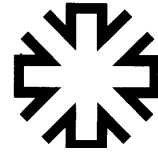


ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

*St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church
207 North Main Street, PO Box 307
Dilworth, MN 56529-0307*



"A Place Where All Are Welcome."

Established 1910

www.stlizedilworth.org

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:

Pastor: Fr. Augie Gothman

Email: AGothman@crookston.org

Deacon: Deacon Dean Roberts

Email: d_11_27@yahoo.com

Parish Office: 218-287-2705

Website: www.stlizedilworth.org

Secretary/Bookkeeper: Karen Thom

Email: karen@stlizedilworth.org

R.E. Coordinator: Kaylie Hanson

Email: kaylie@saintelizabethdilworth.org

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.

2025

TRUSTEES

Ken Wirtz

Julie Nash

FINANCE COUNCIL

John Kuhn

Brad Sylliaasen

Craig Larson

MAINTENANCE COMMITTEE

Frank Gross

Gerald Zimmer

Ken Wirtz

Craig Larson

Chuck Breid

***THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 28, 2025***

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, Dec 28, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	Parishioners
Sunday, Dec 28, 10:30am-St. Andrew	+ Randall Chisholm
Monday, Dec 29, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth	NO MASS
Tuesday, Dec 30, 9:00am-St. Andrew	NO MASS
Wednesday, Dec 31, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth	NO MASS
Thursday, Jan 1, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Geneva Busko
Thursday, Jan 1, 10:30am-St. Andrew	+ Robert Bjerke
Sunday, Jan 4, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Milo & Lucille Winter
Sunday, Jan 4, 10:30am-St. Andrew	Parishioners

Bible Readings for this Week (Dec 29 – Jan 4)

Mon: 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35
Tues: 1 Jn 2:12-17 / Lk 2:36-40
Wed: 1 Jn 2:18-21 / Jn 1:1-18
Thur: Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21
Fri: 1 Jn 2:22-28 / Jn 1:19-28
Sat: 1 Jn 2:29—3:6 / Jn 1:29-34
Sun: Is 60:1-6 / Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6 / Mt 2:1-12

December 28, 2025 – The Holy Family

“And whatever you do, in word or in deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.” Colossians 3:17

Giving thanks to God and using our words and actions to give all glory to God is the foundation of living a stewardship lifestyle. We were made in God’s image and likeness, gratitude and generosity is in our DNA. As beloved sons and daughters of God, we are all part of God’s family. Using our gifts to help others is our gift back to God and helps grow the Body of Christ here on earth and establishes a pathway to Heaven for each of us.

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).

***THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 28, 2025***

“Stewardship Opens the Door of Faith to a Lifelong Journey”

Stewardship of Treasure December 21, 2025

Adults: \$ 1,659.00
 Loose Plate: \$ 87.00
 Online Giving: \$ 445.00
Total Sunday Offering: \$ 2,191.00
 Building: \$ 30.00

Mass Attendance – 119

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

Liturgical Assignments for January 4

Altar Servers.....Zoey Malvin
 Peyton Purser
 Ministers of Holy Communion.....Deacon
 Craig & Mary Jo Larson
 Lectors..... Kathy Bresee, Frank Gross
 Ushers.....Erik Jones, Paul Svir
 Giftbearers.....Allen & Sue Grove
 Music.....Ashton / Nora

Contributions

The end of the year is near. You might want to consider an extra donation to the **CHURCH** for that little extra tax deduction in 2025. During this season, please consider demonstrating appreciation for your own good fortune or good health by making an additional contribution or, if you have not done so already, by committing to a consistent giving plan. We’d also like to say **THANK YOU** for your support all year long!

❖ **The Parish Office** will be **CLOSED** Thursday, Jan 1, 2026.



