

Assumption Catholic Church February 19, 2023

Lent is nigh! How has it come so fast? I hope you have made efforts to settle on your personal Lenten prayers and penances for this year.

One of the chief documents of the Second Vatican Council was the "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy: Sacrosanctum Concilium." This document proposed ways in which the Church might renew her sacred liturgy to better evangelize and sanctify Christians throughout the world. Paragraph 100 of this document said, "Pastors of souls should see to it that the chief hours, especially Vespers, are celebrated in common in church on Sundays and the more solemn feasts. And the laity, too, are encouraged to recite the divine office, either with the priests, or among themselves, or even individually." To begin to fulfill that sacred obligation imposed upon me, on Sunday afternoon, there will be a 3:00 p.m. Holy Hour with Eucharistic Adoration, Vespers, and Benediction. It is my hope to continue these Holy Hours with Vespers on the Third Sunday of each month. Please join us!

The Diocese of Crookston is undergoing a Strategic Visioning process. There are online focus groups that we have been asked to see that our parish staff, volunteers, and parishioners attend. Please see the insert in this bulletin for information on virtually attending one of these focus group. I would like it if many of you would attend and let your voice be heard.

Question of the Week: When do I get angry and respond unkindly to provocation? How can I overcome these triggers?

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
Tuesday 7:00 pm
Sunday 10:30 am

CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday @ 6:15 pm
Sunday after Mass

ADORATION:
Tuesdays: 5:00-7:00 pm



Announcements

There will be a 60th Wedding Anniversary celebration at Beautiful Savior Church, Callaway, for George and Carol Scherzer on Sunday, February 26, from 2-4 pm. All are welcome.

There will be no Tuesday evening Mass this week.

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.

Crystal Bunnell, Theresa (Foltz) Thunder, Irene Hazelton, Jonah Steffl, Stella Thielen, Lillian Welle, Cleo Baker, George Scherzer, Kevin Olson, Dolores Manning, Colleen Borgrud and Fr. Adam Hamness

Today is the beginning of the 2023 Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA). Our theme is **BUILD MY CHURCH!** The overall DAA goal has been set at \$925,000. This goal is shared and prorated among our 66 parishes based on the prior year's offertory and the number of donors who offer more than \$50 per year to their parish. Assumption's parish goal for 2023 is \$7,687. These gifts help fund the Offices of Formation in Discipleship, Worship, Vocations and Seminarians, the Tribunal, Safe Environment and Ministerial Standards, Catholic Schools, Communications, the Office of the Bishop, and General Administration of the Pastoral and Retreat Center--ministries that affect our parish family in so many ways! Please, prayerfully review the mailing you have received at home or visit www.crookston.org/DAA.

"But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you..."
MATTHEW 5:44

Love your enemies, easier said than done. But remember, the foundation of stewardship is prayer. When we are in close communication with God, it opens our heart, and it turns our attention away from "me" and moves it toward God and others. It changes my heart and actions, allowing for a little more empathy for "my enemy." When we pray for others, even our enemies, it may soften their hearts as well.

Sunday, February 12
Adult Envelopes--\$899
OND--\$20

Upcoming

Sun., Feb 19: Mardi Gras Dinner fundraiser, 11:30 pm
Wed., Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday, Mass at 5:00 pm
Wed., March 15: Church cleaning @ 11 am, followed by a potluck lunch

Mass Intentions

Today's Mass: +Karen Spry
Wed., Feb 22: +Mark Stalberger
Sun., Feb., 26: The Brown Family

Ministry Schedule for February 26, 2023

Altar Servers

Nathan Loreth

Eucharistic Minister

Max Klarer & Kristi Stalberger

Lector

Don Tietz

Presentation of the Gifts

Pat Stalberger Family

Ushers

Bill Steffl & Danny Steffl