



**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).

*“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.stlizdilworth.org](http://www.stlizdilworth.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.

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



**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 KVLY, 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. 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026. Checks will be made to the college you plan to attend. **Applications are on the table at the back of the church.**



**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
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**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!

**46<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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  
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**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](http://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](http://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](http://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**

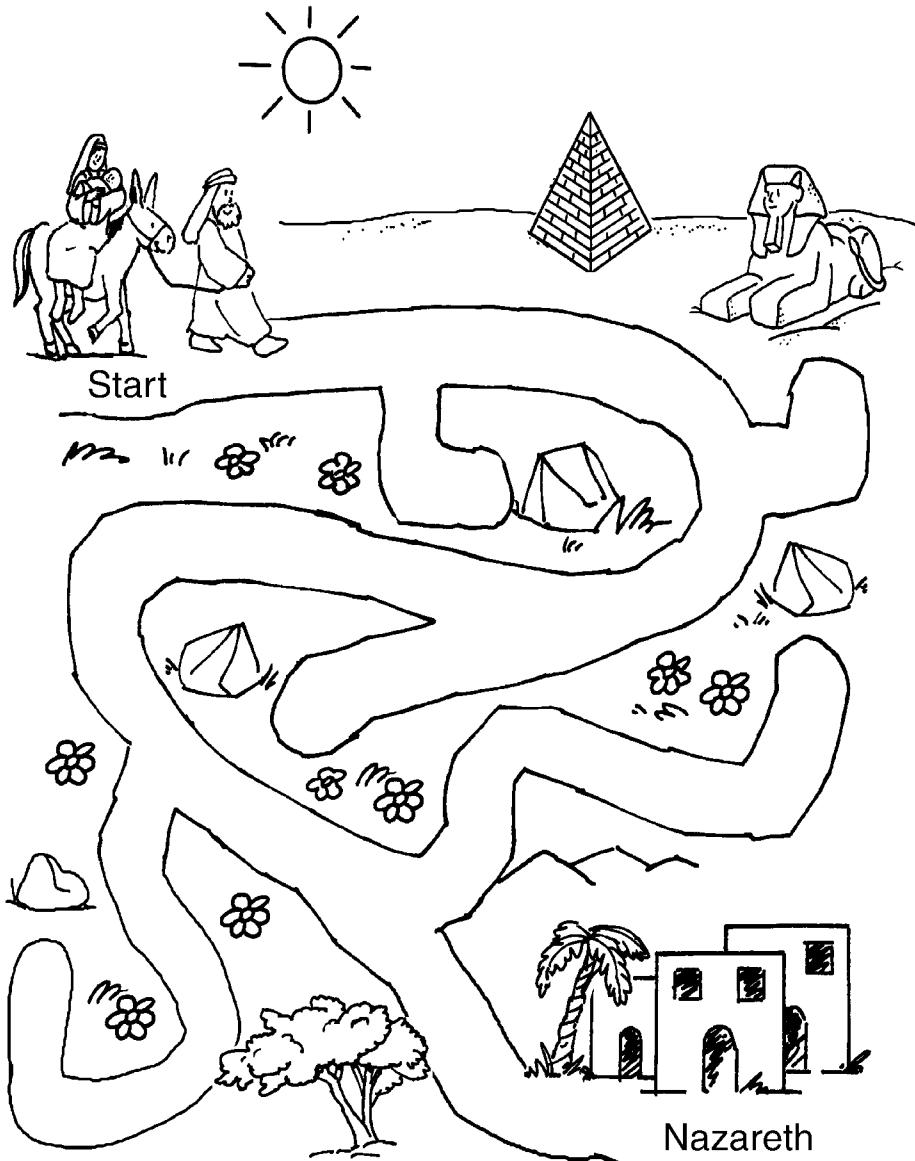
**Given By: Shirley Laugeness**

**Barb Winter**

**Given By: Amanda & Jason Wyland**

Later, Joseph took his family to Nazareth.

Follow the maze.



