



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, Jan 4, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Milo & Lucille Winter
Sunday, Jan 4, 10:30am-St. Andrew	Parishioners
Monday, Jan 5, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth	+ Gail Nemeth
Tuesday, Jan 6, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Prayers of St. Jude
Wednesday, Jan 7, 9:00am-St. Eliz	Dwight & Phyllis Thompson Family
Thursday, Jan 8, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Parishioners
Sunday, Jan 11, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Dennis Brown
Sunday, Jan 11, 10:30am-St. Andrew	Brown Family

**Bible Readings for this Week (Jan 5 – Jan 11)**

**Mon:** 1 Jn 3:22—4:6 / Mt 4:12-17, 23-25  
**Tues:** 1 Jn 4:7-10 / Mk 6:34-44  
**Wed:** 1 Jn 4:11-18 / Mk 6:45-52  
**Thur:** 1 Jn 4:19—5:4 / Lk 4:14-22a  
**Fri:** 1 Jn 5:5-13 / Lk 5:12-16  
**Sat:** 1 Jn 5:14-21 / Jn 3:22-30  
**Sun:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7 / Acts 10:34-38 / Mt 3:13-17

**January 4, 2026 - Epiphany of the Lord**

*“Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.”*

*MATTHEW 2:11*

The image of the Magi kneeling before the infant Jesus and opening their treasure chests for Him is an image that we should all try to follow each day. In gratitude for all that we have been given, we are called to generously share all our gifts, not just the ones we pick and choose. God wants us to be generous with everything, but especially that one thing that means the most to you.

**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 28, 2025***

Adults: \$ 1,547.00
Loose Plate: \$ 64.00
Online Giving: \$ 360.00
<b>Total Sunday Offering: \$ 1,971.00</b>

***Stewardship of Treasure December 25, 2025***

Adults: \$ 2,335.00
Loose Plate: \$ 592.00
<b>Total Sunday Offering: \$ 2,927.00</b>

**Mass Attendance – 96**

Mass Attendance (Dec 24) – 254  
 Mass Attendance (Dec 25) – 49

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 11**

Altar Servers.....	Charlie Brantner
.....	Easton Paulson
Ministers of Holy Communion.....	Deacon Ralph Mitchell, Beth McManus
Lectors.....	Julie Nash, Nora Jones
Ushers.....	Chuck Breid, Mark Sloan
Giftbearers.....	Phillip & Julie Grubb
Music.....	Kathy / Ava

**Contributions**

The end of the year is here. 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 EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**  
**JANUARY 4, 2026**

**Today's Gospel Reading**

The scene in Matthew 2:1-12 has popularly been called the Epiphany, which means "showing." Why "showing"? Because God revealed, He showed divine love to humanity through Jesus Christ. And while many of us are not familiar with the definition of Epiphany, we know the story perhaps a little too well. This story of the magi visiting Jesus has ceased to challenge or inspire our Christian walk. Yet the story has much to teach us. The magi sought, and were humbly led, to give homage and honor to Jesus. Today our modern minds lead us in exactly opposite direction. We seek peace and fulfillment through our technology, ingenuity and knowledge. We rely on skill and science, failing to recognize our dependence on God. We have forgotten humility; we have lost our seeking hearts. We no longer seek, we no longer find. God shows, but we no longer look. Make this Epiphany a day of new searching. Look deep into your hearts for God's presence, and if you cannot find him there, set out on a journey anew.

- ❖ 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 !
- ❖ We offer low gluten hosts for Sunday Mass for those who are gluten intolerant. If you, or anyone you know, might be interested in more information, please contact the parish office.

**Have you considered Cursillo?****Upcoming Cursillo Weekends:**

Men: Feb 19-Feb 22, 2026

Women: Mar 19-22, 2026

Applications are available in parish offices.

