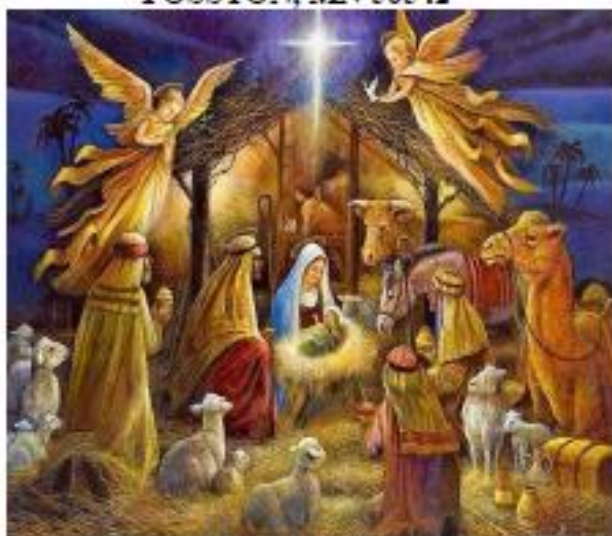


ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH  
725 6<sup>th</sup> STREET N.E.  
FOSSTON, MN 56542



**Greetings from Fr. John:**

Today we are celebrating the Epiphany Sunday. The Greek word Epiphany means appearance or manifestation. Today we celebrate Jesus' first appearance to the Gentiles, represented by the Magi. Today's Gospel reminds us that if God permitted the Magi to recognize and give Jesus proper respect as the King of Jews, we should know that there is nothing in our sinful lives that would keep God from bringing us to Jesus. Like the Magi, let us offer Jesus our gifts on this feast of Epiphany and every day: (a) Gift of our life by offering it on the altar during the Holy Mass and by offering it to God every morning as soon as we get up, and asking for the strengthening anointing of the Holy Spirit to do good and avoid evil. b) Gift of relationship with God by talking to Him in personal and family prayers and listening to Him through reading the Holy Bible every day. c) Gift of friendship with God by experiencing His presence in everyone we come into contact with and offering Jesus our humble service by serving him or her.

**God Bless You. Have a Good Week!**

## The Epiphany of the Lord January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2019

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Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895

24-hour confidential number

### Confession 8 AM, before Sunday Mass

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

Wednesdays: Adoration Noon – 6:30 pm

Sun., Jan. 13 8:30 am Mass, For the Parishes

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

Tues. Adoration Noon – 6 pm

Sun., Jan. 13 10:30am Mass,

Jim Vorderbruggen+

### Guild Meeting, January 10, 6:30 PM

#### 2019 Calendars

Please help yourself to the 2019 calendars

Please let Carlin-Hoialmen Funeral Home know of our appreciation for them by signing the Christmas card in the social hall.

**Birthdays**

Jan 7 Ben Hemberger  
Jan 9 Lisa Rosendahl  
Jan 12 Sue Vannes  
Jan 12 Debbie Illies

**No Anniversaries Listed**

**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, Harper Hand,  
Linda Klinkhammer, Brady Jones, Betty Bingham,  
Sharon Rein, Kristi Maruska, Wayne Paulson, Paul  
Silver, Sarah Ryan Walcker, Josh Martinson, Fr.  
Don Braukmann, Sally Hanson, Roger  
Scharendroich, Nora Ann Lentz, Loni Jirik, Rick  
Miller, Debbie Martin, Kristin Litzinger, James  
Bingham, Gary Ebling, Dean Vikan, Allie St.  
Pierre, Brenda Steffan, John Keller, Eileen Hegg,  
Marion & Richard Parent, Dennis Omang, Beverly  
Roue, Kaylee.

