

Sunday, September 3, 2017

September 4 thru September 10

Monday, September 4 Weekday

8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: + Kyle Harsha

NO 5:30 pm Mass

SM: 7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

LABOR DAY

PARISH OFFICES ARE CLOSED

Tuesday, Sept. 5 Blessed Teresa of Calcutta

8:30 am Mass at St. Mary: + Richard Schmaus

SP: 8:45 am Mary Devotions

Wednesday, September 6 Weekday

8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: + Veronica Aurzada

SP: 9-12 Adoration

SP: 11:00 am Funeral for Ron Hanson

Religious Education Classes Begin for Grades 7-11

Thursday, September 7 Weekday

8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: + Michael Tuhy

SP: 9 am – 9 pm Adoration

Friday, September 8 The Nativity of the

Blessed Virgin Mary

NO MASS

Saturday, September 9 Vigil: 23rd Sunday

In Ordinary Time

4:15 PM Reconciliation at St. Peter

5:00 PM Mass at St. Peter: + Leonard Aurzada

Sunday, Sept. 10 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM Mass at St. Peter: Special Intention of

The Bialke Family

CONFIRMATION Mass with Bishop Hoepfner

SP: Team 6 Coffee & Rolls

11:00 AM Mass at St. Mary: For the People

From the St. Peter's and St. Mary's Staff:

"Have a safe and relaxing holiday weekend"

SCHOOL YEAR MASS SCHEDULE

Begins September 10

St. Peter: Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am

St. Mary: Sunday 11:00 am

Praying for Vocations

September 4 – September 10..... Luisa Regino

September 11 – September 17.....Luisa Regino

E-Mail/Telephone Prayer Chain

If you have a request for needed prayers for yourself, family or friends, please call (SP) Diane Schmitz at 732-4638 or (SM) Theresa Keller at 237-2322

St. Peter the Apostle

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES: St. Peter's

SATURDAY: September 9

5:00 P.M. Servers **Volunteers Needed**

Lector.....Sandy Aldrich

Accompanist..... Amy Yerkes

Cantor.....Maggi Yerkes

Usher Capt...Pat Boyd & Anne Neumayer

SUNDAY: September 10

9:00 A.M. Servers **Volunteers Needed**

Lector.....Cleo Hartung

AccompanistAmy Yerkes

Cantor....Annette Haas & Kamree Carlson

Usher Capt.....Tony Szymczak

St Peter's

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Collection for August 26 & 27

Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,924.90
Loose Plate	\$ 544.05
Visitor Checks	\$ 587.00
Other	\$ 2,425.05
Weekly Total	\$ 6,481.00
Haiti.....	\$ 150.00

If you have any questions, please see Father Tom

'Direct Deposit' Sunday Offering

'Direct Deposit' is a **safe and secure** way to submit your Sunday offering and support St. Peter's during the many **out of town weekends** that families take! Contact Faye Wermerskirchen in the parish office for information!

Contributions using a credit card are also available.

Stewardship

"What profit would there be for one to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" - MATTHEW 16:26

St. Francis of Assisi once said, "Remember, you are what you are in the eyes of God, and nothing else." We often forget this stewardship wisdom when we spend all of our time, talent and treasure to gain more of the world's riches. We need to set our priorities based on God's values and not the values of the material world.

The Diocese of Crookston is on social media! Get up-to-date info regarding diocesan events and ministries on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram by following @DioCrookston!

Ministers of Holy Communion visit the Catholic Residents of **Heritage Living Center Complex and Diamond Willow** on Sunday Mornings.

September 3: Austin

September 10: Wagner

Care Age Facility: Deacon John Zinniel on Fridays

If you can help with Homebound Communion, please call the Parish office at 732-5142.

St. Mary's – Two Inlets

Ministries for Sunday, September 10

<u>LECTOR</u>	Jim Higgins
<u>COMM DIST</u>	Audrey Eischens, Lillian Schmaus Rose Higgins
<u>ALTAR SERVER</u>	Shawn Ohm
<u>USHERS</u>	Gary & Jackie Lane
<u>GIFTS</u>	Joan Eischens
<u>SACRISTAN</u>	Audrey Eischens

St. Mary's Collection, August 27

Adult Envelopes	\$915.00	Loose Plate	\$388.00
Assumption	\$15.00	Cemetery	\$10.00
Grotto	\$404.00		
Total Collection	\$1,732.00		

Direct Deposit is available at St. Mary's. Contact Lynn for details.

