

ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

*St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church
207 North Main Street, PO Box 307
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"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.

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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.

2026

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

***TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
OCTOBER 4, 2026***

"Stewardship Opens the Door of Faith to a Lifelong Journey"

Stewardship of Treasure September 27, 2026

Adults: \$ 897.00
 Youth: \$ 2.00
 Loose Plate: \$ 124.00
 Online Giving: \$ 540.00
 Total Sunday Offering: **\$ 1,563.00**
 Building: \$ 10.00

Mass Attendance – 128

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.

October 4, 2026 – Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus..." **Philippians 4:6-7**

The opposite of Christian stewardship is fear. Giving to God "from the top" and not from what is left over requires an inner assurance that God will provide for our needs. This assurance or faith is the solid foundation for the practical exercise of stewardship.

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).



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, Oct 4, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	Parishioners
Sunday, Oct 4, 10:30am-St. Andrew	+ Bob & Suzie Bjerke
Monday, Oct 5, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth	+ Gail Nemeth
Tuesday, Oct 6, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Prayers of St. Jude
Wednesday, Oct 7, 9:00am-St. Elizabeth	For the Unborn
Thursday, Oct 8, 9:00am-St. Andrew	Prayers of St. Joseph
Saturday, Oct 10, 5:00pm-St. Andrew	Parishioners
Sunday, Oct 11, 8:30am-St. Elizabeth	+ Robert & Adeline Borowicz

Bible Readings for this Week (Oct 5 – Oct 11)

Mon: Gal 1:6-12 / Lk 10:25-37
Tues: Gal 1:13-24 / Lk 10:38-42
Wed: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14 / Lk 11:1-4
Thur: Gal 3:1-5 / Lk 11:5-13
Fri: Gal 3:7-14 / Lk 11:15-26
Sat: Gal 3:22-29 / Lk 11:27-28
Sun: Is 25:6-10a / Phil 4:12-14, 19-20 / Mt 22:1-14

Liturgical Assignments for October 11

Altar Servers.....Regeanna Garza
Charlie Brantner
 Ministers of Holy Communion.....Deacon
Craig & Mary Jo Larson
 Lectors..... Frank Gross, Mike Leichtenberg
 Ushers.....Tony Reno, Mark Sloan
 Giftbearers.....Scott & Julie Knodel
 Music.....Kathy / Jocelyn



The Stone that the Builders Rejected Jesus makes a chilling prophecy to the religious leaders of his day. God had entrusted them with the care of his people--"his vineyard." He describes their ancestors' brutal treatment of the prophets. False prophets had been hailed, but true speakers for God had been beaten and killed. Now God sends his divine Son. Knowing that they will reject him too, he bluntly tells them that they will lose all. He quotes verse 22 of Psalm 118. It refers to stone cutting. Builders cut blocks from quarries and preferred to have straight edges. Occasionally it might crack unevenly and be useless for normal purposes. It could prove valuable, though, as a cornerstone. If the ground were uneven, the off-edge stone might fit exactly for this special purpose. The psalmist is saying that God has a way of using things and people who do not seem to fit by human standards. The Lord is able to interpret people quite differently. Jesus was crucified on a rock--Calvary--that had been rejected because of an earthquake. The cross is the foundation of the Church. Could others be rejected for leadership failure?

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Holy Mass and Anointing of the Sick

Twice each year we want to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick within a Eucharistic celebration (Mass). The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered to all who are suffering from any ailments, undergoing medical treatments, as well as the those whose health is challenged and the elderly. At this Mass we would like to make every effort to reach out to the shut-ins in our community who are ambulatory and transport them to this special service and invite family members who care for them at home to join us for this prayer for healing, comfort, and strength.

Who should approach the Sacrament?

- **The Seriously Ill:** Anyone facing a serious physical illness, chronic condition, or major medical diagnosis (such as cancer).
- **The Elderly:** Elderly individuals whose frailty or declining health has become pronounced, even if no specific critical illness is present.
- **Before Surgery:** Those preparing for a medical operation where a physical condition introduces risk.
- **People who have already been anointed**, but whose condition worsens or who face a new health crisis during the same illness.

Our Anointing of the Sick Mass will be held after Mass on Sunday, October 11th.

