



**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** is held every Tuesday from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm in the church. All are welcome at any time to pray and be with Jesus. **Sunday Holy Hour:** Deacon Gary and Fr. Chuck lead a Holy Hour on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 3:00 pm. This is an opportunity to spend time with Jesus. Adoration also takes place during this time. You may stop in for any length of time that works for you. The hour closes with Benediction. Bring a friend and spend time with your friend Jesus!

11:00 AM	Funeral Mass for Al Wenner	Church
12:00 PM	Lunch Service for Al Wenner	Parish Center
Noon - 4 PM	Reconciliation (Top of the Hour)	Confessional
4 PM - 5 PM	Reconciliation	Confessional
5:00 PM	Mass +Rose Spitzley	Church
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>March 17</b>	
9:00 AM	Mass ~For the Parish	Church
10:15 AM	Reconciliation	Confessional
11:00 AM	Mass +Irene Johnson	Church
3 PM - 6 PM	Reconciliation Service	Church

**New Relics Located By Vigil Lights**

You may have noticed a shadow box hanging near Mary and the vigil lights. We invite you to go check this box out to admire the new relics. The relics in the small brass box with red ribbon are from the original altar in the old church building. The old church altar relic contains Saints Justini, Theodori et Innocentil. In our current altar are the relics of Saint Ignotus and Saint Peregrinus. Saint Ignotus's relic has been taken from a larger relic from the Diocese of St. Cloud. Saint Peregrinus relic was taken from the body of St. Peregrin resting beneath the Altar of the Relic Chapel at St. John's Abbey in Collegeville Minnesota. At the very bottom is a relic of Saint Pius X. Saint Pius X was head of the Catholic Church from August 4th, 1903, to his death in August 1914. He devoted his papacy to Instaurare Omnia in Christo, "to restore all things in Christ." During his time as pope, he reorganized the Roman Curia, updated the educations of priests, seminaries, and encouraged the frequent reception of Holy Communion for children.

All relics located in this shadow box are first class relics.

**Physician – assisted suicide tells people they're burdensome.**

In Oregon, data shows people request suicide drugs not for pain, but because they can't do the same activities that they could before, can't control bodily functions, feel they've lost dignity, or feel they are a burden. Suicide drugs aren't the answer. Everyone deserves loving, supportive care, affirmation of their dignity, and to know that they are never a burden. Tell your state legislators: NO assisted suicide. Visit [mncatholic.org/pas](http://mncatholic.org/pas)

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention**

**For new martyrs** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

**Remember those who have asked for our prayers.**

*Doug Wanzek, Erlene DeCock, Jasmin Sanders. When adding someone to the prayer list please ask for their permission to do so, and then contact the parish office. Names are left on the prayer list for four weeks.*

Contact Us!	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Stewardship	Mass Attendance 3/2 - 3/3
Website: <a href="http://www.holyrosarycc.org">www.holyrosarycc.org</a>	Current Donations: \$48,059	Last Week: \$20,537	Saturday 5:00 pm - 264
E-mail: <a href="mailto:jheim@holyrosarycc.org">jheim@holyrosarycc.org</a>	Annual Goal: \$70,907	This Year to Date: \$677,209	Sunday 9:00 am - 253
YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church DL MN	<b>As of February 29th, 2024.</b>	Last Fiscal Year: \$717,520	Sunday 11:00 am - 213

**The Prayer After Communion**


"And their eyes were opened and they recognized him" (Luke 24:31). The Church celebrates the Eucharist with eyes opened wide in recognition of Christ her Lord and Bridegroom. The priest introduces the Prayer After Communion as he did the Collect at the beginning of Mass, saying, "Let us pray." The assembly responds in a brief but intense silent prayer. The priest then prays in the name of all for the fruits of the mystery just celebrated: healing of mind and body, the forgiveness of sins, the protection of God, and strength to go forward in holiness. The people seal the prayer with their Amen. Brief announcements may follow, prepared in advance and made in such a way as to foster the climate of reverence and joy that should characterize the Mass from beginning to end. In a final greeting, "The Lord be with you," the priest wishes the people the abiding presence of Christ. The people in turn acknowledge the gift of grace that is his for the service of the Church: "And with your spirit." The blessing follows. During Lent a Prayer Over the People may precede it; on festive occasions a more solemn formula may be used.

