

(from "John XXIII—Mystical Pope," Victor M. Parachin, *Spiritual Life, A Journal of Contemporary Spirituality*, Fall 2013, p 88-89.)



**Pastoral Concerns**

On December 25, 1958, a mere ten weeks after he (John XXIII) came to the papal throne, John became the first Pope since 1870 to make pastoral visits in his diocese of Rome. The first was to children infected with polio in the Bambino Gesù hospital. That was followed by a Christmas visit to prisoners at the ironically named "Queen of Heaven Prison" in Rome. This pastoral call even astonished his staff who viewed it as highly irregular. Parts of the Queen of Heaven prison's buildings dated back to 1654. It was the oldest, largest, and most notorious prison in Rome. Addressing the large group of inmates who gathered to see him, John explained, "You could not come to me, so I came to you."

Though prison officials received little advance warning, they managed to map out a course for the Pope's visit by putting down a red carpet. Almost immediately, John veered off the runway, walking down gloomy and musty corridors. He arrived at one cell block where the most violent were confined and, upon noticing that prisoners were still locked behind bars, said in his loudest voice, "Open the gates. Do not bar them from me. They are all children of our Lord."

While at the prison, an old man with a lengthy prison record approached John, confessing, "I have made many mistakes, Holy Father." Bending down to the kneeling man, John wiped his tears away, raised him, and embraced him with a warm bear hug consoling the man with these words:

I looked into our eyes with my eyes. I have put my heart near your heart.

As some 1,000 prisoners were assembled to meet and greet John, he addressed them as "Dear sons and brothers," telling them his own brother had once been arrested and jailed for hunting without a license, that he understood why a man might break the law to steal for his hungry family.

His visit was a sensation not only among the inmates and prison officials but by the media who were fascinated by a Pope who visited a jail. Later, he wrote in his journal:

Great astonishment in the Roman, Italian, and international press. I was hammed in all sides: authorities, photographers, prisoners, wardens..."

**Weekday Mass Schedule Feb 3-9**

Mon.	5:30 p.m.	No Mass
Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Communion Service
Wed:	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thurs:	9:00 a.m.	No Mass
Fri.	7:30 a.m.	Gary Wright Children & Families
Sat:	5:30 p.m.	+Chad Jutz
Sun.	8:30 a.m.	+Bette Daggett



# Sacred Heart Catholic Church



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**Mass Times**  
Monday 5:30 pm  
Tuesday-Thursday  
9:00 am  
Friday 7:30 AM  
(Care Center)  
Saturday 5:30 pm  
Sun ay 8:30AM

**CONFESSIONS:**  
Saturday 4:30PM

**ADORATION:**  
Tuesdays: 9:30AM-6 PM

The **2014 Diocesan Annual Appeal** Commitment Sunday takes place next weekend (Feb 8-9).

Please take time to read Bishop Hoepfner's letter and the brochure you'll receive by mail this week and pray with your family about supporting the work of the Diocese of Crookston with your DAA gift.

If you have never given to the DAA before, please consider making 2014 your year to join your family and friends in participating in this appeal. No gift is too small and your support will make a difference!

In your mailing, you'll also find your gift/pledge envelope and a prayer request card. Please fill out your prayer request card and bring to Mass next weekend (or mail directly to the Diocese) whether or not you are able to give at this time.

To make your gift online, go to [www.crookston.org/DAA](http://www.crookston.org/DAA) or call the Office of Stewardship & Development toll-free at 1-855-397-8252 for assistance.

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The parish is looking to hire someone to shovel the church sidewalks. If you are interested, please contact Tim Stenger (218.847.2912) or Tom Mickelson (218.346.3292).

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**Adults that have not completed their Safe Environment:** If you do not complete this requirement by February 5, 2014, you will be dropped off the list, and you will no longer be able to perform your ministry. This includes those working in any capacity for the parish with youth or vulnerable adults.

