ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

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If you are a visitor to St. Elizabeth's, we sincerely welcome you. Perhaps you live in the neighborhood or nearby area and decided to drop in, or you are visiting from another parish. Whatever the case, we are glad you are here to join us in worship of Jesus Christ our Lord. For more information about our parish, to register, or to ask a question, please visit our website at stlizdilworth.org or call our parish office.

MISSION STATEMENT:

We are a people called by God to become the Body of Christ through Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist, forming the faith community of St. Elizabeth, belonging to the Diocese of Crookston and to the Universal Roman Catholic Church. Our mission is to have a living active faith, with Jesus as the center of our faith community, affirming love and a compassionate concern for each other and for our brothers and sisters all over the world.

STAFF:

<u>Pastor</u>: Fr. Augie Gothman Email: <u>AGothman@crookston.org</u> <u>Deacon:</u> Deacon Dean Roberts Email: <u>DeaconDean@stlizdilworth.org</u>

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Parish Office 9:00 AM-NOON Mon. through Thurs.

Parish Office is closed Friday.

In an emergency call 218-443-6275 (Fr. Augie)



PARISH SCHEDULE

MASS TIMES: Sunday at 8:30 AM EUCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Monday 9:30am-6:00pm

HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION: See parish bulletin.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Before Mass 7:45 – 8:15 am or by appointment

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:

Call the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Contact St. Elizabeth parish office at least six months prior to planned wedding date.

FAITH FORMATION – RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

Schedule will be given to families.

<u>PASTORAL VISITATION:</u> If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of the sick, please call the office at 218-287-2705. We want to be a part of your life.

2025

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MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Nov 23, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth Sunday, Nov 23, 10:30am-St. Andrew Sunday, Nov 30, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth Sunday, Nov 30, 10:30am-St. Andrew + David Caspers Father Augie + Lois Wiebolt Parishioners

Bible Readings for this Week (Nov 24 – Nov 30)

Mon: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20 / Lk 21:1-4 **Tues:** Dn 2:31-45 / Lk 21:5-11

Wed: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28 / Lk 21:12-19

Thur: Dn 6:12-28 / Lk 21:20-28 Fri: Dn 7:2-14 / Lk 21:29-33 Sat: Dn 7:15-17 / Lk 21:34-36

Sun: Is 2:1-5 / Rom 13:11-14 / Mt 24:37-44

November 23, 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"...giving thanks to the Father, who has made you fit to share in the inheritance of the holy ones in light."

Colossians 1:12

God wants us to be happy! Instead of looking at the Ten Commandments as being restrictive and telling us what we can't do, look at them as guides for living a joy-filled and peaceful life. Most of our problems arise when we put our own needs first or we spend most of our time trying to acquire more stuff. Instead, try putting God first in all things. We were made for God. Open your heart and let Him in!

Our Love and Prayers go out to...

We want to hold one another in prayer, especially *Marsha Cerar* and all those who struggle with illness and those who have asked for our prayers. "May you touch them and heal them, O Lord!"

VICTIM ASSISTANCE 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 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).

"Stewardship Opens the Door of Faith to a Lifelong Journey"

Stewardship of Treasure November 16, 2025

Adults: \$ 1,007.00 Loose Plate: \$ 72.00 Online Giving: \$ 550.00

Total Sunday Offering: \$ 1,629.00

Alley: \$ 110.00 Building: \$ 72.00

Mass Attendance – 118

Online giving is a safe and easy way to support our parish and its ministries. Start today by visiting www.stlizdilworth.org and click on the DONATE ONLINE at the top of the webpage.

Liturgical Assignments for November 30

Altar Servers	Jacob Schmitz
	Sam Schmitz
Ministers of Holy CommunionDeacon	
	Ralph Mitchell, Beth McManus
Lectors	Frank Gross, Kathy Bresee
Ushers	Mike Leichtenberg, Mark Sloan
Giftbearers	Dan & Lorna Arel
Music	Kevin / Dave

Please be generous in today's second collection for the **Catholic Campaign for Human Development**. In the United States, one in seven people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25 percent of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and work on the margins.

