

# 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: *We can see Jesus, the Bread of Life, and still live in the world as if Holy Communion is a meaningless, dry wafer.*

John Vianney was not a promising seminarian. He appeared to be of below average intelligence. He did not have achievements, nor did he offer much promise. Most of the time a candidate like him would have been weeded out, his application rejected. Most of the time a candidate like him would have been sent home to work on the farm, side by side with his peasant father.

By a miracle, someone saw something in John. It was his devotion. He had a holiness about him that smarter men often lacked. He was chosen for priesthood for this virtue alone.

St. John Vianney did not put on airs after his ordination, pretending to be someone he was not. Rather than a peasant farmer, he became a peasant priest. He did what he was able to do: he heard confessions for eight hours a day. He became a noted preacher, not by the theological brilliance but because he was able to teach the faith in a way it could be understood by all. Tens of thousands of people came to visit the obscure parish priest and turned Ars (France) into a place of pilgrimage.

If you struggle in faith or if you are confused, maybe you are making things too complicated. St. John taught that we need to do two things, pray and love. That is not complicated. If we do this, most of our troubles will melt away like snow in the sun.

*Seasons of Hope* Bereavement Group Season 2 is scheduled for Thursdays from August 26-September 30, 2021. There will be a morning group at 10 a.m. and an evening group at 7 p.m.. If you are seeking consolation after losing a loved one or know of someone suffering from the grief of loss, this Christ-centered faith-sharing group is a good resource. The group will meet for six consecutive weeks and each session is structured around prayer, scripture, faith-sharing, and fellowship. For more details, pick up a Seasons of Hope brochure in the vestibule or contact Marlys Jacobson at 218.280.0760 or [marlysj.shfre@arvig.net](mailto:marlysj.shfre@arvig.net).

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).

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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. **Many hands make light work!** Our next Church cleaning will be Wednesday, August 18 @ 5 pm, followed by a potluck supper.

**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. We need workers to serve the dinner and to help clean up.

It was Colleen Schmit, rather than Coleen Tietz who made the baptismal gowns. **Thank you,** Colleen Schmit.

Join us at 10 am on September 8 to help make Confirmation blankets.

*Question of the week: How does receiving Jesus in the Eucharist strengthen me on my journey? When have I needed a second nudge to go on?*

## 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), Betty Matter and Rachel Secrist (granddaughter of Roger & Sharon Winter).

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.

"Get up and eat or the journey will be too much for you!"

1 KINGS 19:7

God knows that committing to a stewardship lifestyle is difficult. However, we were not designed to do it on our own; we need His help. Fortunately, God gave us the greatest gift of all, His son, Jesus. Through the gift of the Eucharist, we join our sacrifice with the sacrifice of the Holy Mass and receive the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples.

**Sunday, August 1, 2021--\$1,251**

## Upcoming

- Sun., Aug 15: Dedication of Stained-Glass Windows**
- Wed., Aug 18: Church cleaning @ 5 pm, followed by a potluck supper**
- Wed., Sept 8: Making Confirmation blankets @ 10 am.**

## Mass Intentions

- Thurs., Aug.12: +Mark Stalberger**
- Sun., Aug 15: +Kathryn Foltz**

*Ministry Schedule for August 15, 2021*

## Altar Servers

Megan Stalberger

## Eucharistic Ministers

Ken Pearson

## Lector

Kristi Stalberger

## Presentation of the Gifts

Kevin Larson Family

## Ushers

Danny Steffl & David Steffl

It will soon be time for me to create the **September through December Ministry Schedule**. Please notify me if: you were left off the last schedule; you want to be added or deleted from the schedule; you already are aware of dates you will not be available. Please notify me by August 22 by texting, emailing, or calling me, or by dropping a note in the collection basket. The schedule will be available August 29. Note that the schedule will have 3 Eucharistic Ministers for each Mass.