# Children's Worship Bulletin™



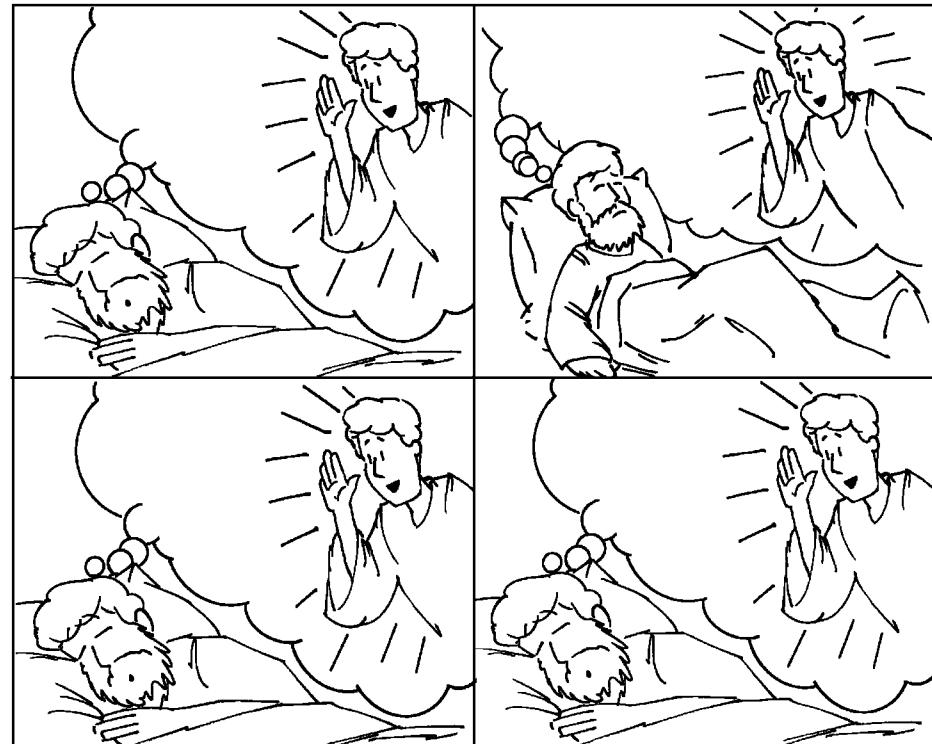
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December 28, 2025 • Matthew 2:13-23

The Escape to Egypt and Return to Nazareth

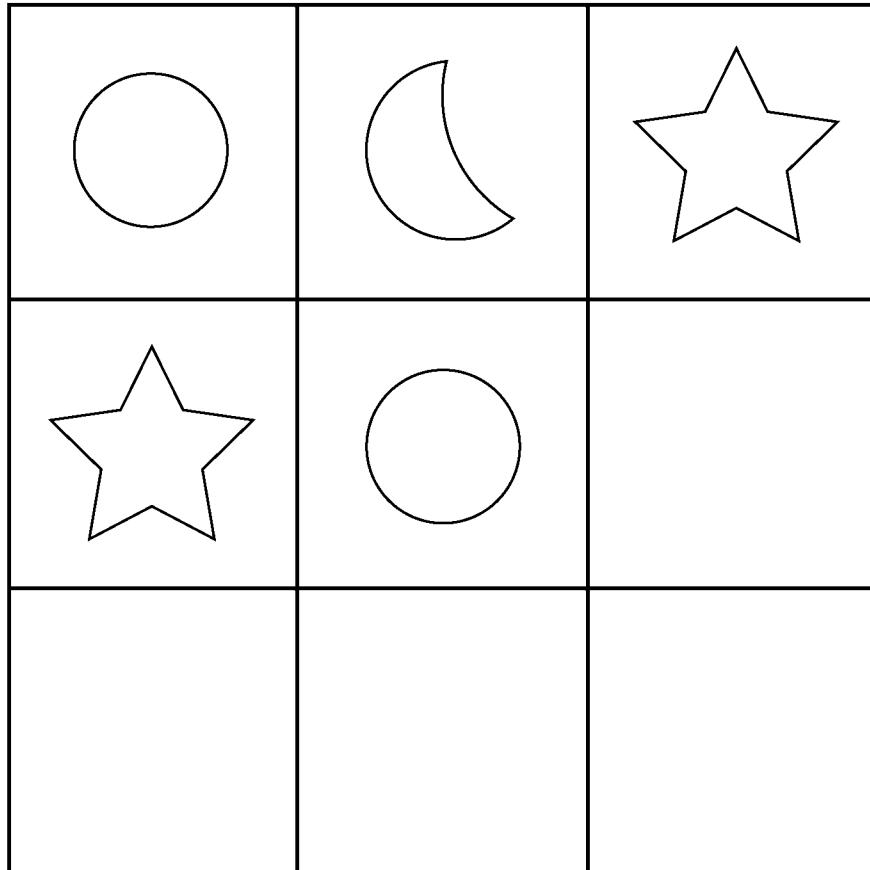
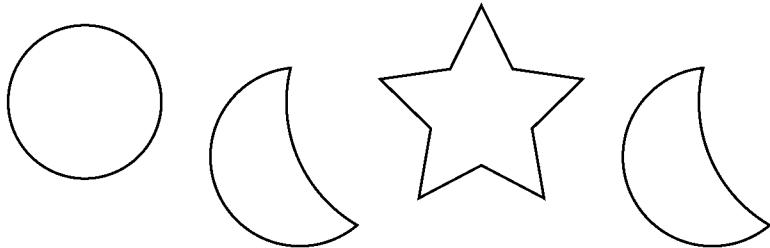
An angel appeared to Joseph. The angel said Jesus was in danger. Flee to Egypt!

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.



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