

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December

For the right to an education. Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

It's Almost Time for the **2025 CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL RAFFLE**

tickets will be on sale after the weekend Masses starting Jan 26

THANKS FOR PARTICIPATING WITH HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL!

Catholic United Financial Raffle SINCE 2009

Check Out This Great Scholarship Opportunity for Holy Rosary Graduates!



The PERCY & WINIFRED STARY SCHOLARSHIP

in STEM fields of study
Science, Technology, Engineering & Math

To be eligible, a student must meet all of the following criteria:

- 🎓 Graduated from Holy Rosary School
- 🎓 Going into his or her 2nd year of college and
- 🎓 Pursuing a STEM-focused degree

More detailed guidelines and applications are available in both entrances of the church and online at holyrosarycs.org under the **ALUMNI** tab

Holy Rosary Young Adult Group
Bring the whole family for a potluck and fellowship!

January 19th at 5:30 PM
Holy Rosary Gym
Across from Helicopter pad on Washington Ave
Great way to meet other new couples in the area!

Remember those who have asked for our prayers.

Becky Burns, Hansey Family, G. Mastel, Stella Bridgeford, Dean Hendrickson, Sonja Hanson, Beverly Tougas, Jim Runger, Bill Chelmo. 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
Website: www.holyrosarycc.org	Last Week: \$16,825	Current Donations: \$76,218	Saturday 5 PM: 193
Phone: 218-847-1393	This Year to Date: \$453,764	Annual Goal: \$70,907	Sunday 9 AM: 277
YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church DL MN	Last Fiscal Year: \$536,158	As of November 7th, 2024.	Sunday 11 AM: 229

Parish Staff	Trustees and Councils
Priest: Father Nate Brunn	Trustees: Debbie Carlson, Tom Lundberg
Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager	Finance Council: Tom Lundberg, Ed Geffre, Lori Lehmann, Rob Woytassek
Liturgist: April Spaeth	Pastoral Council: Jen Wilke, Steve Carlson, Debbie Carlson, Laverne Moltzan,
Stewardship/Spiritual Direction: Jamie McDougall	Eileen Mooney, Bienvenida Grimsley, Mike Sidders, Ava Klemm
Maintenance: Charles Vareberg	School Council: Amber Blair, Lori Guenther, Bill Wilke, Katie Watland, Erica Zurn,
Faith Formation: Kathy Olson and Abby Leach	Aron Badurek, Tony Schmitz, Tess Kalberer, Susan Deraney
Principal: Cathy Larson	
School Office Manager: Beth Gilbert	

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

January 12th, 2025
The Baptism of Our Lord

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

Today we celebrate the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist in the waters of the Jordan River. This is that moment, the turning point for Jesus, from being the son of a carpenter and a carpenter himself, nearly invisible to the people in Nazareth, to being made visible at the baptism. We hear in scripture after the baptism, "Heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from the heaven, "You are my beloved son: with you I am well pleased."

Each of us receiving baptism also experiences a turning point in life. You are no longer bound by Original Sin and the grasp of Satan; you are rescued, through baptism, from the sin of Adam and Eve, becoming an adopted Son or Daughter of God the Father. You are God's child now. The words heard at the baptism of Jesus are the same words God says to you at your baptism:

"You are my beloved son: with you I am well pleased."

"You are my beloved daughter: with you I am well pleased."

Yes, God is well pleased with you! He loves you... YOU... God isn't referring to the group of people at Holy Rosary Church... God loves you!

This is a free gift, given by God the Father, through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Sadly, many baptized people today don't think that God loves them due to what they have done in their lives. That is not true. God the Father and the Blessed Virgin Mary, our mother, love us. Why did I include the Blessed Virgin Mary? Remember, Jesus is our brother, and Mary gave birth to Jesus, making the Blessed Virgin Mary the mother of Jesus. To clarify, since Jesus is our brother, that means Mary is our mother.

Again, let's consider this perspective that people have, that God doesn't love them, by reading scripture.

