

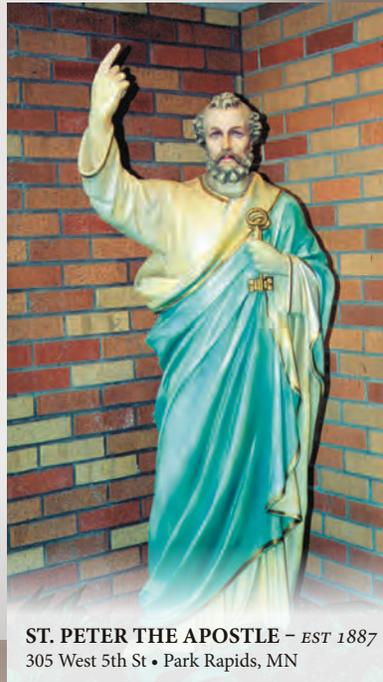
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St. Peter the Apostle



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Please Contact Parish Office at Least Six Months Prior to Wedding Date

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March 1, 2026

This week's Mass schedule:

Tuesday, March 3rd, 5:30 p.m.

St. Peter's, + Ronald Arthur Wells

Wednesday, March 4th, 10:30 a.m.

Crystal Brook Senior Living Center,

+ Barb Masanz

Thursday, March 5th, 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary's, + Kim Wettels

Friday, March 6th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, + Thomas Meyer

Saturday, March 7th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, + John Graham

Saturday, March 7th, 5:00 p.m.

St. Peter's, + Jim Sparks

Sunday, March 8th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, + Lisa Hensel

Sunday, March 8th, 11:00 a.m.

St. Mary's, For the People

Reconciliation 3:30 – 4:30 pm Saturday

The Rosary is prayed each day ½ hour prior to Mass. On Friday's, the Rosary is prayed after Mass.

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

Monday, March 2

SP: 1:00 pm St. Peter's Guild Meeting

SP: 5:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting

SP: 6:00 pm Alpha

SM: 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, March 3

SP: 9:00 am Quilt Group

Noon: Ladies lunch w/Fr. Joe

(Call office before 11:00 am for location & sign up)

SP: 1:30 pm Lenten Book Study

SP: 6:00 pm 1st Reconciliation Class

SP: 6:00 pm Choir Practice

SP: 6:00 pm Pastoral Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 4

SP: 10:00 am Bell Choir Practice

SP: 1:00 pm 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 5

SP: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration

SP: 9:00 am Men's Bible Study

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

(Call office before 4:00 pm for location)

Friday, March 6

SM: 5:00 pm Stations of the Cross

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Sunday, March 8

SP: Coffee & Rolls Knights of Columbus

SM: Reconciliation after Mass

St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

March 7 & 8

Lector

Usher Capt's

Saturday

Sandy Aldrich

Anne Neumayer

Sunday

Volunteer

Terry Morris

Duane Trosdahl

Greeters

Week Two

Stewardship

"Go forth from the land of your kinsfolk and from your father's house to a land that I will show you." GENESIS 12:1

God calls all of us to leave behind our old ways and to follow Him, placing our complete trust in Him. Some of the old ways that we struggle to leave behind might be materialism, selfishness and greed. Yet, God promises to show us a new land and a better way to live. Remember what St. Teresa of Calcutta said, "God does not call us to be successful, God calls us to be faithful."

St. Peter's

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Collection for February 22

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| Adult Envelopes..... | \$ 8,787.00 |
| Loose Plate..... | \$ 695.15 |
| Visitors..... | \$ 395.00 |
| Other..... | \$ 317.00 |
| Total..... | \$ 10,194.15 |
| Building Fund..... | \$ 50.00 |
| Cemetery..... | \$ 20.00 |
| Seminarian Burse..... | \$ 175.00 |
| Haiti..... | \$ 1,385.00 |
| "Pickle Jar"..... | \$ 200.00 |
| Black & Indian Mission..... | \$ 1,838.00 |
| Church in Africa..... | \$ 150.00 |

'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!

Sunday, March 1 - St. Peter Knights of Columbus meeting after Mass.

Praying for Vocations

March 2 – March 8.....Deacon John
March 9 – March 15.....Meg & Terry Morris

Please sign up for Vocations Chalice. The calendar is in the gathering space at St Peter's.

Sunday Mass & Rosary are live streamed at stpeterpr.org

If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a Bishop, 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 8

LECTOR Kimberly Ohm
COMM DIST Ron & Sharon Meyer
Karen Wettels
USHER Greg & Ann Lempola
SACRISTAN Glen Wolters

St. Mary's Collection, February 22

Adult Envelopes \$845.00 **Loose Plate** \$201.00
Total Collection \$1,046.00
Black & Indian Mission \$146.00 **Cemetery** \$20.00

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

March 15 Soup & Sandwich – The ladies serving are Karen Wettels, Margaret Sharp, Sara Eischens, Adeline Retz, Gloria Nice, and Judy Grundy.

We extend sympathy and prayers to the family of Vernon Scholz. His funeral was at St. Mary's, February 27. May he enjoy life forever at the table of the Lamb.

Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, March 2 at 7:00 pm in the church basement.

Mother's Day Flowers – Flying W Gardens will be taking pre-orders for the Mother's Day Flowers thru March 15. Order forms are in the back of the church. The flowers will be delivered on Mother's Day, May 10 at St. Mary's 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 Pathways for Haitian Education. Contact Teresa at 218-255-1244 or Rachel at 218-616-2706 with questions.

Mother's Day Flower order forms are also available in the Gathering Space at St. Peter's for those who are interested in supporting Pathways to Haitian Education.

