

# Assumption Catholic Church

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Fr. David's Homilies—[frazeesacredheart.org.Homilies](http://frazeesacredheart.org/Homilies)

Here is a thought from last week's homily: *Jesus raised his eyes...he saw the large crowd coming.*

Victor was elected Pope in 189. At the time, not all Christians celebrated Easter at the same time. Some celebrated it on the date of the anniversary of the resurrection. Jesus rose from the dead on a Sunday--the first day of the week. If Easter was to be celebrated on the day, it meant that Easter was a different day of the week every year. This is how we celebrate our birthdays. I was born on June 9, a Sunday in 1963. This year my birthday was celebrated on a Wednesday.

After much negotiation, Pope Victor was successful in finding a consensus that Easter would be celebrated annually, on a Sunday. It would be the Sunday following the first full moon after the Spring Equinox.

The consensus didn't last. Even today Orthodox Christians celebrate Easter on a Sunday, but it does not usually fall on the same Sunday as other Christians. They are following the Julian calendar--a calendar created by Julius Caesar in 46 BC, while we are following the Gregorian Calendar, created by Gregory the Great in 1582. Here is the difference.

Julius determined that the lunar year consists of 365 and 1/4 days. To accommodate the 1/4 year, an extra day was added to the calendar every four years, thus leap year. Gregory discovered that the lunar year consists of 365 days, five hours, 48 minutes and 45.25 seconds. From the creation of the Julian calendar to the time of Gregory, this difference accounted for 10 days. So, Pope Gregory marched the calendar ahead 10 days. (And some of us complain about day light savings time!)

At a moment like this, I am amazed at the complexity of things, all things, even days, dates and times. I do appreciate the intuition of Pope Victor in 189 AD. He saw value in a consensus of times and dates. Imagine if a family was divided by commitments to different calendars. It would not be possible for us to celebrate anything together. Some would offer to celebrate my birthday on June 9, others would insist on May 30, and the convictions would be so strong that battles would be fought over cake.

Today, the days of a calendar pass without our awareness that another calendar exists. Maybe we can put aside family squabbles, even 99% of them. Let us treat one another with charity, find reasons to celebrate and make sacrifices to be present, to give presents, and to eat cake together.

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### **Mass Times**

Thursday 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:30 am

### **CONFESSIONS:**

Thursday @ 6:15 pm  
Sunday after Mass

### **ADORATION:**

Thursdays: 5:00-7:00 pm

### **Announcements**

We are in need of more people to help with cleaning the church and fellowship hall. It is 1 night a month for about 2-3 hours. We have the wonderful gift of Assumption of Mary Parish where we can worship and receive the sacraments; show your gratitude to God for our church by adding yourself to our sparse cleaning crew. Our next Church cleaning will be Wednesday, August 18. *Many hands make light work!*

**Dedication of our refurbished stained-glass windows:** At Mass on August 15, we will have the dedication ceremony. Following Mass there will be a presentation, followed by a meal.

There will be a Christian Mothers meeting right after Mass today.

Thank you to Colleen Tietz for the baptismal gowns.

*Question of the week: How can I be a sign to others of the nourishment I've found in the bread of life?*

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

A PRAYER TO PRAY FOR THE PEOPLE BELOW: Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illnesses. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/ treatments. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care/treatment and their soul to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy. Amen  
Sherry Steffl, Ernie Clark, Martha Donley, Connie Olgaard, Deb Clark, Rick Flottesch, Brent Pearson, Peter Pearson, Jeanine Kivi, Peg Braaten, Connie Collman Bergren, Darrell Beck, Brian Hazelton, Hali Thomas, Chris Fairbanks, Jim Foltz, Pat Hilber (Coleen Tietz's brother-in-law), Ken & Rita Pearson, Judy Dwinell, Marlene Scherping, Jerome Jirava, Jr., Josh Janousek, Cleo Baker, Don Tietz, Violet Fairbanks, Irene Hazelton, Virginia Warren (RIP), Scott Pulse (son-in-law of Rick and Virginia McDougall) and Betty Matter.

The **2021 - 2022 Safe Environment training module for the Diocese of Crookston** is now available. Our Safe Environment year begins on July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 and runs through June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Safe Environment certification is necessary for every adult volunteer or employee age 18 or older in the Diocese of Crookston who has the potential for unsupervised contact with children or vulnerable adults.

Certification includes a criminal background check, training related to recognizing and reporting child abuse, and agreement to abide by the Diocesan Safe Environment Policy and Code of Conduct. Please go online to [www.crookston.org/offices/safeenvironment/certification](http://www.crookston.org/offices/safeenvironment/certification) to complete the certification. When you complete the test and hit submit, you should see your test scores with a message that says you are finished. If you don't see this message, you will have to retake it. Please complete your Safe Environment by August 1, 2021. See Marlys with any questions.

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not."

EXODUS 16:4

When the Israelites gathered more than their daily portion of manna, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego lead to hoarding and excessive surplus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

**Sunday, July 25 2021--\$915**

### **Mass Intentions**

**Thurs., Aug.5: +Fred Blattenbauer**  
**Sun., Aug 1: +Lowell Baker**

### *Ministry Schedule for August 8, 2021*

### **Altar Servers**

*Freddie Steffl*

### **Eucharistic Ministers**

*Kristi Stalberger*

### **Lector**

*Lori Stalberger*

### **Presentation of the Gifts**

*Max Klarer Family*

### **Ushers**

*Jerry Spry & Bill Steffl*

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).