

4th Sunday of Advent

Dec. 21st, 2025



St. Mary's Warroad, MN Sacred Heart Baudette, MN

Parish Office

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Mary's: Saturdays 3:30-4:30pm

Tuesdays: 5:45pm—6:30pm

Sacred Heart: Sundays following Mass

Parish Staff & Members

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Jerry & Lyla Pieper: St. Joseph's Cemetery Committee- 218-783-6411

Office Hours: Tues—Fri. (Variable times)

Staff defined times are below, please be understanding as sometimes our schedules may change. You may also be scheduled by appointment with staff members.

Fr. Christon's Schedule:
Tuesday: 10am-4pm
Wednesday: 11am-3pm
Thursday: 11:30am-3pm
Friday: 10am-noon

Terrie Lynn's schedule this coming week:
by appointment

Tammi: by appointment.

Knights of Columbus Council 10235

KC Meetings held 2nd Sunday of the month at 7pm
Meeting held in the St Augustine's Room.

Website: <https://kc10235.mnknights.org>
KC Breakfast will be every 2nd Sunday of the month following Mass

Donuts, drinks & good fellowship are served the last Sunday of every month following Sunday morning Mass at St. Mary's, Warroad.
1st & 3rd Sundays at Sacred Heart, Baudette

St. Mary's Week Ahead

St. Mary's Masses & Intentions

Fourth Sunday of Advent Weekend

Saturday, Dec 20th, Mass @ 5 pm: Frank Marvin
Harvy Cornelliison

Sacristan: Kris Drees

Lector: Bob Wennerstrand

Body: Clarice Dahlberg

Communion Cup: Deacon Jim & Tim Paquin

Sunday, Dec. 21st, Mass @ 8:30am: Arthur & Betty
Barthman

Sacristan: Harold & Lois Thiessen

Lector: Kim Hruby

Body: Mary Lou Wesolowski

Communion Cup: Rosta Hruby

Christmas Tree Set-up following Mass

3pm—7pm: 9th—12th Youth Accompaniment Event with
college students "Home for Christmas" St. Mary's Fellowship
Hall

Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, Mass @ 5:15pm: Frank Marvin

Wednesday, Dec. 24th, Christmas Eve Mass, 5pm
Arthur & Betty Barthman

Thursday, Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass, 8:30 am
Dale Telle

Friday, Dec. 26th, Mass @ 9am: For our Parishes

Saturday, Dec 27th, Mass @ 5 pm: Mary Rosier
Sacristan: Olga Osse
Lector: Tim Paquin
Body: Nancy Ellenson
Communion Cup: Deacon Jim & Deb Culleton

Sunday, Dec. 28th, Mass @ 8:30am: David Fortier
& Dale Telle

Sacristan: Jess Gustafson

Lector: Harold Thiessen

Body: Mary Marvin

Communion Cup: Deacon Jim & Renee Kuznia

Donut Sunday following Mass

Thursday, Jan. 1st Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God

St. Mary's Sunday Collection, Dec. 7th,

Envelopes: 1923.00

Online: \$ 402.75

Dec. 14th

Envelopes: \$1705.75

Online: \$574



Sacred Heart's & St. Joseph's Week Ahead

Sacred Heart Masses & Intentions

Fourth Sunday of Advent Weekend

Sunday, Dec 21st, Mass @ 10:45 am: For our Parishes
Rosary @ 10:15 am

Wednesday, Dec 24th No morning Masses

Thursday, Dec. 25th Christmas Day Mass, 10:45am

Sunday, Dec 27th, Mass @ 10:45 am: For our Parishes
Rosary @ 10:15 am

Thursday, Jan. 1st Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God
Mass 8:30am

Weekend Offerings

December 14	Sacred Heart
Envelopes	1952
Plate	232
Total	<u>\$2184</u>

Thank
You!

Christmas Mass Scheule:

Sacred Heart: Christmas Day, Dec. 25th @ 10:45am

St. Mary's: Christmas Eve Mass, Dec. 24th at 5pm
Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25th at 8:30am

Happy Birthday wishes!

(Dec. 21st– Dec. 26th)

Therese McBride,
Carol LePage,
Christina Petersen,
Aaron Washnesky



“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home.” MATTHEW 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

Please Hold in Prayer

Glen Horner, Thomas Kern, Sharon Keller, Denise Kern, Patricia Boyd, Jeri Horner, Kathy Caldwell, Clara Oldakowski, Carson Battles, Sherri Spake, Janice Murray Furcht, Pat Harren, BJ Berg, Lyla Pieper, Randy Fortier, Daniel Kujava, Ozzy Jo Hentges, Connie Fish, Jack Borowicz, Scott Pieper, Carol LePage, Gordy McDonald, Robert Skluzacek, Marilyn Biondi, Penny Hirst, Sarah Klaas, Carol Birkeland, David Cassi, Clint Gibbons, Larry Sindelir, Joleen Hartman, Curtis Anderson, Leila & Nelson Armagon, Mike Hovde, Hilde Barbot, & Lillian Fortier.