TODAY'S GOSPEL READING When the Bible says holy it means 'separate' or 'different.' The word implies being healthy and whole in a world where much is un-healthy and fragmented. Family holiness includes humor and laughter, compassion and understanding, and the capacity to forgive and be forgiven, to love and be loved. That's holiness. Holy families are not free from conflict, nor are they free from pain. Holiness in families, rather, comes from learning to forgive and to be reconciled, and learning to face our problems and do something about them. In family life, *holy* means striving to surrender to God's light within us when the darkness around us seems overwhelming. It means struggling day after day to bring creative order - if only a bit of it - to the chaos in our lives. When we work at cultivating forgiveness, reconciliation, and community, we embody God's holy will in the context of family life. Consider it with prayer and hope this week. Is your family a holy family?



Thank you to everyone who donated money for the beautiful Poinsettias that adorn the worship space. The flowers are a wonderful reminder to us all that our loved ones who have passed on are always with us in spirit...especially as we worship.

Mass Intentions! If you would like to have Masses said for deceased or living family members, please send your intentions to the parish office. Mass stipends are \$10 per Mass.

- ❖ 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 !

Winter Weather Policy

In the event of significant winter weather, our policy will be keyed to other institutions in our community.

For example, on weekdays:

- 1) If the public schools have an early dismissal, all evening events or classes are likewise canceled for that day.
- 2) A 2-hour late start for the public schools means no morning Mass on that day, the parish Offices may open, but also 2 hours late (11 a.m.). Evening activities or classes will remain as regularly scheduled.
- 3) If the public schools are closed/canceled for the day, or have an e-learning day at home, there will be no morning Mass, and all evening activities or classes will be canceled.

For example, on weekends:

- 1) If the authorities issue a "no travel advisory," Sunday Mass will be canceled, and parishioners are to stay home and safe. It is well to spend some time in prayer as a family even if you are not able to attend Mass.

In all cases of severe weather closings and cancellations, every effort will be made to announce such on local TV and radio stations KVLV, KFGO, and WDAY, on Facebook and the parish website

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.

Catholic Daughters of America Court St. Mary #509

2 - \$300 Scholarships available for High School Students.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a high school senior
- Must be a confirmed Catholic
- Must be a member of St. Elizabeth's

Scholarship winners will be determined by a random drawing. Deadline to enter is Feb. 28th, 2026. Checks will be made to the college you plan to attend. ***Applications are on the table at the back of the church.***

***THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 28, 2025***



**HOLY MARY, MOTHER OF GOD
HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

January 1, 2026 8:30 am St. Elizabeth's
January 1, 2026 10:30 am St. Andrew's

JANUARY SEPO GROUP

The following is a list of members that are on the SEPO list for January. Chairperson is **Patty Connell**.

Patty Connell	Svir, Paul
Rieder, Pat & Shannon	Swenson, Megan
Rothschadl, Beau & Tara	Swenson, Siri
Schmitz, Greg & Lisa	Thompson, Justin & Rachel
Siggerud, Ryan & Tiffany	Tucker, Darren & Darla
Sloan, Mark & Jocelyn	Wirtz, Ken & Barb
Smyth, Scott & Jennifer	Wyland, Jason & Amanda
Speer, Heather & Bill	Wyland, Jeremy & Brenda
Stock, James & Katie	Zimmel, Gerald & Sue
Strom, Austen & Michaela	Abele, Jeffrey & Becky

JOHN PAUL II Healing Center
Transformation in the Heart of the Church

MARCH 19-21, 2026
St. Joseph's Catholic Church
218 10th St S, Moorhead, MN

Registration Opens Dec. 15th at 10AM ET

REDEEMED
Restoring Your Masculine Identity in Christ

Learn More
jpilhealingcenter.org

Questions: JPILRetreatMoorheadMN@gmail.com

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:

The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Fr. Michael Arel, Dec 21, 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.