*"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. 13, 2018  
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11, Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-  
28, 29b-30, Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7,  
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

TEC Retreat: Feb. 16-18 at St. Joseph's,  
Moorhead. March 16-18 at Sandhill Bible  
Camp, Fosston. Open to all students 16  
years of age and older. Terry Steen at  
[sichurchlady@yahoo.com](mailto:sichurchlady@yahoo.com)  
or 218-784-4131 with any questions

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE):**

PreK-12 grades RE class after Sunday Mass

9:45-10:45 AM as scheduled

Youth group, Grd 7-12 meet Wed., Jan. 9 & Jan 23,  
6-8 PM. Supper provided.

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

For grades 7-12 Lori Balstad at 218-938-4286

For Grades K-6 Amanda Wiener 218-280-2187 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.

**You're still welcome to join Religious Education  
any time.**

**Is Mary THAT Important?** Tim Staples  
decisively shows why Mary the Mother of God  
is so critical in this popular apologetics  
Lighthouse Talk. Also, Are You Getting Your  
Daily Dose of Truth, Goodness, and Beauty?  
Join over 150,000 Catholics who are subscribed  
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short clip from the platform's best content direct  
to your inbox. Subscribe now!

FREE to all parish members.

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

**Register for Catholics at the Capitol NOW!**

Actor Jim Caviezel (The Passion of the Christ,  
Paul, Apostle of Christ, Pay It Forward) will be  
joining an already stellar line-up of speakers and  
artists at Catholics at the Capitol on February  
19<sup>th</sup>. Consider attending this great event, joining  
two thousand Catholics across the state of  
Minnesota, as we make our voice known to  
policy makers. The Diocese of Crookston will  
be providing transportation to this event.

Information on Catholics at the Capitol can be  
found here: <https://catholicsatthecapitol.org/>

St. Mary's Sunday Bulletin is also available at  
<https://stmarysfosston.org/>.

**CHRIST IS RISEN, WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE?** Guest speaker Deacon Ralph Poyo, St. Joseph, St. William and Holy Family, would like to invite our Parish to their Parish Mission on Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup> through Wednesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>. Each evening will be 6:30 PM – 8 PM. Refreshments will be served following each night. Sunday, January 20<sup>th</sup>, a free will donation meal will be served prior at 5:30pm. At St. Joseph, 405 E. Thorpe Ave., Ada MN. Check Bulletin Board for more information. Call 218-784-4131

St. John the Baptist was a Jewish itinerant preacher in the early first century AD. John is revered as a major religious figure in Christianity, Islam, the Bahá'í Faith, and Mandaeism. He is called a prophet by all of these faiths. Feast Day June 24. Known for evangelization and baptizing of Jesus Christ. He was known for attracting large crowds. When Jesus came to him to be baptized, John recognized him and said, "It is I who need baptism from you." Jesus told John to baptize Him anyway.

**Save the Date:** Everyone is invited to help the Sisters of Saint Benedict Monastery celebrate their 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on Sunday, April 8, 2019 with a concert by Rose Ensemble. On Sunday, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, join them for Eucharist followed by a reception. Go to [www.msb.net](http://www.msb.net) to meet the Sister of the Day for a peek behind the veil.

From Joseph H. Noel, Executive Director of the Catholic Community Foundation: "Thank you for your generosity toward the seminarians of the Diocese. I thank you in the name of Bishop Hoepfner. Your total will be shown in the second OND published in January."

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekends:** April 5-7, 2019 in Baxter, MN and Sep. 20-22, 2019 in Alexandria, MN. Early registration is recommended. For more information call Alan & Missy Block at 888-455-3496 or go to [northmnwwme.org](http://northmnwwme.org)

**O Come Let us Adore Him!** Mother Teresa of Calcutta says of Eucharistic Adoration: *"The time you spend with Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament is the best time that you will spend on earth. Each moment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven."* St. Mary's is open for Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays from noon until 8pm (earlier closing when activities interfere). Resolve to spend some time in His Presence in 2019. You will be blessed!

"...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." (Ephesians 3:6) Today we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He has given each of us unique gifts. We all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Pray daily and ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one".