- ❖ Our Fall Spaghetti Dinner is Sunday, **October 25th**. Please prayerfully consider where you are able to help out this fall. We need **everyone** to participate to make this dinner a success. The work schedules have been mailed out. Be sure to look for your name.
- ❖ If you can donate a basket (with items in it) for the **Basket Raffle** on Sunday, October 25th, please drop them off in the parish office by Wednesday, October 21st. Or drop them off Sunday, October 25th. Thank you in advance for your donation !
- ❖ We are organizing a **PARISH bake sale** for Sunday, October 25th. Please consider donating some baked goods (cookies, breads, muffins, bars, candy, etc). Food donations can be dropped off Sunday, October 25th before or after Mass. If you are unsure what price to put on them, we can help you with that. Any questions, call the parish office. 218.287.2705

HELP WANTED:**Mission Support Assistant — Records & Finances**

The Parishes of St. Andrew and St. Elizabeth are seeking a detail-oriented, dependable individual to provide part-time administrative support (approximately **10–16 hours per week**).

Responsibilities include:

- Recording contributions, deposits, and disbursements in ParishSoft
- Processing payroll and parish bills
- Reconciling bank statements and maintaining financial records
- Preparing quarterly and annual financial reports
- Assisting with annual budgeting, reporting, and Diocesan requirements
- Maintaining parish census and HR records

Ideal candidate: Organized, accurate, trustworthy, and comfortable working with financial records and computer software. Experience with bookkeeping or payroll is helpful. If interested, please contact Father Augie at 218-443-6275 or agothman@crookston.org.

OCTOBER SEPO GROUP**ST. ELIZABETH'S PARISH ORGANIZATION (SEPO)**

McManus	Beth	Bresee	Dennis & Kathy
Swenson	Michelle	Cihak	Darwin & Mary
Anderson	Natalie	Cox	Andy & Carissa
Arel	Dan & Lorna	Coyle	Kevin & Barb
Backes	Chuck & Jenny	Cyr	Brian & Trini
Begg	Larry & Debra	Dykema	Brady & Sarah
Bentow	Darren & Becky	Eilertson	Dave & Trish
Bjerk	Mark & Jane	Gross	Frank & Lavonne
Brantner	Justin & Tiffany	Gross	Kevin
Breid	Chuck & Julie	Groce	Allen & Sue

- ❖ The **Knights of Columbus** will be serving breakfast after Mass this morning. Come down and join us !

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Join Us at Rescue Live on October 10th

Join Bishop Andrew Cozzens and Catholics from across the Diocese of Crookston for *Rescue Live* on **October 10th** from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Alerus Center Ballroom in Grand Forks, ND. Fr. John Riccardo of Acts XXIX will lead this day-long Catholic Revival where he will lead us through an understanding of the faith as Created, Captured, Rescued, and Response. This will be a powerful experience of the gospel, worship, fellowship, and the call to mobilize for mission. Music ministry will be provided by acclaimed singer-songwriter Sarah Kroger.

Respect Life Sunday – Oct 4

“Human Life is sacred because from its beginning it involves the creative action of God and it remains forever in a special relationship with the creator, who is its sole end. God alone is the Lord of life from its beginning until its end; no one can under any circumstance claim for himself the right directly to destroy an innocent human being.”

---Catechism of the Catholic Church

October is Respect Life Month. Join Catholics nationwide praying a special novena for the protection of human life from conception to natural death. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at respectlife.org/celebrate!

For a deeper respect for life, we will be praying the rosary every Sunday in October before the 8:30am Mass. Please join us!



Life Issues Group is having their Annual Baby Shower for Birthright through the month of October. New and gently used baby clothes are welcome. Needed most are newborn sleepers, onesies, receiving blankets, small girls and boys outfits, baby bottles; also large size disposable diapers (sizes 4 & 5) are in great demand. Money donations are always appreciated. Birthright sends over 200 layettes each year to area hospitals to help moms in need. For the collection of these items, they will have a crib set up in the gathering space. You may leave your donations in the crib.

**Attention: All Members of the Confraternity of Christian Mothers
(St. Elizabeth's & St. Joe's)**

We will gather at 1:00 pm on **Sunday, Oct 18** to recite the rosary and have a short meeting.

(at St. Elizabeth's in Dilworth).

ALL members are invited to attend. Any questions, please contact Karen in the parish office.

Coffee & Snacks will be provided.



