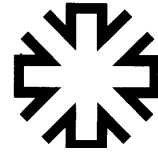


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If you are a visitor to St. Elizabeth's, we sincerely welcome you. Perhaps you live in the neighborhood or nearby area and decided to drop in, or you are visiting from another parish. Whatever the case, we are glad you are here to join us in worship 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.

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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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***SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
JANUARY 18, 2026***

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

Sunday, Jan 18, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth + Pauline Klinger
 Sunday, Jan 18, 10:30am-St. Andrew Parishioners
 Monday, Jan 19, 9:00am-St. Eliz Prayers of Our Blessed Mother
 Tuesday, Jan 20, 9:00am-St. Andrew For the Unborn
 Wednesday, Jan 21, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth + Gail Nemeth
 Thursday, Jan 22, 9:00am-St. Andrew Prayers of St. Joseph
 Sunday, Jan 25, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth + Bernadette Chloupek
 Sunday, Jan 25, 10:30am-St. Andrew Prayers of St. Jude

Bible Readings for this Week (Jan 19 – Jan 25)

Mon: 1 Sm 15:16-23 / Mk 2:18-22
Tues: 1 Sm 16:1-13 / Mk 2:23-28
Wed: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51 / Mk 3:1-6
Thur: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7 / Mk 3:7-12
Fri: 1 Sm 24:3-21 / Mk 3:13-19
Sat: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27 / Mk 3:20-21
Sun: Is 8:23—9:3 / 1 Cor 1:10-13, 17 / Mt 4:12-23

January 18, 2026 – Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Now the Lord has spoken who formed me as his servant from the womb...” ISAIAH 49:5

God have given each of us different gifts. In order for God's plan to work, you have to do what God is calling you to do, and I have to do what God is calling me to do. And guess what? God has given each of us a different plan! So, stop comparing yourself to others. Don't let envy and jealousy enter your life. Be thankful for the gifts God has given you and become the saint that God is calling you to be.

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).

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Mass Attendance – 136

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Liturgical Assignments for January 25

Altar Servers.....Penny Hanson
Ruby Hoover
 Ministers of Holy Communion.....Deacon
Greg & Lisa Schmitz
 Lectors.....Paul Svir, Michelle Swenson
 Ushers.....Sam Jones, Erik Jones
 Giftbearers.....Jared & Casey Hoover
 Music.....Kathy / Dave

- ❖ 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 !

Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa collection is **this morning**. The Church in Africa is the fastest growing part of the Universal Church and the poorest part of our family of faith. Spiritually rich but desperately poor, the Church in Africa needs more sustained, well-coordinated and effective help to meet current needs, address critical problems and realize its enormous potential - not only in Africa, but within the Universal Church. Your support makes a real difference in the faith lives of the people in Africa. Please continue to pray for our African sisters and brothers.

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Today's Gospel Reading

Like generations of Jews before him, John the Baptist grew up looking for the Messiah. Waiting, preparing his heart for the day God would send a Redeemer. But even as the "voice in the wilderness" John needed God's guidance to recognize the Chosen

One. He was given a sign: "On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit." So John started on the long road of his ministry. He listened and heard God's call to preach repentance, baptizing those who came with water. And John waited, watching for the sign, until the day his Messiah appeared on the banks of the Jordan. His obedience and faithful reading of the signs enabled John to fulfill God's promise in his life. Just like John we need to be faithful watchers today. Take a moment to ask yourself: Have I heard God's call to my special task in life? Am I busy on the banks of my Jordan? Am I watching for the coming of Jesus?

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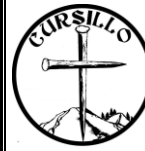
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Have you considered Cursillo?

Upcoming Cursillo Weekends:

Men: Feb 19-Feb 22, 2026

Women: Mar 19-22, 2026

Applications are available in parish offices.

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.***

- Next Charismatic Prayer Gathering is Thursday January 22 at 6:30pm at St. Elizabeth in Dilworth. People from a variety of FM area Parishes attend this! **We meet every month on the 2nd and 4th Thursday at 6:30pm there.**

St. Elizabeth's Parish family offers our prayers and sympathy to the families of those who have recently passed on to their eternal reward: Marsha Cerar (wife of Deacon Tom Cerar). May she and all the departed, through the infinite mercy of God our loving Father, rest in peace.