St Mary's Mission Appeal

Please give generously November 30, 2025



Today's Reading

In the story of Jesus' last minutes on earth, a number of people take a final shot at the suffering Son of God. Even as He prepares Himself to die for our sins, people are still so

self-absorbed, so addicted to unloving judgeship that they vent their anger at Jesus. However, this story of the bad guys at Calvary isn't told to wag a scolding finger at these unnamed sinners of yesteryear. Rather, it invites us to reflect on our own relationship with the One we call King. Do we name him as did the jeering crowds, the soldiers, and the thief? Is there an element of mockery or world-weary acceptance in our voice? Or is our naming Christ as King, a true call of love, devotion, and servitude. We sing His praise as King today, but how do we really name the King to whom we sing.



Christ The King Sunday is celebrated on the last Sunday of Ordinary Time, before the beginning of Advent that starts the new Church Year. As the last Sunday of the Christian Church Year, Christ the King Sunday is the climax and conclusion of the Church's

liturgical journey through the life of Christ and the Gospel message. Its purpose is to celebrate the coming reign of Christ as King of the Earth and his completion of the renewed creation that marks the fullness of the Kingdom of God. That hope is born from the entire life of Christ and his teachings that have been celebrated in the seasons of the Church Year during the past twelve months. In celebrating the Reign of Christ the King, this Sunday also provides an appropriate bridge to the new Church Year that begins the following Sunday on the first Sunday of Advent with an emphasis on hope and expectation, the longing for the coming of the Kingdom of God amid the darkness of a sinful world. As such a bridge between the completed year and the beginning of a new year, Christ the King services often use Scripture and song to provide both a retrospective and introductory overview of the journey through the life of Christ and the Gospel message that the Seasons of the Church Year provides. This offers not only an opportunity for a worshipful reflection on the significance of the life of Christ, it also presents an opportunity to remind people of the meaning of the various seasons of the Church Year.

During the Month of All Souls (November), many parishes have the custom of giving a place of honor to a book in which community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead. The Book of Remembrance was inspired by the ancient practice of recording the dates of the deaths of loved ones in a necrology, a public record or registry of death. This practice provides the living with an opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief. The Book of Remembrance is usually displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Our Book of Remembrance will be located at the entrance of the church on the pedestal.

- ❖ We will be taking down the Fall decorations after Mass. All help will be welcome. Looking ahead – we will be decorating for Christmas after Mass on Dec 21st. Mark your calendars now! Thank you!
- ❖ The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, Nov 25th here at the church. Contact Craig Larson to make an appointment. 218.289.3872
- **❖** Beginning Monday, December 1 we will resume our daily morning Mass at 9:00 am. All are welcome to attend!!
- ❖ Pick up your 2026 calendar



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Monday, December 8 9:00 am St. Elizabeth 5:30 pm St Elizabeth 7:00 pm St. Andrew

Attention Sunday morning RE parents:

We are no longer allowed to release the children to the parking lot, therefore you will need to come in to the classroom to pick up your child. Thank you for understanding. Also, the children will be singing a song after Mass on Sunday, Dec 14th.

Advent High School Retreat: Reason for Hope December 13th - 14th

Are you a high schooler that is desiring to learn more about your faith? Have you had an encounter with the Lord that you desire to deepen? This retreat is for you! These 24-hour retreats are inspired by 1 Peter 3:15 "But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect." Contact Kaylie if interested in attending.

2025 Diocesan Annual Appeal (DAA). Our theme is "A Future Full of Hope", which is an invitation to give the gift of hope today. Our DAA goal this year is \$975,000. This goal is shared and pro-rated among our 66 parishes. St. Elizabeth's goal for 2025 is \$13,524. As of November 12, 2025, St. Elizabeth's has reached \$11,760.00. We are just \$1,764.00 from reaching our goal! Please prayerfully consider a donation to the DAA.

St. Mary's Mission Annual Appeal Nov. 29-30
The St. Mary's Mission Appeal annual collection is on November 30 at Diocese of Crookston parishes. Each year, churches and individuals across the diocese contribute significantly to the spiritual, educational, and physical needs of the children and families of St. Mary's Mission of the Red Lake Nation. Just this past spring, 17 students were baptized. Your generous gift is transforming lives! You may support the work of St. Mary's Mission through the mailing you received, the collection on November 30 in your parish, or online at northlandccf.org/smma.

