

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, August 13th, 2023 – Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

This week’s Mass schedule: Wednesday, August 16th: Rosary 7 AM
Thursday, August 17th: Rosary 7 AM
Sunday, August 20th: Shirley Hamre req. by Brent & Jenny Hamre

Ministers	August 20 th	August 27 th
Lector	Gay Webster	Jan Erickson
Eucharist	Patricia Erickson, Jean Rock	Karen Kurpius, Paul Reese
Greeters/Ushers	Paul Reese, Emery Erickson	Matthew Erickson, Todd Dufault
Collection	Nancy Vigum, Pam Reese	Emery Erickson, Mary Kiefert
Sacristan	Elaine Ricard	Elaine Ricard
Mass Server	Jack Erickson	Sidney Erickson
Gift Bearers	Duane & Nicole Straus family	Corey & Paige Tice family

Church Cleaning July 31st – August 27th: Jerry & Jan Erickson 218-945-6118, Ty & Kirsten Fuglseth 218-945-3436, Greg & Donna Bjerk 218-945-3403. Thank you for your ministry to our parish.

<u>Offertory Actual 8/6/2023</u>		<u>Offertory Needed Weekly</u>	<u>Building Fund Actual 8/6/2023</u>
Adult	\$ 1,145.00	\$1,429.00 (Adult and Electronic)	No Report
Electronic	\$ 130.00		<u>Building Fund Needed Weekly</u> \$903.82
Youth	\$ 0.00		
Plate	\$ 300.00		
Total	\$ 1,575.00	<u>\$173.00</u>	

Thank you for your financial support!

Birthday Greetings: Patty Mosher (16th), Bob Thorson (16th), Lilah Wang (17th), Bonnie Rongen (17th),

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: Sarah Jelley, Navarre Beach, FL, from Mary Fouissier-Flaig; Meagan Ricard, Carver, MN, from Elaine Ricard and Nancy Vigum. Please keep everyone covered with a prayer blanket in your prayers. Thank you.

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

Food for thought “He said, ‘Come.’ Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus.” (MATTHEW 14:29) When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say “yes” to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

A ‘huge thank you’ to Marcia /Pete Liebl and Tammy/Jamy Fuglseth for organizing and doing much of the work at the Holy Hog event, at the fair this year. Heard positive comments about these sandwiches. You are a great team, benefiting St. Joseph’s.

The floral bouquets around the altar are in memory of Rita Marie Griffin whose graveside memorial service and burial were held at St. Joseph's Cemetery on Wednesday of this past week. Rita was the daughter of Dr. William and Loretta Kostick. Dr. Kostick was the only doctor in Fertile during the 1950's and early 1960's. The Kosticks were very active members of St. Joseph's parish during their years here. Blessed be the memory of Rita.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

1. By the end of Sept., we will gather and clean the kitchen, pantry, and whatever else needs cleaning for the fall dinner.

Early Reminders:

- 1. Adult tickets will be \$15. this year, ages 6-12 \$10., and ages 5 and younger eat free.
- 2. To offset expenses, each family is asked to contribute \$10. which can be put into an envelope, mark fall dinner, drop in collection plate, and it will be given to Ann.
- 3. There will be a country store for homemade treats, garden vegetables, pickles, etc. You are asked to have them priced.

MORE TO COME LATER

The 2023 Holy Hog food stand sold about 1,000 sandwiches and our profit was about \$9,000. (Details Available), Thank you for your support and volunteering your time! ~*Marcia*~

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!

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 or suerosha@gmail.com if you have questions.

Are you looking for a way to walk more closely with God? Cursillo may be what you're looking for. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on the weekend of September 21-24 and a Men's Cursillo on the weekend of October 26-29, 2023, at Mount St. Benedict in Crookston. Applications are available at <https://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com/>.

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 Msgr. Timothy McGee