New Life Center is in the process of preparing a temporary winter warming shelter so they can safely house more guests overnight during the cold months ahead. One of their most urgent needs right now is quilts for this temporary shelter. Here's what they're looking for:

1. Type: Standard Quilts
2. Condition: Gently used, or new
3. Size: Full size or Twin XL will be accepted
4. Quantity needed: 60 quilts total

If you can donate even one quilt, it would be greatly appreciated. Donations can come from you personally, or if you think your church or another community group might be willing to contribute, let me know. We are hoping to gather all quilt donations before December 18th. If you're interested in helping in any way, please contact Melissa at 701-532-4445.

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 28, 2025**

Sacred Items of Olive Wood - Sales at West Acres Mall
Our friends from the Holy Land are selling their olive wood products at West Acres Mall, Fargo near the food court. Please consider buying some of your Christmas gifts from them. As you may know the war in the Holy Land started on 10/7/23 and is still going on. Most of the Christians in the Holy Land working in the tourism industry as a result of the war have their only income from olive wood sales to Christian families abroad. We appreciate your support.

I am reaching out today to introduce myself and let you know that after a brief absence, the counseling program at **Catholic Charities ND** is available for in person sessions in the Fargo office again.

My name is Kathy Johnson, and I have an LPCC license from North Dakota. I am available to meet with clients in the office at 5201 Bishops Avenue Suite B or over telehealth if they are located in North Dakota. I have worked with people of all ages, though my primary focus has been providing trauma informed care to adolescents.

This time of year can bring joy and excitement but can also result in additional stress and increased depression. As the need heightens, please keep me in mind should you have anyone in need of a referral for counseling. I would be happy to meet with them.

Thank you.

Kathy Johnson 701-235-4457 ext. 8405

Are you living the Be-Attitudes? 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.

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.

The Pope's Monthly Intention

For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

Advent is more than a countdown to Christmas

Take time to reflect and grow by listening to Real Presence Radio. Our local programming offers prayerful conversations, teachings, and stories that help you enter the season with intention. Tune in on 98.3 FM / 1280 AM in Fargo or listen online at RealPresenceRadio.com.

"Flannery O'Connor" Book Event by Roxane Salonen
SAVE THE DATE!! Roxane Salonen, author of Finding Flannery, will host a discussion and book signing event at Sts. Anne & Joachim Social Hall on January 13, 2026.

Job Openings at Fargo Diocese

FT Communications Assistant/Assistant Editor for New Earth

PT Formation Assistant for the Office of Youth Discipleship
More information at <https://fargodiocese.net/jobopenings>



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

Alfred & Ann Baumgartner

Given By: Sheri Hanson

Philip Baumgartner

Given By: Sheri Hanson

Darrell Belka

Given By: Shirley Belka

Robert, Adeline and Bill Borowicz

Given By: Craig & Mary Jo Larson

Bresee Family

Given By: Dennis & Kathy Bresee

Catherine Brown

Given By: Lowell & Beverly Brown

Dennis Brown

Given By: Lowell & Beverly Brown

Myron Brown

Given By: Lowell & Beverly Brown

Neil Brown

Given By: Lowell & Beverly Brown

Campbell Families

Given By: Clem Nemeth

Derald Connell

Given By: Patty Connell

Dean Durick

Given By: Jean Durick

Marian Greenwood

Given By: Deacon Rob and Karen Thom

Marge & Kenneth Perkins

Given By: Phillip & Julie Grubb

John Hanson

Given By: Sheri Hanson

Herman Family

Given By: Dennis & Kathy Bresee

Jim Hermann, Jr.