**Parish Staff**

Priest: Father Chuck Huck  
 Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager  
 Liturgist: April Spaeth  
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 Faith Formation: Kathy Olson and Abby Jasken

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Trustees: Debbie Carlson, Tom Lundberg  
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 To report sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, call your local law enforcement, then contact the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at 218-281-7895. Help is available 24-hours a day and all calls are confidential.



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March 10th, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

**A Letter from Deacon Gary Hager...**

Happy 4th Sunday of Lent, also known as Laetare ("Rejoice!") Sunday, we are reminded of God's unparalleled love and mercy and ultimate purpose for us all. In today's Gospel let us recall the verses, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him." The Holy Spirit draws us here each week to allow us to express our love for God in the way that we worship God and the way that we treat each other.

The verb, "might," provides a twist into these verses that appears to be definite for eternal life. The use of the word "might" in these verses are synonyms to "may; could; possibly will, may perhaps." So there is degree of effort on our part as children of God to faithfully believe and have relationship with Jesus during our earthly journey to REJOICE this Sunday believing in Him, the Savior of the World, Jesus!

In recent edition of "Our Northland Diocese," the Diocese of Crookston newspaper, Deacon Mark Krejci wrote an article titled, "Accept the Invitation to be a Man of the Eucharist." Deacon's article is written around this single invitation for men of the Diocese, "Live as a man who is drawn to the Eucharist, who prays before the Eucharist, and who takes up the mission given to you at the end of Mass after you have received the Eucharist." Why an article for men? This following isn't stated in the article, rather commonly known in our society. Sadly, many of today's men grew up in a family without a father, or if the father is present, a man that wasn't a good and healthy model for today's men. There are families with good fathers, yet the lures of today's culture may cause men of tomorrow to be like the younger son in the parable of the Prodigal Son. Then in the years to come, both the younger son and the father of that son may experience a challenge to reconcile, something that is difficult in today's culture. That may be a reason for the article specific for men.

Transforming points Deacon brings forth in the article:

Be one who seeks to live the truth of the Eucharist taught to us by St. Leo the Great: "Our sharing in the Body and the Blood of Christ leads to no other end than that of transforming us into that which we receive."

Continually draw your family to Mass when fathers do so it is even more likely to happen — and their sons are more likely to do the same when they have their own family.

Find time to attend a weekday Mass and seek out times of adoration before our Lord. At least one hour in adoration each month. St. John Paul II wrote, "The worship of the Eucharist outside of Mass is of inestimable value for the life of the Church."

Walk with others into a deeper relationship with Jesus.

Keep in mind that the above is more than a checklist, it's to further a personal relationship with Jesus, so the "might" from scripture is not a stumbling block to eternal life, and be a man of the Eucharist.

A model for your life, in addition to the Blessed Virgin Mary, is her husband St. Joseph. St. Joseph struggled yet he believed and faithfully followed God's movements in his life. Later this month we celebrate the Solemnity of St. Joseph, husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary on March 19th. St. Joseph struggled yet he believed.

From Fr. Donald Calloway's book, Consecration to St. Joseph on page 24: "St. Joseph will help you become a true child of the Heavenly Father. St. Joseph will teach you how to love, pray, sacrifice, and work. He will teach you how to do the will of God. The pathway to heaven is paved with virtues, and St. Joseph will give you a father's example of holiness."