St. Peter: Denied knowing Jesus three times after the band of soldiers arrested Jesus in the garden and while Jesus was in the courtyard with Annas, the high priest, being questioned. After much time, following the resurrection, Peter encounters Jesus on the shore of the Sea of Tiberias, where Peter reconciles with Jesus from the denials. (JOHN Chapters 18 and 19)

St. Paul: Formerly Saul, killed and arrested Christians. Saul encounters Jesus on the road to Damascus; a light from the sky flashed around Saul, blinding him, and Jesus speaks, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" After further dialogue and instruction for Saul to regain his sight, Saul proceeds as Jesus instructed. Jesus also enlists a disciple in Damascus, Ananias, to heal Saul from the blindness. Once Saul is healed, he is baptized, named Paul, and begins at once to proclaim that Jesus is the Son of God. (ACTS Chapter 9)

The Woman at the Well (JOHN Chapter 4): Another great witness of God's love for His child. Life had beaten down this lady; Jesus came to restore her life through living water. Read from John Chapter 4 for the full experience.

Each of the scriptures referenced shows that there is HOPE for everyone, after seriously considering making a change of heart, repenting from the sins, and choosing to follow Jesus in everyday life. Remember the words God said to you at your baptism...

"You are my beloved son: with you I am well pleased."

"You are my beloved daughter: with you I am well pleased."

Peace, Deacon Gary

"John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' - Luke 3:16

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

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 16th**. Our topic will be: Baptism.

News and Events

Our Condolences to the Families of the Following...

Leatrice Wirtz, who passed away on December 21st, 2024. Leatrice's funeral was held on January 2nd at Holy Rosary.

Frances Carlson, who passed away on December 18th, 2024. Frances' funeral was held on January 6th at Holy Rosary.

Penny Friesen, who passed away on December 31st, 2024. Penny's funeral was held on January 10th at Holy Rosary.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Baptism Announcement

Congratulations to McKray Harold Pipek, son of Zachary and Jenna Pipek, baptized on Sunday, January 5 at Holy Rosary! We welcome McKray into God's family and pray for him and his parents as he begins his new life in Jesus Christ.

Pray for our Second Graders!

Please keep in prayer our Holy Rosary School and Faith Formation 2nd grade children as they prepare to receive God's mercy and forgiveness of sins through the sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, January 18. Jesus, fill their hearts with your love during this precious time; we trust in you!

Second Collection

Next weekend we will have a second collection for the Church in Africa. Africa faces the economic and social hurdles of enormous debt, epidemic, severe poverty, and political unrest. In spite of these challenges, the Church in Africa has almost tripled in size in the past 30 years. It is difficult for the church to sustain its growth and maintain essential pastoral outreach. The Fund provides grants to finance pastoral projects. Our solidarity is necessary to help the "salt of the Earth" Church in Africa realize its potential as a "light of the world."

Holy Rosary School is Looking for Testimonies From Past Graduates!

Are you or someone you know a Holy Rosary School graduate? Would you be willing to write or record a brief testimony on why or how your time at Holy Rosary has made a positive impact on your life?

If yes, please email your response to bgilbert@holyroarycc.org by Friday, January 17th.

Thank you in advance for your time!



BAPTISM: If you plan to present your child for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at: kaolson@holyroarycc.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 .



A fun get-away weekend for Catholic Married Couples
Learn about yourself, your spouse, and your marriage.

