

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**  
**725 6<sup>th</sup> STREET N.E.**  
**FOSSTON, MN 56542**



**Greetings from Aaron Kaiser:**

Welcome to the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Ordinary time. We also are celebrating Ecumenical Sunday as it includes a week of prayer for Christian unity which began Jan.18-25<sup>th</sup>. Christians around the world take part in an octave of prayer for visible Christian unity. In today's first reading Jonah's announcement of the destruction of Nineveh will occur **unless** the people of Nineveh turn to God and believe in Him. In the Psalms we hear how God wants us to be guided in His ways, for He is a merciful and just God, who teaches with compassion and love. According to the message in the second reading we must not procrastinate, for the world we are living in is passing away. Finally, in the Gospel we hear the call of Jesus asking the disciples, "**us**", to abandon our old way of living and to follow Him. **God Bless you. Have a great week!**

**I am the Light of the World,  
says the Lord.**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**January 21, 2018**

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**Website: [stmarysfosston.org](http://stmarysfosston.org)**

**PARISH STAFF:**

**Pastor:** Fr. JohnMelkies Suvakeen  
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**Secretary:** Lu Newell Cell 218-431-0983  
**Office Hours:** Wed. 5-8 pm & Fri. 8am-1pm  
**Bookkeeper:** Linda Hand Cell 218-280-2271  
**Office Hours:** Mon. & Wed. 3-5 pm  
**R.E. Coordinators:** PreK-6:AmandaWiener  
7-12: Lori Balstad  
**Pastoral Council Chair:** Connie Smeby  
**Trustees:** Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham  
**Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:**  
Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895  
24-hour confidential number

**Confession 8AM, before Sunday Mass**

**St. Mary's Mass & Intentions**

**Wed, Jan 24 Adoration Noon – 8 pm**

**Sun, Jan 28 8:30 am Mass**

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

**St. Joseph's, Bagley, Mass & Intentions**

**Tues, Jan 23 Adoration Noon – 6 pm**

**Sun, Jan 28 10:30 am Mass**

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**Office Hours may vary this week due to family circumstances.**

Please call:

218-280-2271 for Linda

218-431-0983 for Lu

Our apologies for any inconvenience.

	<b><u>Birthdays</u></b>
Jan 21	Tom Weber
Jan 23	Roger Vedbraaten Kim Anderson
	<b><u>Anniversary</u></b>
Jan 25	Tom & Eileen Hegg

**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, Carly Hemmingsen, Chuck Agnes, Harper Hand, Linda Klinkhammer, Sara Swenson, Brady Jones, William Vener, Alexa Jordan, Betty Bingham, Richard Weiss, Jordyn Werl, Lou Osmundson, Patrick Murphy, Jim McDonald, Dave Ekman, Kevin, Sherilyn Kolstad, Kaylee, Sue Erdmann, Vernon Kleppe, Don Dyrdaahl, Doug Hoverson, Pam (Larson) Parkin, Johnny Vetter, Sharon Rein, Irma Hemmingsen, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Elaine Martz, Eric Kaml, Paul Silver, Eason, Barb Wickham, Mary Griffin, Margaret Rustad, Ardell Redder, Mandy, Virginia Weber, Mike Lynch, Candy Keller, Jerry Erdmann, Ben Hand, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Steve Lindberg, Roger Drellack and Fr. Don Braukmann  
*"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, Jan 28, 2018**  
Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
Psalm 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9  
1 Corinthians 7:32-35, Mark 1:21-28

**ST. MARY'S YOUTH**

**Religious Education**

Friday School – Jan 26, 2018

**Sunday School – Jan 28, 2018**

–There is Classes for Pre-K-6 and Confirmation Class

–No Classes for grades 7-10 on Jan 28.

Youth Group – Feb 7, 2018 6-8 pm Wed.

Youth Mass & Sunday School – Feb 11, 2018

**Together Encountering Christ**

**Agassiz Valley TEC Rally**

March 10-12, 2018 at Sandhill Lake Bible Camp by Fosston MN

**What is TEC?**

A three day retreat experience that focuses on the Paschal Mystery (the dying and rising of Christ). Each retreat is led by a team of adults and young adults who have encountered Christ through TEC already.

**Who can go to TEC?**

Anyone at least 16 years of age and a sophomore in high school. College students, young adults and older adults are welcome.

**Formed**

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](http://Formed.org). Parish code: TGVHW3.**

**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.

For grades 7-12 please contact

Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

For Grades PreK-6 please contact

Amanda Wiener 218-563-2703 or at [amandawiener@hotmail.com](mailto:amandawiener@hotmail.com)

**REBOOT LIVE with Chris Stefanick**  
**April 18, 2018 7-9:30 pm St. Bernard's in**  
**Thief River Falls, MN. Tickets \$22**

For more information contact St. Bernard's at 218-681-3571 or purchase online by visiting [www.RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot](http://www.RealLifeCatholic.com/reboot)

**REBOOT!** Is a fun, inspiring and practical experience for All Ages (12 and up), of applying the beauty and genius of the Gospel to every aspect of your life, from prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more! **God didn't create us to just get by, he created us to Live Life to the Full!**

**Director of Youth Ministry and Catechesis**

The Diocese of Crookston is seeking a full time Director of the Office of Youth Ministry and Catechesis. This office serves the pastors, parish youth ministers and parish directors of religious education and formation. The candidate is a voice in the diocese for young people. The candidate will coordinate diocesan youth activities (camps, rallies, trainings, etc.) with the assistance of parish employees and volunteers. The candidate will also conduct training sessions for catechesis in parishes. Applicants should have education and experience in the areas of youth ministry and religious education. The qualifying candidate needs to be a practicing Catholic who has an understanding of the teachings of the Catholic Church and the desire to promote them.

