

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December**

**For pilgrims of hope.** We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthens our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.



Diocese of Crookston  
*Transformed in Love*  
Pre-Marriage Retreat  
March 29th & 30th, 2025  
at the  
Diocese of Crookston  
Pastoral Retreat Center  
Two private bedrooms, meals and materials  
will be provided for the couples on site at  
the Pastoral Retreat Center.  
Price per couple: \$300  
To register,  
please scan the QR code or go to  
<https://bit.ly/DCPreMarriage25>

**We need families to host NET Missionaries!**  
The nights of Jan 10th & Jan 11th



Help us as we challenge young Catholics to follow Jesus Christ and embrace a life of community in the Church.

If you are interested in learning more about becoming a host for 2 or more NET Team Members please fill out the form on the QR code, or contact Abby Jasken in the Parish Office. [ajasken@holynosarycc.org](mailto:ajasken@holynosarycc.org)

**Join the Bishop for the Jubilee Year Opening Mass**

The Diocese of Crookston's opening Mass for Jubilee 2025 Pilgrims of Hope will be January 1, 2025, at 11 a.m., at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. The distinguishing mark of the Rite of Opening is the entrance procession of a prominent cross lifted high by the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Crookston. The cross of Jesus Christ is the reason for our hope. This Mass will remind us of the hosannahs of Passion Sunday and the somber solemnity of Good Friday. All the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Crookston are invited.



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

*Jim Runger, Bill Chelmo, Janice Ellingson. 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!	Stewardship	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Mass Attendance 12/21-12/22
Website: <a href="http://www.holyrosarycc.org">www.holyrosarycc.org</a>	Last Week: \$14,744	Current Donations: \$76,218	Saturday 5 PM: 249
E-mail: <a href="mailto:jheim@holynosarycc.org">jheim@holynosarycc.org</a>	This Year to Date: \$389,738	Annual Goal: \$70,907	Sunday 9 AM: 400
YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church DL MN	Last Fiscal Year: \$423,146	<b>As of November 7th, 2024.</b>	Sunday 11 AM: 209

**Parish Staff**

Priest: Father Nate Brunn  
Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager  
Liturgist: April Spaeth  
Stewardship/Spiritual Direction: Jamie McDougall  
Maintenance: Charles Vareberg  
Faith Formation: Kathy Olson and Abby Leach  
Parish Secretary: Julia Heim  
Principal: Cathy Larson  
School Office Manager: Beth Gilbert

**Trustees and Councils**

Trustees: Debbie Carlson, Tom Lundberg  
Finance Council: Tom Lundberg, Ed Geffre, Lori Lehmann, Rob Woytassek  
Pastoral Council: Jen Wilke, Steve Carlson, Debbie Carlson, Laverne Moltzan,  
Eileen Mooney, Bienvenida Grimsley, Mike Sidders, Ava Klemm  
School Council: Amber Blair, Lori Guenther, Bill Wilke, Katie Watland, Erica Zurn,  
Aron Badurek, Tony Schmitz, Tess Kalberer, Susan Deraney

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.



**Holy Rosary Catholic Church**

December 29th, 2024

Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

1043 Lake Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

Parish Phone: 218-847-1393

School Phone: 218-847-5306

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8am-5pm

Friday 8am-2pm

**A Letter from Deacon Gary Hager**

Merry Christmas!!!

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Family is where the earthly journey for Jesus began, surrounded by the two most important people in his life on earth, Mary and Joseph. Jesus also had immediate pets... cattle, sheep, goats and of course there had to be a Bison and a Gopher amongst his assembly of animals.