Thank you to those who made a donation for the families of Malawi to have a Christmas meal. Fr. Christon will be sure the families receive your gifts of \$1,970. You are a blessing to many.



Happy 52nd Birthday to
Fr. Christon!

Thank you to everyone who showed up to celebrate and made it a memorable evening.



Sacred Heart Christmas
Flower
Donations
In Memory of:

Norman & Dorothy Hovde
Don McKay
Zimney and Berg Family
members
Louis & Rose Gubbels
Birkeland Family
Bob and Betty Schuster
Tommy Schuster
Devien Sindelir
Ed & Helen Schuster
Jim & Rose Schuster

Christmas Mass Schedule

A Holy Day of Obligation



Sacred Heart: Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25th, at 10:45am

St. Mary's: Christmas Eve Mass, Dec. 24th, at 5 pm

Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25th, at 8:30 am

Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God



Sacred Heart: Jan. 1st @ 8:30 am

St. Mary's: Jan. 1st @ 10:30 am

A Holy Day of Obligation

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).



Planning for Mission

Most Rev. Andrew H. Cozzens
Eighth Bishop of the
Diocese of Crookston

In 2024, after a year-long visioning process, I wrote New Life Through the Tender Compassion of Our God, a Pastoral vision for our diocese. In it, I named the missionary moment through which we are living. We live in times that cry out for the proclamation of the Gospel – the Good News that only Jesus brings.

The signs are all around us. Violence and division grow in our culture. In the Diocese of Crookston, Sunday Mass attendance has dropped 30 percent in the past decade – from 14,600 to around 10,000. Most of those who left are young, and most who are baptized today will disaffiliate before adulthood. Many are never baptized at all. It used to be that if the parish offered Mass or religious education, people would come. Today, they won't – unless they are invited. We are living in missionary times.

This is why we have begun Planning for Mission. We want to fulfill the command Jesus gave us: "Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations ... teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you." (Mt 28:19-20) The Church exists in north-west Minnesota so that families, friends and neighbors can become disciples of Jesus. Our parishes are not meant to be clubhouses but mission centers – places where we are formed as missionaries and then sent to invite others to share the life of God.

Pope Francis describes this missionary shift clearly: "I dream of a missionary impulse capable of transforming everything ... so that the Church's customs, ways of doing things, times and schedules, language and structures can be suitably channeled for the evangelization of today's world rather than for her self-preservation" (Evangelii Gaudium, 27).

To respond faithfully, will require change. We are currently set up for decline. We are not yet ready to shift our efforts to grow. If we want to become missionary, we must be willing to change our ways of doing things.

That is the purpose of Planning for Mission. The first step has already begun: Regional Leadership Summits to introduce parish leaders to the vision. Next comes deeper formation in the three principles guiding this process:

- 1) living as authentic disciples,
- 2) discerning God's call through prayer and
- 3) forming mission-centered parishes.

This coming spring and summer, every parishioner will be invited to prayer, discernment, and feedback sessions. This will not be brainstorming alone but a spiritual process of listening to Jesus together, asking him to teach us how to do our mission.

Jesus reminds us: "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit." To fulfill his command, we must be rooted in him. Every meeting of ours will include time before the Blessed Sacrament. And, as Jesus says, the vine must be willing to be pruned – we will discern letting go of some things so that new life may grow.

Practically, this means asking questions like: How can parishes collaborate for vibrant youth ministry? How do we form small groups that invite people into deeper discipleship? How do we support our priests so they can evangelize without burning out? With fewer priests, when and where should we have Mass? How do we reach those who no longer come to church?

The early Church faced far greater obstacles than we do. Yet, empowered by the Holy Spirit from Pentecost, a small band of disciples converted the whole Roman Empire within three centuries. They did it not with programs but with witness: living intentional Christian lives, showing virtue and holiness, caring for the poor and even giving their lives as martyrs. The world was changed because they followed Christ wholeheartedly.

We are heirs of that same mission. Through the Sacraments, God's word and our lives of prayer, we share the very life of God. Death has been conquered. We have been given the power to overcome sin – and received hope of new life. Yet so many around us do not know the hope of Jesus or the treasures of his love in his Church.

Will you join us in Planning for Mission? Speak to your pastor. Take part in the parish sessions. Consider joining the intercessory prayer team at:
crookston.org/planningformissionprayerteam.

**Together, guided by the Holy Spirit,
we can become the missionary
Church Christ calls us to be.**

Anyone in the Parish who works directly with our Youth must be current in Safe Environment Certification. Please go to the Diocese's Website to complete training: www.crookston.org/secertification