

# 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.; Wednesday and Thursday – 7:00 a.m.; Reconciliation: Sunday – 7:45 a.m.

## Sunday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**This week’s Mass schedule:** Wednesday, June 21<sup>st</sup>: Ricard Family req. by Mike & Nancy Vigum  
Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>: +Drew Holler req. by Mary Kiefert  
Sunday, June 25<sup>th</sup>: +Larry Ricard req. by Jerry & Jan Erickson

Ministers	June 25 <sup>th</sup>	July 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Lector	Kirsten Fuglseth	Gay Webster
Eucharist	Jerry Erickson, Jean Rock	Karen Kurpius, Patricia Erickson
Greeters/Ushers	Paul Reese, Emery Erickson	Sidney Erickson, Matthew Erickson
Collection	Sue Erickson, Pam Reese	Paul Reese, Kirsten Fuglseth
Sacristan	Jan Erickson	Kirsten Fuglseth
Mass Server	Jack Erickson	Zach Dufault
Gift Bearers	Pete & Marcia Liebl family	Brian & Elizabeth Massmann family

**Church Cleaning May 29<sup>th</sup> – June 25<sup>th</sup>:** Mary Kiefert (218) 945-6502; Greg & Gay Webster (218) 926-5787; Bruce & Patty Mosher (218) 926-5682 Thank you for your ministry to our parish.

<u>Offertory Actual      6/11/2023</u>			<u>Offertory Needed Weekly</u>	<u>Building Fund Actual    6/11/2023</u>
Adult	\$	885.00	\$1,429.00 (Adult and Electronic)	No Report
Electronic	\$	130.00		
Youth	\$	7.25		
Plate	\$	235.00	<u>\$173.00</u>	<u>Building Fund Needed Weekly</u>
Total	\$	1,257.25		\$903.82

**Thank you for your financial support!**

**Birthday Greetings:** Athan McCollum (18<sup>th</sup>), Pat Taylor (20<sup>th</sup>), John Revier (21<sup>st</sup>), Austin McCollum (22<sup>nd</sup>), Scott Larsen (23<sup>rd</sup>), Maverick Gunufson (24<sup>th</sup>)

**Wedding Anniversaries:** Kaitlyn & Trey Wiebusch (22<sup>nd</sup>)

**Weekly Eucharistic Exposition with Adoration** is held each Monday from 4-6 p.m. All are invited to come and spend some time in adoration of our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

**Rosary** is prayed on Sunday at 8:00 a.m. at St. Joseph’s. Please come and join us.

**Prayer blankets were given to:** *Lindsey Rowe*, Denver, CO, from Jan & Jerry Erickson; *Shirley Cyr*, Oklee, MN, from Karen & Joe Cyr. Please keep everyone covered with a prayer blanket in your prayers. Thank you.

**Mass Intentions:** There are many open days/dates for your Mass Intentions. Please send the information to the parish office.

**HAPPY FATHER’S DAY!**

**Holy Hog at the Polk County Fair** The parish will once again have our Holy Hog food trailer at the Polk County Fair, Wednesday, July 5 - Sunday, July 9. Volunteers will be needed to cook and serve the food so contact Marcia Liebl at 218-474-1542 if you are available. The proceeds from this event will go paying the loan taken to build our church. Thank you for your support.

**Food for thought** *"As you go, make this proclamation: 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'"* (MATTHEW 10:7) Many of us take our lives for granted. We think we have plenty of time to "repent." Maybe we should live with a little more urgency in making things right with God. This is the difference in living our discipleship out of obligation versus out of love. Obligation implies we do the minimum required. Love implies we want a relationship. God wants us to be with Him in Heaven forever, but He also wants to be in relationship with us right now, while we are on earth. Start this second – invite the Lord into your heart.

**Summer is soon here**, and we will be having breakfast once a month, preferably outside on the patio area. Dates are July 16<sup>th</sup> and August 13<sup>th</sup>. Hope these interests you, and you will volunteer to serve. A summer breakfast signup sheet is on the back credenza for people eager to celebrate coffee during the summer together.

**A Blood Drive**, in memory of Jerry Jacobson, will be held Wednesday June 21<sup>st</sup> from 8:30 am – 1:00 pm. Please contact Senora Pederson at 218-945-6652 to register.

**Your Help is Needed: Ministry Schedule.** Each week we need:

1. Two ushers/greeters (please arrive by 8:10)
2. One reader
3. Two Eucharistic ministers of Holy Communion
4. Two collection reporters
5. One Sacristan
6. Altar Servers

Please sign up by emailing Donna Bjerk at [stjoesfertile@gvtel.com](mailto:stjoesfertile@gvtel.com) or by taking a ministry form found on the credenza. Thank you for serving your community and don't forget to invite your friends and loved ones to Mass!

**Fertile Food Shelf new hours:** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month from 3:00-6:00 PM. Please call appointment or for emergency 281-945-3136.

**St. Joseph's Table** will be the third Wednesday of the month, in alignment with the Fertile Food Shelf schedule. As we plan St. Joseph's Table events going forward, **we would like parish input on meal ideas and proactive volunteering.** Get together with your friends, or have your family choose their favorite meal and sign up for a month that works for you. There will be a sign-up list at the back of the church. If you are uncertain, Sue and Mark Erickson are willing to help you and your crew figure out the logistics of cooking for a crowd and using the church kitchen equipment. Again, contact Sue Erickson ([\(218\) 289-4694](tel:2182894694) or [suerosha@gmail.com](mailto:suerosha@gmail.com)) if you have questions.

**If you know of any** shut-ins, those not attending Mass, anyone who would like a home visit, or someone who may appreciate a visit please contact Father Larry at the office (218) 945-6649 or Fr. Larry's cell at (218) 779-3550.

## **EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL INFORMATION**

### **Eucharistic Missionaries**

Each parish in the diocese is asked to form a team of Eucharistic Missionaries. For our size of parish, this will be about four people. We are asking missionaries to do three things:

1. To be formed, by taking a course on the Eucharist from our **Eucharistic Revival website** and participating in any parish formation.
2. To commit to growing in prayer through Eucharistic adoration on a weekly basis or by attending daily Mass at least once during the week.
3. To look for ways to reach out to others to share with them the truth, beauty, and goodness of the Eucharist.

Other training will be provided.

The diocese is asking that these teams in each parish be formed by the end of January.

If you are interested in being a Eucharist Missionary, please contact Fr. Larry.