Salad Bar- Desserts. Adults \$10.00 Children under 12 \$5.00 Preschool free. Raffle, Bake Sale and Country Store.

**2019 Marriage Celebration Day:** Bishop Michael J. Hoeppner invites all of the faithful to join him and married couples from across the Diocese of Crookston for the 2019 Marriage Celebration Day on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup> at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Crookston. The celebration will begin with Sunday mass at 2:30 p.m. during which couples will be honored. All married couples as well as widows and widowers will receive a special blessing from Bishop and each couple will receive a gift in thanksgiving for their support of marriage. Following mass, supper will be served and so, if you are planning to stay for the meal, please RSVP by September 27<sup>th</sup> at [www.crookston.org/marriageday](http://www.crookston.org/marriageday).

**Paul, Apostle of Christ free movie screening and discussion with movie producer Eric Groth.** The public is invited to a free screening of the 2018 Sony Picture *Paul, Apostle of Christ*. Starring James Faulkner as St. Paul and Jim Caviezel (portrayed Jesus in *The Passion of the Christ*) as St. Luke, the movie is set during Paul's captivity in Rome when Luke begins to visit him in prison. The movie is set within Nero's persecution of Christians in Rome as Paul recounts his initial persecution of the Church to becoming a Christian and an ardent missionary disciple. Following the movie, Producer Eric Groth of ODB films will present reflections on the making of the movie and its reception as well as taking questions from the audience. The movie will be presented at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, in A.I. Mirth Auditorium at Sacred Heart Parish in East Grand Forks, MN.

**Spiritual Growth Class:** *Prayer and the Spiritual Life* Msgr. Michael Patnode will be offering a monthly Friday evening course on Prayer and the Spiritual Life. This course is offered to adults from the Diocese of Crookston and will review forms of prayer (e.g. Lectio Divina, The Divine Office, Liturgical Prayer, Centering Prayer etc.) also set within the teaching of the Catechism of the Catholic Church and the teaching of various Catholic Spiritual masters. The course will run from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception on the following dates: 10/11, 11/8, 12/14, 2/8, 3/8, 4/26/ 5/10. To register for this class, please call Maureen Novak at 218-281-4533 or email her at [mnovak@crookston.org](mailto:mnovak@crookston.org)

**Come and See:** Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary Nov. 8-11 Join Fr. Matt Schmitz as he travels with a group of young men (sophomores and up) to Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM) Seminary in Winona, MN for a "Come and See" weekend! This is an opportunity to see what seminary life is like and to learn more about a vocation to the priesthood. What You Can Expect: Live the life of a seminarian for a weekend; join the seminarians for Mass, prayer, meals, and recreation; hear the vocation stories of seminarians; hear about discernment and seminary life from the priests who serve on the formation staff; attend classes with the seminarians; spend time with the seminarians from the Diocese of Crookston; hiking in the beautiful bluffs of Winona; day trip to Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine in LaCrosse, WI; and a tour of IHM Seminary / St. Mary's University campus. A letter and registration info can be found at: [www.crookston.org/vocations](http://www.crookston.org/vocations) or email [mschmitz@sacredheartgf.net](mailto:mschmitz@sacredheartgf.net) DEADLINE TO REGISTER: Oct. 18