From the same book, page 36: "St. Joseph is the first Christian gentleman; next to Jesus, he is the greatest example of masculine chastity. He was married to the most beautiful woman in the world, and he treated her with respect, dignity, and reverence. If men today were more like St. Joseph – protectors and defenders of beauty, instead of users and abusers of the feminine mystery – what a different world this would be. God wants all men to be like St. Joseph."

Blessings, Deacon Gary Hager

*"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son..." - John 3:16*



Of all the wonderful gifts that God has given to us, the gift of His own Son is truly the greatest. How can we ever thank God for a gift like that? God does not ask us to sacrifice our own precious firstborn, but He does ask that we are grateful and generous with our God-given gifts. That we nurture and develop our gifts, and in gratitude, generously give back with increase our time in prayer, our talent in charitable works and our treasure to support the mission and ministry of our parish and greater Church.

## School News

*Building Hope, Faith & Futures at Holy Rosary School*



Registration for the 2024-25 School Year opens to Holy Rosary Parish Families on **Monday, February 19.**

Please visit our website [www.holyrosarycs.org](http://www.holyrosarycs.org) or call the school office 218-847-5306 to schedule a tour!

**We would love to meet your family & be a part of your future!**

### Holy Rosary School Mission Statement

Holy Rosary School Community is rooted in the Word and energized with the Spirit of Jesus Christ. We cultivate our community to live as Jesus taught within the Catholic Tradition. We strive to build Gospel Values and promote Academic Excellence.

### OCIA: Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? OCIA is what you need. Please join us for our next meeting! Class is held in the Holy Family Room on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:45pm. Our next class is Thursday, **March 21st**. The topic will be: Bible study experience, OT/NT Bible in a year. All are welcome to join us!

## School Activities

### Scholastic Book Fair

**Monday  
March 11th**

**Wednesday  
March 13th**

**8:00 AM - 4:00 PM**

Located in Parish Living Room

Help support our school library by purchasing some books!



*All are invited to visit the Holy Rosary Science Fair*

*Thursday, March 14th*

*Located at 2:00 - 3:00 PM*

*St. John's Hall and 6:00 and 7:30 PM*

*Support our grade 5-8 students!*

## News and Events

### Join us for the Chili Cook Off!

If you would like to register to be a chef, please contact John Wilke at 507-990-6096

**After 11 AM  
Mass on  
Palm  
Sunday!**

Prize will be awarded to the chili cook off champ.

We will be viewing four March Madness games that start at noon!



The 4th and 8th grade students invite you to our **Palm Sunday Breakfast!** We will be serving muffins, rolls, fruit, and coffee. **Sunday, March 24th. After the 9 AM Mass. In the school gym.** **FREE WILL DONATION.**

### Prayer Blanket Recipients

Lynn Wolf in Detroit Lakes	Dianne Ament in Detroit Lakes
Joy Stone in Detroit Lakes	Ted Kiebke in Detroit Lakes
Jack Goodrich in Detroit Lakes	Jasmin Sanders in Detroit Lakes
Louise Strahm in Lisbon	Anonymous
Paul Juenaman in Hanover KS	Anonymous
Anonymous in Detroit Lakes	If you would like a prayer blanket to gift to someone, please see Julia at the parish office.

### Quilter's Retreat

The Holy Rosary Quilt Group invites you to a Quilting retreat at the diocese Pastoral Center

**Thursday, April 18th - Sunday, April 21, 2024.**

Contact Sandy at 701-540-2692 or [sfgravelle@hotmail.com](mailto:sfgravelle@hotmail.com) for reservation information.