**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.***

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



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Questions: [JPRIRetreatMoorheadMN@gmail.com](mailto:JPRIRetreatMoorheadMN@gmail.com)

 **January Birthdays** Please join us in extending birthday greetings this month to: Eleanor Smyth 1/2; Andrew Randall 1/3; Phil Dahl 1/4; James Nash 1/4; Patricia Sandland 1/4; Amanda Jones 1/5; David Owings 1/5; Jacob Schmitz 1/6; Phyllis Thompson 1/7; Paul Marquart 1/9; Becky Bentow 1/11; Vernon Kuhn 1/11; Briah Rasmussen 1/11; Lauren Somers 1/11; David Dudgeon 1/13; Sophia Herrera 1/13; Hayden Ness 1/13; Darla Tucker 1/13; Jack Brantner 1/16; Josie Needham 1/16; Kevin Heazlett 1/17; Robert Schwehr 1/18; Leslie Tuton 1/20; Jason Wang 1/20; Jared Hoover 1/22; EmMarie Speer 1/22; Jason Hauf 1/24; Mary Hermann 1/24; LaNette Osbjornson 1/24; Delaine Vogel 1/24; Beth McManus 1/25; Bryce Steen 1/25; Sue Grove 1/26; Owen Meyers 1/26; Susan Feakes 1/27; Mary Kay Nelson 1/28; Craig Stuart 1/28; Claire Schwehr 1/29; John Verdi 1/29; Hailee Hauf 1/30; Julie Grubb 1/31; Dale Langseth 1/31.

Wedding Anniversaries:

Jennifer & Scott Smyth	January 2, 2016
Ray & Mary Ann Hauck	January 4, 1969
Ken & Arlene Highness	January 6, 1954
Kelly & Kim Duenow	January 12, 1985
Gerald & Sue Zimmel	January 16, 2009
Tylan & Christine Grimley	January 27, 2017
Stephen & Brenda Strayer	January 31, 1981

- **Just a reminder** - January 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. is First Reconciliation for our 2nd graders.
- Our **Christmas decorations** will be taken down after Mass next weekend, January 11th. Please stay and help if you are able. Thank you !
- **Christmas Flowers** were given in memory of: Dick & Frances Schreiner by Lorita Nelson

At St. Elizabeth's, there are parishioners who come weekly to **Eucharistic Adoration**, some during a designated time, others at a time convenient for them; but they come every week. Each of them would tell you of the blessings that have come to them and how their faith has deepened because of this prayer. **It is our hope that more of our parishioners will come and be a part of this "Holy Hour."** In the words of Mother Teresa, *"The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each moment you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in heaven and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."*

## OUT OF PARISH NEWS

**News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:**  
The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Annette Fischer, Dec 28, 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.

Did you know you are the salt of the earth and the light of the world? **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.

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

To apply visit <https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/> or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

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## Liturgical Schedule - January 2026

	1/4/2026	1/11/2026	1/18/2026	1/25/2026
<b>READERS</b>	Kathy Bresee	Julie Nash	Julie Reno	Paul Svir
	Frank Gross	Nora Jones	Mike Leichtenberg	Michelle Swenson
<b>OFFERTORY GIFTS</b>	Allen & Sue Grove	Phillip & Julie Grubb	Thomas & Kaylie Hanson	Jared & Casey Hoover
<b>EUCARISTIC MINISTERS</b>	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon
	Craig Larson	Ralph Mitchell	Julie Nash	Greg Schmitz
	Mary Jo Larson	Beth McManus	Tony Reno	Lisa Schmitz
<b>USHERS</b>	Erik Jones	Chuck Breid	Craig Larson	Sam Jones
	Paul Svir	Mark Sloan	Mary Jo Larson	Erik Jones
<b>ALTAR SERVERS</b>	Zoey Malvin	Charlie Brantner	Harper Siggerud	Penny Hanson
	Peyton Purser	Easton Paulson	Regeanna Garza	Ruby Hoover
<b>Piano/Cantor</b>	Ashton / Nora	Kathy / Ava	Kevin / Jocelyn	Kathy / Dave