9 Days for Life Novena: January 16-24, 2026

9 Days for Life is an annual novena for the protection of human life. Each day's intention is accompanied by a short reflection and suggested actions to help build a culture of life. This year's 9 Days for Life dates are January 16-24, 2026. We invite you to join your prayers with the faithful of the Diocese of Crookston as we pray for the protection of life.

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In light of the tragic violence in Minneapolis this last week and the ongoing tensions regarding immigration, we are dedicating this Monday's **Eucharistic Adoration** to a special time of prayer for peace.

The Diocese of Crookston's *"Lend Us Your Heart"* initiative reminds us that true renewal begins when we give our hearts to Jesus and Mary. In this time of confusion, we are called to soften our hearts toward our neighbors—especially those who are afraid.

Come, "lend your heart" to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, and let Him heal our community.

- **When:** This Monday, January 19

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:

The \$100 KC Calendar Raffle winner is Dcn Paul Erickson, Jan 11, 2026. 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

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We are called to bring the love of Christ to the world.

We can help you discover how! 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.

Counseling Available

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. Call (701) 235-4457 for more information.

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Free Natural Family Planning Introductory Session: January 21, 2026

Interested in learning about Natural Family Planning? Join our NFP team online next week on January 21st at 7:30 P.M. for a free introductory session into the Creighton method of Natural Family Planning. Visit www.crookston.org to register.

2026 Chrism Mass Preparations

The Diocese of Crookston is beginning preparations for the 2026 Chrism Mass, which will be celebrated on Monday, March 30, 2026 at Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Crookston. Because of the unique liturgical needs of the Chrism Mass and limited rehearsal time, participation in the choir involves meeting a few expectations similar to previous years. If you are interested in learning more about participating in this year's Chrism Mass choir, please contact Anna Kliner (akliner@crookston.org) for details about expectations, timelines, and next steps.

Inquiry Deadline: January 23, 2026

We look forward to hearing from those who feel called to serve the Church in this beautiful way!

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The **St. Gianna's Group of St. Philip's in Bemidji** will be hosting the annual Bemidji March for Life on Saturday January 24, 2026 beginning at Noon in front of the Beltrami County Courthouse. The local March for Life is sponsored by the St. Gianna's ministry and the Bemidji Knights of Columbus.

Did you know?

We currently have 5 young men from the Diocese of Crookston who are in **Seminary** to become **Priests**:

Lawrence Wirries (St. Joseph, Moorhead)

Jon Stone (Holy Rosary, Detroit Lakes)

Westin Gourneau (St. Philip, Bemidji)

Pat Sagsveen (St. Bernard, Thief River Falls)

Phil Hodapp (St. Philip, Bemidji)

We could use more! How about you?

We currently have 1 young woman from our Diocese of Crookston who is discerning becoming a **Religious Sister** and has entered **The Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus** as a **Postulant**:

Cassandra Johnson (St. Joseph, Moorhead)

We could use more! How about you?

A Catholic Reflection: "Lending Our Hearts" in a Time of Tragedy

What God Might Think Scripture tells us that God is profoundly attentive to the shedding of human blood. In Genesis, God says, "The voice of your brother's blood is crying to me from the ground" (Gen 4:10). We can surmise that God views the death of anyone—and the fear in our immigrant communities—with the weeping eyes of Jesus.

In his reflection on November 21, Bishop Cozzens reminded us that "our citizenship is in heaven" (Phil 3:20). God sees the tragedy in Minneapolis through the lens of this eternal truth.

- **The Conflict of Realms:** While we live in an earthly realm with borders and laws, we belong to a heavenly realm that has none. God likely views the violence this week not just as a civic failure, but as a failure to recognize that every person—citizen or undocumented—is a potential "fellow citizen of the saints" (Eph 2:19).

