

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



**Greetings from Fr. John:**

We are in the Thirty First Sunday in Ordinary Time. This Sunday Jesus invites us to be strongly rooted in the love of God. The relationship between God and man is a special bond of love. God loves each person individually and calls us to let ourselves be built into a spiritual house. He wants us to reflect our response to him through our holiness and offering ourselves self to him. He is a personal God and we experience his touch in the presence of Jesus. Christian love requires of us to convert our hearts and minds to a true and compassionate love of God and of others. In the first reading we have the presentation of the love of God in the form of Ten Commandments. The chosen people were invited to love God with their whole heart. They in turn will receive plentiful blessings from God. In the Gospel we have the summary of the Law given by Jesus to love God with the whole heart, mind and strength and to love our neighbor as the person would love himself or herself. Jesus says that there is no commandment greater than these. Let us remember all the deceased people in our prayers in this month of November.

**God Bless You! Have a great week!**

**Thirty First Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
November 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

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7-12: Lori Balstad  
Pastoral Council Chair: Dennis Sanden  
Trustees: Jeanne Sanden and Erv Wickham  
Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator:  
Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895  
24-hour confidential number

**Confession 8 AM, before Sunday Mass**

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

Wednesdays: Adoration Noon – 8 pm  
Wed., Nov. 7 3:30 pm Mass at First Care NH,  
Oliver Trujillo+  
Fri., Nov. 9 8:45 am Mass with Youth,  
Gloria Bauer+  
Sun., Nov. 11 8:30 am Mass, Annammal+

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

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm  
Thur., Nov. 8 10 am Mass, Carl Galli+  
Sun., Nov. 11 10:30am Mass,  
For the Parishes

**Mass Of Remembrance  
Sunday Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Birthdays**

Nov 8 John Blaser

**Anniversaries**

Nov. 10 Dennis & Jeanne Sanden

**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, Chuck Agnes,  
Harper Hand, Linda Klinkhammer, Brady Jones,  
Betty Bingham, Lou Osmundson, Kaylee, Sharon  
Rein, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Paul Silver,  
Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Fr. Don  
Braukmann, Sally Hanson, Roger Scharendroich,  
Nora Ann Lentz, Cele Winkler, Loni Jirik, Rick  
Miller, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, Vernon  
Kleppe, James Bingham, Gary Ebling, Dean  
Vikan, Allie St. Pierre, Brenda Steffan, Ernest  
Agnes, John and Candy Keller.

*"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, Nov. 11, 2018  
1 Kings 17: 10-16, Ps. 146: 7,8-9,9-10, Hebrews 9:  
24-28, Mark 12: 38-44

St. Joseph's, Bagley, Annual Fundraiser

December 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Soup & Sandwich, Bake Sale & Raffle

St. Ann's Catholic Church, Goodridge, MN  
Saturday, Nov. 10, 4-8 PM. Pan fried WALLEYE  
Supper. One fillet \$11, two fillets \$13.

St. Michael's School is now taking orders for  
HOMEMADE PIES. Order yours today. Pick up at  
St. Michael's Church Basement, Mahnomon,  
November 17, 18, or 19. Contact Gina Noll  
935-2931, 261-1005, [pngz@hotmail.com](mailto:pngz@hotmail.com)  
or Paige Ennen 218-766-6739.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):**

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

No RE for all grades on Sunday., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Youth group, grades 7-12 meet Wednesday,  
November 14<sup>th</sup> and Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. 6-8 PM.

Supper provided

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

No Friday School Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

For grades 7-12 please contact

Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

For Grades K-6 please contact

Amanda Wiener 218-563-2703 or at

[amandawiener@hotmail.com](mailto:amandawiener@hotmail.com)

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

For questions contact Lori.

Your still welcome to join Religious Education,  
Please encourage your children to be enthusiastic  
in attending classes.

**Safe Environment Certification:**

Thank you to everyone who has completed the  
SE Certification, the Diocese of Crookston will be  
visiting our office soon to ensure that we are  
compliant.

*Please complete yours if you haven't already.*

**Youth Group Service Project:**

Our youth group at St. Mary's are doing service  
projects for some of our older parishioners.

Donations to our youth group fund: Mark an  
envelope "Youth Group Service Project" and drop  
it in the Sunday collection. For questions please  
contact Lori Balstad 218-938-4286

**Embrace Your Brothers and Sisters, the  
Saints**

The Catholic Church is a lot bigger than most  
people think—because it includes *all the saints!*  
Watch Episode 9 of *Symbolon: Knowing the  
Faith* as Dr. Edward Sri discusses our close  
connection to the saints.

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

**Foods needed during the Holiday Season at the Loaves & Fishes Food Shelf:**

The Holidays add additional stress to families experiencing food emergencies & limited financial resources. We can make a difference! Call Sandy at 218-431-0215, let the phone ring to leave a message or 218-280-6957. Monetary donations may be sent to PO Box 152, Fosston. There is a box in the gathering space to drop off your food donations. Check out the bulletin board for list of foods needed. We will collect food donations until Nov. 25, the Sunday after Thanksgiving.

**CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL (CUF)** will hold a "Bakeless Bake Sale" from now until Nov. 11. See the orange insert in today's bulletin. Please make checks payable to St. Mary's CUF Council. You can either drop your donation in the box in the gathering space or mail to Jan Hemmingsen, 39022 335th Ave SE, Fosston, MN 56542. All proceeds go to St. Mary's religious education and are part of our matching grant fund raiser. Last year we received \$1,000 from Catholic United Financial matching our donations to the Bakeless Bake Sale and the Basket Sale. Thank you for supporting the education of our future church.