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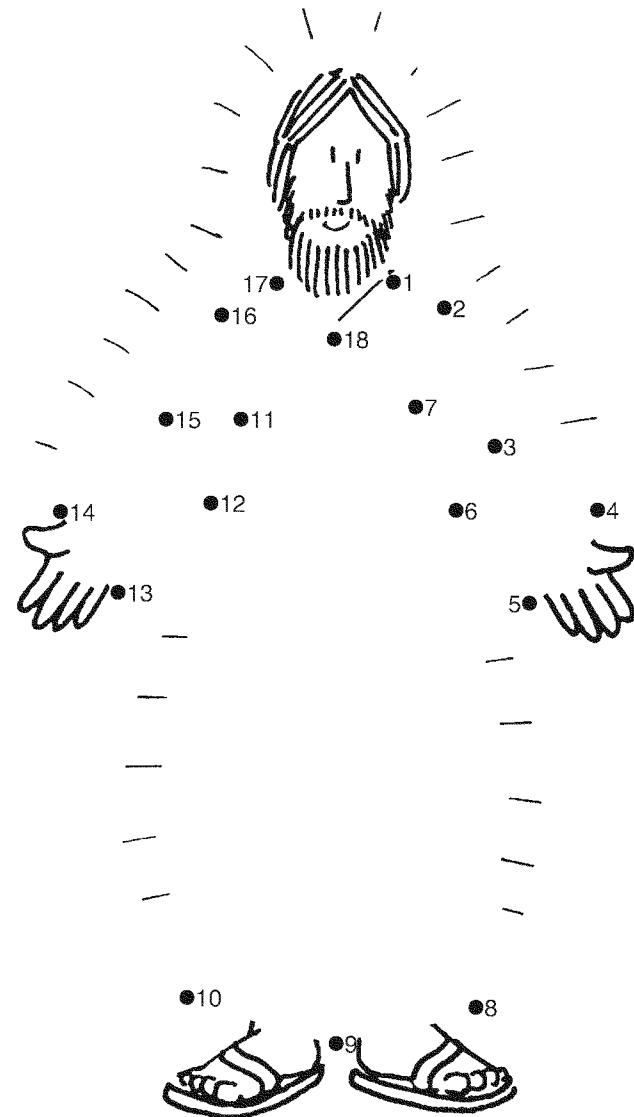
JANUARY 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Solemnity of Mary Holy Day of Obligation 8:30am 10:30am  New Year's Day	2	3
4 <b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b> DSE 8:30am  <b>RE Classes</b>	5 DSE 9:00 am Mass  Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	6	7 DSE 9:00 am Mass  RE Classes	8	9	10 First Reconciliation 9:00 am
11 <b>The Baptism of the Lord</b> DSE 8:30 am  <b>RE Classes</b>	12 DSE 9:00 am Mass  Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	13	14 DSE 9:00 am Mass  RE Classes	15	16	17
18 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time DSE 8:30 am  <b>NO RE Classes</b> Special Offering: Church in Africa	19 DSE 9:00 am Mass  Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	20	21 DSE 9:00 am Mass  RE Classes	22	23	24
25 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time DSE 8:30 am  <b>RE Classes</b>	26 DSE 9:00 am Mass  Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	27	28 DSE 9:00 am Mass  RE Classes	29	30	31

No one has seen God,  
but we have seen His glory in Jesus.

Connect the dots.