September 3 – Knights of Columbus Breakfast-Workers are needed for the breakfast. You don't need to be a member to help out.

September 17-Soup and Sandwich and Confirmation Reception for Blake Higgins

Knights of Columbus will meet on Monday, September 4 at 7:30 pm in the basement

Congratulations to Bob & Patti Stulich who celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary on September 2nd.

Mark your calendars-September 17 St. Mary's Annual Financial Report and Budget overview after Mass.

Raffle tickets can be turned in to Joan Eischens or put in the collection basket before October 8. If you need more tickets, please contact Joan 732-4782.

Liturgical participation sign-up sheets for October 15 thru January 14 are in the back of the church. Please consider helping with any of these ministries. Take a moment to note your availability. Thank you for your dedication.

Volunteers are needed to help with watering and weeding the flowers at the Grotto and Church grounds. Please contact Ed Decker 732-8774 or Lynn in the office 732-4046 if you can help.

TODAY! Knights of Columbus Breakfast at St. Mary's
Knights of Columbus will be serving a pancake, sausage, & scrambled egg breakfast from 8-12 noon, Sunday September 3 at St. Mary's in the basement.

Our sympathy and prayers to the family of John Higgins who died August 25. His funeral was Friday, September 1 at St. Peter's. Also, to the family of Ron Hanson who died August 30. His funeral will be Wednesday, September 6 at 11:00 am at St. Peter's. May they enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.

Fr. Tom's Desk

UNBELIEVABLE. Where did the summer days go? We arrive at the "end of summer" with the federal holiday Labor Day on Monday, September 4. On this day let us pause to pray for those whose labors sustain us in our daily lives: especially those who work in the service industries. Since 1891, with the papal encyclical *Rerum Novarum*, the Catholic Church's teachings have strongly supported the worker by advocating an end to abusive labor practices, just wages and the rights and dignity of the worker. One hundred years later this is still a hotly debated topic in the halls of governments. Let us pray that under the guidance of the Holy Spirit we may give thanks for the gift of human work and also rise above the political fray and promote human dignity. Human labor is a respect life issue.

HAPPY BEGINNING TO THE ACADEMIC YEAR! Blessings to all returning to the classrooms - the students, teachers, administrators and other personnel. Education is a great gift of the Holy Spirit. Please use that gift to grow in wisdom and knowledge to reach your fullest potential for which God created you.

HURRICANE HARVEY has devastated the coastal regions of Texas and Louisiana. The damage estimates are in the billions of dollars. This weekend an emergency collection is being taken up throughout Catholic parishes of the United States. The monies collected from this special collection will be used by the Catholic Charities USA to provide aid to the hurricane victims. You can also directly make an electronic contribution for this collection using their website www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. But also pray for those who must rebuild homes and businesses and family lives.

Oil for your Lamp

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "*Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me*". This summer Pope Francis and the Vatican, laid out another course for the path to sainthood. Basically this new "path" involves what Jesus just said in the Gospel. Jesus knew that he would soon be suffering on the cross; the Pope wants those who are diagnosed with a particular disease, to carry that cross daily as they continue to help others. An example given is Blessed Damian of Molokai, a priest who contracted leprosy while helping lepers in Molokai, Hawaii.

Each of us has a cross given to us, and each of us is expected to carry that cross with dignity, not in a down-trodden poor me attitude. I have had the opportunity to visit with many who have various afflictions from M.S. to memory issues, from cancer to heart disease, and those who have a deep prayer life, or have fixed their gaze on Jesus, all have a special brightness that flows from within. You can see that their lamps are filled with the Oil of Grace that can only come from God.

"To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it."
(Saint Teresa of Kolkata)

In the peace of Christ . . . **Deacon John Zimmel**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - YOUTH MINISTRY

Annette Haas Office: 732-5142

CELL NUMBER: 218-616-2404

My Email address is: annette@arvig.net

CONFIRMATION WILL BE CELEBRATED ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10 AT THE 9:00AM MASS AT ST. PETER'S.

