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*Please Contact Pastor Six Months Prior to Wedding Date*

### **Baptism**

*Please Contact Pastor Two Months Before Child's Birth*

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June 25, 2023  
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Monday, June 26 Weekday  
 NO MASS

Tuesday, June 27 St. Cyril of Alexandria  
 NO Mass at St. Peter

Wednesday, June 28 St. Irenaeus  
 NO Mass at St. Peter

Thursday, June 29 Sts. Peter & Paul  
 NO Mass at St. Mary  
 SP: 9:00 am – 1:00 pm Adoration

Friday, June 30 The First Martyrs of  
The Holy Roman Church  
 NO MASS  
 SP: 11:00 am Barney Brandon Funeral

Saturday, July 1 Vigil: 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
 4:00 pm Reconciliation at St. Peter's  
 SP: 4:30 pm Rosary  
 5:00 PM MASS at St. Peter: For the People

Sunday, July 2 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
 SP: 8:00 am Rosary  
 8:30 AM MASS at St. Peter: + Raymond Wolf  
 SP: Coffee & Rolls Faith Formation Families  
 SM: 9:30 am Rosary  
 10:00 AM MASS at St. Mary: + Fred, Anna Mae  
 & John Higgins  
 SM: Bake Sale After Mass

**Sunday Mass & Rosary is  
 live streamed at [stpeterpr.org](http://stpeterpr.org)**

**Praying for Vocations**

June 26 – July 2.....Roman & Joy Horejsi  
 July 3 – July 9.....Luisa Regino

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities  
 June 25: Bade  
 July 2: Walsh  
 If you know **someone** who would like to receive or **if you are interested** in distributing, contact Deacon John

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**

<b><u>July 1 &amp; 2</u></b>	<b><u>SATURDAY</u></b>	<b><u>SUNDAY</u></b>
Lector	Shelly Mahowald	Cleo Hartung
Usher Capt's	Volunteers	Art Symanietz
		Ed Shepersky

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**Saint Irenaeus of Lyons** - Catholic Saints-In this episode of FORMED Now, Dr. John Sehorn and Dr. Ben Akers discuss this second-century Church Father, explaining his importance to the history of Christianity and his title, the "Doctor of Unity."

**Stewardship**

*"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father." MATTHEW 10:32*  
 Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

**E-Mail/Telephone Prayer Chain**

If you have a request for needed prayers for yourself, family or friends, please call (SP) Diane Schmitz at 218-255-4561 or (SM) Theresa Keller at 218-237-2322

**St. Peter's  
PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP  
 Collection for June 18**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 3,753.16
Loose Plate.....	\$ 994.10
Visitors.....	\$ 870.00
Other.....	\$ 78.10
Total.....	\$ 5,695.36
Haiti.....	\$ 85.00
Seminarian Burse.....	\$ 50.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 15.00
Retired Priests Insurance.....	\$ 2,312.00
Cemetery.....	\$ 90.00
Pregnancy Resource Center "Baby Bottles".....	\$ 176.76

**If you have any questions, please see Father Joe**

**'Direct Deposit' Sunday Offering**

'Direct Deposit' is a **safe, secure, and convenient** way to submit your Sunday Offering and support St. Peter's.  
 Contact Lynn in the parish office for information!

July 6 there is no adoration at St. Peters

**St. Mary's – Two Inlets**  
**Ministries for Sunday, July 2**

<b><u>LECTOR</u></b>	Cheryl Larson
<b><u>COMM DIST</u></b>	Volunteers needed
<b><u>USHER</u></b>	Ron & Sharon Meyer Volunteers
<b><u>SACRISTAN</u></b>	Lynn Gartner

**St. Mary's Collection, June 18**

<b>Adult Envelopes</b>	<b>\$1,155.00</b>	<b>Loose Plate</b>	<b>\$1,355.00</b>
<b>Total Collection</b>	<b>\$2,510.00</b>		
<b>Retired Priest Insurance</b>	<b>\$547.00</b>		
<b>PRC "Baby Bottle"</b>	<b>\$29.60</b>		

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

**June 25 – Summer Coffee Servers** are Jodi & Mark Sunram, Amber & Brian Longfors and Jenna & Darren Sunram

**July 2 – Summer Coffee Servers** are Ann & Greg Lempola, Ann & Ed Hensel, Pamela Stone, Laura & Daniel Mercil

St. Mary's will be having a **bake sale July 2**. Parishioners are asked to provide the baked goods. Items will be priced at the sale. For questions, please contact Rose 218-252-8883.