Happy birthday wishes to Clara Whiteside who will be 90 years young on March 7. God bless you on your special day.

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities

March 1: Bade

March 8: Walsh

If you know **someone** who would like to receive or **if you are interested** in distributing contact Deacon John.

Our Pickle Jar has returned! This Lent we will once again have our Pickle Jar at the foot of the sanctuary for donations that will be given to our local food shelf. Let's help feed the hungry this Lent by making an extra sacrifice of our financial gifts. On behalf of those who will benefit from your sacrifice - Thank You!

Oil for your Lamp

Today we hear the voice of God, just after Jesus was transfigured. The words recorded; "***This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased, listen to him***". These words echo what Mary said at the wedding feast in Cana, when she told the servants to "***Do whatever he tells you***". These two events in the life of Jesus are reflections found in the Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary. For some the Rosary is a devotion they pray every day, for others they might come early before Mass and pray it. For some the Rosary is a devotion they are doing during Lent, and for some, the Rosary is "*The longest prayer known to mankind*" (this is a direct quote from a former confirmation student!).

Regardless of what you might think about the Rosary, the words that we heard today, and at the wedding feast in Cana, are words we really need to pay attention to. The key is that we first must learn to recognize the voice of Jesus in our lives, then listen, and act!

"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*

Adult Faith Formation

Director of Evangelization-St. Peter's and St. Mary's

Michelle Clark Office: 218-732-5142

Michelle Clark Cell Phone: 913-940-4851

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Scripture Study

Please join us for a Study Group that is open to all. On Tuesday's during Lent at 1:30 pm, we will be doing a Lenten Book study by Fr. Mark Toups. This Lenten Companion focuses on "A Personal encounter with the Power of the Gospel."

Men's Group

Please join us for weekly Men's Group/Bible Study on Thursday's, 9:00 am at St. Peter's. We will focus on the weekly Mass readings. Come for faith and fellowship.

Rosary

Please join us for prayer and fellowship on Friday mornings immediately following 9:00 am Mass. We will pray the Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet and a few additional prayers.

There will be **Mass at Crystal Brook Senior Living Center** on Wednesday, March 4. 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

Divine Mercy Hour: This Sunday is the 1st Sunday of March.

Please join us for our Divine Mercy Hour starting at 3:00 with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet, followed by some Praise and Worship music, a period of silence, concluding with Benediction. All are welcome!

First Saturday Mass, March 7 - Confessions will be at 8:00 am, Rosary at 8:30 am, Mass at 9:00 am.

FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY

Annette Haas Office: 218-732-5142 Cell: 218-616-2404
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Students in grades 6-9 the **St. John Paul 2 & St. Teresa of Calcutta Camps registration** is open now. Contact me if you need any details. They both fill fast so sign up as soon as you can. As in the past we can help with tuition.

Thank you to the families who hosted people from the NET Ministry Team last Saturday and Sunday evenings.

The **NET Retreat** seemed to be well received by the students. I pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in the hearts of all who attended.

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, March 3, First Reconciliation Class 6-7PM
Wednesday, Mar. 4, Release Time & Evening Faith Formation
Tuesday, March 10, First Reconciliation & Party 6-7PM
Wed., March 11, Release Time and evening Faith Formation
Tuesday, March 17, First Communion Class 6-7PM
Wed., March 18, Release Time and evening Faith Formation

Mercy Hour – March 8, 3:00 pm

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church, Argyle, MN

Join Bishop Andrew Cozzens for this hour of adoration and prayer, culminating in an intimate moment of Eucharistic encounter offered for you as an individual, a couple, or as a family. All are welcome.

Cursillos

Would you like to deepen your faith and let Jesus become more involved in your life? Let the Spirit lead you on a Cursillo. The Diocese of Crookston is offering a Women's Cursillo on the weekend of March 19-22 at the Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston. Applications are available at <https://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com/>.

Christ the King Retreat Center

A Ministry of the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate
621 First Ave S, Buffalo, MN 55313
763-682-1394, ext 115

March 13-15, Men's Silent Weekend Retreat – Blessed are They Who...

March 6-8, Married Couples Weekend Retreat (Not Silent) – Blessed are They Who...

St. Peter Family Guild will meet on Monday, March 2 at 1:00 pm in the parish center.

Faith, Wellness, and You

Lenten Fasting & Healthy Choices

As we continue our Lenten journey, remember that fasting should be done wisely and safely. If you have diabetes, heart disease, or other medical conditions, consult your healthcare provider about safe fasting practices. Stay hydrated, eat balanced meals when not fasting, and listen to your body. True fasting strengthens both body and spirit when done with care.

"Whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do everything for the glory of God." — 1 Corinthians 10:31

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

2026 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

IN CHRIST, WE ARE ONE!

Thank you for your support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal! Your generous gift, joined with others, gives encouragement, strength, and purpose to our family of faith. If you have not had the opportunity to make your commitment, please make your pledge or gift this weekend. You can donate online at www.crookston.org/DAA.

This year's DAA goal of \$995,000 is shared among our 65 parishes. St. Peter's parish goal for 2026 is \$36,588 and has committed \$6,206 with 4% participation and St. Mary's goal is \$8,141 has committed \$642.67 with 3% participation.

For questions about automatic sustained giving, contact Renée Tate at rate@crookston.org or call 218-281-4533, ext. 432. **Your gifts shine the love of Christ to every corner of our diocese!**



Special Collection – Black & Indian Missions

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 142nd annual National Black and Indian Mission collection last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the USA. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support!

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