Given By: Debra Hermann

Terry Holm

Given By: Debra Hermann

Dorothy Huck

Given By: Andrew & Jessica Malvin

Tanya Johanson

Given By: Gerald & Carla Ricard

Spencer Johnson

Given By: Jeff & Michelle Swenson

Langseth Families

Given By: Dale & Mary Kay Langseth

Orville, Yvonne, Tonia & Scott Larson

Given By: Craig & Mary Jo Larson

Ted Laugeness

Given By: Shirley Laugeness



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS HAVE BEEN GIVEN IN HONOR/MEMORY OF:

Sid & Diane Lenning

Given By: Jeff & Michelle Swenson

Albert & Gaudentia Mitchell

Given By: Ralph Mitchell

Alfred, Lorraine & Robert Mitchell

Given By: Ralph Mitchell

Susan Mitchell

Given By: Ralph Mitchell

Nemeth Families

Given By: Clem Nemeth

Marge & Kenneth Perkins

Given By: Phillip & Julie Grubb

Norman & Arlene Ricard-Krogstad

Given By: Gerald & Carla Ricard

Elmer & Viola Ricard

Given By: Gerald & Carla Ricard

Susan Ritter

Given By: Amanda & Jason Wyland

Augustin Schmaltz

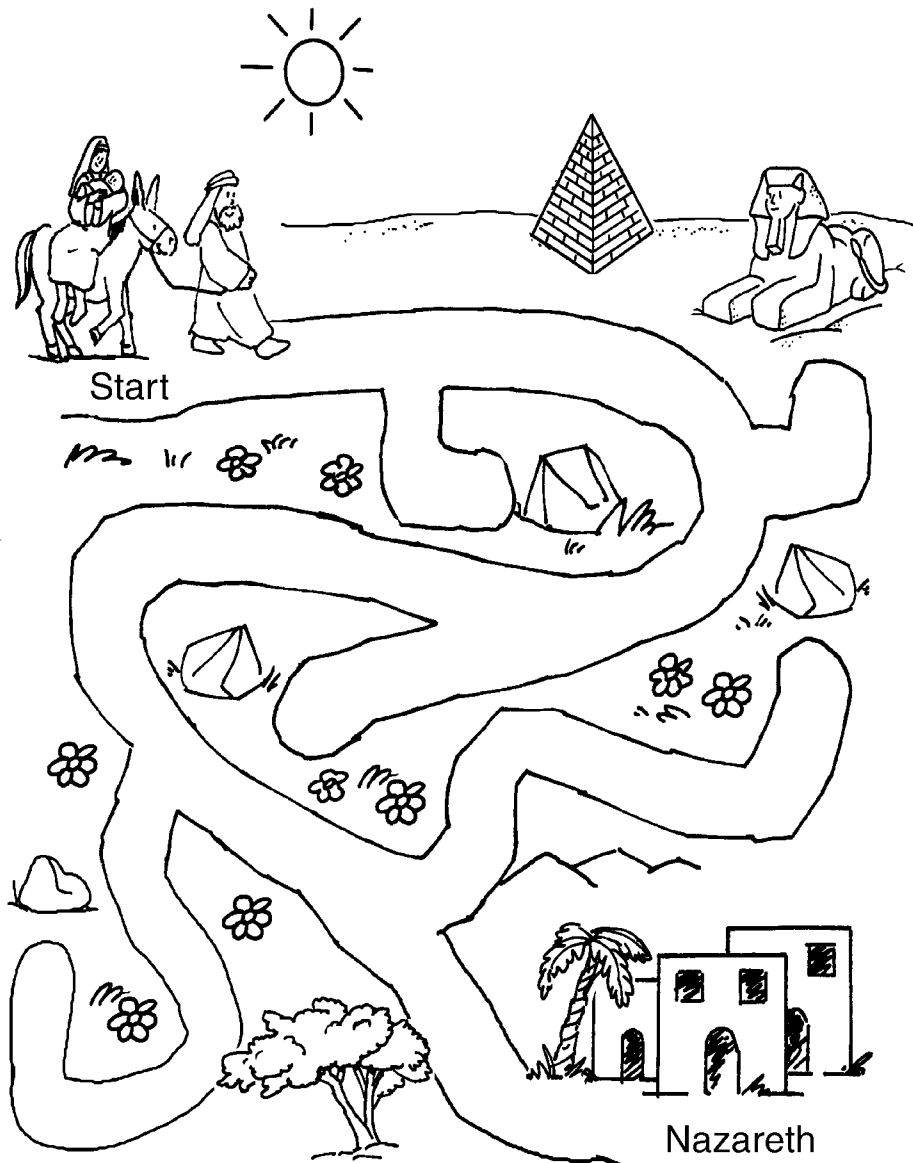
Given By: Shirley Laugeness

Barb Winter

Given By: Amanda & Jason Wyland

Later, Joseph took his family
to Nazareth.

Follow the maze.