The coming of Jesus, the God Man, demonstrates to God's children, you and me, the highest degree of love our God has for us. God sent His son, Jesus, disguised in human flesh to rescue us, His children, from the lies, deception and divider of Satan and his minions. Satan knows Jesus is God, yet Satan is not fully able to recognize Jesus as God due to the camouflage Jesus is wearing... human flesh. Satan is continually deceived by Jesus, up to the moment Jesus reveals himself to Satan from the cross, when Jesus says in the face of Satan, "It is finished." What does this mean? The chains and bondage of Satan on God's children is no more. Jesus takes on all our sins to free us from Satan's grasp. One key component in this is that we must surrender to God's will in our lives, otherwise the death and resurrection of Jesus may not have an effect to be rescued by Jesus. This is how much God loves us, His children, you and me, to restore our relationship to God the Father.

St. Margaret Mary Alacoque reported a series of apparitions of Christ between December 1673 and June 1675. The following words are from an Encyclical Letter by Pope Francis published on, October 24, 2024, paragraphs 119-124.

"Fundamental (the foundation) to these was a declaration of love that stood out in the first apparition. Jesus said: "My divine Heart is so inflamed with love for men, and for you in particular, that, no longer able to contain in itself the flames of its ardent charity, it must pour them out through you and be manifested to them, in order to enrich them with its precious treasures which I now reveal to you".

Most essential in the first apparition is Jesus' declaration of love to St. Margaret Mary that she is able pour out Jesus' love to others. Reflecting on those people in my life that have passed on to be with God, many names come to mind that they were also a vessel pouring His (Jesus) divine Heart of love out to me and many others.

Pope Francis continues to write, from St. Margaret Mary, "He revealed to me the ineffable (overwhelming) wonders of his pure love and to what extremes it had led him to love mankind." St. Margaret Mary continues, "This is the heart that so loved human beings that it has spared nothing, even to emptying and consuming itself in order to show them its love."

"It is necessary that the divine heart of Jesus in some way replace our own; that he alone live and work in us and for us; that his will... work absolutely and without any resistance on our part; and finally that its affections, thoughts and desires take the place of our own, especially his love, so that he is loved in himself and for our sakes. And so, this lovable heart being our all in all, we can say with Saint Paul that we no longer live our own lives, but it is he who lives within us".

St. Margaret Mary writes with definitive words, "He asked for my heart, which I asked him to take, which he did and then placed myself in his own adorable heart, from which he made me see mine like a little atom consumed in the fiery furnace of his own".

These words from St. Margaret Mary and Pope Francis, greatly reinforce the message of Christmas. The message of Christmas love is not in words, but rather an action by God through the fleshly birth of the Son of God, Jesus.

Peace, Deacon Gary

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are." (1 JOHN 3:1)



During this season of giving, let us remember a beautiful gift that we have received – being children of God! As God's children, it's in our DNA that we share and express our love for others as well. Tell your spouse, children, other family members and friends that you love them, every day! Also, pray for those people that are different than you, those that you may not like or those that go out of their way to annoy you. Your prayers may be the start of a new friendship.



**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.

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 Fireplace Room on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:45pm. Our next class is Thursday, **January 2nd**. Our topic will be: Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Charisms of the Holy Spirit

News and Events

**YOU ARE INVITED!**

The Diocese of Crookston's Serra Club is an affiliate of Serra International. There are over 600 individual, chartered clubs in 36 countries. Serra is an organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to the purpose of encouraging and fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our club members invite you to join and learn more about the Diocese of Crookston's Serra Club. The group meets the second Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. Meetings are held over Zoom. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 14th since we do not meet in December. Each month we have a different speaker who talks to us on the subject of fostering vocations and how we as a Serra club can pray for, support, and foster vocations in our Diocese. Our goal is to have a Serra club member from each of our parishes in the Diocese of Crookston. For more information, or to join our Zoom meetings, contact Shawn Erickson, Crookston Diocese Serra Club President at Serickson@stjoeshmd.com