October Birthdays Please join us in extending birthday greetings this month to:

Ray Hauck 10/1; Samuel Schmitz 10/1; Tylan Reichel 10/2; Karen Thom 10/3; Vicki Nelson 10/3; Frank Gross 10/4;

Renee Kuhn 10/5; Rachel Thompson 10/5; Joanne Poehls 10/6; Barb Reed 10/6; Bob Reichel Jr. 10/7; Ruby Hoover 10/9; Brenda Strayer 10/9; Julie Reno 10/10; Kianna Wyland 10/11; Reid Jund 10/14; Willie Herrera, Jr 10/15; Olivia Rasmusson 10/18; Jacob Somers 10/18; Joe Winter 10/18; Melissa Eckes 10/19; Sheryl Hauf 10/19; Nathan Paulson 10/20; Shirley Belka 10/22; Toinette Bjerke 10/22; Megan Swenson 10/23; Suzie Wilson 10/23; William Eckes 10/25; Isaac Krapp 10/25; Jaidyn O'Keefe 10/27; Michael McManus 10/29; Gracie Rothschadl 10/29; Jaxon Rothschadl 10/29; Aubrey Speer 10/30; Toni Wosick 10/30; Paxton Johnson 10/31; Bob Nelson 10/31; and Gerald Zimmer 10/31.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Tim & Toinette Bjerke – October 1
Andrew & Jessica Malvin – October 4
Dan & LaNette Osbjornson – October 6
Ralph & Wanda Mitchell – October 8
Dave & Karen Owings – October 9
Kaylie & Thomas Hanson – October 11
Brady & Sarah Dykema – October 13
Katy & Mark Jund – October 13
Jeff & Sheila Laney – October 13
Nancy & Ross Wilson – October 15
Chad & Heather Ogdahl – October 28

Charismatic Praise & Worship followed by healing prayer at 6:30pm at St. Elizabeth's on the 2nd & 4th Thursday every month.

❖ **Hawley Turkey Dinner – October 11**
❖ **Daylight Savings Time – November 1**

- ❖ **Father Augie** will be on a Priest Retreat October 11-17th for the Diocese of Crookston. During that time, the Spiritual Director has asked them to be phone-free. In case of a sacramental emergency, please call St. Joseph's in Moorhead at 218-236-5066. Thank you. **There will be NO morning Mass on the 12th or 14th of October.**
- ❖ **Adoration:** We have the opportunity to adore our Lord as we observe the Body of Christ in the monstrance. As you pray, or even sit silently before the Lord, you have time to take in the physical presence of the Lord before you—while you are looking at Jesus, Jesus is watching you. Adoration at St. Elizabeth's is held every Monday from 9:30am – 6:00pm. All are invited to visit; the amount of time you spend there is entirely up to you. **We are looking for a Eucharistic Adorer from 10:30-11:30am. Please prayerfully consider this. Contact the Parish Office if you are able.** Thank you in advance.

OUT OF PARISH NEWS

News from Knights of Columbus Council #4463:
Congratulations to Rene Gonzales, our \$100 winner for the September 27, 2026, drawing of the KC Calendar Raffle!

Fifth Annual Luxury Bingo!

All are invited to this one-of-a-kind fundraising event featuring luxurious high-end prizes, fabulous food and drinks, and the opportunity to generously support Women's Care Center. Holiday Inn Fargo, Tuesday, **October 6, 2026**, starting at 5:30 pm. \$150 per person (includes one complimentary bingo card for each game plus food and drinks). To RSVP or ask questions call Heather at (701) 532-0313 or email heather@wccnd.com.

Grace United Methodist Church at 1120 - 17th Street S, Moorhead, will hold their annual Fall Festival on Saturday **October 10** from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. featuring a "pay as you are able" rummage sale, donuts and coffee, crafts, silent auction and bake sale. We will be serving chili and cornbread for lunch (free will donation) from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Fall Dinners

St. Francis de Sales – Oct 4, 11-2:30pm, Roast Beef Dinner, Adults \$20, Children \$8, (5 and under FREE)

St. William's Church, Argusville – Oct 4, 11-1:30pm, Turkey Dinner, Free will Offering (\$15 suggested donation)

Dilworth Lutheran – Oct 4, 11:30-1:30pm, Pork Loin Dinner, Adults \$15, Children \$10 (Under 5 years FREE)

