

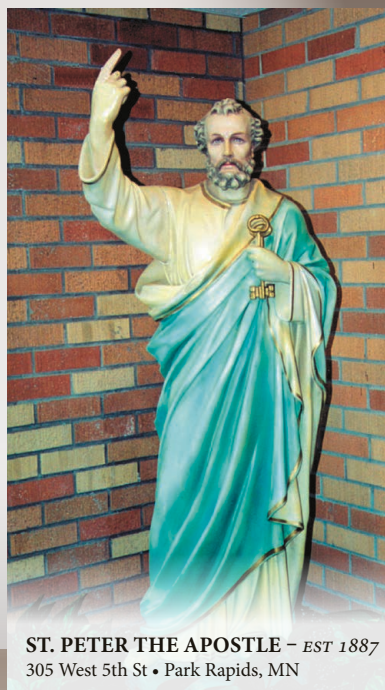
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Marriage Preparation

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

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Please Contact Parish Office Two Months Before Child's Birth

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September 13, 2026

This week's Mass schedule:

Tuesday, September 15th, 5:30 p.m.

St. Peter's, Liturgy of the Word

Wednesday, September 16th, 12:10 p.m.

St. Peter's, + Norman Georgina, Sr.

Thursday, September 17th, 8:30 a.m.

St. Mary's, + Robert Gartner

Friday, September 18th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, Cody & Chyanne Fransen & Family

Saturday, September 19th, 5:00 p.m.

St. Peter's, + Cynthia Wells

Sunday, September 20th, 9:00 a.m.

St. Peter's, + Bob Harsha

Sunday, September 20th, 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, September 14

SP: 10:00 am & 6:30 pm Bible Study

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

SP: 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm Civil Air Patrol Meeting

Tuesday, September 15

SP: 9:00 am Quilt Group

NO Ladies lunch

SP: 5:30 pm Peter's Table Meal

SP: 6:00 pm Choir practice

SP: 7:00 pm Young Adult Scripture Study

Wednesday, September 16

SP: 6:00 pm Alpha

SP: 7:00 pm Faith Formation Students/Parents mtg

Thursday, September 17

SP: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration

SP: 9:00 am Men's Bible Study

**6:00 pm Men's Burger & Beer-All Men are welcome
(Call office before 4:00 pm for location)**

Sunday, September 20

SP: Coffee & Rolls Team 4

**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. Peter's Liturgical Schedule

Sept. 19 & 20

Lector

Usher Capt's

Saturday

Tony Yerkes

Anne Neumayer

Sunday

Nick Haas

Rita Hocking

Erik Montzka

Greeters

Week Three

Stewardship

"None of us lives for oneself, and no one dies for oneself. For if we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord; so then, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's."

Romans 14:7-8

The message is clear; we belong to God alone. All that a steward does is therefore done for the Lord. Whenever we assist others, we are God's own messenger, bringing His presence to those we serve.

St. Peter's

PARISH FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Collection for September 6

Adult Envelopes.....	\$ 4,878.00
Loose Plate.....	\$ 1,459.00
Visitors.....	\$ 1,070.00
Other.....	\$ 249.00
Total.....	\$ 7,656.00
Haiti.....	\$ 83.00
Building Fund.....	\$ 1,185.00
Cemetery.....	\$ 52.00

'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!

St. Peter's Budget Report

	August	July – August 2026
Income	\$50,992.06	\$97,166.00
Expense	\$43,753.49	\$99,175.87
Balance	\$7,238.57	(\$2,009.87)

Are you new to St. Peter's or St. Mary's? We would love to have you register as a parishioner. Through registration we are able to keep you updated on pertinent information, count you in our parish census, etc. Registration forms are available at the parish office; we can mail one to you by calling the office and requesting one (218-732-5142); or request one when you come for Mass. Welcome to St. Peter's and St. Mary's Parish Family! We are delighted that you are here!

Congratulations to our newly Confirmed this weekend! Maxwell Ackerman, Aiden Bera, Hunter Bozvosky, Adrienne Cook, Tucker DeBlieck, Gavin Hanson, Leo Kueber, Evelyn McCloud, Aiden Oudekerk, Benjamin Rowe, and Charlie Safratowich. May you always be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit!

