

# Sunday, October 25, 2020

## October 26 thru November 1

Monday, October 26 **Weekday**  
5:30 pm Mass at St. Peter: + Dale Fischer  
10:30 am & 6:15 pm Bible Study with Fr. Tom

Tuesday, October 27 **Weekday**  
8:30 am Mass at St. Mary: + Steven Zilka

Wednesday, October 28 **Sts. Simon & Jude**  
8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: Jeanne Hanson & Family  
SP: 7:00 pm Group A Grades 7 – 11 Classes

Thursday, October 29 **Weekday**  
8:30 am Mass at St. Peter: + Marley Cusick  
9:00 – 10:00 am Adoration in the Church

Friday, October 30 **Weekday**  
NO MASS

Saturday, October 31 **Vigil: All Saints Day**  
4:15 PM Reconciliation at St. Peters  
5:00 PM MASS at St. Peter: + Izzy Mahowald

Sunday, November 1 **All Saints Day**  
9:00 AM MASS at St. Peter: + Grace Klein  
11:00 AM MASS at St. Mary: For the People

**DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS  
SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK ONE HOUR**

**Sunday Mass is live streamed at  
stpeterpr.org**

*We extend sympathy and prayers to the family of Wes Benjamin who died October 13. A Family only Funeral service will be October 28 at St. Peter. Also, to the family of John Schumacher who died October 14. His funeral was October 21 at St. Peter. May they enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.*

### **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

### **Praying for Vocations**

October 26 – November 1.....Fred & Clara Whiteside  
November 2 – November 8.....Luisa Regino

**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).**

## St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

Oct. 31 & Nov. 1 **SATURDAY** **SUNDAY**  
Lector Diane Heath Mary Garlie  
Usher Capt's Tony Szymczak Ron Ahmann  
Bob Becker

### **Stewardship**

*"You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul and with all your mind." – Matthew 22:37*

Do you put other "gods" before God? Is your love of money, power, status, comfort or some personal possession greater than your love for God? Do you really recognize that everything you have and that everything you are is a gift from God? The good news – it's not too late to put God first in all things in your life.

### **St Peter's PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Collection for October 18**

Adult Envelopes .....	\$ 3,320.00
Loose Plate.....	\$ 174.00
Visitor Checks.....	\$ 1,065.00
Other .....	\$ 92.80
Weekly Total .....	\$ 4,651.80
Haiti.....	\$ 68.00
Seminarian Burse.....	\$ 50.00
Cemetery.....	\$ 1,050.00
Peter's Pence.....	\$ 10.00
World Mission.....	\$ 913.00

**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!

## **FORMED**

Registering for FORMED is easier than ever:

Go to [formed.org/signup](http://formed.org/signup)

Select your parish **St Peter Park Rapids**

Register with your name and email address

Check that email account for a link to begin using FORMED  
**POPE JOHN PAUL II'S LETTER ON THE ROSARY**- To close out October the month dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary, enjoy this discussion between Dr. Tim Gray and Lucas Pollice on St. John Paul II's letter on the Rosary. This wonderful discussion will help draw you deeper into the mysteries of Christ meditated on in the Rosary.

St. Johns Lutheran Church, Park Rapids is hosting the **Vitalant Blood Drive on Monday, November 2 from 11:30 a.m. to 5:45 p.m., and Tuesday, November 3 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**

To protect the donors and workers, all the areas for waiting and donating will be continually sanitized and spaced out so there will be at least 6 feet of space between donors. Everyone will be masked, including the donors. To make an appointment, please call Elayne at 218-255-4865 or go online to [www.bloodhero.com](http://www.bloodhero.com), sponsor code: parkrapids. **Please help us make a difference!**

## St. Mary's – Two Inlets

### Ministries for Sunday, November 1

<b>LECTOR</b>	Ann Lempola
<b>COMM DIST</b>	Volunteer needed
<b>USHER</b>	Ron Schroeder

### St. Mary's Collection, October 18

<b>Adult Envelopes</b>	<b>\$765.00</b>	<b>Loose Plate</b>	<b>\$105.00</b>
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$870.00</b>		
<b>World Missions</b>	<b>\$102.00</b>		

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

St. Mary's will have a **Hunter's Mass** on Saturday, November 7 at 8:00 pm, limited seating. There will be NO meal served. Sunday Mass, November 8 at St. Mary's at 11:00 am.