**Annual Fall Dinner** is October 14 at the American Legion in Park Rapids. Be thinking about silent auction items.

**Baby Bottles for the Pregnancy Resource Center**

Donations to the Baby Bottles from St. Mary's were \$343.60 and from St. Peter's were \$761.76. Thank you for your generosity!

The Pregnancy Resource Center of Park Rapids is hiring. Opportunity for a part time client advocate, 15 hours per week. Contact [www.prcparkrapids.org](http://www.prcparkrapids.org) or call 218-732-5212

Looking for more people to take Communion to residents at the care facilities in the area. If you can share your time to help with this ministry, call the parish office or contact Deacon John.

**Magnifikid!** For elementary students available in the gathering space of St. Peter's. This is a great resource for the students to use to follow along with Mass. There are great activities and explanations for them as well. Pick up this week's copy when you come to Mass.

The "**Library Cart**" is in the Family Room across the hall from the Sacristy at St. Peter's. You are welcome to check out books during the week and on weekends before and after Mass. Please enjoy some good reading!

Park Rapids Lions have a box for recycled household bags and a box for used eyeglasses in the entrance to the parish center.

The Holy Rosary Quilt Group invites you to join us for a 3-day Quilter's Retreat at the Crookston Diocese Pastoral Center from Thursday, October 19 to Sunday, October 22, 2023. Contact Sandy at [sfgravelle@hotmail.com](mailto:sfgravelle@hotmail.com) or 701-540-2692 for reservation information.

**Oil for your Lamp**

My first thoughts on the Gospel concern the line, "***Even all the hairs on your head are counted***", but then my second thoughts return to those who do not have much hair to count. I guess I had better leave the rest of that reflection for another day and time . . . St. Pope John Paul II had as his motto, "Be not afraid", which is based, in part, on the words of Jesus today, "***Fear no one***". All of us have a fear of something or somebody, or else we might not even be here today. A built-in fear is what allowed our ancestors to survive, or else they would have succumbed to the wild beasts that would have devoured them for lunch! Fear is also what quickens our step as we cross the streets (especially in summer time)! Sadly, what many also fear is living the Gospel day to day. There are among us many who spread fear with their predictions of doom and gloom, be it the economy, gun violence, street violence, or the constant fear of the end times with the loss of the power grid. Jesus reminds us not to fear those events, for they will only kill your earthly body. If we live our lives with the love of God in our hearts and show that charity towards others, none of the rest will matter when we stand before God in judgement. What is it that you fear? Hand it over to Jesus, and allow his Spirit to take the place of that fear. You will be surprised at what will happen next.

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

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

The Knights of Columbus at St Peter's will lead Sunday morning **Rosary** at 8:00 am. We invite everyone to join us in prayer. If you would be willing to be a rosary leader, please contact Deacon John or Knights of Columbus member Ron Ahmann at 218-616-0915.

**Special Collection-Diocese of Crookston**  
**Retired Priests Insurance Fund**

Thank you for your generosity to the Father's Day Collection. This collection supports the retired priests in the Diocese of Crookston — assisting with health insurance premiums and various other retirement expenses.

**Diocese of Crookston Prayer for Vocations**

Gracious and loving God, help the men and women of our diocese to hear the call to serve in the Diocese of Crookston. Our needs are great and our people thirst for your presence. Raise up faithful servants of the gospel - priests, sisters, brothers, and deacons - who will spend themselves for your people and their needs. Bless those who are serving now with courage and perseverance. Grant that many will be inspired by their example and faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

## **FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY**

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Website: [stpeterpr.org-faith-formation](http://stpeterpr.org-faith-formation)

Summer will be over before we know it and it will be time for our Faith Formation classes to start up again. We are looking for people who would be willing to help teach/lead small groups during the school year next year. Open your mind and heart and ask God in your prayer if He is calling you to this. I would love to visit with you if you have any questions. God will give you the tools you need if He calls you to this ministry.