St. Mary's – Two Inlets

Ministries for Sunday, September 20

LECTOR	Cheryl Larson
COMM DIST	Ron & Sharon Meyer
USHER	Greg & Ann Lempola
SACRISTAN	Lynn Gartner

St. Mary's Collection, September 6

Adult Envelopes	\$785.00	Loose Plate	\$2,052.00
Total Collection	\$2,837.00	Cemetery	\$540.00

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

A big **Thank You** to everyone who helped with the summer Masses in the Grotto.

October 10 – Annual Fall Dinner & Silent Auction at the American Legion in Park Rapids. Please don't feel obligated to help with the dinner if you want to attend Rescue Live event.

Looking for tomatoes and refrigerator pickles for the Fall Dinner. Please call or text Rose 218-252-8883.

The person who has done the mowing for the church, grotto and cemetery has gone off to college. We are looking for a volunteer who would be able to mow this fall. Please talk with Fr. Joe.

St. Mary's Budget Report

	August	July – August 2026
Income	\$11,005.80	\$23,696.11
Expense	\$10,221.07	\$21,453.37
Balance	\$784.73	\$2,242.74

Happy birthday wishes to Dennis Ernst who will be 90 years young on September 20. God bless you on your special day.

Praying for Vocations

September 14 – September 20.....Mary Hein
September 21 – September 27.....Marlene Mahowald

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

Eucharistic Ministers for Residents of Care Facilities
September 13: Janssen
September 20: DeBlieck
If you know **someone** who would like to receive or **if you are interested** in distributing contact Deacon John.

Peter's Table Meal – September 15

St. Peter's will be serving Meatloaf & mashed potatoes. Parishioners are asked to bring a total of 6 – 9X13 cakes. Sign up sheet for cake, set up, serving and cleanup is in the gathering space. All are welcome to come to the meal.

Adoration at St. Peter's. The hours are from 6:00 AM - 5:00 PM each Thursday. Currently each hour is covered. However, the afternoon hours often have only one person, we should have at least two. If you are willing to commit to a set hour each week, please contact Deacon John at the parish office.

Pastoral Council Elections at St. Peter's will be held on the weekend of September 26/27. We have 2 seats open and 5 parishioners who are open to serving our parish family on the Council - they are: Pete Blue, Terry Burlingame, Holly Funk, Theresa McBrady, and Emily Yerkes Utech. Please keep these women and men in your prayers; and prayerfully consider who you will vote for.

Discipleship Opportunity: Have you begun a new walk with Jesus through Alpha? If so, you have made a new commitment to Christ in your life. The Holy Spirit has begun 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 (land-line) or email us at notetojill@gmail.com before September 18th. We will be happy to walk with you. Blessings in Christ Jesus, Toby and Jill Lucas.

Are you willing to help us collect food for the local Food Shelf? We have placed our Food Collection Box in the gathering space at St. Peter's. Bring non-perishable food items with you when you come to Mass and drop them in the box. Food will be brought to the food shelf on a weekly basis. **For our children:** We invite our children to bring a non-perishable food item to Mass with them each weekend; they can place it in the basket that will be in front of the altar during the time of our offertory collection and bringing up of the gifts of bread and wine. This will provide a great opportunity for our young people to make a difference by helping feed the hungry. Thank you for your gift!

We are looking for adults who are interested in mentoring students in our Faith Formation programs. If you are interested, please contact Annette Haas office: 218-732-5142 email: annette@stpeterpr.org.

In need of 2 or 3 people to help lead students in evening faith formation on Wednesday evenings. Also, need help with meal preparation on Wednesdays for evening faith formation. Contact Annette 218-616-2404 or annette@stpeterpr.org.

Pregnancy Resource Center of Park Rapids

Pearls of Hope Gala, September 24, Faithbridge Church, Park Rapids, 6:00 pm Social Hour, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm Program, RSVP at www.prcparkrapids.org.

Women at the Well

A Ministry for Women ages 16 and over. St. Philip's Catholic Church Social Hall, Bemidji, MN. September 24, 2026. 6:15 pm Social Time, 7:00 pm Speaker: Marsha Murphy, "Forgiveness". 8:00 pm Adoration, Confessions, & Prayer Partners.

