

This Week's Scripture Readings

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| Easter Sunday | Acts 10:34a,37-43 | Colossians 3:1-4 | 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8 | John 20:1-9 |
| Week Mon | Acts 2:14,22-33 | Ps 16:1-2a,5,7-11 | | Matthew 28:8-15 |
| Week Tues | Acts 2:36-41 | Ps 33:4-5,18-20,22 | | John 20:11-18 |
| Week Wed | Acts 3:1-10 | Ps 105:1-4,6-9 | | Luke 24:13-35 |
| Week Thurs | Acts 3:11-36 | Ps 8:2ab,5-9 | | Luke 24:35-48 |
| Week Fri | Acts 4:1-12 | Ps 118:1-2,4,22-27a | | John 21:1-14 |
| Week Sat | Acts 4:13-21 | Ps 118:1,14-21 | | Mark 16:9-15 |
| Sunday of Divine Mercy | Acts 2:42-47 | Ps 118:2-4,13-15,22-24 | 1 Peter 1:3-9 | John 20:19-31 |

Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions: April 2026 For priests in crisis.

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.

Praying for Our Clergy: Sunday, April 5th Msgr. David Baumgartner, Monday, April 6th Fr. Nate Brunn, Tuesday, April 7th, Fr. Luis Buitron, Wednesday, April 8th Fr. Tim Bushy, Thursday, April 9th Fr. John Christianson, Friday, April 10th Fr. John Cox OMI, Saturday, April 11th Fr. Bill DeCrans, Sunday, April 12th Fr. Larry Delaney.



Why the Priest Bows After the Final Blessing

After the final blessing is given, many people think the Mass is over. But then the priest does something quiet and deliberate, he bows.

That bow is not directed at the people.

The priest mirrors this posture to remind us that no one stands tall before God on their own merits.

There is another layer of meaning. The priest bows on behalf of the people. He gathers the prayers, struggles, and hopes of the congregation and offers them back to God one final time before leaving the sanctuary. It is a wordless prayer of surrender.

This action teaches the faithful something powerful: Authority in the Church is never about elevation, it is always about submission to God.

So when you see the priest bow after the final blessing, do not see a routine gesture. See a man stepping out of sacred authority and kneeling in humility before the God he serves.

The Mass may be ending, but reverence never does.

Now you know.

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It is an act of humility before God.

Throughout the Mass, the priest stands in a unique role. He speaks in the name of the Church, offers sacrifice at the altar, and calls down God's blessing upon the faithful. But once the blessing is given, he immediately lowers himself, to acknowledge that everything he has done was by God's grace, not his own power.

The bow is a silent confession:
"I am only a servant."

It also reflects a deep biblical truth. In Scripture, those who encounter God respond with reverence and humility. Even angels bow before the throne of God.

Easter Sunday

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From the Desk of Fr. Hamness:

I once made a little boy cry on Easter. It really wasn't my fault! He was only about 4 years old and we were pitted against each other in an Easter Egg Tapping competition. The game is called Osteriertitschen in Germany. To play, each person has a hard-boiled egg and must decorate it for battle, and the decorating is half the fun. Once the eggs are decorated and ready to gloriously represent their human champion, the competition takes place. In one-on-one battles the opponents tap their eggs against each other, gently at first and then with a little more force. The first egg to get a crack loses that round. All the winners then square off against each other, until there is but one egg and victorious human remaining.

In my case on Easter fourteen years ago, the little boy, Philip, and I both made it to the final round when we were matched against each other. I was really trying my best to let him win, but something went wrong and his egg cracked, and he balled his eyes out and threw himself into his mother's arms.

I am still friends with Philip and his family. Philip is all grown up now and he is thinking of going to seminary. Maybe your family should play a rousing game of Osteriertitschen this Easter. Make sure you have hard-boiled eggs!

| LITURGICAL DAY | WEEKDAY | DATE | TIME | SERVICE/INTENTION | CONFESSIONS |
|---------------------------------|---------|------------|----------|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Easter Sunday | Sunday | April 5th | 10:30am | Mass: Leo Steffl | 10:10am |
| Tuesday in the Octave of Easter | Tuesday | April 7th | 5:00 | NO Adoration & Benediction or Mass | |
| Tuesday in the Octave of Easter | Tuesday | April 7th | 7:00 | NO Mass | |
| Sunday of Divine Mercy | Sunday | April 12th | 10:30 am | Mass: +Nancy Gray | 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

Question of the week

To what must I die in order to rise with Christ in new life? What old yeast must be thrown out of my life so that I may become a fresh batch of dough, living in the newness of life?.

Liturgy of the Hours: Of the Solemnity

Reflection of the Gospel

On the day of the resurrection, Mary of Magdala ran from the empty tomb, yearning to tell the disciples what she has seen. Peter and John likewise run to the tomb, anxious to see for themselves that Jesus is no longer there. Christians today know the truth that they did not at the time— that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead and has defeated death for all. Let us celebrate the joy of the empty tomb and receive the Father’s embrace as he runs to greet each of us.

