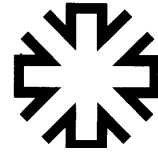


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If you are a visitor to St. Elizabeth's, we sincerely welcome you. Perhaps you live in the neighborhood or nearby area and decided to drop in, or you are visiting from another parish. Whatever the case, we are glad you are here to join us in worship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

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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**

St. Elizabeth - Monday and Wednesday 9:00 AM

St. Andrew - Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 AM

EUCCHARISTIC 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.

PASTORAL VISITATION: 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.

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THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 14, 2025

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, Dec 14, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	Parishioners
Sunday, Dec 14, 10:30am-St. Andrew	+ Pat Fridgen
Monday, Dec 15, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth Phil & Dorothy Huck Family	
Tuesday, Dec 16, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Prayers of St. Joseph
Wednesday, Dec 17, 9:00am-St. Eliz	Prayers of the Blessed Mother
Thursday, Dec 18, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Prayers of St. Jude
Sunday, Dec 21, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Fr. William Caspers
Sunday, Dec 21, 10:30am-St. Andrew	Parishioners

Bible Readings for this Week (Dec 15 – Dec 21)**Mon:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a / Mt 21:23-27**Tues:** Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Mt 21:28-32**Wed:** Gn 49:2, 8-10 / Mt 1:1-17**Thur:** Jer 23:5-8 / Mt 1:18-25**Fri:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a / Lk 1:5-25**Sat:** Is 7:10-14 / Lk 1:26-38**Sun:** Is 7:10-14 / Rom 1:1-7 / Mt 1:18-24**December 14, 2025 - Third Sunday of Advent**

"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10

Do you bear good fruit for Jesus? Do you spend time in prayer or do you waste it with mindless activity? Do you use your talent to help others or are you too busy? Do you use your treasure to support the Church or do you buy more things that go unused. Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season

Our Love and Prayers go out to...

We want to hold one another in prayer, especially 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 December 7, 2025

Adults: \$ 1,782.00
 Loose Plate: \$ 107.00
 Online Giving: \$ 590.00
 Total Sunday Offering: **\$ 2,479.00**
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Mass Attendance – 97

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Liturgical Assignments for December 21

Altar Servers.....Jacob Schmitz
 Sam Schmitz
 Ministers of Holy Communion.....Deacon
 Greg & Lisa Schmitz
 Lectors..... Frank Gross. Kathy Bresee
 Ushers.....Craig & Mary Jo Larson
 Giftbearers.....Chuck & Julie Breid
 Music.....Kevin / Dave

This morning's special collection supports the **Retirement Fund for Religious**, which helps more than 20,500 elderly sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who have spent their lives in service—many receiving little to no pay. Now, their communities struggle to meet their basic care, medication, and daily living needs. Your generosity ensures they can age with dignity. Please give in gratitude for their lifelong commitment.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 14, 2025

Today's Reading A precious guest is coming—now is the time to prepare! It is a season for cleaning houses and hearts, readying ourselves for the coming Messiah. Blow away the dust of apathy, scrub off the grime of selfish pursuits, shine the bright light of God's Spirit in every corner, purging the sin and stain away. Make the chambers a welcoming place of warmth and hope, charity and love, forgiveness, and unity. *Prepare for your King—He is coming soon. Maranatha!*

- ❖ Looking ahead – **we will be decorating for Christmas after Mass on Dec 21st.** Mark your calendars now ! Thank you !
- ❖ **Pick up your 2026 calendar**
- ❖ **Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast - This morning - December 14th**

Reconciliation

Advent is a time to be reconciled with God and one another. So often we carry around hurts and grudges and we never let them go. Now is the time to forgive, and to seek forgiveness. We have added in the following times and days for confessions at St. Elizabeth's: (*please mark your calendars*)

Dec 18 Thursday	10:00 – 7:00pm	(St. Joseph's)
Dec 20 Saturday	12:00 – 2:00pm	
Dec 23 Tuesday	4:00 – 7:00pm	



In past years, St. Elizabeth's parishioners have been generous in purchasing gifts for our Giving Tree. This year's gifts will be for the **Women's Care Center** which is displayed in the Gathering Place. If you take a slip from the tree, we ask that you return it **No Later Than Thursday, Dec 18th.** Gifts for the **Women's Care Center** do not need to be wrapped. Thank you !



St. Elizabeth Centennial Cookbooks are for sale in the parish office. Cost is \$5 for each book. They make great Christmas gifts! If interested, please contact the parish office at 287-2705.

- ❖ Have you moved? Have you dropped your land line or changed your phone number / cell number? If so, please contact Karen in the parish office so we can update our records. Thank you !

Socks for Vets

The Knights of Columbus will be conducting a '**Socks for Vets**' drive during December. If you care to donate socks, please place them in the basket in the back of the church. All socks will be given to our area veterans.

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:

The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Bryan Houts, Dec 7, 2025. Congratulations!

46th Annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner

January 27, 2026

St. Francis de Sales Church

Social starts at 5:30pm Dinner at 6:30pm

Keynote speaker: Chloe Krammer-Women's Care Center

Sponsorship \$250 for Table of 8

Includes 2 drink tickets

Individual tickets: \$30.00

St. Monica's Daycare

St. Monica's Montessori is excited to announce our new year-round daycare program for children ages 18 months–3 years. Rooted in our faith-centered worldview, this program provides a nurturing, hands-on environment designed to spark curiosity and support early growth. While distinct from our formal Montessori classrooms, it reflects the same values of respect, exploration, and joyful learning that define our school community. For more information, please contact us at info@stmonicasfargo.com.

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
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What did the prophets say about John?

John came to prepare the way before Jesus.
What did the prophets say he was?

Match and trace the letters.



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December 14, 2025 • Matthew 11:2-11

John the Baptist and Jesus

John the Baptist sent his followers to Jesus.

Help John's men get to Jesus.

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They asked Jesus a question.
“Are You the Christ?”

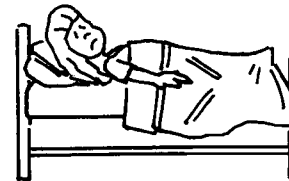
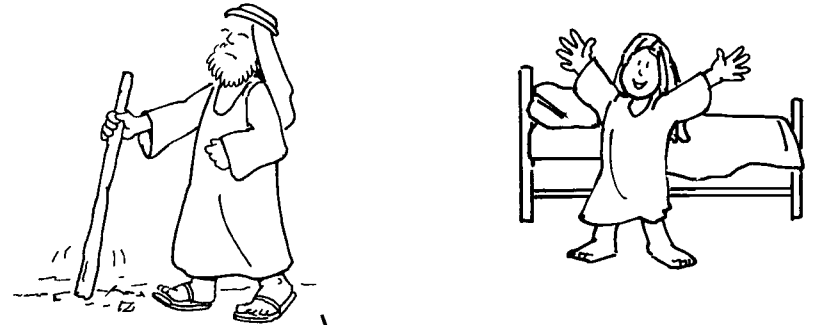


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Jesus said,
“Tell John what you have seen.”

Match the opposites.



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