

# Assumption Catholic Church

May 7, 2023

## May Crowning: What It Is?

At its simplest, May Crowning is a ritual celebrated in the month of May where an image or statue of Mary is crowned with a wreath of flowers and honored as the Queen of Heaven and the Mother of God. But this simple ceremony carries deep meaning for the Catholic faith.

## The Ceremony

Unlike most holidays, May Crowning doesn't have a set date and can be celebrated at any time during the month of May. Some churches opt for Mother's Day, while others do it as soon as May arrives. There is also no set ritual, but traditionally May crownings are celebrated during Mass on that day and after a procession, a crown of flowers and herbs is placed on the head of a statue of Mary. It's usually followed by prayers and/or hymns centered around Mary.

## The Meaning of May Crowning

While Mary the Mother of God is revered and celebrated all year long, May is a special month to celebrate the "Queen of Heaven." May has been Mary's month since the medieval period, when May was considered the end of winter and the start of a new season of growth. It's a time for new beginnings and the chance to begin with gratitude and devotion. There are many reasons she is considered the "Queen of Heaven." She was a perfect follower of Christ, and so is considered the crown of creation. She is also the Mother of the Son of God, Jesus, who is the King of Israel and the universe. And of course, she is the most important woman of our faith, and our spiritual mother. It's my hope that this May, you'll celebrate May Crowning in your own home, and have a special encounter with Christ through the Virgin Mary.

**Question of the Week** *Whom in my parish or in the wider community do I feel called to serve? How can I serve them and bring them on our journey to the Lord?*

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

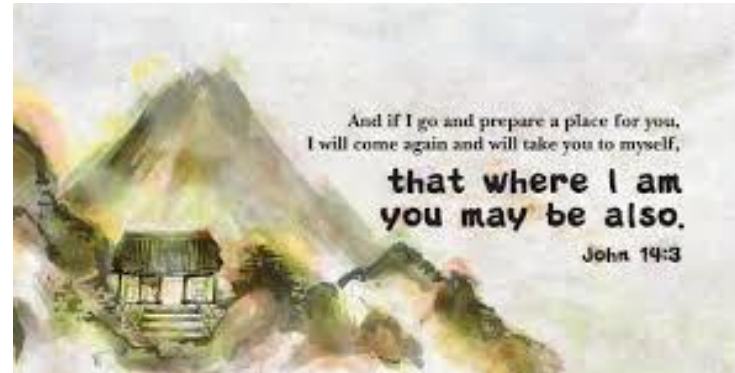
Tuesday 7:00 pm  
Sunday 10:30 am

## CONFESSIONS:

Tuesday @ 6:15 pm  
Sunday after Mass

## ADORATION:

Tuesdays: 5:00-7:00 pm



## Announcements

Msgr. Mike Foltz will be offering Mass on Memorial Day, May 29, at 8:45 am at the church. There will be Fellowship after Mass and then we will proceed to the cemetery for the VFW Program.

Our next Church cleaning will be on Wednesday, May 17, at 11 am, followed by a potluck lunch.

## 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, Stella Thielen, Lillian Welle, Cleo Baker, George Scherzer, Dolores Manning, Colleen Borgrud, LaVaun Borgrud, Kevin Clark, Dolores Manning, Karen Klarer, Darlene Johnson Maneval, Mark Winter and Fr. Adam Hamness

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone."  
1 PETER 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember – no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

Sunday, April 23, 2023--\$1,334  
Catholic Home Missions--\$230

## Upcoming

Sun., May 7: **Baccalaureate Mass, followed by lunch (everyone is invited)**  
Wed., May 17: **Church cleaning at 11 am**  
Mon., May 29: **Mass at 8:45 am followed by VFW program at the cemetery**

## Mass Intentions

Today's Mass: **For the People of Assumption and Sacred Heart Parishes**  
Tues., May 2: **+Leo Steffl**  
Sun., May 14: **+Glenise Donley**

## Ministry Schedule for May 14, 2023

### Altar Servers

Freddie Steffl

### Eucharistic Minister

Lori Stalberger & Colleen Schmit

### Lector

Bill Steffl

### Presentation of the Gifts

Edwin Scheler Family

### Ushers

Rick McDougall & Jerry Spry