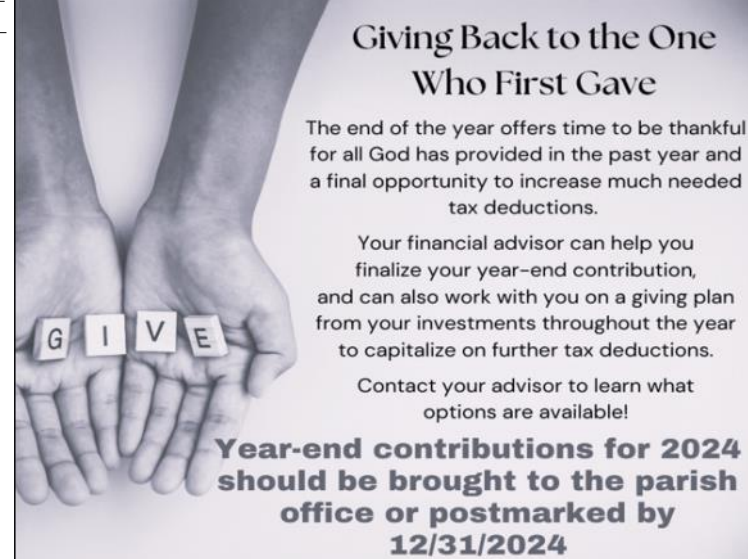


**Knights of Columbus  
Pancake/French Toast  
Breakfast**

**Sunday, January 5th  
8:00am-12:30pm  
in the Holy Rosary  
Parish Center.**

**Would You Like To Work For Holy Rosary?**

Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Detroit Lakes MN is seeking a part-time or full-time Parish Administrator to serve the parish and school. We are seeking a self-motivated, team-oriented Catholic professional of high integrity who possesses a great work ethic. This position will assist the Pastor/Superintendent by providing oversight of the day-to-day operations of the parish including human resources, safe environment, stewardship/volunteers, facilities, and parish finances. The ideal candidate will have experience in business administration or a related field. To apply, email a resume and cover letter to Fr. Nate Brunn at nbrunn@crookston.org or mail to: Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Attn: Fr. Nate Brunn, 1043 Lake Ave Detroit Lakes, MN 56501



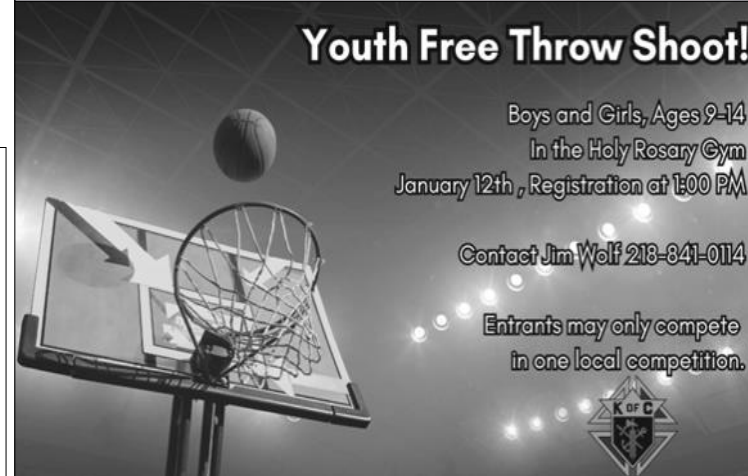
**Giving Back to the One  
Who First Gave**

The end of the year offers time to be thankful for all God has provided in the past year and a final opportunity to increase much needed tax deductions.

Your financial advisor can help you finalize your year-end contribution, and can also work with you on a giving plan from your investments throughout the year to capitalize on further tax deductions.

Contact your advisor to learn what options are available!

**Year-end contributions for 2024 should be brought to the parish office or postmarked by 12/31/2024**



**Youth Free Throw Shoot!**

Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14  
In the Holy Rosary Gym  
January 12th, Registration at 1:00 PM

Contact Jim Wolf 218-841-0114

Entrants may only compete in one local competition.



**FIRST FRIDAY  
ADORATION**

Join the Minnesota Catholic Conference Staff for  
**First Fridays at the Capitol**  
January - May

Adoration available  
9 AM - 4 PM  
**Governor's Dining Room**  
(Located in the basement level of the Minnesota State Capitol)

Visit [www.MNCatholic.org/events](http://www.MNCatholic.org/events) to RSVP.  
Questions? Call the Minnesota Catholic Conference (651-227-8777).