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION – YOUTH MINISTRY

Annette Haas Office: 732-5142 CELL: 218-616-2404  
My Email address is: annette@stpeterpr.org

**"You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind." Matthew 22:37**

**"You shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:39**

***Wow! This is hard, Lord! I have not yet accomplished how to love perfectly. I pray that with Your help I can do this...***

**Group A evening classes on Wednesday, October 28.**

### **Faith Formation Classes:**

Students in grades 7-11 have been in session since September 9

#### **Grades 1-6 on-line classes**

#### **Lessons have been assigned!**

- If you have registered and have NOT received log-in information contact me.

- If you have not registered your student(s) go to

**www.stpeterpr.org** for faith formation details or contact me!

### **SUBSCRIBE TO eOND FOR THE LATEST AND BIGGEST**

**DIOCESE OF CROOKSTON NEWS!** Our Northland Diocese, official publication of the Diocese of Crookston, is available via eOND. An electronic newsletter full of the latest and biggest news of our local Church! In addition to monthly print issues delivered to household mailboxes, eOND arrives to email inboxes twice monthly. Each eOND offers local, national and world news published digitally between print issues, as well as local monthly commentary. Subscribing is as simple as providing your name and email address so do not delay! Visit [www.crookston.org/subscribe](http://www.crookston.org/subscribe).

The **Diocese of Crookston Office of Communications** is seeking a Multimedia Journalist for its multiplatform news source: *Our Northland Diocese*. Please visit [www.crookston.org](http://www.crookston.org) for more information

## Father Tom's Desk

### **Q: How does Kris Kringle clean his hands?**

Time change next weekend. Several inches of snow on the ground. Things are changing fast. But we have to wait until the Winter Solstice on Monday, December 21 at 7:30 AM CST before we begin to experience more daylight in our part of the hemisphere.

This coming weekend we also celebrate All Saints Day, followed by All Souls Day. These are two days in which we express our faith and love for those "who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith" (Eucharistic Prayer I). Our Catholic practice of remembering and praying for the dead is an outward expression of the Creed we pray at every Sunday mass - "I believe in the communion of saints, the resurrection from the dead and life everlasting." (Nicene Creed). Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them.

It is time to think about the celebration of Christmas. Given the seating capacity limitations in the Covid time, I am uncertain how to schedule Christmas masses in the parishes. I'm sure your families are also asking questions, especially as the CDC has recommended that families re-think holiday gatherings. The greatest incidents of Covid spread are from family gatherings. Please also keep this in mind as you plan your deer hunting camps.

**A: Santa-tizer** 🍷

## Faith, Wellness, and You

Choices you make every day, such as eating healthy, maintaining a healthy weight, and aiming to be more physically active, can help keep your heart healthy.

Being physically active is one of the most important things you can do to keep your heart healthy. Aim for at least 150 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity a week.

I know the weather is changing to cooler temperatures but you can still put a positive spin on enjoying the outdoors and the beauty of our surroundings. The Norwegians have a saying, "There is no such thing as bad weather just bad clothing." So young and old alike take heed, take self responsibility and take active steps to improve your health habits everyday. God Bless.

Please let the parish office know if there is anything we can do to help you. Contact your parish nurse: Diane at 218-255-0803 and Tiffany at 218-252-8227.

## Special Collection – World Mission Sunday

Thank you for your generous response to the collection for the Society for the Propagation of the Faith last weekend on World Mission Sunday. You may stay connected year-round to the Pope's missions, continuing the commitment of World Mission Sunday by visiting, [MISSIO.org](http://MISSIO.org)

## Discerning the Diaconate

If you are interested in entering the Deacon Formation program an initial "Discerning the Diaconate" session will be held via zoom on Saturday, November 21 from 9:00 to 11:00. This session is for men and, if married, their wives, who are considering to apply for the next deacon formation group which will begin formation in January of 2022. You will meet with Deacon Mark Krejci, Director of Deacon Formation and Personnel and others to join in prayer, reflection, and a chance to ask questions about the program. If you are interested in participating, please e-mail Deacon Mark at [mkrejci@crookston.org](mailto:mkrejci@crookston.org).