Children's Worship Bulletin™



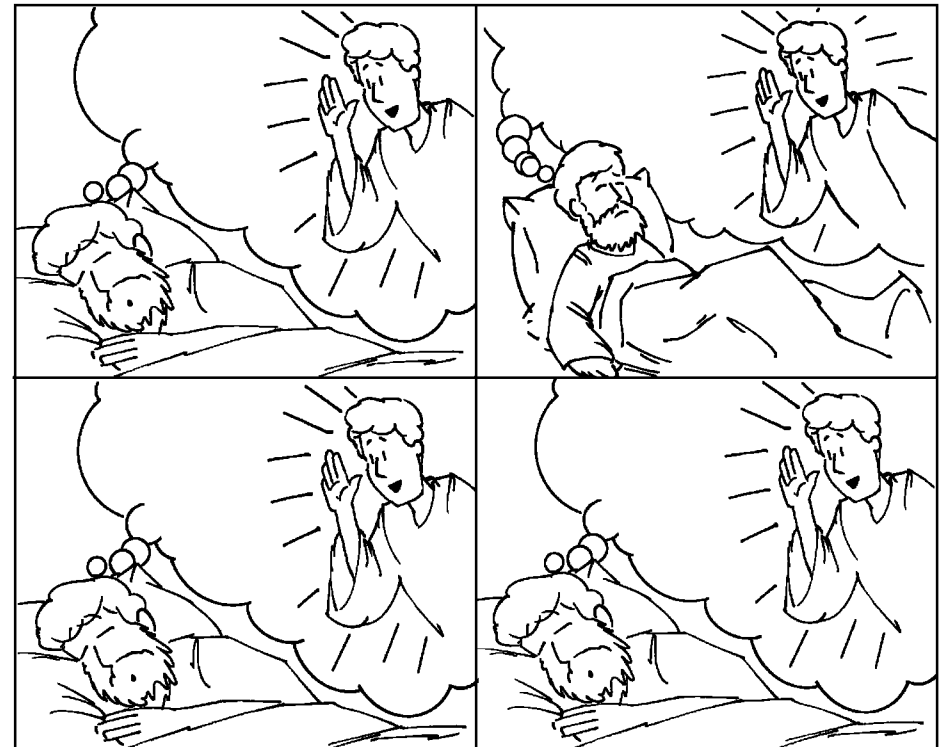
Ages 3+

December 28, 2025 • Matthew 2:13-23

The Escape to Egypt and Return to Nazareth