Advent Giving Tree Returns

As we prepare our hearts for the Advent season, we are excited to announce the return of our Advent Giving Tree, which will be set up in The Gathering Place beginning the week after Thanksgiving. This cherished tradition is a beautiful way for our community to come together and share the spirit of giving with those in need. This year, we are honored to support the Women's Care Centers of Fargo and Moorhead, organizations that provide compassionate care and essential resources to women and families in our community. We invite you to take a tag from the Giving Tree and help us collect much-needed items for mothers, fathers, and their little ones. Your generosity will make a meaningful difference in the lives of families during this special season. Items Needed This Year: • Newborn neutral-colored onesies (Newborn, 0–3 months) • Diapers (Newborn, Size 4, Size 6) • Wipes for sensitive skin • 2- or 3-piece cool weather outfits for: Little boys (0-6 mo, 6-12 mo, 12 24 mo, 2T-3T, 4T-5T) o Little girls (same sizes as above) • Newborn white socks (0-3 months) • Dr. Brown's or Avent original/anticolic baby bottles (8/9 oz) • Johnson's or Aveeno baby lotion, body wash, or shampoo • Backpack diaper bags • Baby grooming kits • Baby carriers • Boppy pillows.

Please drop off purchased items at the parish office before Thursday, December 18th. Let us come together to share love, warmth, and hope this Advent season. Thank you for being a blessing to others!

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:

The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Jon Lindquist, Nov 16, 2025. Congratulations!

Don't just drive, pray while you go! Use your drive time to grow closer to Christ. Real Presence Radio is the perfect travel companion, whether you're headed across town or across the state. With Catholic programming, prayer, and reflection, your drive time can become grace-filled time. Listen on the app, online, or on your local station, 1280/98.3!

Sanford Fargo Hospice invites you to our first annual Blue Christmas Service. The beauty of the holiday season can sometimes remind us of the people we have lost or the losses we have suffered. If you are missing the joy of the season, we invite you to join Sanford Fargo Hospice for a *Blue Christmas Service*, a time set aside for reflection, comfort, peace, and hope. Come as you are to a gentle service of healing and remembrance for all who are experiencing loss or a difficulty this season. When: Tuesday, **December 9**th at 5:30pm. Where: James Carlson Public Library Community Room, 2801 32nd Ave S, Fargo. No RSVP required. If you have any questions, please call Sanford Fargo Hospice at 701-234-7550.

Come enjoy a night of faith and fellowship at Real Presence Radio's Fundraising Banquets! Join us in Grand Forks with keynote speaker Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers on Tuesday, **December 2**, 2025, or in Fargo with keynote speaker Dr. David Anders on Monday, **February 2**, 2026. Reserve your spot today by calling Sunshine Diem at 701-960-0453 for details!

8th Annual Family Christmas Ball! - Friday, December 19th, 6:00pm-10pm, St. Mary's Cathedral Basement. Come join us for fun FREE night of Waltzes, Foxtrots, and

Come join us for fun FREE night of Waltzes, Foxtrots, and Swing! Bring a snack to share. All ages are welcome, and attire is formal. If you want a few lessons to brush up on your skills, Free lessons in the Cathedral Basement will be offered: Sun. Nov. 23rd 11:15am – Waltz; Sun. Nov. 30th – Foxtrot 11:15am; Sun. Dec. 14th 11:15am – Swing. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany

Goering: goeringtiffany@gmail.com, 701-388-6362

99th Annual Concordia Christmas Concert tickets on sale. Experience the region's grandest musical tradition performed by nearly 350 student musicians. "Welcome All Wonders!" will feature three choirs and a 90-piece symphony orchestra and will be performed in front of a magnificent 140'- wide mural. Concert dates are December 5, 6 and 7. For tickets, visit ConcordiaChristmas.com.

The saying goes "when the going gets tough, the tough get going." Do you know what to do in times of trouble? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for January 23-25, 2026, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

Coming Soon! Cookie and Candy Walk

Catholic Daughters of the Americas invites you to fill a box with a great variety of homemade cookies, candy and more at our annual *Cookie and Candy Walk*. Premade trays will also be available.

Saturday, December 13
Starting at 10:00 a.m.
St. Joseph's Gathering Place
1005 2nd Ave S, Moorhead

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 210 5th Ave W in West Fargo is hosting their 46th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Thursday, November 27 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Turkey and all the fixings! Free will offering. Take-out is available. No deliveries. Join in the Thanksgiving spirit and eat your meal at Blessed Sacrament.

Catholic Daughters Court St. Mary #509 is sponsoring a Junior Catholic Daughters Court for girls aged 6-18. The motto of "Be Useful" along with the goals of "Love God, Serve Others and Live Nobly" is our focus. For more information, contact Sara Miller 701-541-1044 or Mary Pufall 218-686-4852.

