

This Week's Scripture Readings

Fifth Sunday in Ord Time	Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8	Ps 138:1-5, 7-8	II Corinthians 15:1-11	Luke 5:1-11
Week 5 Mon	Genesis 1:1-19	Ps 104:1-2a,5-6,10,12,24,35c		Mark 6:53-56
Week 5 Tues	Genesis 1:20-2:4a	Ps 8:4-9		Mark 7:1-13
Week 5 Wed	Genesis 2:4b-9,15-17	Ps 104:1-2a,27-28,29bc-30		Mark 7:14-23
Week 5 Thurs	Genesis 2: 18-25	Ps 128:1-5		Mark 7:24-30
Week 5 Fri	Genesis 3:1-8	Ps 32:1-2,5,6,7		Mark 7:31-37
Week 5 Sat	Genesis 3:9-24	Ps 90:2-6,12-13		Mark 8:1-10
Sixth Sunday in Ord Time	Jeremiah 17:5-8	Ps 1: 1-4,6	I Corinthians 15:12,16-20	Luke 6:17,20-26

Holy Fathers Prayer intentions for February: For vocations to the priesthood and religious life
 Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

Praying for Our Clergy: Sunday, Feb.9th, Fr Chuck Huck, Mon. Feb 10th Fr. Xavier Illango, Tue. Feb 11th Fr Joseph John Kennady, Wed. Feb 12th Fr James Khembo, Thur. Feb 13th Fr John Klienwachter Fri. Feb 14th Fr. Bryan Kujawa, Sat. Feb 18th Fr Rick Lambert

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA & ST. JOHN PAUL II CAMP
REGISTRATION OPENS FEB 11, 2025
 9:00AM
 CROOKSTON.ORG
 WILL YOU BE THERE?
 QUESTIONS? CONTACT 218-281-4333

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New Life

Through the Tender Compassion of Our God

This Lent 2025 – A 4-Week Video Series – for New Life!
 Join our Bishop Andrew Cozzens for a 4-session study on the foundations of our Diocesan Pastoral Vision

What is this series about? The series is comprised of four video sessions running about 80 minutes with prayer, inspiration, testimony and time for sharing faith. Bishop Andrew Cozzens will address various elements of the New Life pastoral letter. Hosts will guide viewers through each session and Catholics from the Diocese of Crookston will also provide brief personal testimonies. This resource is completely produced from our Diocese.

Who is this for? This series is ideal for small groups of any kind such as Cursillo groups, faith-sharing groups, high-school RE classrooms, or friendship groups. It can be done in a large gathering at a parish with tables for small group discussion, or in someone's home or at a coffee shop.

How can we access this FREE series? The four online video sessions and each session's handout can be accessed from the website for the Diocese of Crookston: crookston.org/newliferies.

Session Topics:
 Session 1: What does it mean to encounter Christ?
 Session 2: What is Authentic Discipleship?
 Session 3: Living Authentic Christian Community.
 Session 4: Walk with one.



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From the Desk of Fr. Hamness

Who Was Saint Valentine?

St. Valentine was a priest in Rome who was martyred during the 3rd century, though the Roman Martyrology actually lists two Italian martyr-Valentines under the 14th of February, one a priest and one a bishop, as well as an African martyr of the same name.

We don't actually know much more for certain about St. Valentine's life, but according to the legends that have come down to us, the emperor at the time issued an edict that prohibited the marriage of young people. At a time when young men were needed for the army, this proscription was based on the idea that unmarried soldiers fought better than married soldiers because the latter might be afraid of what might happen to their wives and families if they died.

This was also a permissive society whose views on marriage were far from the Christian one. In the midst of all of this, St. Valentine viewed marriage in the light of the Church—as a sacred bond between a man and woman for life. He understood that sacrifice was a major part of marriage and that married couples should therefore understand the sacrificial and sacramental aspects of the married state.

Some soldiers also held this notion of marriage and desired marriage, so St. Valentine would secretly marry them, defying the edict. Many couples flocked to him to be married. On the 14th of February around the year 269, St. Valentine paid the ultimate price for his Faith. This is, of course, why the 14th of February is now his feast day. St. Valentine stands not only as a witness to the sanctity of love and marriage but also as a defender of freedom of religion.

LITURGICAL	WEEKDAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION	CONFES-
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday	February 9	10:30 am	Mass:+Grace Fairbanks	10:10am
Our Lady Of Lourdes	Tuesday	February 11	5:00 pm	Adoration & Benediction	
Our Lady of Lourdes	Tuesday	February 11	7:00 pm	Mass: Kristi Stalberger	6:30 pm
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	Sunday	February 16	10:30 am	Mass:+Fred & Edwina Blattenbauer	10:10 am

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 schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24 hour confidential number)

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5th Sunday of Ordinary Time

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?’ ‘Here I am,’ I said, ‘send me!’” - Isaiah 6:8

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, “Whom shall I send?” whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or to say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. God is always talking to us; we just need to pay more attention. When you hear God calling have the courage to walk through the door and say, “Here I am, Lord.”

