

ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

10480 438TH St. SW – Fertile, MN 56540 ----- stjosephsfertile.org

Mass Schedule: Sun. – 8:30 a.m. -- Wed. and Thurs. – 8:00 a.m. -- **Reconciliation:** Sun. – 7:45 a.m.

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Pastor: Fr. Xavier Ilango
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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).

Reconciliation: Fertile: Sun. - 7:45 a.m. and 2nd & 4th Sat at 9 a.m. or by appointment

Mentor: Sat 1/2 hour before Mass and 1st & 3rd Sat at 9 a.m. or by appointment

Sunday, September 6, 2026 -----The Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

This Week

This Weekend – September 6th 23rd Sun. in Ord. Time

Sunday

- Mass 8:30 AM Parishioners

Monday

- **NO Eucharistic Adoration** –Labor Day

Tuesday

- **No Mass** at Fair Meadow Nursing Home

Wednesday

- Mass at Fertile – 8:00 AM +Gen Ricard req. by Jerry & Jan Erickson

Thursday

- Mass at Fertile – 8:00 AM Bishop Cozzens and his intentions

Sunday

- September 6th – 23rd Sunday / Ord. Time +*Allen Erickson* req. by Aaron & Liz Rongen

Monday

- **September 14th** Adoration 4-6 pm - Fertile

Liturgical Ministries for September 13 th	
Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Kurpius, Paul Reese, Brian Massmann	
Lector / Commentator: Travis Johnson	Altar Servers: Adrian Lundon, Ruger Pokryzwinski
Ushers / Greeters: Jerry & Jan Erickson	Mass Recorder: Dawson Fuglseth
Collection: Mary Kiefert, Paul Reese	Sacristan: Jan Erickson
Gift Bearers: JJ & Kristin Hamre family	
Breakfast Servers: Leanne Sannes, Pam Reese, Monica Lisburg	

Wedding Anniversaries: Mel & Cathy Bohnenkamp (12th)

Church Cleaning August 31st – September 27th: Duane & Nicole Straus 701-261-7590; Bonnie Rongen 218-289-5844; Ben & Ashley Hand 218-280-6267; Mike & Linsey Pokryzwinski 218-289-2445. Thank you for your ministry to our parish

Parish Weekly Offerings – August 30, 2026

Adult: \$910.00 Plate: \$255.00 **Total: \$1,165.00** (Average needed: \$1,429,00)

Building Fund - Envelopes: \$00.00 Building Fund – Electronic \$225.00

Diocesan Annual Appeal -- Please send in your contributions to the DAA using the forms that were sent to you. Thank you for your commitment and enthusiasm for this year's DAA **Fertile** – Goal: Goal: 9,378.00 --- pledged or received: \$9,175 --- **Need \$203.00 to reach our goal.** 98% of Goal

Regarding Mass Intention Requests and Offerings -- If making your offering for a Mass intention by check, please make the check out to Fr. Ilango. **Please note the change.**

Rosary and Altar Society will meet this Wednesday, Sept. 9th at 7PM. All are welcome.

Dear St. Joseph Church, Thank you so much for your donation to Aurora Resource Center (formerly Lifecare Pregnancy center). Your kindness and willingness to support our mission means so much to the clients we serve on a daily basis. Your generosity allows us the privilege to continue making a meaningful difference in the communities we serve. *With sincere thanks, Aurora Resource Center.*

RELATE CARE CLINIC Youth Event: September 20th 7:00 – 8:30 PM Sacred Heart Gymnasium. Pam Stenzel will speak to 7th – 12th grade students about relationships, sexuality, and the value of every life. Please see poster hanging above credenza for more information.

Fall Cursillos - Would you like to deepen your faith and let Jesus become more involved in your life? Let the Spirit lead you on a Cursillo. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on the weekend of September 24-27 and the Men's Cursillo on the weekend of October 22-25 and the at the Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston. Applications are available at <https://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com/>.

Prayer Blankets were given to: Fr. Ilango, Fertile, from St. Joseph Parish; Vinny Michaels, St. Paul, from Judy Berhow; Don Andring, Erskine, from April Swenby & Donna Bjerk.

St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Hawley invites you to their dinner September 20, 2026. Please see poster hanging above credenza for more information.

Please note there will be NO Adoration on September 7th due to the Labor Day holiday.

Breakfast Servers for September

Sept. 13	Leanne Sannes 218-280-2093	Pam Reese 218-289-0574	Monica Lisburg 218-556-8184
Sept. 20	Danielle Beauchane 218-289-8011	Patty Mosher 218-280-7264	Jan Erickson 218-945-6118
Sept. 27	Jade Ihry 218-849-1069	Patricia Erickson 218-289-0908	Lorri Massmann 218-289-3684

Key Passage: Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone." (Matthew 18:15)

Adult Question: How have you been able to follow Christ more closely because others patiently loved you?

Child Question: How can you help another person do the right thing?



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"Whatever you bind on earth is bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."

Sheepish Question:

What is it about the good news of Jesus that I'm keeping from people I love? Why?