St. Joseph's Church – Oct 11, 11-2pm, Ham or Turkey, Adults \$15, Youth \$5, (6 and under FREE) *Prices increase at the door

St. Andrew's, Hawley – Oct 11, 11-1:30pm, Turkey Dinner, Adults \$15, Youth \$5, (Preschool FREE)

St. Elizabeth's – Oct 25, 11-3pm, Spaghetti Dinner, Adults \$18, Children \$10 (5 and under FREE)

Come to **Holy Cross Catholic Church** in West Fargo during weekends in October for many activities. Then on Sunday, **October 18**, come to enjoy a delicious Oktoberfest-style picnic meal featuring brats or hot dogs, sauerkraut or other toppings, salad, pretzels with dip, fresh-made cookies and root beer. Cost is a free-will offering. The meal will be served from 10am - 1pm. Please contact the church for more details at 701-282-7217 or check the church website for Oktoberfest details.

Upcoming retreats at the Diocese of Crookston Nazareth Retreat House at the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Crookston. For more, visit <https://crookston.org/attend-a-retreat>.

○ October 22-25 — Men's Cursillo. This short course in Christian community living is a three-day learning, sharing, inspirational experience of living in a Christian Community. Hear inspiring talks and experience the joy of building and being part of a genuine Christian Community.

○ January 28-31 — Bishop Cozzens' Men's Silent Retreat. This 4-day retreat will consist of conferences each day aimed at helping you to relate and receive from God in the present, with daily Mass, daily Eucharistic Adoration and opportunities for silence and solitude. In addition, there will be times of individual spiritual direction.

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New Life

Through the Tender Compassion of Our God



St. Elizabeth & St. Andrew Catholic Church

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Calling Forth Gifts for Mission: Discerning Members for Our Parish Pastoral & Finance Councils

A New Operating System for Our Parish As we embrace Bishop Cozzens' vision in *New Life: Through the Tender Compassion of Our God*, our parish is making a profound shift. Along with all the parishes of the Diocese we are moving away from a "maintenance mode"—which simply manages the flock we already have—and stepping boldly into a "missionary mode" to seek out and share the Good News, in short, to do what Jesus asked: **"Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations..." (Matthew 28: 19)**

To lead this charge, we are upgrading the way our Parish Pastoral and Finance Councils operate. The Councils will no longer be a management committee, a sounding board, or a group that merely coordinates parish activities, and looks over the budget. Instead, **The Pastoral Council is becoming a high-level visioning body for strategic planning and thinking for mission. The Finance Council is becoming even more the body within the parish who possess the specific gifts, charisms, and demonstrable expertise in management, law, or finance needed to steward the parish's resources effectively.** Rooted in the *Divine Renovation* model and the Church's *Synodal* vision, the new Council will focus on the "missionary aspiration of reaching everyone" by advising the Pastor on our overarching strategic direction.

**At St. Elizabeth's we will be reconstituting our Parish Pastoral Council,
and at St. Andrew's the Parish Finance Council.**

**Thanks for the members of the other Councils for their dedicated,
ongoing service!**

From "Election" to "Discernment" Because this work is first of all deeply spiritual, we are abandoning the secular model of holding a popular "election" filled with voting and business politics. Instead, we are using a synodal process of **Discernment**—a prayerful determination of the best possible choices for our parish right now.

We Need Your Help to "Call Forth" Leaders We are asking you, the faithful, to look around our parish family and help us identify individuals who possess the specific spiritual gifts, charisms, and maturity needed for this mission. You may nominate someone else, or you may feel the Holy Spirit calling you to step forward. To help you pray and discern, we have provided a checklist below. Please take this home, bring it to your prayer time, and ask the Holy Spirit: *"Who in our parish embodies these qualities?"*

The Discernment Checklist:

Qualities of a Pastoral & Finance Council Member

A Pastoral or Finance Council member does not need to be a saint, but they must be an ordinary disciple fully committed to the mission of the Church. As you pray over potential nominees (or your own calling), look for individuals who reflect the following 20 attributes:

I. Authentic Discipleship & Prayer (*The New Life Vision*)

- **1. Jesus is Lord:** Acknowledges Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior of their life and seeks to grow daily by centering their life on Him.
- **2. Rooted in Prayer:** Maintains a daily, personal prayer life and a commitment to the Sacramental life of the Church.
- **3. Docile to the Holy Spirit:** Exhibits a willingness to surrender to God's will and allow the Holy Spirit to guide their efforts.
- **4. Committed to Growth:** Demonstrates an ongoing openness toward study, reflection, and deep spiritual conversion.
- **5. Missional Intercessor:** Understands that prayer is the "engine" of mission and is willing to practice intentional, missional prayer for the renewal of our parish.