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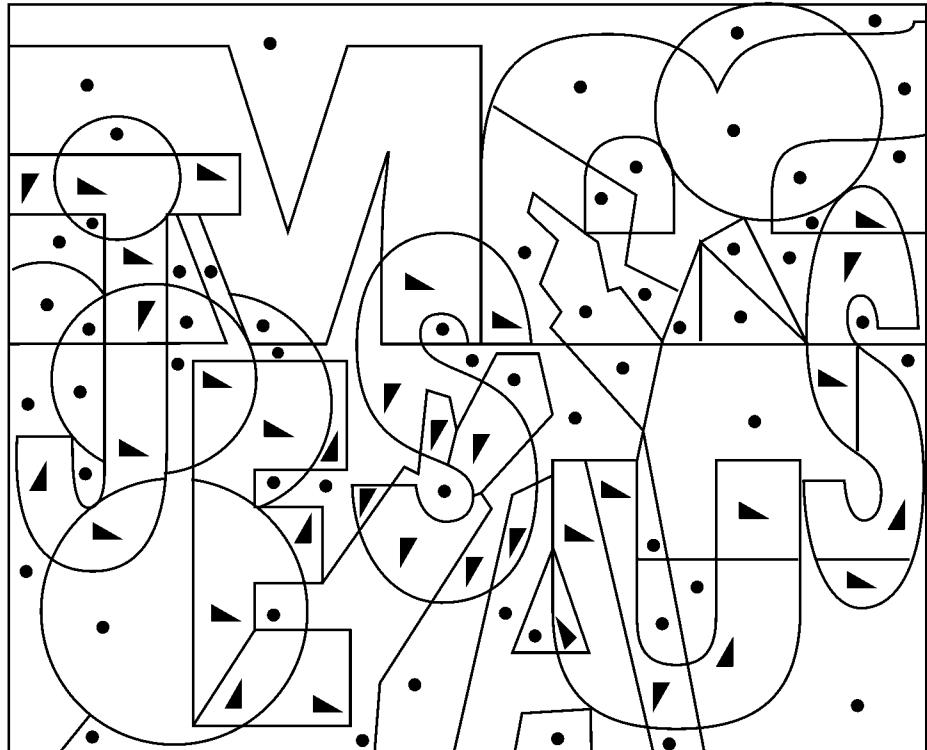
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January 4, 2026 • John 1:1-9, 10-18

## Jesus Is Sent by God

God sent His only Son to the world.

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John told people that Jesus was coming.

Count how many



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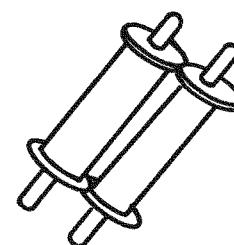
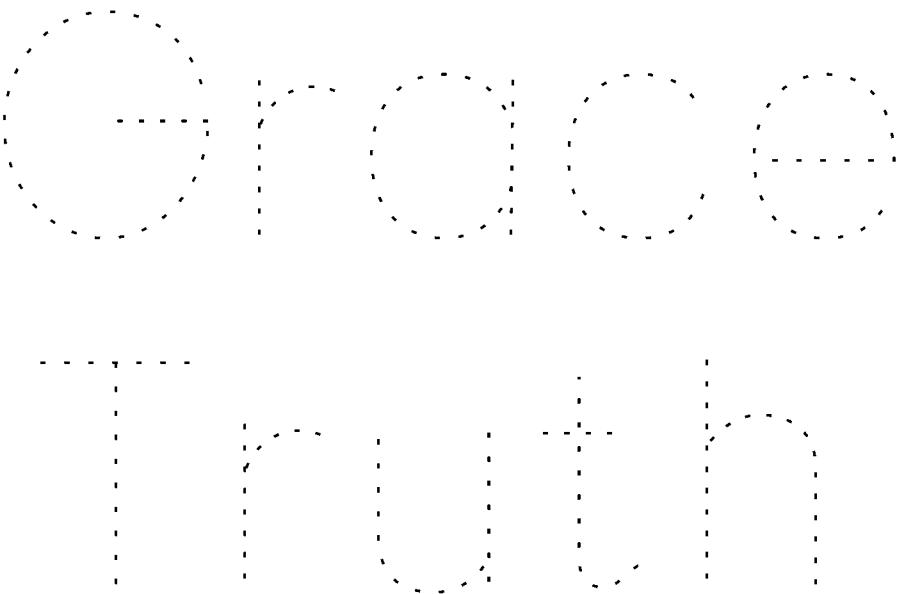
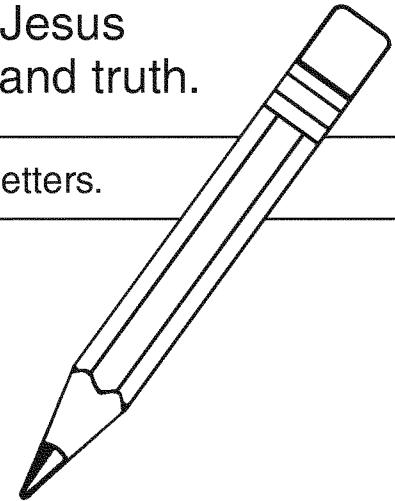


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