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Please Contact Pastor Six Months Prior to Wedding Date

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March 2, 2025

This week's Mass schedule:

Monday, March 3rd, 8:30 a.m.

St. Peter's, + Bill Muldoon

Tuesday, March 4th, 5:30 p.m.

St. Peter's, Holy Face of Jesus

Ash Wednesday March 5th,

St. Peter's, 12:10 p.m. + Kevin McGrath

St. Mary's, 5:15 p.m. + Buster Eischens

St. Peter's, 7:00 p.m. + Marty Devine

Thursday, March 6th, 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary's, Elizabeth Longar

Friday, March 7th

Crystal Brook Senior Living Center, 10:30 a.m.

+ Patricia Graham

Saturday, March 8th, 5:00 p.m.

St. Peter's, Jeanne Hanson

Sunday, March 9th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, For the People

Sunday, March 9th, 11:00 a.m.

St. Mary's, + Kim Wettels

Reconciliation 4:00 pm Saturday

The Rosary is prayed each day ½ hour prior to Mass.

Adoration is held at St. Peter's on Mondays, 5:15 pm – 8:00 pm, Wednesdays, 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm and Thursday from 6:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Monday, March 3

SP: 5:15 pm – 8:00 pm Adoration

SP: 6:00 pm Alpha

SM: 7:00 pm Guild Meeting

Tuesday, March 4

SP: 9:00 am Quilt Group

SP: 6:00 pm Choir Practice

SP: 6:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Class

SP: 6:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society

Wednesday, March 5

SP: Morning Faith Formation Grades 1-6

SP: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm Adoration

SP: 6:00 pm Evening Faith Formation Grades 7-11

Thursday, March 6

SP: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm Men's Group Burgers & Beer w/Deacon

(Call office before 4:00 pm for location)

Sunday, March 9

SP: Coffee & Rolls – Knights of Columbus

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

St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

March 8 & 9

Saturday

Sunday

Lector

Volunteer

Cleo Hartung

Usher Capt's

Nick Berchild

Terry Morris

Anne Neumayer Duane Trosdahl

Greeters

Week Two

Stewardship

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit." LUKE 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

St. Peter's

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Collection for February 23

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 5,806.00
Loose Plate.....	\$ 485.00
Visitors.....	\$ 2,280.00
Other.....	\$ 372.00
Total.....	\$ 8,943.00
Sound System.....	\$ 50.00
Haiti.....	\$ 1,219.00
Seminarian Burse.....	\$ 160.00

'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!

Ash Wednesday, March 5

Mass Schedule

12:10 pm & 7:00 pm at St. Peter

5:15 pm at St Mary

There will be **Mass at Crystal Brook Senior Living Center** on Friday March 7. Those who would like to come to that Mass will need to sign in at the front desk and ask for directions to the activity room on the second floor. Mass will begin at 10:30 am. All are welcome

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities

March 2: McCollum

March 9: McCollum

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. Mary's – Two Inlets
Ministries for Sunday, March 9

LECTOR Kimberly Ohm
COMM DIST Ron & Sharon Meyer
 Karen Wettels
USHER Jeromy Meier Family
SACRISTAN Glen Wolters

St. Mary's Collection, February 23

Adult Envelopes \$1,015.00 **Loose Plate** \$287.00
Total Collection \$1,302.00 **Haiti** \$25.00

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

March 16 Soup & Sandwich – The ladies serving are Karen Wettels, Margaret Sharp, Sara Eischens, Adeline Retz, Gloria Nice, & Judy Grundy.

March 16-There will be a short parish meeting after soup & sandwich

Rescheduled Guild meeting - Monday, March 3 at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Everyone is welcome.

Mother's Day Flowers- Flying W Gardens will be taking pre-orders for the Mother's Day Flowers thru March 11th. Order forms are in the back of the church. The flowers will be delivered on Mother's Day, May 11th, in full bloom and ready to greet spring. Payment can be made at the time of delivery. Payment to St. Mary's church in the envelopes provided. All proceeds go to the Haiti Project. Contact Teresa at 218-255-1244 with questions.

Praying for Vocations

March 3 – March 9.....Luisa Regino
 March 10 – March 16.....Luisa Regino

Disposal of Blessed Palms

They can be burned, then scatter the ashes to the wind; or they can be cut into small pieces then buried in the garden as mulch. They can be returned to the church and one of these methods will be done here. The blessed palms, as any blessed object, should not be discarded in the garbage and then forgotten.

Special Collection-Black & Indian Missions

Next week, our parish will take up the 141st annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

We extend sympathy and prayers to the family of Kimberly Ridley. May she enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

March 7, 2025, 2:00-4:00pm
 Crystal Brook Senior Living Center
 Community Room
 1006 Crocus Hill St E, Park Rapids, MN 56470
 Hosted by Various Community Churches

Art and Environment: St. Peter's is initiating a new Art and Environment Committee. This committee will be responsible for planning and executing the Art and Environment for our liturgical seasons - from Altar Paraments to plants and other decorations in the Gathering Space and Church Proper. No prior knowledge or experience required - just a desire to help beautify our parish liturgies. If you are interested in helping us with this wonderful ministry, please contact Fr. Joe.

Ash Wednesday Collection: Our collection on Ash Wednesday will be used to support the ministry of feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, sheltering the homeless, and other great works of the Good Shepherd Council of St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Peter's and St. Mary's. On behalf of all who will benefit from your donation, Thank You!

