

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, July 23rd, 2023 – Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week’s Mass schedule: Wednesday, July 26th: Rosary 7 AM
Thursday, July 27th: Rosary 7 AM
Sunday, July 30th: +Gary Kiefert req. by Mary Kiefert

Ministers	July 30 th	August 6 th
Lector	Dan Kuzma	Kirsten Fuglseth
Eucharist	Karen Kurpius, Jean Rock	Paul Reese, Jerry Erickson
Greeters/Ushers	Steven Massmann, Todd Dufault	Jerry & Jan Erickson
Collection	Nancy Vigum, Pam Reese	Paul Reese, Kirsten Fuglseth
Sacristan	Kirsten Fuglseth	Elaine Ricard
Mass Server	Jack Erickson	Sidney Erickson
Gift Bearers	J.J. & Kirsten Hamre family	Cody & Maggie Coauette family

Church Cleaning June 26th – July 30th: Pete & Marcia Liebl (218) 474-1542; Todd & Dorene Dufault (218) 945-3367; Ervin & Jane Vigness (218) 946-3803; Rodney & Maggie Bryn (218) 281-2139 Thank you for your ministry to our parish.

Offertory Actual	7/16/2023	Offertory Needed Weekly	Building Fund Actual	7/16/2023
Adult	\$ 1,045.00	\$1,429.00 (Adult and Electronic)	No Report	
Electronic	\$ 130.00			
Youth	\$ 0.00		Building Fund Needed Weekly	
Plate	\$ 374.00	\$173.00	\$903.82	
Total	\$ 1,549.00			

Thank you for your financial support!

Birthday Greetings: Rose Weber (23rd), Alex Engelstad (24th), Pat Chisholm (28th), Brady Bjerk (28th)

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: Please keep everyone covered with a prayer blanket in your prayers. Thank you.

Food for thought “The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.” (MATTHEW 13:24 37-38) As children of God, we are all “good seeds”. We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow “good seeds” on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

Summer is here, and we will be having breakfast once a month, preferably outside on the patio area. The next date is August 13th. Hope these interests you, and you will volunteer to serve. A summer breakfast signup sheet is on the credenza for people eager to celebrate coffee during the summer together.

YOU are invited to an open house honoring Jerry and Jan Erickson's 50th wedding anniversary, today, Sunday July 23rd from 2 PM – 5 PM at St. Joseph social hall. No gifts please.

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 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: 1st and 3rd 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 if you have questions.

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.