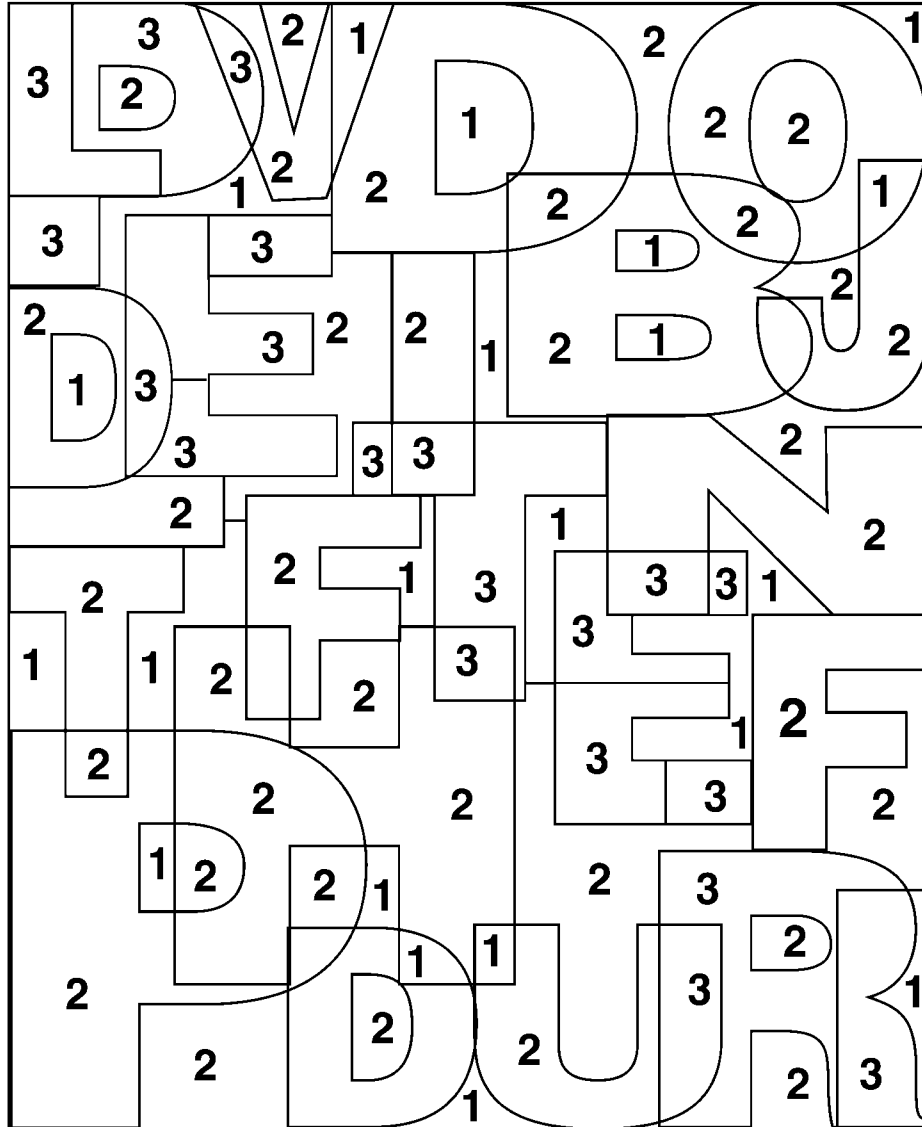
- **Sorrow for Division:** As the Bishop noted, "Heavenly citizenship is more important than our earthly one." God weeps when earthly enforcement becomes an idol that crushes human dignity, or when enforcement actions lack the discernment necessary to protect the unity of the family, which is the domestic church.

What We Can Do as Human Beings We must act as citizens of heaven while living on earth:

- **Lend Our Hearts (Compassion):** Bishop Cozzens calls us to "Lend Our Hearts" to Jesus so we can love with His "tender compassion." We must reject "dehumanizing rhetoric" and instead see the face of Christ in the immigrant.
- **Advocate for Prudent Welcome:** Aligning with the Nov. 21 statement, we advocate for a "generous but prudent welcome." We support laws that maintain order but oppose indiscriminate mass deportation, which the Bishop warns creates a "climate of fear" and violates our duty to care for the vulnerable.
- **Practice Solidarity:** We must ensure our parishes are places of safety and welcome, refusing to dehumanize anyone—whether the victim or the agents—and seeking the truth that serves the Common Good.
- **Pray for Peace:** Above all, we must pray that our earthly laws increasingly reflect the justice of the City of God, where mercy and truth meet.

Jesus changed Simon's name.