Schedules and Meetings

	Jan 4th - Sat. 5:00 pm	Jan 5th - Sun. 9:00 am	Jan 5th - Sun. 11:00 am	Monday 2:00 PM	December 30 Women's Cursillo Group	Youth Room
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Deacon Gary Hager Jane Lunde	Angela Malone Laverne Bourdeau	James Wolf Vol. Needed	<b>Tuesday</b> 9 AM - 6 PM	<b>December 31</b> Adoration	Chapel
<b>Eucharistic Minister (Clean vessels)</b>	Barbara Schmidt Catherine Larson	Joe Ed Knopf Barbara Birznieks	Curtis Winter Thomas Leach	Noon	OA Group	Fatima Room
<b>Minister of the Precious Blood</b>	Amber Blair Abby Leach Josh Hramec Steven Spaeth Jane Spaeth	Mary Anderson Linda Schons Trish Thorson Mary Schutz <b>Vol. Needed</b>	Shirley Eidenschink John Schafer Mary Ann Nelmark Jen Wilke <b>Vol. Needed</b>	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Vigil Mass +Sylvester Neis</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Lector 1 - Book of Gospels</b>	Don Spitzley	Carol Foltz	Jon Larson	<b>Wednesday</b> 9:00 AM	<b>January 1st - New Years Day</b> Mass +Betty Sauvageau	Parish Office Closed Church
<b>Lector 2 - Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Jean Moe	Annalee Kologi	Ben Wilke	<b>Thursday</b> Noon	<b>January 2nd</b> Al - Anon	Fatima Room
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Dane Dibley Johanna Larson	Amber Kallstrom Mason Flugel	Eli Carlson Wyatt Carlson	5:00 PM	Men's Cursillo Group	Fatima Room
<b>Cantor</b>	Joy Stone	Tom Trowbridge	Vol. Needed	<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass +Sam Mattioli</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Accompanist</b>	Barb Voss	Heather Trowbridge	April Spaeth	After Mass	Rosary Meditation	Chapel
<b>Media Minister</b>	Luke Tobkin	David Grimsley	Julia Nelmark	6:45 PM	OCIA	Family Room
<b>Sacristan</b>	James Utecht	Cheryl Knopf Joe Ed Knopf	Mary Hager	<b>Friday</b> 8:00 AM	<b>January 3rd</b> Rosary	Church
<b>Greeter / Usher</b>	Alan Bentler Rick McDougall Val Ringwelski <b>Vol. Needed</b>	Steven Carlson John Wilke <b>Vol. Needed x2</b>	Warren LaVoi Nicholas Noia <b>Vol. Needed x2</b>	8:30 AM	<b>Mass +Dean Flynn</b>	<b>Church</b>
				10:00 AM	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Oak Crossing</b>
				<b>Saturday</b> 4:00 PM	<b>January 4th</b> Reconciliation	Confessional
				5:00 PM	<b>Mass +Linda Henderson</b>	<b>Church</b>
				<b>Sunday</b> 8:00 AM	<b>January 5th</b> KC Pancake Breakfast	Parish Center
				9:00 AM	<b>Mass +Collin Flynn</b>	<b>Church</b>
				10:15 AM	Reconciliation	Church
				11:00 AM	<b>Mass ~For The Parish</b>	<b>Church</b>



**Thank You!**

We are grateful for your many gifts of Time, Talent and Treasure in 2024! Holy Rosary is richly blessed because of all of you!

**Happy Holidays and  
God's Many Blessings in  
2025!**

Fr. Nate, our Faculty, and Staff  
at Holy Rosary Church and School



**2025 Calendars are Here!**

We invite you to pick one up in either church entrance this weekend.

**Merry Christmas and  
Happy New Year  
from Holy Rosary!**




**BAPTISM:** If you plan to present your child for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at: kaolson@holynosarycc.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. Nate at least six months prior.