FAITH FORMATION – YOUTH MINISTRY

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

Email: annette@stpeterpr.org

Growing in God's Goodness Carabiner Tape Measures are still available for \$10 each to support the youth of St. Peter's and St. Mary's. If you would like to support our youth, contact Annette Haas: annette@stpeterpr.org.

The Diocese of Crookston Youth Conference (DCYC) is coming up on Sunday, Sept. 27 from 10am-5pm at the Sanford Center in Bemidji for students in grades 6-12. Parents are invited to come with their students as well. Parents are asked to register their youth at crookston.org/dcyc. There is also a QR code on the poster on my office door or in the gathering space. The cost per person is \$75. Let us know if you need assistance.

Faith Formation for grades 7-11 will begin on Wednesday, September 16 with a student/parent meeting at St. Peter's in the church at 7pm. **Release Time Faith Formation for grades 1-6** will begin on October 7. Information will come from the school. A letter was sent to families who were registered last year. See the faith formation tab on our website for more information.

Adult Faith Formation

Director of Evangelization

Michelle Clark Office: 218-732-5142

Michelle Clark Cell Phone: 913-940-4851

Email: michelle@stpeterpr.org

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 studying the catechism at 7:00 pm. On Tuesday, September 15, we will meet at St. Peter's.

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

Rosary Groups- Everyone is Welcome

Heritage Living Center Rosary- Please join us in praying the Rosary at Heritage Center on the 4th Monday of the month at 10:00 am.

Friday Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Prayers- Join us for prayer and fellowship on Fridays immediately following 9:00 am Mass at St. Peter's in the church.

Special Collection – Church in Latin America

This weekend we take up the Collection for the Church in Latin America! Many people in Latin America and the Caribbean lack access to church programs and ministries because of a rising secular culture, rugged terrain, and a shortage of ministers. Your generosity enables our brothers and sisters in Latin America and the Caribbean to share in the life of the Church and grow closer to Christ. Please be generous in the special collection! To learn more, please visit usccb.org/latin-america. iGiveCatholic also accepts funds for this collection if you prefer to donate online.

Faith, Wellness, and You

Healthy Habits Begin One Step at a Time

Lasting health doesn't usually come from dramatic changes but from small, consistent choices. Add one serving of vegetables, take a short walk, or spend five minutes in prayer each day. Small faithful steps often lead to lasting growth.

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. Peter Family Guild will meet Monday, September 14 at 1:00 pm in the parish center. The Fall Craft Show/Bazaar will be discussed. All are welcome.

Catholic Men If you are a catholic man over 18 years of age and are looking to strengthening your faith, the Knights of Columbus are here to support you. An Exemplification to become a Knight will be held on Saturday September 19, 2026 at St. Philips Church in Bemidji, MN. Registration for the first three (3) Degrees will be from 8:30 to 9:00 with the Degree Exemplification beginning at 9:00 am. Contact your Grand Knight, Financial Secretary for more information

For Third Degree Knights in Good standing there will be a Patriotic (4th) Degree Exemplification on Saturday September 19, 2026 at St. Philips Church in Bemidji MN. Registration for the 4th Degree will be from 9:00 to 9:45 am and the Exemplification will be from 10:00 to 11:45 am. Lunch will be served at noon. If interested, contact a 4th degree Knight in your parish, Dale Johnson, at 320-221-3742 or dalea.johnson@icloud.com or Dan Shea at 218-760-6616 or danielshea@paulbunyan.net. All candidates will be able to do all four (4) degrees that morning.

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September 13, 12:30 – 2:00 pm

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SCHOOL YEAR

MASS & ADORATION SCHEDULE

St. Peter:

Saturday 5:00 pm; Sunday 9:00 am

St. Mary:

Sunday 11:00 am

Monday NO MASS

Tuesday: 5:30 pm Mass at St. Peter

1st Wednesday at Crystal Brook Senior Living Center: 10:30 am

2nd Wednesday at Heritage Living Center: 10:00 am

3rd, 4th, 5th Wednesday: 12:10 pm at St. Peter

Wednesday: 5:30 pm – 8:00 pm Adoration

Thursday: 8:30 am Mass at St. Mary

Thursday: 6:00 am – 5:00 pm Adoration at St. Peter

Friday: 9:00 am Mass at St. Peter

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