**FREE THROW CONTEST:** Girls and boys, ages 9 -14, are invited by the Knights of Columbus to participate at the Mahnomen High School gym on Sunday, Jan. 13. Registration begins at 12:30 and competition at 1:00pm. Winners will receive a trophy and advance to District contest in Ada and then possibly to Regional in Crookston. Questions may be addressed to Rudolph Suda, Grand Knight, Mahnomen KC Council at [rksuda@feltontel.net](mailto:rksuda@feltontel.net) or 218-784-8247.

**Please Note Few Changes:**

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY Jan. 13, 2019**

Ushers: Doug Hand, Tom Weber

Gifts: Linda & Jerome Klinkhammer

Lector: Margarette Rue

Commentator: Lori Balstad

Eucharist: \*Steve & Lorri Massmann,  
Valarie Holzer, Carol Aaland

Servers: Lance Balstad, Olivia Rosendahl,  
Isabel Klinkhammer

Hospitality: Ben & Melissa Hemberger,  
Alice & Eldin Okstad

**LITURGICAL MINISTRY Jan. 20, 2019**

Ushers: Dennis Sanden, Jerry Erdmann

Gifts: John Keller family

Lector: Michele Schoenborn

Commentator: Nina Bingham

Eucharist: \*Mark Bingham, Jeanne Sanden,  
Kathryn Ziermeier, Clyde Kringlen

Servers: Genevieve Rue, Evan Chalich,  
Tessa Zitzow

Hospitality: Craig & Kristen Hemmingsen Family,  
Doug & Michele Schoenborn

More volunteer Ministers are needed.

Pray about being a Eucharistic Minister.

Also, Bazaar Committee Leader is needed.

Contact Fr. John at 435-6484

**STEWARDSHIP**

Budget Needed Weekly: \$ 2403.67

**Last Week's Collections:**

29 Adult Envelopes: \$ 975.00

3 Children/Student Donations \$ 7.00

Loose \$ 31.00

**Total Sunday Collection \$ 1013.00**

Coffee & Rolls (cost 33.99) \$ 49.00

Christmas \$ 175.00

Votive Candles \$ 33.00

Capital Improvement \$ 500.00

Capital Improvement Balance \$ 4792.86

Please pick up your 2018 Stewardship Reports at the back of the church. Thank you for supporting St. Mary's church with your donations.

Thank you to those who made our Christmas beautiful by donating to our decorations.

Donor:	In Memory Of:
Carol Aaland	Bill Aaland
JoAnn Anderson	Deceased Family Members
Sarah & Lucas Bjerklie	Wendt & Cathy Senger
Carol Broadwell	Deceased Family Members
Viola Hand	Francis Hand & Rick Hand
Eileen Hegg	Robert/Teresa Lyons
Shirley Paul	Dean Paul
Tricia, Peyton & Ethan Proulx	Alois Schmitz, Paul Schmitz, Emma Proulx
Wayne & Dorothy Paulson	All lost too soon

**Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life**

**(MCCL) March for Life & Rally: Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019**, all are invited to meet at the Court House in Bagley at 9:30am in commemoration of the infamous Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion through all nine months of pregnancy. At 9:45am participants will walk on the sidewalk to Highway Two and then west to St. Joseph's Catholic Church where a presentation by a Northwoods Pregnancy Care Center representative will be held. A light lunch will follow the program. For more info, contact Carolyn Sundbom, 41283 141st Ave., Clearbrook, MN 56634 (218-694-6966) January 22 is the 45<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Roe vs Wade. Over ONE MILLION babies die each year as a result of Roe vs Wade.

**Saturday, January 26<sup>th</sup>, Save the Date!**

The Diocese of Crookston will be hosting a workshop from 10 am – 4 pm for youth ministers, catechists, priests, and volunteers who work with young people in ministry. The workshop will be led by Everett Fritz, author of *The Art of Forming Young Disciples*, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Fosston. The workshop is for anyone working with young people; youth ministers, catechists, priests, parents, volunteers! Cost is \$10.00 per person (payable at the door) lunch provided. Email Bob Noel at [bnoel@crookston.org](mailto:bnoel@crookston.org) for questions. Register at: <https://www.crookston.org/everett>