

This Week's Scripture Readings

The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6	Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13	Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6	Matthew 2:1-12
Week Mon 1John 3:22-4:6	Ps 2:7bc-8,10-12a		Matthew 4:12-17,23-25
Week Tues 1 John 4:7-10	Ps 72:1-4,7-8		Mark 6:34-44
Week Wed 1 John 4:11-18	Ps 72:1-2,10,12-13		Mark 6:45-52
Week Thurs 1John 4:19-5:4	Ps 72:1-2,14,15bc,17		Luke 4:14-22a
Week Fri 1 John 5:5-13	Ps 147:12-5,19-20		Luke 5:12-16
Week Sat 1John 5:14-21	Ps 149:1-6a,9b		John 3:22-30

The Baptism of the Lord

Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7	Ps 29:1-2,3-4,3,9-10	Acts 10:34-38	Matthew 3:13-17
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Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions January :For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

Praying for Our Clergy: Sunday, January 4th, Fr. Luis Buitron, Monday, January 5th, Fr. Tim Bushy, Tuesday, January 6th Fr. John Christianson, Wednesday, January 7th Fr. John Cox, OMI. Thursday, January 8th Fr. Bill DeCrans, Friday, January 9th Fr. Larry Delaney, Saturday, January 10th Fr Antony Fernando, Sunday January 11th Msgr Mike Foltz.

THE BATTLE CONTINUES...

Join the **March for Life**
Saturday, January 24, 2026 12:00 Noon
Beltrami County Courthouse

MARCH FOR JUSTICE!
Over 80 Million unborn babies killed nationally since 1973
One Million unborn babies killed in Minnesota alone

MARCH FOR WOMEN!
Millions of women have been injured physically, emotionally and spiritually by abortion

Bring the Whole Family and Bring Your Signs! (some provided)
Invocation and Speakers before and After the March

Soup and sandwich lunch to follow at St. Philip's Social Ho

Come All Who are Burdened

Healing Retreat


Nazareth Retreat House • Crookston, MN
January 23rd – 25th, 2026

Are you burdened with an addiction, a recent trauma, or carrying a heavy burden from the past, — or are needing a time of renewal?
Then this retreat is for you!

There will be 10 priests and deacons available through the weekend for confessions, individual spiritual direction or meeting with a prayer team headed by a priest or deacon. There will be time for quiet prayer during periods of adoration or sharing in small groups.

We can never know how the Holy Spirit will work, all we can do is come prayerfully before the Lord open to whatever and however, he wishes to work in our lives.

► Sunday, January 25th we will close with a healing service from 1pm - 3pm at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception. (Across the parking lot from the retreat house.) This event is open to the public for all those who were unable to attend the retreat but are looking for a time of prayer and healing.



Scan The Code To Register.

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January 4, 2026

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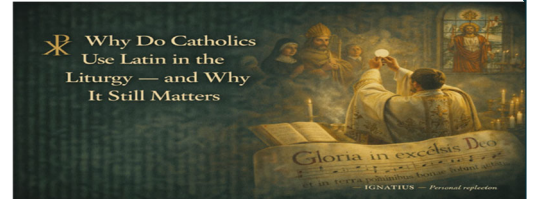
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Why Catholics Use Latin in the Liturgy — and Why It Still Matters

At first glance, Latin can seem old, distant, or unnecessary. Yet for the Catholic Church, Latin is not a relic of the past but a living sign of continuity, unity, and sacred meaning. 1. Latin Unites the Universal Church Latin helped the Church speak with one voice across nations, cultures, and centuries. Whether a Mass was celebrated in Rome, Africa, or Asia, the same prayers expressed the same faith. Even today, Latin reminds Catholics that the Church is not local or tribal, but universal (catholic). 2. Latin Protects the Faith Because Latin no longer changes with time, its meanings remain stable. This protects doctrine from distortion. Core teachings about the Eucharist, grace, and the Trinity were carefully expressed in Latin, making it a reliable theological anchor across generations. 3. Latin Creates Sacred Space Liturgy is not everyday conversation—it is an encounter with God. Latin helps separate the sacred from the ordinary. Its sound, rhythm, and solemnity lift the mind and heart beyond daily life and point toward the mystery of heaven. 4. Latin Connects Us to Our Roots For over 1,500 years, saints, martyrs, and theologians prayed in Latin. Using it today connects modern Catholics to the living tradition of the Church—showing that faith is received, not reinvented. 5. Why It Still Matters Today The Church allows worship in local languages so all can understand. Yet Latin remains the Church's official liturgical language, especially for universal celebrations. It serves as a reminder that the Mass is not shaped by culture alone, but by truth that transcends time. Latin is not about going backward—it is about remembering who we are and protecting what we believe.



It whispers that the Church did not begin with us— and will not end with us.

LITURGICAL DAY	WEEKDAY	DATE	TIME	SERVICE/INTENTION	CONFESSIONS
The Epiphany of the	Sunday	January 4	10:30am	Mass: + Lois Wiebolt	10:10am
Tue after Epiphany	Tuesday	January 6	5:00 pm	Adoration & Benediction	
Tue after Epiphany	Tuesday	January 6	7:00 pm	Mass: In Honor of St Jude	6:30 pm
The Baptism of the Lord	Sunday	January 11	10:30am	Mass: +Lowell Baker	10:10am

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 schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victims Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24 hour confidential number) Diocesan Abuse Victim Assistance Coordinator: Cindy Hulst // Confidential Line - 218.281.7895 // chulst@crookston.org

January 4, 2026

Epiphany of the Lord

“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.” MATTHEW 2:11

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

Question of the week

What will I do today to manifest the presence of Christ in me to others?