II. A Heart for Mission (*Divine Renovation*)

- **6. Missional Mindset:** Passionately shares the vision of moving our parish from "maintenance" (self-preservation) to "mission" (evangelization).
- **7. Outward Looking:** Deeply desires to reach the unchurched, the isolated, the marginalized, and those who have left the faith, or those who have never encountered the Lord.
- **8. Strategic Thinker:** Focuses on vision and "doing the right things" rather than getting bogged down in the management of "doing things right".
- **9. Courageous:** Willing to embrace "adaptive challenges" and creative new ways to bring the Gospel to our current culture.
- **10. Empowering:** Acts as a team player who is eager to unleash the gifts and charisms of other parishioners.

III. Synodal Listening & Humility (The Synodal Way)

- **11. Ear of the Heart:** Practices "narrative hospitality"—listening generously to others to understand their perspective without immediately forming a counter-argument.
- **12. Consensus Builder:** Desires to build peace, trust, and spiritual consensus rather than trying to "win" a parliamentary debate or majority vote.
- **13. Humble:** Expresses opinions honestly but with humility and does not presume to defend their own views obstinately.
- **14. Values Diversity:** Seeks out and respects diverse voices, especially the youth and the quiet, humble people in the pews whose faith sustains the Church.
- **15. Converses in the Spirit:** Comfortable pausing meetings to pray "Come Holy Spirit" when discussions become tense or go in circles.
- **16. Co-responsible:** Ready to roll up their sleeves and support the final direction of the group, even if it wasn't their personal preference.

IV. Practical Commitments (Diocesan Guidelines)

- **17. Proper Standing:** A fully initiated, Confirmed Catholic (Age 18+) in good standing with the Church.
- **18. Parish Knowledge:** Has a solid working knowledge of our parish life and community.
- **19. Respects Boundaries:** Understands the council is a consultative, advisory body and respects the Pastor's role as the shepherd and final decision-maker.
- **20. Availability:** Has the time, energy, and availability to faithfully attend meetings and occasional retreats.

How to Submit a Name: If you or someone you know reflects these qualities, please submit their name to the parish office or drop it in the collection basket. All nominees will be invited to an upcoming Discernment Gathering to pray and learn more about this vital leadership role!

A Practical "Synodal" Process of Selection

Step 1: Education and "Calling Forth" (Weeks 1-2)

- **The Action:** Instead of announcing an "election," the Pastor shares with the parish about the specific charisms and gifts the parish currently needs to advance its mission (e.g., strategic thinking, deep prayer life, missionary zeal).
- **The Synodal Element:** Parishioners are invited to pray and submit the names of fellow parishioners (or themselves) whom they see actively exhibiting these specific spiritual gifts. It is framed as "calling forth" gifts rather than nominating candidates.

Step 2: The Discernment Gathering (Week 3)

- **The Action:** All nominees are invited to a special gathering (a Saturday morning or a weeknight) to learn about the true missional, visioning nature of the Pastoral Council.
- **The Synodal Element:** This meeting is grounded in prayer. You could open with the *Adsumus Sancte Spiritus* and utilize the "Synodal Operating Style" of "conversations in the Spirit". Nominees engage in active listening and share their hopes for the parish. This allows them to experience how the council

actually operates, helping them personally discern if they are truly called to this specific type of high-level, prayerful collaboration.

Step 3: Mutual Discernment (Week 4)

- **The Action:** Following the gathering, nominees take time for personal prayer to decide if they wish to leave their name in the discernment pool.
- **The Synodal Element:** Concurrently, the Pastor and or the current council members pray over the names. They look at the current makeup of the council to ensure the new members will help reflect the diversity of the parish (different ages, cultural heritages, etc.) and fill any missing charismatic gaps.

