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

Baptism
Please Contact Parish Office Two Months Before Child's Birth

May 3, 2026

This week's Mass schedule:
Tuesday, May 5th
NO MASS at St. Peter's
Wednesday, May 6th
NO MASS at St. Peter's
Crystal Brook Senior Living Center, 10:30 a.m.
Liturgy of the Word
Thursday, May 7th
NO MASS at St. Mary's
Friday, May 8th, 9:00 a.m.
St. Peter's, + Katie Doris
Saturday, May 9th, 5:00 p.m.
St. Peter's, + Sam Spaeth
Sunday, May 10th, 9:00 a.m.
St. Peter's, + Irene Mack
Sunday, May 10th, 11:00 a.m.
St. Mary's, For the People

Reconciliation 4:00 - 4:30 pm on 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, May 4
SP: 1:00 pm 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, May 5
9:00 am Quilt Group
NO Ladies lunch
SP: 1:00 pm Heart of Prayer Study Group
SP: 6:00 pm Choir practice
SM: 7:00 pm Young Adult Scripture Study

Wednesday, May 6
SP: 10:00 am Bell Choir Practice

Thursday, May 7
SP: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration
SP: 9:00 am Men's Bible Study
SP: 5:30 pm Pastoral Council Meeting
6:00 pm Men's Group Burgers & Beer w/Deacon
(Call office before 4:00 pm for location)

Saturday, May 8
SP: 2:00 pm Victoria Simmons & Mason Ricke Wedding

Sunday, May 10
SP: 9:00 – 11:00 Waffle Breakfast

St. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

May 9 & 10	Saturday	Sunday
Lector	Tom Conzemius	Volunteer
Usher Capt's	Cathy Hensel	Randy McFarren Nick Haas
Greeters	Week Two	

Stewardship

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." 1 Peter 2:7

Every person has been given gifts from the Holy Spirit. These are called "charisms" and they are used to build God's kingdom on earth. While many people are able to recognize their natural talents and abilities, they may be unsure of their charisms. If you know someone who is struggling for a direction in life, give them a little encouragement. Help them discern their charisms and how God is calling them to use them. Remember – no gift is too small or insignificant in God's salvation plan.

St. Peter's
PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP
Collection for April 26

Adult Envelopes	$ 4,294.00
Loose Plate	$ 687.00
Visitors	$ 420.00
Other	$ 352.52
Total	$ 5,753.52
Catholic Home Mission Appeal	$ 1,594.00
Building Fund	$ 50.00
Haiti	$ 60.00
Seminarian Burse	$ 115.00

'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
May 4 – May 10…….Cleo & Rose Williams
May 11 – May 17…… John & Sue Zinniel

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

St. Peter-Family Guild will meet Monday, May 4 at 1:00 pm in the parish center. The rummage sale will be discussed. All are welcome.

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, May 10

LECTOR	Jim Higgins
COMM DIST	Greg & Ann Lempola
	Karen Wettels
USHER	Rose Higgins
	Adeline Retz
SACRISTAN	Glen Wolters

St. Mary's Collection, April 26

Adult Envelopes	**$740.00**	**Loose Plate**	**$236.00**
Total Collection	**$976.00**		
Cemetery	**$100.00**		
Catholic Home Missions	**$79.00**		

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

Knights of Columbus will meet Monday, May 4 at 7:00 pm in the church basement.

Save the Date-Saturday, May 30 there will be a memorial/open house for Frank Theisen at Pine Park Resort from 1:00-4:00. Food will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

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 $37,246.00 with 24% participation and St. Mary's goal is $8,141 has committed $5,399.30 with 28% participation.

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

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.

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities
May 3: Culbertson
May 10: Janssen
If you know **someone** who would like to receive or **if you are interested** in distributing contact Deacon John.

Happy birthday wishes to Fred Whiteside who will be 91 years young on May 6 and Everette Duthoy who will be 96 years young on May 11. God bless you on your special day.

St. Peter's and St. Mary's sent to Parish of the Cathedral of Port-de-Paix $24,000.00 These funds were from the Haiti Envelopes and other donations.

Oil for your Lamp

In the reading from the Acts of the Apostles this weekend, "***the number of disciples continued to grow***". So, the Twelve selected 7 men to serve the needs of the widows. I see this also as an early precursor to our St. Vincent de Paul society. Prior to the founding of our local conference of Vincentians, Fr. Joe and before him Fr. Tom, and Fr. Dennis would spend many hours listening to and helping the people who always came through the church doors seeking assistance. Since the local Good Shepherds Conference came into being, much, if not all the pressure, has been lessened from Fr. Joe's shoulders, where it pertains to people in need of assistance. The conference continues to grow and expand, with members from Our Lady of the Pines in Nevis, and a member from Faithbridge. One of the side effects of this growth has been the ability for Father to spend more time in "***prayer and ministry of the word***". There have also been several inquiries from adults seeking baptism and asking for confirmation into the Catholic faith.