### **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!!!**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS August 7-11 from 9am to 12 noon, for a fun week! Registration forms can be found on the small table next to my office door in the parish center. The poster and registration forms are also on our website: [stpeterpr.org](http://stpeterpr.org)

I will be out to the office the week of June 26-29 to work at the St. Teresa of Calcutta Camp for the Diocese of Crookston. Please pray for Grace and Evelyn McCloud from St. Peter's who be attending!

### **Guatemala Mission Trip Update**

God is so good and we are just amazed at the generosity and support of our community! Aracely and I have received enough funds for our mission trip! Thank you, thank you, thank you! Any other funds will be used for the orphanage, school, and hospital that we will be assisting at! Keep praying for safety on our journey and the people we are serving! We will have more rosaries from Guatemala available for sale if you would like one and all of that money will go to those we serve. *From Bob Noel the coordinator of the Trip, "Thank you to those who have supported the Cribfest Project for the Luz de Maria orphanage in Guatemala. Because of your support, our youth will be assembling over 30 brand new cribs for the Luz de Maria Orphanage this coming July. Thank you also to the quilters who have donated their time and talent and resources to providing over 60 beautiful quilts for the orphanage. In a recent conversation with Dinora Palacio, the Director of Luz de Maria, she shared, 'Just when I wonder if we can do this any longer, God sends angels to remind us that we most certainly can.' Thank you for your incredible generosity! We look forward to sharing pictures and stories with the diocese upon our return."*

### **Upcoming important dates:**

June 25-29 - St. Teresa of Calcutta Camp, Students entering grades 9-10

Sunday, July 2 - Coffee and Rolls for Youth Ministry Projects

July 11-14 – Esto Vir “Be a Man” Vocation Camp, grades 10 and up

July 16-24 - Padre Apla's Leadership Program Guatemala Mission Experience

July 23-27-St. John Paul II Camp Students entering grades 7-8

August 6 – Coffee and Rolls for Youth Ministry Projects

August 7-11 – Vacation Bible School

## **Faith, Wellness, and You**

June is Alzheimer's Awareness Month. Taking care of yourself by staying active, eating well (cut down sugar intake), improving your sleep, and managing health conditions can also help keep your brain healthy.

With summer in full swing, learning the signs of heat-related illnesses could save a life. Make sure to monitor those at high risk, including young children and seniors. Remember to stay hydrated and stay indoors during extreme heat. Find more tips to beat the heat: [www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/disasters/extremeheat/index.html)

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

### **St. Peter's Rummage Sale - July 26-28**

This is a parish sponsored event and everyone is welcome to help. Proceeds from the sale will remain in the parish. You can bring your items to the parish center and pile neatly in classroom 5. Larger items/furniture go in classroom 6. The door by the kitchen will be open for donations. The parish center is open Monday – Thursday 9 am to 4 pm. No pianos or mattresses are accepted. Be thinking about Bake and Garden Produce sale. We would appreciate families, teens, men, women, seasonal people and visitors to help with set up and during the sale. If you have questions, please contact Diane Christensen 218-616-0631.

**Discerning the Diaconate** –The next formation group for the permanent diaconate will begin in the Fall of 2024. In the Fall of 2023 into the Winter 2024 there will be a number of “Discerning the Diaconate” sessions offered around the Diocese and via zoom for men, and spouses if married, so that they can find out more about the program. Who is eligible to be a Permanent Deacon? While there are a number of official requirements decreed by the Church (e.g. between the ages of 35-65 at time of ordination) the more important requirement is to have an active life in the Church, the interest in growing in the model of Christ the servant in order to serve the people of God, a motivation to learn more about the Church, and, if married, being in a stable marriage with a wife who is supportive. If you wish to talk about the program, you can email Dcn. Mark Krejci, Director of Deacon Personnel and Formation for the Diocese at [mkrejci@crookston.org](mailto:mkrejci@crookston.org) to arrange a phone or zoom call. You are also strongly encouraged to talk with your pastor as well as deacons you may already know.

The Diocese of Crookston now has a **Serra Club**. Serra Ministry exists to encourage, promote, and pray for an increase in vocations. To learn more, visit [www.crookston.org/serra](http://www.crookston.org/serra). Please continue to pray for vocations!

Tom Porozinski

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