Step 4: Final Selection and Commissioning (Week 6)

- **The Action:** The Pastor, exercising his final authority, selects the new members from the discerned pool of willing candidates.
- **The Synodal Element:** Rather than just publishing a list of "winners" in the bulletin, the new members are brought before the parish at Sunday Mass for a formal commissioning and blessing. The parish is invited to pray over them, reinforcing the culture of "missional prayer" and shared co-responsibility for the mission.
- **Eligibility and Characteristics:** The Pastoral Council should be formed of mature Christian disciples who are committed to continued spiritual growth and formation.² Members must possess:
 - An openness toward study and reflection.²
 - An ease in working with groups as a team player, a willingness to empower others, and a desire to work toward consensus.²
 - Status as a fully initiated, practicing Catholic in good standing.¹

Liturgical Schedule October 2026

	10/4/2026	10/11/2026	10/18/2026	10/25/2026
READERS	Michelle Swenson	Frank Gross	Julie Nash	Paul Svir
	Kathy Bresee	Mike Leichtenberg	Julie Reno	Frank Gross
OFFERTORY GIFTS	Jared & Casey Hoover	Scott & Julie Knodel	Erik & Amanda Jones	Craig & Mary Jo Larson
EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon	Deacon
	Paul Svir	Craig Larson	Dennis Bresee	Ralph Mitchell
	Mike Leichtenberg	Mary Jo Larson	Kathy Bresee	Julie Nash
USHERS	Chuck Breid	Tony Reno	Craig Larson	Erik Jones
	Erik Jones	Mark Sloan	Mary Jo Larson	Mark Sloan
ALTAR SERVERS	Penny Hanson	Regeanna Garza	Jackson Paulson	Zoey Malvin
	Zoey Malvin	Charlie Brantner	Easton Paulson	Harper Siggerud
Piano/Cantor	Kevin / Dave	Kathy / Jocelyn	Kevin / Ava	Kathy / Dennis

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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4 27 th Sunday Ordinary Time Mass 8:30 am KC Breakfast Respect Life Sunday	5 Mass 9:00am Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	6	7 Mass 9:00am	8	9	10 HSA Mass – 5:00pm
11 28 th Sunday Ordinary Time Mass 8:30 am Anointing Mass Faith Formation Hawley Turkey Dinner	12 NO MASS Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	13	14 NO MASS	15	16	17
18 29 th Sunday Ordinary Time Mass 8:30 Special Collection - World Mission	19 Mass 9:00am Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	20	21 Mass 9:00am	22 Men's Cursillo	23 Men's Cursillo	24 Men's Cursillo
25 30 th Sunday Ordinary Time Men's Cursillo Spaghetti Dinner	26 Mass 9:00am Adoration 9:30am – 6:00 pm	27	28 Mass 9:00am	29	30	31



Some people in the crowd knew that Jesus was talking about them. Who were these people?



Write the letter that is missing in each sequence. Then fill in the blanks.

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| 4. QRSUV = ____ | 9. BCDEG = ____ |
| 5. FGIJK = ____ | 10. OQRST = ____ |

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Children's Worship Bulletin™

Ages 7+

October 4, 2026 • Matthew 21:33-46

The Tenants in the Vineyard

Jesus told a parable.

Read about this parable.
Find 15 differences in the second picture below.



When the harvest time approached, the landowner sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit. ...

Use this code to fill in the blanks.

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Jesus asked, “Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?”

Write the word that means the opposite of the one given. Then fill in the blanks.