## Living the Word

### Bible Study on Missionary Discipleship

What is the purpose of the Bible Study? This Advent series will focus on different readings from the Gospels focused on our call as missionary disciples. So, rather than a Bible study based on one book or Gospel, this study will use readings from the Gospels that are united in a theme of missionary discipleship.

How will people access the Bible Study? The Bible study is being offered by the Office of Formation in Discipleship and will be on the Diocesan web site. People taking part in the Bible study can either access the study on their computer or can also print out a pdf if they would rather work off of paper. One reason why your parishioners may want to use their computers to access the study is that each of the five sessions will include a video or piece of music that will be accessed via the website. The Bible study will be opened on the website in mid November.

How should the Bible Study be used? The Bible study can be used by a group or by an individual. Parishes may want to let people who regularly meet for prayer and Christian fellowship to use the study during Advent.

If parishioners would like to be part of a group Bible study but there is not one in your parish, Deacons Mark Krejci and Aaron Kaiser will be offering a "Virtual Bible Study Group" online on two nights during Advent and the week after Christmas. One session will be on Monday night and the other on Wednesday night. We will be sending out a bulletin announcement and sign-up information. If you have any questions please contact Deacon Aaron Kaiser at [akaiser@crookston.org](mailto:akaiser@crookston.org).

**Respect Life Program** This year the church celebrates the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the landmark pro-life encyclical *Evangelium vitae* (*The Gospel of Life*). Written by Pope St. John Paul II, this prophetic document passionately reaffirmed the Church's constant teaching on the value and sacredness of every human life. The annual Respect Life Program is a year-round, nationwide effort to help Catholics understand, value, and become engaged with building a culture that cherishes every human life. The U. S. bishops produce materials each year to assist you in these efforts. Everything you need-including free, digital resources-can be found at [respectlife.org](http://respectlife.org).

Sometimes it's hard to see how three particular readings fit together on a Sunday, but I was struck by how well these do. The first reading, listing ways that we should not behave, can easily be summed up as: love your neighbor as yourself. We all are, or have been, some form of what the Lord mentions: an outsider (alien), vulnerable (widow/orphan), in financial need (loan recipient), or requiring some other assistance (needing a cloak). How do we want others to treat us in those times? Then we should behave the same. It seems like the Thessalonians understood this, for Paul praises them for being a model for other believers. They have a reputation for being truly loving; of turning to God from idols, and serving him. We can be discouraged by our human failings, as all of us living in lockdown/quarantine these recent months know. It may not take much to set us off. But this is where God's grace can help us to speak truth in love, and be a model for those around us.

*Faith Catholic*

## Christ the King Retreat Center Buffalo, MN

Women's Midweek Retreat, October 27-29

"A Listening Heart" silent midweek retreat for women. The retreat begins Tuesday, at 3 pm and ends at 12:45 pm Thursday.

Men's Retreat Weekend, October 30-November 1

"A Listening Heart" silent weekend retreat for men. The retreat begins Friday night and ends at 12:45 pm Sunday.

Women's Midweek Retreat, November 10-12

"A Listening Heart" silent midweek retreat for women. The retreat begins Tuesday at 3 pm and ends at 12:45 pm Thursday.

Men & Women's Retreat Weekend, November 13-15

"Eucharist and the Healing of the Earth" silent weekend retreat presented by Fr. Joseph Nassal, CPPS. The retreat begins Friday at 8 pm and ends at 12:45 pm Sunday.

Retreatants can register online at [www.kingshouse.com](http://www.kingshouse.com) or by calling Christ the King Retreat Center at 763-682-1394.

**Project Rachel:** Confidential Care for Post-Abortive Women and Men. The Diocese of Crookston has a confidential phone service for women or men who are seeking healing, hope and reconciliation after abortion. Staffed by a female counselor trained in Project Rachel ministry - a ministry of the Catholic Church showing that there is hope after abortion. Calls are answered Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The confidential phone line is 218-470-0112.