

Northland Catholic e-News - April 4th, 2025

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In Solidarity with the Holy Land

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In just two weeks, we will celebrate the Sacred Triduum liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. Next week, you will find here a video where I will reflect with you about the importance of those liturgies and how they form the central moment of our whole Church year. This week, I would simply like to remind you about a very important collection in support of the Holy Land, which will be taken up on Good Friday.

You are all aware of the incredible destruction that has happened in the Holy Land because of the war there the past couple of years. This means there have been no pilgrims, and therefore the holy places of Christ's life, as well as the charitable works that happen in the name of the Church in the Holy Land, are suffering dramatically. There is, in the Holy Land a small community of Christians who continue to give witness to the life of Jesus. They also help to host pilgrims who come from all over the world. Because they are a small minority, they desperately need our support to be able to provide for the needs of the Church there in the Holy Land.

For centuries, the Friars Minor of the Franciscan custody of the Holy Land have cared for the holy places and carried out the charitable works of the Church there.

Our Holy Fathers have asked us for decades, to take up a collection on Good Friday to support this important work. Because of the war that has happened in the Holy Land the past two years, this collection is needed now more than ever. It is used both to sustain the pilgrimage places as well as to provide hospitals and schools for those who live in the Holy Land. I hope and pray you will consider this Good Friday being especially generous to our suffering brothers and sisters who maintain this important witness to the Word Made Flesh in the places where Jesus himself lived. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to show solidarity and to complete our Lenten almsgiving with a gift for those who are truly now the poorest of the poor.

Know of my prayers for your ending of Lent as we enter into this most sacred time of year.



LEND US YOUR HEART

Bishop Andrew H. Cozzens

IN THE NORTHLAND

A promotional graphic for Worldwide Marriage Encounter. It features a man in a plaid shirt and jeans riding a red bicycle with a woman in a white dress sitting on the back. They are in a grassy field under a blue sky with clouds. Text on the graphic includes: "It's time to get away ... together." in red and white, "April 25-27 ~ Diocesan Pastoral Center, Crookston, MN" in red, and "For info or to apply: (507) 227-8229 or WWME.org" in yellow. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter logo, which includes a heart and a cross, is in the bottom left corner.

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marriage encounter

Marriage Encounter Weekend

"Lent is a time of spiritual growth. How is the spiritual growth going in your marriage?" A Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend right here in the Diocese of Crookston is coming up. If you want learn more or sign up, visit WWME.org or call (507)-227-8229.

Take Action Now

Stand with nonpublic school students and families. Tell the Governor and your legislators to protect funding for nonpublic pupil aid and transportation aid.

[CLICK HERE](#)

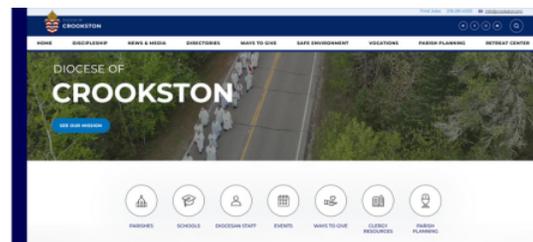


Carlo Acutis Documentary

On April 27th, Carlo Acutis will be canonized as a saint. A documentary sharing the life of this modern-day saint, Carlo Acutis: Roadmap to Reality will be showing in Fargo, ND April 27th - 29th. This film includes students from the Diocese of Crookston as well as Bishop Andrew Cozzens!

[*CLICK HERE*](#) to see show times and purchase tickets.

**WE'RE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE
THAT A NEW WEBSITE WILL
BE COMING THIS EASTER!**



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Diocese of CROOKSTON LENT 2025

Lenten Practices and Traditions



MEDIA MENTIONS

Featured On Mission!

Deacon Mark Krejci was recently a guest on the "On Mission:" podcast from the Catholic Apostolate Center in Washington D.C. During the conversation with Fr. Frank Donio, Director of the Center, Dcn. Mark discussed the formation of missionary disciples in the Diocese of Crookston in light of the Eucharistic Revival and the *New Life* pastoral plan.

To listen to the podcast [CLICK HERE](#)



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ON MISSION PODCAST
DEACON MARK KREJCI

NEWS FROM THE GUILD

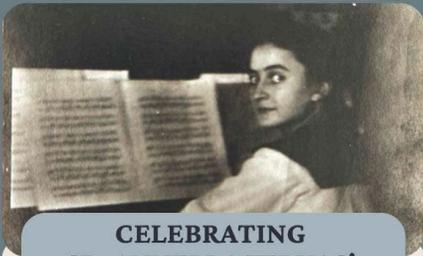
Sister Annella's 125th Birthday Celebration

Join us on April 7th at Saint Joseph Catholic Church in Red Lake Falls, MN, as we celebrate the 125th birthday anniversary of Sister Annella Zervas, OSB. A daughter of the Diocese of Crookston, Sister Annella's cause for beatification and canonization is being considered. This event is co-sponsored by Saint Joseph Catholic Church and the Sister Annella Zervas Guild.

Together, we will honor Sister Annella's faithful life with Jesus and celebrate our Catholic faith. The day begins with Confession at 8:00 AM, followed by Mass at 8:30 AM, led by Father Robert Schreiner, STL, Spiritual Director of the Sister Annella Zervas Guild. We hope you'll join us for this special occasion!



SISTER ANNELLA Guild



**CELEBRATING
SR. ANNELLA ZERVAS'
125th
BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY**

SCHEDULE:	EVENT DETAILS:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Confession at 8:00 AM • Mass at 8:30 AM • Coffee and Fellowship at 9:00 AM • Presentation on Sister Annella Zervas, OSB 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Date: April 7, 2025 • Location: Saint Joseph Catholic Church, Red Lake Falls, MN • Led by: Fr. Robert Schreiner, STL, Spiritual Director of the Guild

LOCATION

Saint Joseph Catholic Church
112 Edward St NE,
Red Lake Falls, MN 56750

<https://sisterannella.org>

STEWARDSHIP



Diocese of Crookston

2025 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

A Future Full of Hope

*"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you — plans for your welfare and not for woe, so as to give you a future of hope."
— Jeremiah 29:11*

<p>Equipping Missionary Disciples: \$165,000</p>	<p>Forming Future Leaders: \$395,000</p>	<p>Supporting Parishes & Parishioners: \$415,000</p>
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PARISH RESOURCES



2025 OCP Parish Music Grant Program
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend ([Bulletin Announcements](#))
Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Promotional Resources
April DAA Bulletin Announcements ([Update](#))
Child Abuse Prevention Month Resources
and more resources...



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