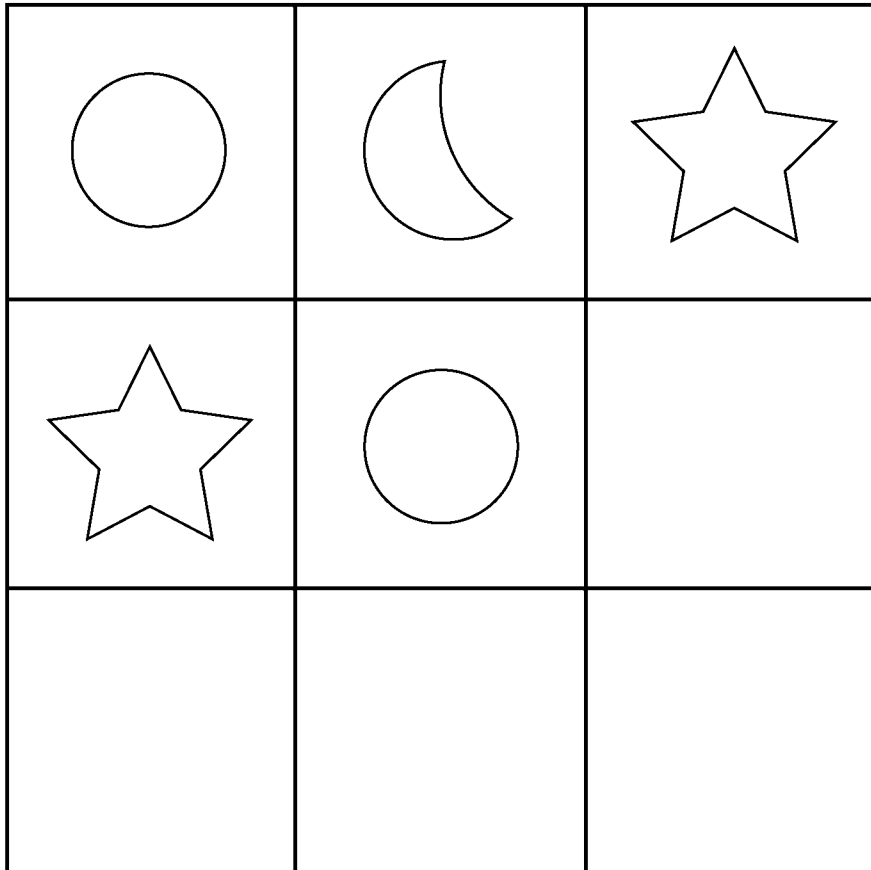
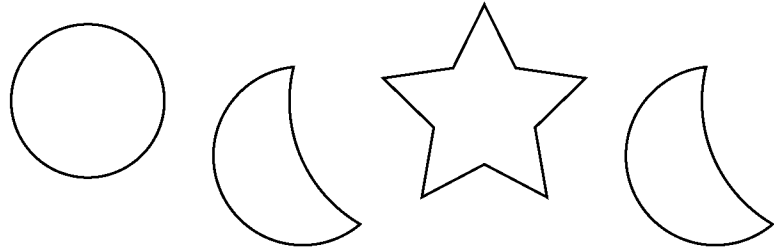
An angel appeared to Joseph. The angel
said Jesus was in danger. Flee to Egypt!

Circle the picture that is different.



