

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
725 6th STREET N.E.
FOSSTON, MN 56542



Greetings from Fr. John

We are in the Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time. In the Gospel, Jesus answers to the question, "Is it lawful to pay the census tax to Caesar or not?" by stating, "Repay to Caesar what belongs to Caesar and to God what belongs to God." With this answer, Jesus reminds his questioners that if they are so concerned and careful about paying taxes to the state, they should be much more concerned and careful about their service to God and their obligations to Him as their Creator and Lord. We fulfill our duties to our country by loyally obeying the just laws of the State and working for the welfare of all citizens. We become Heavenly citizens by obeying God's laws. With God's help, we can be ideal citizens of both earth and Heaven. We should be generous in fulfilling our Sunday obligations and find time every day for prayer and worship in the family, for the reading of the Bible and the proper training of our children in Faith and morals. Active participation in the various ministries of the parish is an offering to God of our time and talents, yet another way of giving to God His due, our whole self. **God Bless you. Have a good week.**

Happy Birthday to Fr. John on October 25th

Twenty-Ninth Sunday
in Ordinary Time
October 22nd, 2017

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7-12: Lori Balstad

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24-hour confidential number

Confession 8AM, before Sunday Mass

St. Mary's - Fosston

Wed, Oct. 25 Adoration Noon – 6 PM

Wed, Oct. 25 11:30 AM Mass Harold Agnes+

Wed, Oct. 25 6:30 PM Mass

Deacon Aaron Kaiser

Fri, Oct. 27 8:30 AM Mass Joe Fesko+

Sun, Oct. 29 8:30 AM Mass Annammal+

St. Joseph's - Bagley

Tues, Oct. 25 Adoration Noon – 6 PM

Thur, Oct. 26 11:30 AM Mass Annammal+

Sun, Oct. 29 10:30 AM Mass

For the Parishes of St. Mary's and St. Joseph's

Finance Committee Meeting – St. Mary's
Wednesday, October 25, 2017 at 7 PM

All Saints Day November 1st

is Holy Day of Obligation.

Mass is at 6:30 PM.

Birthdays

October 25 Fr. John
October 27 Luann Dufault

Anniversaries

October 26 Kim & Diane Christopherson

PRAYER CHAIN CONTACT:

Carol Aaland 435-6384 (H), 218-686-2710 (C).

Please notify parish office of names to add or subtract and of those who could use a prayer shawl.

PLEASE REMEMBER AND PRAY FOR:

Nash Rosendahl, Hannah Keller, Sara Swenson, Brady Jones, William Vener, Alexa Jordan, Betty Bingham, Richard Weiss, Jordyn Werl, Lou Osmundson, Patrick Murphy, Margaret Albrecht, Paul Nelson, Jim McDonald, Dave Ekman, Harper Hand, Kevin, Sherilyn Kolstad, Kaylee, Sue Erdmann, Vernon Kleppe, Don Dyrdaahl, Rick Hand, Doug Hoverson, Pam (Larson) Parkin, Johnny Vetter, Sharon Rein, Irma Hemmingsen, Chuck Agnes, Doreen Brovold, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Doug Cullen, Sarah Ihrke, Elaine Martz, Eric Kaml, Carly Hemmingsen, Paul Silver, Eason, Linda Klinkhammer, Barb Wickham, Brandon Miller, Mary Griffin, Tim Killian, Margaret Rustad, Eileen Hegg.

"May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"

MASS INTENTIONS: Please note with your donation whether intention is for a deceased or living person. Suggested donation is still \$5.00.

Gluten-free hosts available: Please stop by the sacristy before Mass to let Fr. know your need.

THE WORD OF THE LORD

The readings for next Sunday, Oct. 29, 2017
Exodus 22:20-26 Ps 18:2-3, 3-4, 47, 51
1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10, Matt 22:34-40

Eucharistic adoration will be closing at 6 PM this Wednesday, October 25, 2017 to prepare for Mass at 6:30 PM. Youth Group will be meeting from 6-8 PM. May God bless them with the gifts of the Holy Spirit and a closer walk with Jesus.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):

PreK-12 grades RE class after Sunday Mass 9:45-10:45AM

Friday class for grades K-6 at 8:30-9:25 AM.

SUNDAY YOUTH MASS Nov. 19th.

Oct. 20 No Friday class due to MEA week

Oct. 22 No Sunday RE due to MEA week

NEXT Youth Group Wed. **Oct. 25** 6-8 PM

Religious Education Contact Info:

Grades 7-12 please contact:

Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

Grades PreK-6 please contact:

Amanda Wiener 218-563-2703 or at

amandawiener@hotmail.com

The Students will be ministering at Mass one Sunday of each month. We welcome their help.

For questions please contact Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

Those who have not yet joined Religious Education, you're still most welcome! Please encourage your children to be enthusiastic in attending classes.

We are using a program call "Formed", that was suggested by our diocese, for teaching our youth group and grades 7-9 Theology of the Body. There are many great programs for adults also, as well as movies. FREE. Go to Formed.org. Parish code TGVHW3.

Diocese of Crookston Senior High Youth

Rally (Grades 9-12), Featuring Kris Frank. The theme is "The Lord is My Strength". Sunday, October 29th, 2017, 1:30-8PM. At Holy Rosary Catholic Church, 1043 Lake Ave, Detroit Lakes, MN. Contact Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286.