- Techniques for putting God first in your family
- Develop strategies for communicating openly and honestly
- Learn the power of forgiveness
- Get answers to the question: *Why does my spouse do that?*



2025 Retreat Weekend Dates

Jan 10-12 - Maryvale, ND

Jan 31 - Feb 2 - Crookston, MN

Feb 14-16 - Hankinson, ND

www.sixstonejars.org



Schedules and Meetings

	Jan 18th - Sat. 5:00 pm	Jan 19th - Sun. 9:00 am	Jan 19th - Sun. 11:00 am	Monday 2:00 PM	January 13 Women's Cursillo Group	Youth Room
Eucharistic Minister	Steven Spaeth Jane Spaeth	Vera Sidders Cecilia Bringer	Deacon Gary Hager Vol. Needed	Tuesday 8:00 AM	January 14 Rosary	Family Room
Eucharistic Minister (Clean vessels)	Don Spitzley Carrie Tobkin	Katherine Hansen Linda Schons	Vol. Needed x2	8:30 AM 9 AM - 6 PM	Mass +Ron Paskey Adoration	Church Chapel
Minister of the Precious Blood	Josh Hramec Jerry Bursaw Mary Brenk Matt Brenk Jane Lunde	Mary Schutz Bryan Malone Kenneth Mondry Donna Martin Angela Malone	Maureen Storey Dale Storey Carol Kempenich Dennis Kempenich Abby Leach	9:30 AM Noon 1:30 PM 5:00 PM	Bible Study OA Group Card Players Group Women's Cursillo Group	Fatima Room Fatima Room Family Room Family Room
Lector 1 - Book of Gospels	Paul Tobkin	Ronica Wahl	James Utecht	Wednesday 8:30 AM	January 15 Rosary	Church
Lector 2 - Prayers of the Faithful	Barbara Schmidt	Shiloh Wahl	Jon Larson	9:00 AM 9:00 AM	Mass +Scott Olsen Quilt Group	Church Family Room
Altar Servers	Marin Lorentz Justice Haaland	Elliot Wahl Sophie Francis	Vol. Needed	After Mass 6:00 PM	Coffee Club Feeding the Faith	Lourdes room Parish Center
Cantor	Melissa Lorentz	Bob Heimark	Vol. Needed	6:00 PM	Faith Formation PK - 6th Grade	Assigned Rooms
Accompanist	Heather Trowbridge	Heather Trowbridge	Heather Trowbridge	6:00 PM	Faith Formation 7th - 11th Grade	Assigned Rooms
Media Minister	Peyton Lorentz	Todd Kallstrom	Julia Nelmark	Thursday 6:30 PM	January 16 Faith Formation 7th - 11th Grade	Assigned Rooms
Sacristan	Matt Brenk Mary Brenk	Joe Ed Knopf Cheryl Knopf	Mary Hager	Noon 3:45 PM	Al-Anon CGS	Fatima Room Youth Room
Greeter / Usher	Alan Bentler Rick McDougall Val Ringwelski Vol. Needed	Steven Carlson John Wilke Vol. Needed x2	Warren LaVoi Nicholas Noia Vol. Needed x2	5:00 PM 6:00 PM 6:30 PM 6:45 PM	Men's Cursillo Group Mass +Mr. & Mrs. Jackson Pastoral Council OCIA	Fatima Room Youth Room Fatima Room Family Room
<p><i>Altar Servers are invited to bowling!</i> Feb 16th 1:00 PM Meet at Voyager Lanes, pizza afterwards! Call Jim to RSVP 218-841-0114</p>				Friday 8:00 AM	January 17 Rosary	Church
				8:30 AM 10:00 AM	Mass +Shari Cannon Mass	Church Lincoln Park
				Saturday 9:00 AM 4:00 PM	January 18 First Reconciliation Reconciliation	Church Confessional
				Sunday 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:00 AM 5:30 PM	January 19 Mass +"Bunny" O'Connor Reconciliation Mass ~For The Parish Young Adult Group	Church Church Church Gym

Youth Free Throw Shoot!
Boys and Girls, Ages 9-14
In the Holy Rosary Gym
January 12th, Registration at 12:00 PM
Contact Jim Wolf 218-841-0114
Entrants may only compete in one local competition.

Project Rachel: Confidential Care for Post-Abortive Women and Men.

If you or someone you know is in need of healing, hope and reconciliation after abortion, the Diocese of Crookston's Project Rachel Ministry can help. The number to call is 218-470-0112.