cowardly

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thin

	2	21	4
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new

		8	
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future

20	15		1
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strong

12	3		
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large

22	10		13
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last

11	5		
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bad

7			
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old

16	9	18	6
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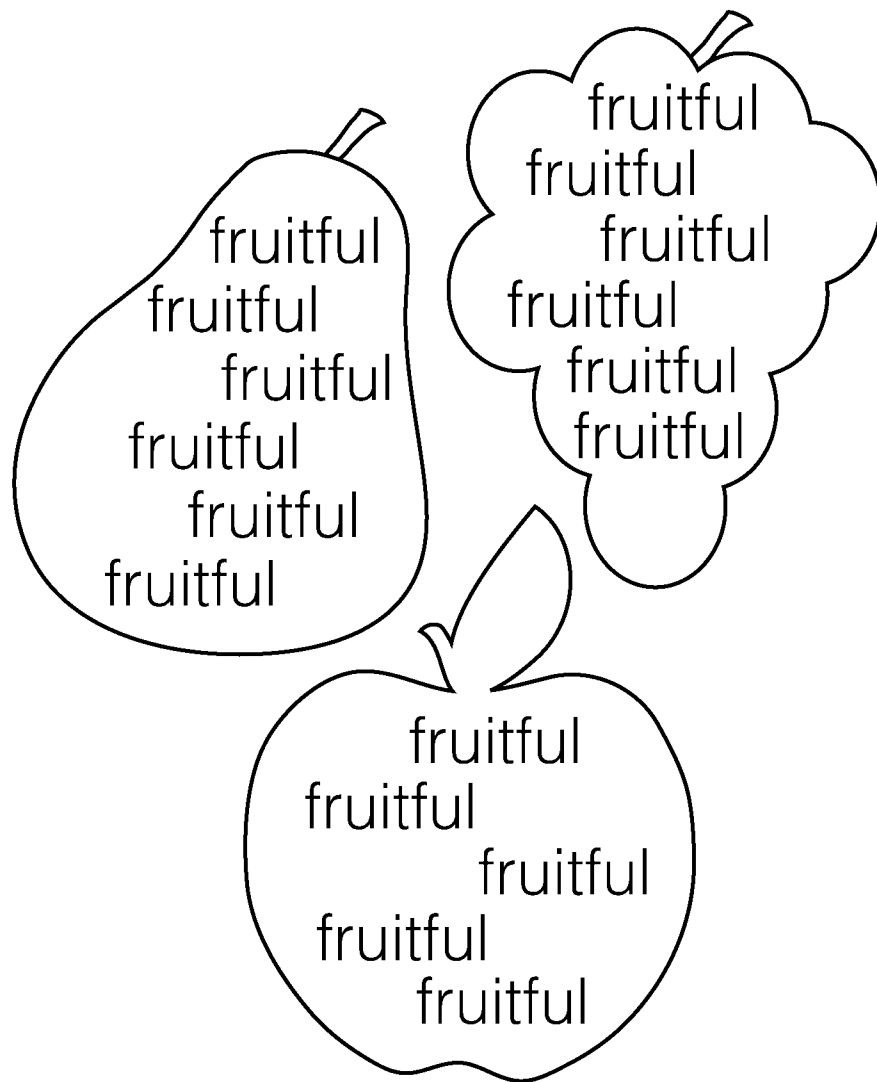
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The kingdom of God is the same. It will be given to those who are fruitful for God.

Count the word "fruitful" in the picture below.

Circle the correct number.

How many? 14 15 16 17 or 18 ?



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The Tenants in the Vineyard

A man had a vineyard.
He rented it to farmers to take care of it.

Add these items to the picture.



the sun



grapes on the vines



baskets



The landowner sent 3 servants to the vineyard to collect fruit. Then he sent his son. They were all badly treated.

Trace the lines to the correct picture.



servant 1



servant 2



servant 3

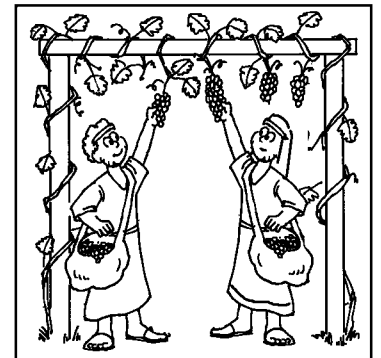
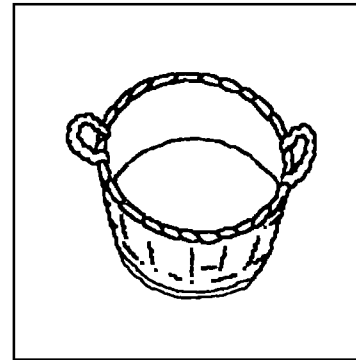
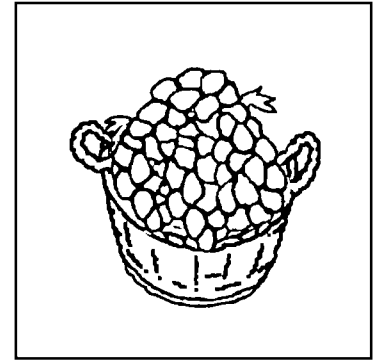


son



The landowner took the vineyard away from the bad farmers. He gave it to others who would produce fruit.

Match the opposites.



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