<u>Pre-Marriage Retreats: February 28 – March 1, 2026</u>

All engaged couples are invited to attend a Pre-Marriage Retreat, *Transformed in Love*, hosted by the Diocese of Crookston. The Pre-Marriage Retreat will be held at the Diocese of Crookston Nazareth Retreat House, 620 Summit Ave N, Crookston MN 56716. It begins on Saturday at 11:00am with Mass and concludes on Sunday afternoon at 3:00pm. Two private bedrooms, meals, and materials will be provided for the couples on site at the Nazareth Retreat House. Register at: crookston.org

As Thanksgiving approaches, we are reminded of the power of community, compassion and a shared meal. With the ever-growing number of neighbors seeking food and with cold weather coming, Churches United expects high numbers this Thanksgiving. You are invited to help them serve or provide thanksgiving meals at Micah's Mission. A generous donor donated pre-cooked turkeys. This could be preparing a favorite dish, donating ingredients, or volunteering to serve. Your support helps create a holiday filled with gratitude for our community members. If you or a group would like to get involved, please reach out to Stephanie to coordinate at 218-656-7540 or stephanier@churches-united.org

Jesus was pleased with the 2nd man. Jesus told him ...

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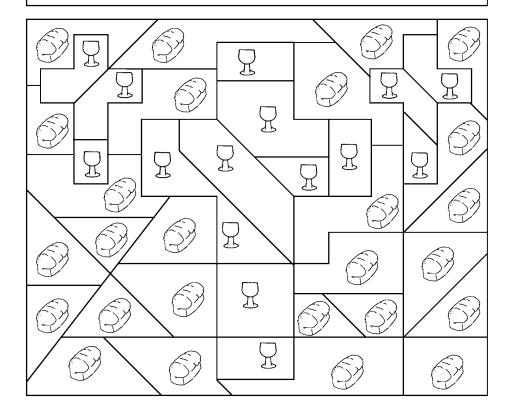
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Two Criminals Talk to Jesus

Jesus was on the cross. 2 other men were on crosses beside Him.

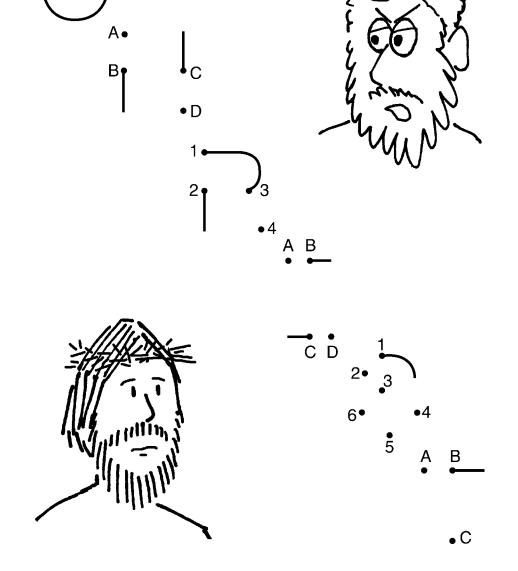
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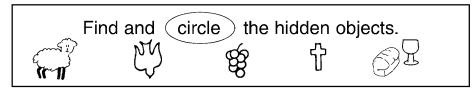


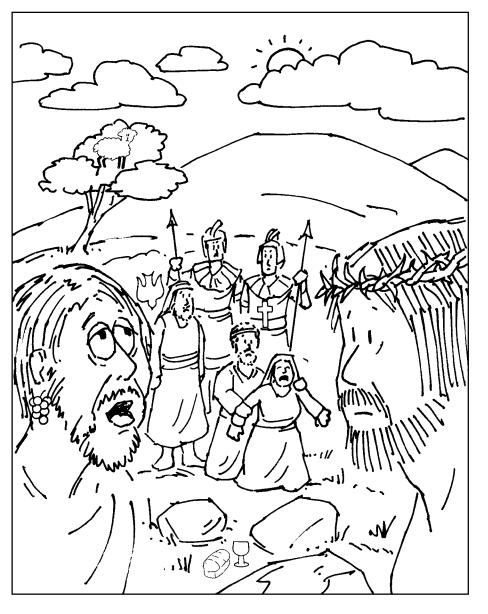
One man insulted Jesus. He said, "If You are the Christ, save Yourself and us!"

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The other man said, "Remember me in Your kingdom."









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