## Schedules and Meetings

	March 16th - Sat. 5:00 pm	March 17th - Sun. 9:00 am	March 17th - Sun. 11:00 am
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Don Spitzley Cindy Myhre	Cecilia Bringer Carol Foltz	Deacon Gary Hager Beth Demery
<b>Eucharistic Minister (Clean vessels)</b>	Carol Kempenich Dennis Kempenich	<b>Vol. Needed x2</b>	James Wolf Lynn Wolf
<b>Minister of the Precious Blood</b>	Thomas Leach Jane Spaeth Tom Holweger Patty Holweger Jerry Bursaw	Mary Anderson Katherine Hansen Isabelle Hansen Mary Schutz Joe Ed Knopf	Curtis Winter Julie Larson Lauretta Kapphahn Mary Jo Noia Nicholas Noia
<b>Lector 1 - Book of Gospels</b>	Matt Brenk	Michael Morrison	<b>Vol. Needed</b>
<b>Lector 2 - Prayer of the Faithful</b>	Tricia Geffre	Carol Foltz	Eileen Mooney
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Jayden Jasken Johanna Larson	<b>Vol. Needed x2</b>	Joseph Thomas Amber Kallstrom
<b>Cantor</b>	Bob Heimark	Joe Burns	Joe Burns
<b>Accompanist</b>	April Spaeth	April Spaeth	April Spaeth
<b>Media Minister</b>	Tami Heimark	Abby Jasken	Todd Kallstrom
<b>Sacristan</b>	Mary Brenk Matt Brenk	Terry Teiken	<b>Vol. Needed</b>
<b>Greeter / Usher</b>	Jerry Bursaw <b>Vol. Needed x3</b>	Allen Clark Jack Clark <b>Vol. Needed x2</b>	Rick Nemec John Schafer Dale Storey <b>Vol. Needed</b>

Monday	March 11	
8:00 AM	Book Fair	Living Room
1:30 PM	Cieslak Lent Group	Fatima Rm
4:30 PM	Youth Choir Practice	Church
Tuesday	March 12	
8:00 AM	Book Fair	Living Room
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Mass ~Dorothy Huck</b>	<b>Church</b>
9 AM - 7 PM	Adoration	Church
9:15 AM	Mooney Lent Group	Sm Youth Rm
9:30 AM	Bible Study (Schons Lent Group)	Fatima Room
Noon	OA group	Fatima Room
4 PM - 6 PM	Reconciliation (Top of the Hour)	Confessional
5:00 PM	Birznieks Lent Group	Lourdes Room
6:30 PM	School Council	Library
7:00 PM	Men's Cursillo	Fatima Room
Wednesday	March 13	
8:00 AM	Book Fair	Living Room
8:30 AM	Meet for prayer at abortion clinic	Parking Lot
8:30 AM	Rosary	Church
<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass +Thomas Fritz</b>	<b>Church</b>
9:30 AM	Schmidt Lent Group	Fatima Room
11:30 AM	McDougall Lent Group	Fatima Room
4:30 PM	Youth Choir Practice	Church
6:00 PM	Feeding The Faith	Parish Center
6:00 PM	Faith Formation PK - 6th Grade	Assigned Rms
6:30 PM	Faith Formation 7th - 11th Grade	Assigned Rms
Thursday	March 14	
9:30 AM	Carlson Lent Group	Fatima Room
Noon	Al Anon	Fatima Room
2 PM - 3 PM	Science Fair (Grade 5th-8th)	Parish Center
6:00 PM	Hansen Lent Group	Lourdes Rm
<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass +Francis Wozniak</b>	<b>Church</b>
6 PM - 7:30 PM	Science Fair (Grade 5th-8th)	Parish Center
6:30 PM - 8PM	Reconciliation (Top of the Hour)	Confessional
7:00 PM	Wolf / Wilke Lent Group	Fatima Room
Friday	March 15	
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Mass +Cindy Wells</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Anointing Mass +Rev. Dennis Wieland</b>	<b>Lincoln Park</b>
10:30 AM	Stations of the Cross	Church
5 PM - 7 PM	Fish Fry - Knights of Columbus	Parish Center
5 PM - 8 PM	Reconciliation (Top of the Hour)	Confessional
5:00 PM	Stations of the Cross	Church
Saturday	March 16	
10:00 AM	Visitation for Al Wenner	Church