Website: formed.org Parish Access Code 38HAZ8V

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.

Carol Bertram Aarness, Rick Bakken, Randi Bernard, LaMae & Ken Blattenbauer, Colleen Borgrud, LaVaun Borgrud, Jerry Braaten, Peggy Braaten, Arlene Buitendyk, Debbie Clark, Charlie Crommett, Shane Donley, Jodi Eidenschink, Rick Flottesmesch, John Gerulli, Sharon Greminger, Irene Hazelton, LeAnn Hazelton, Pat Hilber, Nancy Johnson, Jeanine Kivi, Jamie Langevin, Delores Manning, Betty, Kate Matter, Margaret McDougall, Barb Muff, Chris Murray, Leslie (Flottesmesch) Murray, Kelly Olson, Earl Paulson, Ken Pearson, Jonell Richards, Greg Ronning, Carol Scherzer, George Scherzer, Bev Snyder, Shirley Spry, Jeff VanHecke, Gary Villard

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

NO Birthday on file this Week



Sunday, March 29, 2026

Adult Envelopes \$ 790.00

Loose Plate \$ 240.00

DAA GOAL \$8,445 WE ARE AT \$7,530 WE ARE \$915 SHORT OF OUR GOAL!!

Ministry Schedule for Sunday April 12, 2026

Altar Server: Jake Helm

Lector: Sarah Helm

Presentation of Gifts: Confirmation Class

Eucharistic Ministers: Lori Stalberger & David Steffl

Ushers: Confirmation Class

Music: Tonia Clark



You do not see him.
You do not hear him.
Yet you are not alone.

From the very moment of your birth, God has entrusted you to an invisible, yet real, companion: your guardian angel. Although many consider this merely symbolic, the Church teaches that his presence is real and concrete. Here are

five truths that can transform the way you live your faith: Here are five truths that can transform the way you live your faith:

1. He is a spiritual being, not an energy
Your angel is not a vague “force,” but a being created by God, endowed with intelligence and will. He knows you personally and accompanies you always.
2. He is with you at all times Not only in moments of joy, but also in your falls, struggles, and loneliness. He never abandons you.
3. His mission is to lead you to God He is not there to fulfill your desires, but to guide, protect, and help you reach the salvation of your soul.
4. You can speak to him and ask for his help The Church has always encouraged us to turn to our guardian angel in prayer. He does not replace God, but he intercedes for you and assists you.
5. He respects your freedom He can inspire, protect, and warn you, but he will never force you. God desires that you freely choose what is good.

In a world where many feel alone, this truth brings deep consolation: Someone walks with you, even when no one else does. Today, take a moment. Be still. And say with faith: “Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom God’s love commits me here, ever this day be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide.” Because even if you do not see him... God has already placed someone at your side.

#GuardianAngel #faith #catholicfaith #guardianangels1

Upcoming.

- Sunday, April 12th Most Holy Redeemer Ogema Dinner
- Sunday April 12th Beautiful Savior Luthern Church 11:00-2:00 Free will Offering
- Wednesday, April 15th 11am, Church cleaning followed by potluck lunch.
- Wednesday, April 15th Callaway Daze 5:30 pm St Joseph Fellowship Hall
- Sunday, April 19th Christian Mothers Meeting after Mass
- Tuesday, April 21st KC meeting in Lake Park Meal at 6:30 meeting at 7pm

Upcoming Fellowship



- April 5th No Fellowship Easter Sunday
- April 12th No Fellowship, Most Holy Redeemer Ogema Dinner

- April 19th St Rachel Circle Brunch Fundraiser
- April 26th St Therea’s Circle Bake Sale
- May 3rd Damian & Carol Fellowship
- May 10th NO Fellowship Mothers Day
- May 17th **OPEN**
- May 24th **Open**
- May 31st **Open**

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Food Shelf Bags

During the month of April, there will be the brown paper bags available to fill with non perishable food to help restock the food pantry.

The bags will be taken to the food shelf after the last Sunday in April.

SIGNS YOU’RE A BETTER CATHOLIC THAN YOU THINK



YOU KEEP GOING BACK TO CONFESSION.
Even when it’s the same sins. Especially when it’s the same sins.



YOU SHOW UP TO MASS WHEN YOU DON’T FEEL LIKE IT.
Faithfulness > feelings.



YOU FEEL SPIRITUALLY DRY BUT STAY ANYWAY.
Staying faithful in dryness is mature love, not weak faith.



YOU WRESTLE WITH CHURCH TEACHING INSTEAD OF WALKING AWAY.
Staying in the tension is a sign you’re taking truth seriously.



YOU FEEL BAD AFTER YOU SIN.
That tug on your conscience? That’s grace at work. Indifference is far more dangerous than struggle.



YOU CARE THAT YOUR PRAYER LIFE ISN’T “GOOD ENOUGH.”
The fact that you want deeper prayer already shows love.