**Parishioners' Prayer Requests**

Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill

Please pray for:

- Barbara Hanson
- Luella Baumgart
- Casey Courneya
- Dave Goebel
- Tammy Soyring
- Ken Jacobson
- Norman Buseth
- Harry Schurmann
- Cecil Cook
- Emily Martin
- Sue Turnbull
- Ron Jensen
- Diane Quiram
- Henry Schreiner
- Debbie Ehler
- Kylee Jean Miller
- Dan Hodgson

February 2, 2014

Collections Jan 26, 2014		Attendance:	Needed per Week to
Collection Basket		Saturday	Reach Budget:
Adult	\$1,554.00	119	\$4,202.29—This figure includes all sources of parish income (i.e., funerals, flower collections, fall dinner, etc), not just the Sunday collections.
Loose	241.00		
Children	8.00		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$1,803.00</b>		
Other Budgeted Income			<b>This week's Total:</b>
Vigil Lights	\$ 8.50		<b>\$ 1,803.00</b>
Building Fund	1,620.00		<b>2,073.03</b>
Crookston Diocese	444.53		<b>\$ 3,876.03</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,073.03</b>		

**UPCOMING:**

- Feb 2: Pancake Breakfast, Circles 5 & 6; Circle 5 in charge**
- Feb 3: Christian Mothers meeting: No Mass, Rosary at 6:00 pm, light supper, meeting @ 7:00 pm.**
- Feb 3: Knights of Columbus meeting 7:00 pm @ Church**
- Feb 5: Safe Environment deadline (see announcement to the left)**
- Feb 9: DAA Commitment Sunday**
- Feb 17: KC Officer's meeting 7:00 pm @ Church**
- Feb 18: Finance Council meeting 6:00 pm @ Church**
- Feb 18: Pastoral Council meeting 6:00 pm @ Church**

*Ministry Schedule for Feb 9, 2014*

	5:30 PM	8:30 PM
FCC— Mark Byer and Barb Rice		
<b>Ministers</b>	Jeanne Riley	Bev Roberts
<b>Of Holy</b>	Ruth Ann Lehmann	Rose Roforth
<b>Communion</b>	Kristi Roers	Roxie Riewer
		Karen Nelson
		Dallas Flynn
<b>Lectors</b>	Ann Wothe	Al Jacobson
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim Jaroszewski	Dan Giefer
	Adam Jaroszewski	Mark Byer
<b>Servers</b>	Abigail Wothe	Maddie Williams
	Hayley Courneya	Cecilia George
	Isaac Courneya	Patrick Vacek
		Sierra Brolin

\*Note to ministers: This schedule does not reflect any recent changes or substitutions you may have made.

Circle 1 is in charge of donuts in February  
Circle 2 will be in charge of donuts in March

February 2nd Collections: 2nd—Building Fund; 9th—DAA Commitment Sunday; 16th—FACC

**\*\*\*Youth\*\*\***

February RE schedule, All Grades: 5, 12, 19, 26.

**Intergenerational:** February 19, 6:30-7:30PM; "Who do they say I am" Working on our relationship. **Adults** please attend and Help our Youth with their relationship within the Church.

All youth wanting to attend Steubenville, You need to get registered as soon as possible: see Cheryl before class on Wednesday evening or after Mass on Sunday mornings. Questions about what it is go to [www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/steubenville-north-st-paul](http://www.steubenvilleconferences.com/youth/steubenville-north-st-paul).

*The Gordon Sanders family would like to say thank you for the Mass donations for Dad.*

An Ultreya has been scheduled for Saturday, February 8, 2014 at the Cathedral in Crookston. All Cursillistas are invited to attend the regular Saturday night Mass at 5:00 p.m. at the Cathedral and then gather in the dining room for a potluck supper and Ultreya gathering. Anyone interested in learning more about Cursillo is also welcome to attend. For more information, please call Sharon Lanctot at 281-6286.

**Great marriages don't just happen ~ Couples create them! Begin creating the marriage of your dreams by attending the February 15-16 Marriage**



**Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org) for a listing of additional retreats or call 651.454.3238.**