## KC Fish Fry

**Friday 5-7 pm**

**March 15th  
Adult \$15  
Kids \$10**



Please Join Us in Prayer during the Lenten Season for the **Stations of the Cross** led by our Holy Rosary Students



Friday, March 15.....led by.....Middle School  
Friday, March 22.....Grades 1 & 5

**10:40 a.m.  
In the Church**

Please join us on February 21st at 8:30 AM to pray the rosary at the abortion facility in Moorhead



Transportation is provided. We will meet in the church parking lot 8:30 AM on March 13th For additional information please contact Bill Quinn 609-879-1214 or Yvette Bruifoldt at 218-234-8473

**BAPTISM:** If you plan to present your child for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at: [kaolson@holyrosarycc.org](mailto:kaolson@holyrosarycc.org) or 218-847-1393.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays at 4:00 pm, Sundays at 10:15 am, or by appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** Those wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage are asked to contact Fr. Chuck at least six months prior the intended date of the celebration.

## A Better Way Forward

**May the grace and peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.**

We share with you our deep concern and a shared commitment to being stewards of the gift of life and protecting vulnerable members of our society. Advocates for physician-assisted suicide (PAS) are persistent in asking the Legislature to legalize this dangerous practice. H.F. 1930 authored by Rep. Mike Freiberg (DFL Apple Valley) has already passed out of the House Health Finance and Policy Committee. S.F. 1813 authored by Sen. Kelly Morrison (DFL - Minnetonka) has been introduced in the Senate.

**We need every Catholic to contact their legislators and tell them to create policies that improve healthcare throughout life's journey, not those like PAS that hasten death.** As a faithful Catholic, your ongoing dedication to protecting and promoting the sanctity of life will make an impact at the Capitol.

**The Catholic Church affirms the intrinsic value and dignity of every human life from conception to natural death.** Our faith calls us to protect and care for the most vulnerable among us, especially those who are disabled, facing illness, suffering, or facing end-of-life decisions. Our concern is that PAS will endanger the lives and healthcare choices of the poor, disabled, vulnerable, and, eventually, the rest of us. When care is expensive, and PAS is cheap, which do we think will ultimately prevail?



Specifically, physician-assisted suicide is a practice that allows individuals to request and receive lethal drugs from a doctor that will enable the individual to end his or her life. Our opposition to the legalization of PAS is rooted in several fundamental ethical and moral concerns:

**Inviolability of Human Life:** Our faith teaches us that life is a gift from God and that we are stewards, not owners, of our lives. The Catechism states that "whatever its motives and means, direct euthanasia consists in putting an end to the lives of handicapped, sick or dying persons...is morally unacceptable" (CCC, 2277).

**Ethical Concerns:** The involvement of medical professionals in hastening death raises serious ethical concerns and would erode trust in the medical community. It lacks critical safeguards that could enable elder abuse. And it blurs the line between healing and causing harm. Is this what doctors are for?

**Alternative Care:** We believe that compassionate and comprehensive palliative care and pain management to address the physical, emotional, and psychological needs of those with serious illnesses should be promoted instead of PAS. How will the legalization of PAS impact already existing disparities in our healthcare system or disincentivize the creation of better care mechanisms?

## A Better Way Forward

People have the right to receive medical care as well as refuse treatment when it constitutes a burden or will have limited benefit. **We have real choices at the end of life, as well as effective ways of preventing suffering, such as palliative care.** What we need are truly compassionate policies that help people get the care they seek, not those that coerce them into taking a prescription bottle of pills to end their life.

Concerns about PAS span the political and religious spectrum, and it is not only Catholics who are opposed. **In fact, the Minnesota Catholic Conference is part of an alliance of more than 50 organizations committed to better care and opposing PAS called the Minnesota Alliance for Ethical Healthcare.** The members have very different perspectives on many issues, but they are all committed to opposing PAS as wrong for patients and wrong for our state.

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