Question of the week?

When have I felt like I was in deep water, in over my head, when doing something I felt called by God to do? Did I overcome my fear or discomfort and how?

Liturgy of the Hours: Week I of the Psalter

Reflection on the Gospel

When one is seized by grace, the gifts and skills one already has are often put to a different use under Christ's direction. One can imagine Peter's reluctance to follow Jesus's suggestion to put out into the deep water, when he and his companions had been hard at it all night without any reward. Why should pros like them listen to Jesus? It is when they can take the sage advice of trying things a different way under Jesus's direction that the grace comes.

—Living Liturgy™, Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time 2025

IT IS TIME TO GET YOUR PRAYER INTENTIONS IN FOR 2025.

Website: formed.org Parish Access Code 38HAZ8V

JESUS SENT HIS FOLLOWERS TO PREACH AND HEAL THE SICK.

Please contact Fr. Adam Hamness if you or a family member is suffering from anguish or anxiety about their health, especially before medical intervention like surgery and through their recovery.

Prayer Requests:

The following people or their family has asked us to pray for them:

Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illness. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/treatment. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care treatment and their souls 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 then to your mercy.

Cleo Baker, Cecelia Baumgartner (Msgr. David's Mother) Dick & Marilyn Bellefeuille, Randi Bernard, LaMae Blattenbauer, Colleen Borgrud, LaVaun Borgrud, Jerry Braaten, Peggy Braaten, Charlie Crommett, Alice DuChene, Shannon Donner, Chris Fairbanks, Sharon Greminger, Kathryn Grady, Michael Harvala, Brian Hazelton, Irene Hazelton, Cindy Hilber, Pat Hilber, Daniel Kapphahn, Jeanine Kivi, Delores Manning, Kate Matter, Margaret McDougall, Ken & Rita Pearson, Jonell Richards, Greg Ronning, George Solmon, Joe Solmon, Renee Solmon, Doreen Olson Tollefson, Parishioners suffering chronic pain

Mass Setting from the Roman Missal

Check out the insert article from Bishop Cozens.

Next Sunday, February 16th we will practice before mass the Mass Setting from the Roman Missal that all parishes in the Crookston Diocese will be using during Lent.



Sunday, February 2, 2025

Adult Envelopes
\$7,179.95.
Loose Plate \$197.00

Children's Envelopes \$16.00

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, February 16, 2025

Altar Server: Freddie Steffl

Lector: Don Tietz

Eucharistic Ministers: Lori Stalberger & David Steffl

Presentation of Gifts: Danny & Sherry Steffl Family

Ushers: Al Foltz & Roger Foltz

Music: Avis Flottesmesch

Weekend of February 8-9, 2025: Commitment Weekend

Today is the beginning of the 2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA). Our theme is **“A Future Full of Hope”**, which is an invitation to give the gift of hope today. Our DAA goal this year is \$975,000. This goal is shared and pro-rated among our 66 parishes. Our parish goal for 2025 is \$ 5,951.00. Your gifts to the DAA provide essential funding for Missionary in Discipleship, Youth & Young Adult Ministries, Campus Ministries, Safe Environment, The Office of the Bishop, Vocations and Seminarians, Catholic Schools, Communications, Marriage Tribunal, Administration of the Pastoral & Retreat Center; ministries that affect everyone in our Catholic communities!

Please, prayerfully review the mailing you have received at home. Visit www.crookston.org/DAA or scan the QR code to watch Bishop's video and make your gift online, or to view additional information about all the good you do when you support the DAA! Thank you for your generosity!

Birthdays this week:

February 11th Maria Foltz

February 12th Carol Zurn



Upcoming.

- Sunday February 9th Lions Pancake Breakfast
- Sunday, February 16th, Christian Mothers Meeting after Mass
- Wednesday, February 19th Church Cleaning, **We need Volunteers**, 11am followed by pot-luck lunch
- Sunday March 9th Black & Indian Mission Collection
- Sunday March 23rd Parish Dinner
- Sunday, March, 30th Catholic Relief Services Collection



Upcoming Fellowship

No Fellowship today! February 9th Lions Pancake Breakfast

February 16th Damian & Carol Zurn

February 23rd OPEN

March 2nd OPEN

March 9th Lions Pancake Breakfast

March 16th OPEN

March 23rd Parish Dinner, St Josephs Fellowship Hall

March 30th OPEN

April 6th Ogema Dinner

PLEASE SIGN UP FOR FELLOWSHIP

Please Pray for our students Hannah Helm, Julia Steffl, Megan Stalberger, Bella Steffl, Ellie Steffl, Grace Helm, Freddie Steffl, Caleb Rodewald, Nathan Loreth, Kaitlyn Loreth, Molly Rodewald, Luke Helm, Jake Helm, Colby Rodewald, Maria Foltz, and our youngest students Savannah Rodewald and Odessa Schmit