Season of Lent: Please review the Lenten opportunities that are available at St. Peter's and St. Mary's as found on the insert in today's bulletin. Hang it on your refrigerator as a reminder throughout the season.

Pickle Jar Collection for the food shelf will be taking place throughout the Season of Lent. There is an additional allocation from the State of Minnesota for donations made during the month of March. Non-perishable food donations can be placed in the receptacle by the Social Hall doors. Please be generous as we strive to feed the hungry in our communities.

Oil for your Lamp

Hard to believe that Lent starts on Wed! Lynn was telling me that I needed to fill in some space in the bulletin, so I crawled out of hibernation, put away my fishing pole for a little while and picked up the scriptures. As I read through the first reading, I found it quite interesting, especially with Lent almost here. I encourage you to read the passage again, (Sirach 27:4-7), "The fruit of a tree shows the care it has had." The next six weeks give us a chance to improve the fruit we bear. It is said that it takes about 6 weeks to develop new habits. What new habit would help you to produce better fruit with your life? Perhaps try putting your phone away for an extended length of time. Maybe try getting out for a walk, enjoying the weather, especially after the few weeks we just "endured". Perhaps you could go visit a neighbor who has been cooped up without visitors. Enjoy a cup of coffee and some good conversation (face to face not just text). Perhaps spending a little (more) time reading scripture, instead of scrolling on your phone. All of these will help keep your lamp burning.

"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*

St. Peter's sent \$28,000 to the Cathedral School in Port-de-Paix, Haiti. These funds are from the contribution envelopes in your envelope packet. This donation makes a huge impact in the lives of many people who are struggling.

FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY

Annette Haas Office: 218-732-5142 Cell: 218-616-2404

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Website: stpeterpr.org-faith-formation

First Reconciliation will be happening for 12 second graders on Tuesday, March 11. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue to learn about the immeasurable love of the Father. ***“A clean heart create for me, O God: renew within me a steadfast spirit.” Psalm 51:12***

Registration opened on February 11 for next summer's Diocesan camps. St. Teresa of Calcutta for students going into grades 9 & 10 next fall and St. John Paul II Camp for students going into grades 7 & 8 next fall. Go to crookston.org and follow instructions there. If you have any questions please reach out to me. We have scholarship money to help with the camp tuition!

2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal

Thank you for your generosity to the Diocesan Annual Appeal! The ministries you support touch the lives of thousands of Catholics in the Diocese of Crookston! If you have not had the opportunity to make your commitment, please make your pledge or gift this weekend.

Our DAA goal this year is \$975,000. This goal is shared and pro-rated among our 66 parishes. St. Peter's parish goal for 2025 is \$36,650 and has committed \$9,265 with 4% participation and St. Mary's goal is \$7,838 and has committed \$1,220 with 6% participation.

You can donate online at www.crookston.org/DAA. For questions about automatic sustained giving, which is highly recommended, contact Reneé Tate at rate@crookston.org or call 218-281-4533, ext. 432.

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IN OUR COMMUNITY!**



Fasting and Abstinence

Ash Wednesday, March 5, and Good Friday, April 18, are days of fasting and abstinence. Fridays of Lent are also days of abstinence.

Fasting is to be observed by all who are 18 years of age or older, who have not yet celebrated their 59th birthday. On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two other meals sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and juices, are allowed.

Abstinence is observed by all who are 14 years of age and older. On days of abstinence, no meat is allowed. Note that when health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. When in doubt concerning fasting and abstinence, consult your parish priest.

Faith, Wellness, and You

Early prenatal care and proper nutrition can make a big difference. Schedule regular prenatal visits. Avoid harmful substances like alcohol, tobacco, and drugs. Take prenatal vitamins containing 400 mcg of folic acid. Eat a balanced diet rich in folic acid, iron, and calcium.

Minnesota WIC supports healthy pregnancies with nutrition education, healthy foods, and referrals to prenatal care. Apply to WIC today and take the first step toward a healthy start for your baby! WIC (women, infant and children) office in Park Rapids serving Hubbard County families. Contact is 218.237.5464

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

Magnifikid! For elementary students available in the gathering space of St. Peter's. This is a great resource for our kids 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.

St. Peter's Quilt group will meet the 1st and the 3rd Tuesday's. Everyone is welcome. For more information, contact Michelle Friend, 218-434-1837 or Mary Urbanski, 701-740-5418.

Mercy Hour – March 30,

St. Bernard's, Thief River Falls

Throughout the year, Bishop Andrew Cozzens will lead monthly Mercy Hour services across the Diocese of Crookston. A Mercy Hour is a prayer service of Eucharistic healing for individuals, couples and families. Join Bishop Cozzens for this hour of adoration and prayer, culminating in an intimate moment of Eucharistic encounter. All are welcome.

Pictures of those who are serving in the military: Just a reminder that we are hanging pictures of your family members who are serving in the military, asking that they be kept in prayer. We hang them in the nook on the west side of the worship space, next to the rosary. You can give them to Fr. Joe after Mass or drop them off at the office.

Building Fund: As we move forward with the various projects for our physical plant at St. Peter's we encourage you to make use of your Building Fund envelopes. Thank you for all that you do for the good of our parish.

Thank you to St. Peter's for opening your parish center for the 1916 project movie. Thank you for your support for life. May God bless you. MCCL

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