November 4-10, 2018

**National Vocation Awareness Week (NVAW)** is an annual week-long celebration of the Catholic Church in the United States dedicated to promote vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and consecrated life through prayer and education, and to renew our prayers and support for those who are considering one of these particular vocations. This celebration was moved to coincide with the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which falls on January 13. Later moved to the first full week of November.

Register for Catholics at the Capitol today! Tuesday, February 19th, 2019. Details regarding diocesan transportation are coming soon! Information on Catholics at the Capitol can be found here: <https://catholicsatthecapitol.org/>

Thank you for supporting and respecting human life by contributing to Northwoods Pregnancy Center, Bemidji, through the Baby Bottle project, by the praying the Rosary for Life and by reading and taking into consideration the pro-life materials made available during Respect Life month, October. Please be mindful of the life issues as you vote Tues., Nov. 6. Also, special thanks to those who set up the pro-life display!

The Minnesota Catholic Conference, through the Catholic Advocacy Network, has provided Catholics in Minnesota with an abundance of important resources that will help voters prepare their hearts and minds prior to election day. Go to: <https://www.mncatholic.org/resources/election/> Some of the resource links you will find on this site include: Election Novena, Guide to Forming Conscience (USCCB), Living the Gospel Life (USCCB), What's on My Ballot: Sample ballot with candidates and issues (Secretary of State)

**Father Matt Schmitz, Promoter for the Office of Vocations**, is leading a trip to Immaculate Heart of Mary Seminary in Winona, Minnesota, for a Come and See weekend Nov. 9-12.

The men will join seminarians, and the weekend is "an opportunity to learn more about priesthood and seminary life, to meet the students and faculty of the seminary and to become familiar with St. Mary's University." Go to [ihmseminary.org](http://ihmseminary.org) Check out the bulletin board.

**Are You Divorced, Widowed, Separated?**

"Beginning Experience" is a support program offered by the Catholic Church and open to divorced and widowed people of all faiths, or no faith. A Beginning Experience Weekend will be offered at Maryvale, Valley City ND, Nov. 16-18, 2018. For more information contact Vickie 701-866-5682 or Val 218-415-0101, or leave a message at 701-277-8784. See also the website:

[www.beginningexperience-easternd.org](http://www.beginningexperience-easternd.org) <<http://www.beginningexperience-easternd.org>>



**LITURGICAL MINISTRY Nov. 11, 2018**

Ushers: Jerry Erdmann, Tom Weber  
Gifts: Sue Defrang, Eileen Hegg  
Lector: Amanda Shultz  
Commentator: Margarete Rue  
Eucharist: \*Jeanne Sanden, Kathryn Ziermeier,  
Steve & Lorri Massmann, Erv Wickham  
Servers: Isaac Chalich, Jesse Worshek,  
Kayla Zitzow  
Hospitality: David & Rose Brinkman,  
Carol Broadwell

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY Nov. 18, 2018**

Ushers: Steve Massmann, 2 Youth  
Gifts: Youth  
Lector: Youth  
Commentator: Youth  
Eucharist: \*Eileen Hegg, Dorothy Killian,  
Michele & Doug Schoenborn, Gabe Wiener  
Servers: Youth  
Hospitality: Steve Chalich, David Holzer,  
Randy Rue

**STEWARDSHIP**

Budget Needed Weekly:	\$ 2403.67
Last Week's Collections:	
39 Adult Envelopes:	\$ 1625.00
4 Children/Student Donations:	\$ 4.00
Loose	\$ 75.00
Total Sunday Collection	\$ 1704.00
Coffee & Rolls (Cost \$48.00)	\$ 74.00
Youth Service Project	\$ 125.00
Capital Improvement Balance	\$ 4975.21

Please consider being a Eucharistic Minister.  
Also, A Bazaar Committee Leader is still  
needed for 2019, Please consider being a Leader.  
Contact Fr. John at 435-6484

2nd Collection Nov. 18 is for the  
Campaign for Human Development  
2nd Collection Nov. 25 is for St. Mary's Mission,  
Red Lake

Lectors: Please pick up your 2019 Workbook  
from the Sacristy.

Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> is MASS OF REMEMBRANCE,  
During the month of November we remember all  
the deceased people of our families in our  
prayers. Since last November, our parish has  
mourned the passing of:

Kilmer Christopherson, Helen Randall,  
Ronald Reinbold, Catherine Senger,  
Barbara Wickham. We will honor their  
memories at the Mass Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> in a special  
way. May they and all the souls of the faithful  
departed rest in peace.

You are invited and encouraged to bring pictures  
of those you wish to honor and be remembered  
by us also. There is an area at the back of the  
church for them to be displayed. Also, please  
enter their names in the special book of the dead  
so that they may be included in our prayers.

November 11<sup>th</sup> is Veterans Day.

If you are a Veteran "Thank You".

If you know a Veteran, Thank Them.

Knights of Columbus are invited to meet at St.  
Michael's basement meeting room, Mahanomen,  
on Monday, Nov. 12, at 7pm. Grand Knight is  
Rudy Suda 218-784-8247

**Community Forum, Opioid Prevention**

As America's opioid crisis threatens to tear our  
communities apart, the Netflix Original Short  
Documentary, HEROIN(E) shows how the chain  
of compassion holds one town together.

Tuesday, November 13, 6:30-8 PM at New  
Journey Church, 505 9<sup>th</sup> St. NW. FREE  
Sue Thompson, Polk Co. Public Health 218-  
521-7784 or [sue.thompson@co.polk.mn.us](mailto:sue.thompson@co.polk.mn.us)

FREE TV!! The TV sitting in the gathering space  
is up for grabs. First come, first served. If you or  
someone you know can make use of this  
functioning TV, please take it with you. It has been  
replaced with a Smart TV for our religious  
education program through a donation.

**Window Project Survey Results**

46 Responded, 33 Yes, 3 Undecided, 10 No