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St. Peter the Apostle



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April 5, 2026

This week's Mass schedule:

Tuesday, April 7th, 11:00 a.m.
Carol Robertson Funeral at St. Peter's

Wednesday, April 8th, 10:00 a.m.
Heritage Senior Living Center,
+ Tom Wermerskirchen

Thursday, April 9th, 8:30 a.m.
St. Mary's, + Jim Mack

Friday, April 10th, 9:00 a.m.
St. Peter's, Melissa Williams Family

Saturday, April 11th, 5:00 p.m.
St. Peter's, Healing for Landon Stubbs

Sunday, April 12th, 9:00 a.m.
St. Peter's, + Ed Hrubsky

Sunday, April 12th, 11:00 a.m.
St. Mary's, For the People

Sunday, April 12th, 3:00 p.m.
St. Peter's, Divine Mercy Hour

Reconciliation 4:00 pm

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, April 6

- SP: 1:00 pm St. Peter's Family Guild Meeting
- SP: 5:00 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society Meeting
- SP: 6:30 pm Jesus & the Eucharist Study Group
- SM: 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting

Tuesday, April 7

9:00 am Quilt Group

SP: 11:00 am Carol Robertson Funeral

NO Ladies lunch

- SP: 1:30 pm Heart of Prayer Study Group
- SP: 6:00 pm 1st Communion Class
- SP: 6:00 pm Choir practice

Wednesday, April 8

- SP: 10:00 am Bell Choir Practice
- SP: 1:00 pm Faith Formation Grades 1 – 6
- SP: 5:30 – 8:00 pm Adoration
- SP: 6:00 pm Evening Faith Formation Grades 7-11

Thursday, April 9

- 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)

Sunday, April 12

SP: Coffee & Rolls Knights of Columbus

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

St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

April 11 & 12

Lector
Usher Capt's

Saturday

Holly Funk
Art Symanietz

Sunday

Volunteer
Rita Hocking
Erik Montzka

Greeters

Week Two

Stewardship

"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

**St. Peter's
PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
Collection for March 29**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 4,263.00
Loose Plate.....	\$ 835.00
Visitors.....	\$ 330.00
Easter Flowers.....	\$ 223.00
Other.....	\$ 1,712.18
Total.....	\$ 7,363.18
Cemetery.....	\$ 60.00
Haiti.....	\$ 916.00
"Pickle Jar".....	\$ 457.29
Seminarian Burse.....	\$ 230.00

'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!

Praying for Vocations

- April 6 – April 12.....Volunteer see Deacon John
- April 13 – April 19.....Jim & Kate Dottenwhy

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

St. Peter's Knights of Columbus will be selling Walleye Classic Raffle Tickets after each Mass. Grand prize is a boat, motor & trailer. Many additional cash prizes. Proceeds go to St. Vincent de Paul Society, Park Rapids DAC and Heartland Homes.

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, April 12

LECTOR Cheryl Larson
COMM DIST Ron & Sharon Meyer
Volunteer
USHER Rose Higgins
Adeline Retz
SACRISTAN Winnie Thelen

St. Mary's Collection, March 29

Adult Envelopes	\$835.00	Loose Plate	\$163.00
Total Collection	\$998.00	Easter Flowers	\$100.00
"Pickle Jar"	\$120.23		
Seminarian Burse	\$20.00		

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

April 19 Soup & Sandwich – The ladies serving are Rose Higgins, Marguerite Henry, Bonnie Higgins, Cathy Osvak, Ellie Ganser, Emma Higgins.

Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, April 6 at 7:00 pm in the church basement.

The total amount collected from the "Souper" Bowl collection and the Pickle jar was \$886.27. Hubbard County Food Shelf received \$443.14 and Becker County Food Pantry received \$443.13. Thank you for your generosity.

We received a note letting our parish community know that Mary Ann Zuberbier died March 12, 2026, in Downers Grove, Illinois. If you would like more information, let Lynn know.

2026 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL
IN CHRIST, WE ARE ONE!

Thank you for your support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal! 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 \$24,826.00 with 19% participation and St. Mary's goal is \$8,141 has committed \$3,649.30 with 16% 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!**

The total amount collected from the "Souper" Bowl collection and the Pickle jar was \$3,019.61 at St. Peter's. This amount was donated to Hubbard County Food Shelf. Thank you for your generosity.

We congratulate and welcome Bob Walsh into the fullness of the Catholic Faith. Bob made his Profession of Faith in the Catholic Church, was Confirmed and received Holy Communion this past week.

St. Peter Family Guild will meet Monday, April 6 at 1:00 pm in the parish center.

Jesus and the Eucharist - Small Group Study will be held Monday evenings, April 6 through May 4, from 6:30-8:30. Sunday, May 3 at 1:00 pm there will be a special session and will end with Divine Mercy Hour. All are welcome.

Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour, April 12th from 3:00 - 4:00. Check out the many graces received at DivineMercySunday.net. Open to all ages.

Parish Mission - Church on Fire, with Bart Schuchts, will be held the evenings of April 26th, 27th, and 28th. All are welcome.

Adult Faith Formation

Director of Evangelization-St. Peter's and St. Mary's
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Grow in Faith Together! Looking to connect with fellow parishioners and dive deeper into your faith? Join one of our Parish Small Groups listed below! We meet for fellowship, prayer, and study. For any questions contact Michelle Clark.

Young Adult Group: Single, married or married with children, join us for Scripture Study at 7:00 pm. We meet at St. Mary's the first and third Tuesday of the month and at St. Peter's the second and fourth Tuesday.

Heart of Prayer Study Group: This is Bishop Cozzens new study. Everyone is welcome to join us at 1:30 pm on Tuesdays at St. Peter's.

Men's Group: Join us for prayer on the weekly Mass readings at 9:00 am on Thursdays at St. Peter's.

Rosary Group: Everyone is welcome to join us for prayer and fellowship on Fridays immediately following 9:00 am Mass at St. Peter's.

You began a new walk with Jesus through Alpha; and you have made a new commitment to Christ in your life. The Holy Spirit has begun a new work in your Spirit; we are here to help you grow in that new walk. Through Discipleship, we look at what Scripture and the Catholic Church teach on hearing, understanding and responding to the Gospel Message. We learn about how to grow in faith in Christ so we can produce abundant fruit for the Kingdom of God; and to encourage you as you take the next steps. There is so much more! If you are interested, please give us a call at 218-237-6706 or email us at notetojill@gmail.com before April 6.

Blessings in Christ Jesus, Toby and Jill Lucas

FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY

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What a week! I was blessed to be able to attend the Chrism Mass in Crookston on Monday. It was beautiful to see so many people from all over the Diocese fill the church. Then the Triduum, as we remembered and celebrated Jesus' last supper, His passion and death on the cross, to the Triumph of His Rising at Easter! The Easter celebration continues until Pentecost, which is Sunday, May 24. I pray that we all will make time to thank Jesus for His life, death, and resurrection. **Alleluia! Jesus has Risen, Jesus has Risen indeed!**

Upcoming dates:

Tuesday, April 7, First Communion Class 6-7PM

Wed., April 8, Release Time and evening Faith Formation

Tuesday, April 14, First Communion Class 6-7PM

Wed., April 15, Release Time and evening Faith Formation

Tuesday, April 21, First Communion Class 6-7PM

Wed., April 22, Release Time and evening Faith Formation

Faith, Wellness, and You

Stress Awareness

April is Stress Awareness Month. Chronic stress can affect blood pressure, digestion, and sleep. Take moments throughout your day to pause, breathe deeply, stretch, and pray. Even five quiet minutes can calm the nervous system and renew perspective.

"Cast all your anxieties on Him, because He cares for you." — 1 Peter 5:7

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.

St. Vincent de Paul Society has been kept busy in many ways helping our neighbors in need. We have completed half of our 2nd year, in which we have had 106 cases. One thank you note that we received recently stated that the support we gave our neighbor, "has allowed them to maintain important abilities and enjoy a better quality of life. Thank you for making a meaningful difference". On the 31st we had 9 middle school and high school youth along with 3 adults help the Salvation Army with their project of making up 100 Easter Food Baskets that would later be delivered to people in our community. This is just one of the ways we are joining with other churches and agencies in service to our neighbors.

Prayer for Disarmament and Peace

Lord of Life, you shaped every human being in your image and likeness.

We believe you created us for communion, not for war, for fraternity, not for destruction.

You who greeted your disciples saying, "Peace be with you," grant us the gift of your peace and the strength to make it a reality in history.

Today we lift up our prayer for peace in the world, asking that nations renounce weapons and choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy.

Disarm our hearts of hatred, resentment, and indifference, so we may become instruments of reconciliation.

Help us understand that true security does not come from control fueled by fear, but from trust, justice, and solidarity among peoples.

Lord, enlighten the leaders of the nations, so they may have the courage to abandon projects of death, halt the arms race, and place the lives of the most vulnerable at the center.

May the nuclear threat never again dictate the future of humanity.

Holy Spirit, make us faithful and creative builders of daily peace: in our hearts, our families, our communities, and our cities.

May every kind word, every gesture of reconciliation, and every choice for dialogue be seeds of a new world.

Amen.

--Pope Leo, March 2026 (Video Message "Pray with the Pope")

<https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2026/03/05/260305e.html>

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities

April 5: Walsh

April 12: Bade

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