**Send resume and references to:**

Msgr. Mike Foltz, Diocese of Crookston,  
P. O. Box 610,  
Crookston, MN. 56716 or  
email: [mfoltz@crookston.org](mailto:mfoltz@crookston.org)  
Interviews begin by March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Annual Benefit Dinner & Raffle**

St. Michael's School in Mahanomen will be holding its Annual Benefit Dinner & Raffle on February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Enjoy a delicious prime rib dinner while supporting the school's key fundraising event. Benefit Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$500 and gives you a chance at these great prizes: \$7500, \$1500 and \$1000. The benefit raffle ticket also includes a dinner ticket and a chance at the prizes listed below. A separate dinner ticket can be purchased for \$75 (per couple) and includes your meal and a chance for these prizes: \$500, \$250, and \$100(10). Please contact St. Michael's School 218-935-5222, or any of our school families for more information on the benefit or to purchase a ticket.

**Capitol 101**

Want to make your Catholic voice heard at the Capitol? Register today to join Catholics from across Minnesota for Capitol 101. On February 26th, March 16th, and April 17th, Minnesota You'll have the chance to hear from and meet with legislators, pray with fellow Catholics, and get a window into the legislative process. For more information or to register, head to [www.mncatholic.org](http://www.mncatholic.org) and click on the Capitol 101 banner. Pre-registration is required for this free event and space is limited. A free-will offering will be accepted.

**The New Contribution Envelopes** can be misleading. Please note that if you are intending to give to our parish, be sure your contribution is in an envelope that boldly says "**My Weekly Offering**" on the flap. It would be easy to just grab the next envelope which may be for a special collection. Unfortunately, Our Sunday Visitor does not offer an option to put the name of the Sunday, only the date, on the flap side.

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Jan 28, 2018**

**Ushers:** Tom Weber, Doug Hand

**Gifts:** Randy & Margarette Rue Family

**Lector:** Michelle Shoenborn

**Commentator:** Amanda Schultz

**Eucharist:** \*Jeanne Sanden, Eileen Hegg, Doug Shoenborn, John Keller, Jan Hemmingsen

**Servers:** Kayla Zitzow, Ben Keller, Jesse Worshek

**Hospitality:** Eugene & Clara Manecke,  
John & Linda Blazer

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY – Feb 4, 2018**

**Ushers:** John Blaser, David Brinkman

**Gifts:** Paul & Lisa Rosendahl Family

**Lector:** Jan Hemmingsen

**Commentator:** Nina Bingham

**Eucharist:** \* Kathryn Ziermeier, Doug Hand, , Michelle Shoenborn, John Keller, Gabe Wiener

**Servers:** Isaac Chalich, Dane Shoenborn, Emily Chalich

**Hospitality:** Lynn & Sue Vennes, Richard & Marion Parent

**STEWARDSHIP**

Budget Needed Weekly: \$2320.15

**Last Week's Collections:**

29 Adult Envelopes: \$1185.00

Loose \$ 70.00

Children (4) \$ 4.00

Donations for Rolls (cost \$26.99) \$ 48.50

Capital Improvements: \$ 0.00

**Capital Improvement Balance: \$6690.48**

**Second Collection:** January 21, 2018

Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa

**2017 Contribution Reports are available for pick up in the back of the church.**

**In case of emergency while Fr. John is gone. Please call:  
Deacon Aaron Kaiser at 218-280-4707**

**Our condolences to the family and friends of Rick Hand. (Brother of Doug Hand) May he rest in peace.**

**Formed** has a program called "**A Lent to Remember**". You can take advantage of this opportunity by following the link below.

**Go to: [www.Formed.org](http://www.Formed.org) Parish code:TGVHW3**

**Benefit for Lydia & Drew Wahlstrom**

**February 2 & 3, 2018**

**Friday, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> 5pm-7pm** – Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction in the High School commons area from 5-7 (during the boys and girls BB double header).

**Saturday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Concert at Hope Church  
See the bulletin board for further details.

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends**

This is a weekend for married Christian couples who value their relationship and desire a richer, fuller life together. Attend a Marriage Encounter weekend and learn the tools needed to keep your marriage strong. February 2-4, 2018 in Hermantown, MN  
April 13-15, 2018 in Baxter, MN

**CaringBridge Site for Fr. Don Braukmann**

Fr. Don, of St. Phillips in Bemidji, has recently been diagnosed with ALS, or more commonly known as Lou Gehrig's Disease.

For those that may know Fr. Don, a CaringBridge site has been created so that family and friends are able to follow his course of treatment. Simply go to:

<https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/fatherdonbraukmann> to log in.

Please keep Fr. Don in your prayers.