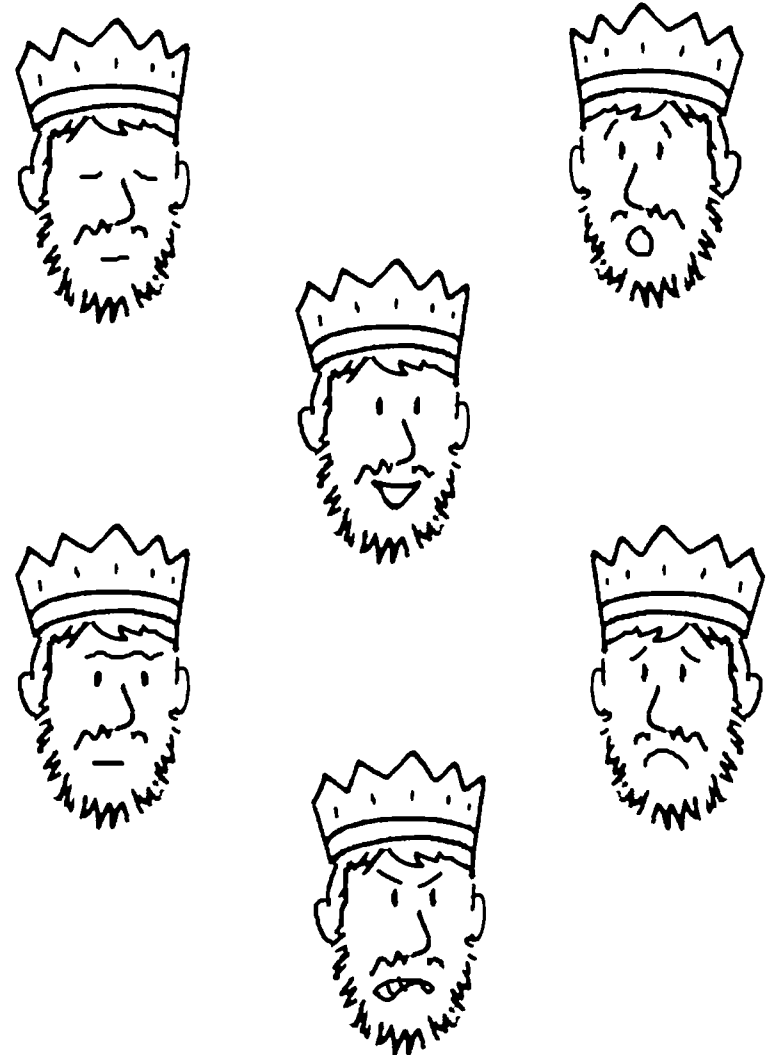
It was night when
Joseph did as the angel had said.

Complete the pattern by drawing
these shapes in the correct boxes.



King Herod did not want
Jesus to be king. When he could not
find Jesus, he was furious!

Circle the picture of furious Herod.



JIM BOULGER
Owner and
Licensed Funeral Director



Caring and Affordable Service for over 100 years!

123 S 10th St • Fargo • 701-237-6441
boulgerfuneralhome.com

Total Balance

Physical Therapy & Fitness

Doctors of Physical Therapy on Staff
"24 Hour Gym"

3501 8th St S
Moorhead, MN 56560
218-422-3343



Where Family Cares for Family

888.378.7373
www.nwbanks.com



"It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth...and the right of every child to be born"

Birthright FM, Inc.
A friend is waiting! "free & confidential"

www.birthrightfm.org

Birthright Of Fargo-Moorhead, Inc. office: 218-477-1977
715 11th St. N. Suite 103c toll free: 800-550-4900
Moorhead, MN 56560 birthrightfm@702com.net

Knights of Columbus

207 N Main
Dilworth, MN
287-2705

Dave Owings - Grand Knight

Join the Knights !



"Great Food"
Banquet/Party Room Available
28 Big Screen TV's

Open 7 Days A Week
218-227-7702
silverspikedilworth.com



Serving When the Need is Greatest
218.233.1533

409 8th St South
Moorhead, MN 56560
korsmofuneralservice.com



Dilworth, MN
218-287-2975

214 15th St NE, Dilworth, MN 56529
(218) 227-7028
info@butcherblockmeatsllc.com

Hours: Mon-Fri 7a-7p
Sat-Sun 9a-5p



BAKERY - MEAT MARKET - DELI

WE CATER FOR ALL EVENTS!

Serving the Red River Valley for over 141 years



MOORHEAD/FARGO
605 Second Ave South
218-233-1321

HAWLEY
404 Leonard Street
218-483-4411

www.wrightfuneral.com

MUDPUMPERS MUDJACKING

Steve Molstre

Industrial – Residential – Farm

Box 611 Moorhead, MN 56561
218-233-2467 * 888-750-2467

**Go Ye and
Bank Locally!**



www.bell.bank | Member FDIC

37293

A special **"thank you"** to the businesses that advertise in our bulletin. We encourage all our readers to patronize these businesses, as their purchase of ad space makes printing our bulletin possible. If you would like to advertise in our bulletin, please call Karen at 287-2705. We reach over 250 households with our monthly mail out bulletin.