Shade in the 3s to see what Simon would be called.



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Ages 3+

January 18, 2026 • John 1:29-42

Jesus the Lamb of God

While John was preaching,
Jesus walked by.

Connect the dots.

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John said Jesus was the ...

Trace the letters below to see what John called Jesus.

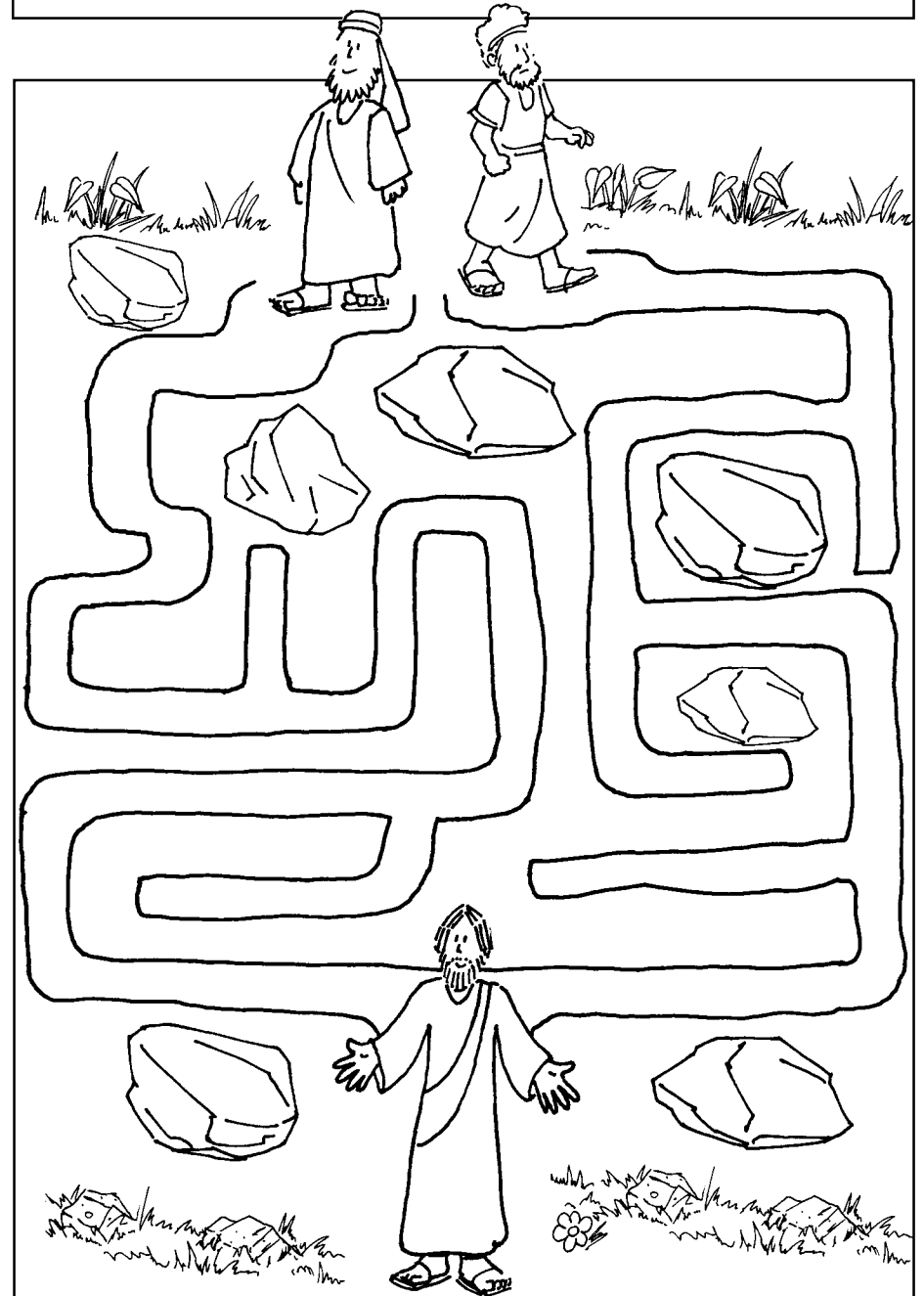
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2 or 3 ?

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