Liturgy of the Hours: Of the Solemnity

Reflection on the Gospel

The all-inclusive mission of Christ is foreshadowed early in Matthew when visitors from the East are the first to do homage to Jesus. Following the star, they are the first Gentiles to seek and recognize Jesus, offering their precious gifts to him. They foreshadow the way Gentiles will flock to the Christian communities, bearing gifts for mission. Today, the difficulties in welcoming Gentiles have long ago been overcome, but we still struggle to welcome those different from us. Facing our prejudices and working to dismantle them is a difficult task.

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Prayer Requests:

The following people or their family has asked us to pray for them:

Lord, we pray for your loving support for the people listed below and their families as they deal with their illness. Guide the doctors who are seeking answers and making decisions about care/treatment. We pray that their illness is at a stage favorable for effective treatment. Enable their bodies to respond well to care treatment and their souls to experience comfort and peace in you. Make this an experience that draws them and their loved ones closer to you as well as to one another. We commit them to your mercy.

Rick Bakken, Randi Bernard, LaMae & Ken Blattenbauer, Colleen Borgrud, LaVaun Borgrud, Jerry Braaten, Peggy Braaten, Charlie Crommett, Shane Donley, Jodi Eidenschink, **Rick Flottesmesch**, John Gerulli, Sharon Greminger, Irene Hazelton, LeAnn Hazelton, Pat Hilber, Nancy Johnson, Jeanine Kivi, Dan Kapphahn, Tracy Loreth, Delores Manning, Betty & Jim Matter, Kate Matter, Margaret McDougall, Barb Muff, Chris Murray, Leslie (Flottesmesch) Murray, Kelly Olson, Ken & Rita Pearson, Jonell Richards, Greg Ronning, Carol Scherzer, George Scherzer, Joe Solmon, Shirley Spry, Jeff VanHecke, Erv Wiebolt

Please Pray for our Students.....

Madeline Abbott, Julia Steffl, Megan Stalberger, Ellie Steffl, Grace Helm, Maria Foltz, Luke Helm, Freddie Steffl, Caleb Rodewald, Nathan Loreth, Kaitlyn Loreth, Molly Rodewald, Jake Helm, Colby Rodewald, Savannah Rodewald, Odessa Schmit, Barisa Foltz, Colton Arnoldy, Ava Rodewald & Lilly Dillon

Bold are new this week, or need extra prayers!

Birthday on file this Week

January 8th Mary Frank



Sunday, December 28, 2025

Adult Envelopes \$1,050.00

Loose Plate \$ 216.00

Christmas

Adult Envelopes \$1,315.00 Loose Plate \$360.00

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, January 11, 2026

Altar Server: Freddie Steffl

Lector: Al Foltz

Presentation of Gifts: Peter Arnoldy Family

Eucharistic Ministers: Max Klarer & Colleen Schmit

Ushers: Pat Stalberger & Bill Steffl

Music: Rachel Bakken



Thank you to all of those who donated to our beautiful Christmas Poinsettias in Memory and Honor of your loved ones.

In Memory of : Ray & Arlene Faltersack, Bud & Diz Spry, Mark Stal-

berger, Art & Reine Stalberger, Rebecca McDougall, Floyd & Marie Solmon, Everett & Betty McDougall, Victor & Marie Solmon, Arnold & Lauretta Braun, Sarah & John Solmon, Ben & Sharon Braun, Jerome Flottesmesch, Herman & Marie Flottesmesch, Bernard & Magdalen Bertram, Alice Bellefeuille, Merritt & Vienna Baker, Joe & Doris Zurn, Lowell & Cleo Baker, Tietz & Gronbeck Family, Willy Kivi, Mike & Anna Roberts, Klarer Family, Chilton Family, Leonard Spry, Irene Spry, Clem & Kathryn Foltz, Lois Wiebolt, Art & Reine Stalberger, Ted Blauert, Scot Blauert, Mark Stalberger

In Honor of Avis Flottesmesch Family

Upcoming.

- Tuesday January 6th Combined Parish and Finance Council Meeting after 7pm Mass
- Tuesday, January 13th KC meeting at Holy Rosary
- Wednesday, January 14th Callaway Daze 5:30 pm St Joseph Fellowship Hall
- **Sunday, January 18th Second Collection for Church in Africa**
- Sunday, January 18th, Christian Mothers Meeting After Mass
- Wednesday, January 22nd 11am, Church cleaning followed by potluck lunch
- Saturday, January 24th Loreth Family Christmas, St Joseph Fellowship Hall

Upcoming Fellowship



January 4th Lori & Pat Stalberger

January 11th Lions Pancake

Breakfast

January 18th OPEN

January 25th OPEN

February 1st OPEN

The Fellowship Calendar for 2026 is up on the Bulletin Board. Please take a turn serving Fellowship. If you have any questions Please let me know.

2026 Envelopes are available on the table in St Joseph Fellowship Hall.

2026 Living Faith Devotional Books are available on the table in the entry of the church.

It is time to get your mass intentions on the calendar. Masses are \$10.00 each.