This week the priests of the diocese will be gathering as did the Apostles, to discuss the possibilities the future might hold. There will also be an evening address for the lay faithful on Tuesday, May 5, from 7:00 – 8:15 p.m. at St. Philip's Catholic Church in Bemidji. The Church is alive and growing in many different areas, but the number of priests is declining. Pray about how you can be a part of the solution and consider attending the evening in Bemidji.

"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*

FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY
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We celebrate **First Communion** with 10 of our 2nd graders. At St. Peter's we congratulate Elsie Ackerman, Phoebe Budzien, Cora Leacox, Amelia Mack, Xander Maninga, Warren Sauer, Addison Tretbar, and Abram Turnow. Celebrating at St. Mary's are Tucker Sunram and Abigail Wenderski.

It has been a pleasure meeting with these students and parents in their preparation for this beautiful Sacrament as they now can receive Jesus in His Most Precious Body and Blood.

Upcoming dates:
Wednesday, May 6, Steubenville meeting 6:00pm
Sunday, May 10, Mother's Day Waffle Breakfast @ St. Peter's

If you are interested in praying for and supporting vocations even more, check out the **Serra Club** of Crookston which exists to serve the Bishop and Vocation Director and to encourage a culture of vocations within our diocese. Go to www.crookston.org/vocations/serra or talk to Annette Haas here at St. Peter's.

Thank you for all the prayers during my recent illness. I appreciate every one. Lynnette Zilka

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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. Contact Michelle with any questions.

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.

Jesus and the Eucharist - Small Group Study will be held on Monday evenings 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.

Heart of Prayer Video Study with Bishop Cozzens. All are welcome to join us at 1:00 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.

Esto Vir! is a vocation camp for young men entering their sophomore year of high school through young adulthood. This camp is an opportunity for those men who may be open to the priesthood to come together and spend some days in community with each other and the seminarians of the diocese. The camp includes games, Mass, prayer, food, and fellowship. Esto Vir! Camp is July 12-16 at the Pastoral Retreat Center in Crookston. For more details or to sign up go to: Esto Vir - "Be a Man!" - Diocese of Crookston - Crookston, Minnesota

On October 10th, 2026, at the Alerus Center Ballroom in Grand Forks, North Dakota, our diocese will be holding **Rescue Live**. Presented by internationally know evangelist Fr. John Riccardo and his team from ACTS 29, a missionary ministry based in Detroit, MI. Rescue Live will be a gathering of parishioners from across the Diocese of Crookston. Fr. Riccardo will share the Rescue Project, which proclaims the gospel in a compelling and attractive way, and Bishop Cozzens will lead us in prayer and adoration during the day. There are cards in the gathering space at St. Peter's and in the back of the church at St. Mary's.

Nazareth Retreat House is located in Crookston, Minnesota. They offer a welcoming environment for a wide variety of gatherings. There are brochures in the gathering space at St. Peter's and in the back of the church at St. Mary's. For more information, call 218-281-4533 or visit crookston.org/Nazareth.

Faith, Wellness, and You

Rest & Renewal

Adequate sleep strengthens the immune system, improves mood, and supports heart health. Aim for 7–8 hours of restful sleep each night. Establish a calming bedtime routine — perhaps quiet prayer or gentle Scripture reading to prepare your heart and mind for rest.

"In peace I will lie down and sleep, for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety." Psalm 4:8

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.

Haiti Mother's Day Flowers Pick up schedule

Friday May 8th
9:30 am - Hubbard County office by Law Enforcement
10:30 am - Crystal Brooke parking lot
Noon - Nevis School
12:30 pm Nevis Muskie Park
1pm – 4pm Extra flowers will be available for sale at Muskie Park

Saturday May 9th
6:00 pm St. Peter's Church after Mass
6pm – 6:30 pm Extra flowers will be available for sale

Sunday May 10th
Noon - St. Mary's Church after Mass
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm Extra flowers will be available for sale

If you want to change your location please let Teresa know by May 4th.

Some made arrangements to pickup at Flying W Gardens at other times which is fine.

Special Collection
Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Thank you for your generous support for last week's Catholic Home Missions Appeal. This collection strengthens the Church at home and spreads the Gospel across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give. Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for the collection.

All the faithful of the Diocese of Crookston are invited to a special evening on Tuesday, May 5, from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. at St. Philip's in Bemidji. Two national leaders in parish renewal, Matt Regitz and Fr. Nick Desimone, will be the presenters. They work with Divine Renovation. Divine Renovation is a ministry dedicated to helping parishes become missionary. They have experience in working with parishes around the world.

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