Our evening classes will begin on September 6 for grades 7-11. Our Wednesday morning classes for students will begin September 27. Please turn in your child(ren)s registration information before classes start if possible. If you are new to our parishes and would like to register your children for classes or have new 1st graders please contact me or the parish offices.

If you are interested in helping with teaching our children on Wednesday mornings, evenings, or Sunday mornings please contact me. I will also need help with serving food & clean up on Wednesday evenings. If you think God may be calling you to this type of ministry please let me know!

Children's Liturgy will begin on Sunday, September 24. We are in need of a few more adults who might be interested in teaching our young ones. Let me know if this would interest you!

We did it! Tom and I delivered Melissa to the Handmaids and she has begun this new chapter in her life. There are photos up on their website of Melissa and the rest of the community at: handmaidsoftheheartofjesus.com

Special Collections

Today, there will be an Emergency National second collection to assist Dioceses affected by Hurricane Harvey. Funds given to this collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses. For more information visit www.catholiccharitiesusa.org. Please make checks payable to the parish and we will forward the funds.

Next week, we will take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America. Please prayerfully consider supporting this collection, which assists programs that strengthen the faith in Latin America and the Caribbean. Your gifts help share the faith by providing lay leadership training, catechesis, priestly and religious formation, as well as other programs. To learn more, please visit www.usccb.org/latin-america.

The Top Secret Project is a unique traveling exhibit designed to help recognize unfamiliar hazards that are often in plain sight. Using a simulated teenager's bedroom, the interactive exhibit includes hundreds of items that when seen through an educated lens, could be a signal that there is a problem. This is for adults only. Park Rapids Area High School Commons on Tuesday, September 12. Dinner 5:00-6:00 pm, Walk through 5:30-6:00 pm, Presentation 6:00 - 7:30 pm. For more information contact Angela Graham at 218-255-3692 or angelagraham@catholichealth.net

Faith, Wellness, and You

Have a safe, enjoyable and relaxing weekend.

You can contact your parish nurses at: Diane: 218-255-1270 and Tiffany at 218-252-8227.

RCIA classes will begin in October for those interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith. If you or someone you know would like to learn more about the faith, or if you know someone who would like to join the faith, look for more information about these classes in the next few weeks. There is no cost or obligation to join the faith. Contact the office or Deacon John for more information.

NEED A RETREAT? What a great time of year to take care of your spiritual health! Many in our parish have attended **Cursillo** weekends over the years and give great testimony to the power of such weekends. Cursillo is pronounced KER-SEE-O meaning - short course in Christianity. Weekends are being offered this fall and next spring at Sand Hill Bible Camp, just south of Fosston. The weekends include quiet time, inspirational talks, and most importantly, time to be with Jesus without the many distractions of daily life. Grow closer to Jesus by taking the time to join us. HE will bless your sacrifice of time for HIM. The weekend starts Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. The Men's will be held September 28 - October 1. The Women's will be October 26-29. If these dates do not work into your schedule there will also be weekends available next spring. The Men's will be held February 22-25, 2018 and the Women's will be March 15-18, 2018. Contact Carol Olsonawski (218-689-9081) or Bobbi Mercil (701-866-5706) for more information. Applications can be printed at crookstoncursillo.weebly.com or picked up at your parish office.

IS THE HONEYMOON OVER? It doesn't have to be! A Marriage Encounter weekend can rekindle the excitement and romance in your relationship. This is a private weekend away from life's distractions that allows a husband and wife to focus on each other. The next available Weekends are Sep 15-17, 2017 in Alexandria, MN and Feb 2-4, 2018 in Hermantown, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact Alan & Missy at applications@northmnwwme.org or 888-455-3496.

Release Time Teacher needed for Wednesday mornings. Contact Annette if you feel God may be calling you to this ministry. 732-5142 or cell 616-2404

Cantor/Liturgical Singer Workshops: September 15 & 16 with Berta Sabrio (NPM Certified Cantor Trainer). Sites: St. Joseph - Fertile and Holy Rosary - Detroit Lakes. For informational flyer and registration link, visit <http://www.crookston.org/offices/worshipliturgy/home>