Women's Cursillo Retreat: At Sand Hill Bible Camp, south of Fosston. October 26-29. Contact Carol Olsonawski (218-689-9081) or Bobbi Mercil (701-866-5706)

Faith in Action was on display last Sunday, Oct. 15, when our Youth Mass included the acting out of the Gospel of Matthew 22:1-14, the parable of the wedding feast. Students from Pre-school and Kindergarten through high school participated. **Thank you to Lori Balstad, Val Holzer, Amanda Wiener and all who coordinated and made this a Sunday to remember!**

Faith in Action can be seen on our website, stmarysfosston.org, where pictures of high school students serving fellow parishioners have been posted. Seeing our youth serving selflessly may cause you to want to support them with your donations. Please label your contributions, "Youth Service Project" and drop in the collection basket any Sunday.

40 Rosaries for Life Campaign 2017

A new diocesan-wide time of prayer to coincide with 40 Days for Life. The fall 40 Days campaign will run through November 5th and our diocese will participate in "40 Rosaries for Life." The idea is to have a Rosary said by a group of parishioners (any size) in a parish on an assigned day over the 40 days. Thus, over the 40 days, we will have a Rosary for Life prayed somewhere in the diocese. **St. Mary's, Fosston, assigned date is Saturday, November 4th. We will gather at 8:30 am.**

"Thank You" to those of you that have already donated. Everyone can be part of our new worship program. You can sponsor one or more of our new hymnals, "Journeysongs". For each \$20.00 donation one hymnal will get a bookplate that reads: "Given as a gift by _____ in the name of _____."

Special donation envelopes are available in the back of the church as well as a donation box. For questions call Theresa Zitzow 435-1182

Thank you for the donations that have already contributed to 62 hymnals.

Life and Dignity Sunday October 28-29, 2017

Next week you will be given the opportunity to make a difference. As we observe Life and Dignity Sunday, cards will be available for you to submit your email address to the Minnesota Catholic Conference's Catholic Advocacy Network so that when issues come up at the state level, you can be notified. You will then have the option to easily express your opinion to our legislators. Catholics acting together on important issues can have a huge impact on the life and dignity of all of our citizens. If you cannot be here, you can register online at www.mncatholic.org.

Annual Hunter's Supper on Saturday, November 4, 2017 serving Turkey and all the trimmings from 4:30 PM to 8:30 PM at the Grygla Community Center. Hunter's Mass will begin at 7:30 PM at St. Clement's, Grygla.

Diocese of Crookston – Evangelization & Discipleship

The Diocese of Crookston is establishing commissions to help give vision to some of the offices at the Chancery. The commissions are Evangelization & Discipleship, Marriage & Family, Life & Justice and Youth Ministry. Some of you have been asked through your pastor to be on one of these commissions. We are having a kick-off gathering on **Saturday, October 28th, from 9 AM through lunch (ending with the meal) at St. Mary's in Fosston.** Please pray for this exciting process as we work toward forming missionary disciples in our diocese. For more information, please contact A.J. Garcia, Deacon Mark Krejci or Brady Borslien.

Cathedral Harvest Festival: Sunday, October 29, 2017 from 11AM – 2PM at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception in Crookston. Knights of Columbus Fish fry or Turkey Dinner will be served. Also, Much more activities. Check out the bulletin board.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Oct. 29, 2017

Ushers: David Holzer, Dennis Sanden
Gifts: Pat & Amy Jackson Family
Lector: Margarette Rue
Commentator: Jan Hemmingsen
Eucharist: *Michele Schoenborn, Doug Hand,
Kathryn Ziermeier, John & Candy Keller
Servers: Faith Balstad, Harlee Bingham, Grace Rue
Hospitality: Doug & Linda Hand, Kathryn Ziermeier

LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Nov. 5, 2017

Ushers: John Blaser, Jerry Erdmann
Gifts: John & Candy Keller Family
Lector: Nina Bingham
Commentator: Lori Balstad
Eucharist: *Jan Hemmingsen, Carol Aaland,
Doug & Michelle Schoenborn, Dorothy Killian
Servers: Grant & Logan Hemberger, Dane
Schoenborn
Hospitality: Jesse & Augusta Maruska, Tony & Pat
Maruska

STEWARDSHIP

Budget needed weekly:	\$ 2,320.15
Last Week's Collections:	
45 Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,522.00
Loose Collection	\$ 47.00
4 Children/Youth	\$ 4.00
Donations for Rolls(<i>Cost of rolls \$48.99</i>)	\$ 38.00
Youth Service Project	\$ 30.00
Music Fund	\$ 300.00
Hymnal Fund	\$ 860.00
Capital Improvement Donation	\$ 10.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 3,380.48

2nd Collection October 22nd for the Propagation of the Faith, World Mission Sunday. Envelopes will be available in the pews and in your envelope box.

All are welcome for Coffee & Rolls after Mass. Children and youth should go directly to their classrooms as rolls will be served for them there.

OCTOBER IS RESPECT LIFE MONTH AND THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY

Please take notice of the Respect Life table in the gathering space.

Please join us each Sunday in October at 8:10 AM to pray the Rosary led by Catholic United financial members.

Youth Group Service Project:

Our youth at St. Mary's have come up with an idea for a service project. Our youth group will be doing service projects to help with yard work or fall cleanup for some of our elderly parishioners. If you would like to help we are asking you to sponsor them on this service with a donation to our youth group fund. The monies raised will be used toward a future mission trip or youth camp. Mark an envelope "Youth Group Service Project" and drop it in the Sunday collection. For questions please contact Lori Balstad 218-938-4286

Please check out the photos of St. Mary's youth in action as they complete their service projects! They are located on the bulletin board and on the website.

Safe Environment Certification:

There are still a few volunteers and/or employees that Must certify for Safe Environment.

Please Go to www.crookston.org, Click on "Safe Environment".

For questions please call, 435-6484 and leave a message or email stmarysfosston@gmail.com

A very special Thank You to John & Joyce Hajostek Family from Moorhead who graciously matched the donation for the Indian Meal that was auctioned at St. Mary's Fall Bazaar.