



SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Bulletin



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December 15, 2024

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www.Masstimes.org

Diocesan 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).

New Members

We welcome you to SS Peter and Paul. Register at the office either by phone or personal visit.

PASTORAL VISITATION

Please remember to inform the office, or Father Ilango, if you are going into the hospital and want a visit or prayers. The hospital will not do this for you since the privacy laws have been tightened. We will be glad to pray for you and your family members.

SACRAMENTS:

INFANT BAPTISM

Catechetical Class is required; please inform Father Ilango well in advance.

RECONCILIATION

9:30 am to 11:00 am Saturdays or call for appointment. 218-745-4511

MARRIAGE

All Catholics who have made a decision to enter into marriage must see a priest six months prior to the desired date of the marriage.

SHUT INS

If you know anyone who cannot come to church, please let me know, they should be on a visiting schedule. Call the office in the near future. 745-4511. Fr. Ilango

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please contact the Parish Office by 9:00 am Wednesday prior to the weekend you want your announcement published.

MASS/ PRAYER SCHEDULE

Day	Date	Mass Time	Where	Mass Intention
Sun:	12/15	10:00 am	Warren	† Larry LaCoursiere by John & Nancy Gerszewski
Tues:	12/17	6:00 pm	Warren	† Harry Narlock by Syl Narlock Family
Wed:	12/18	8:00 am	Warren	† Sherack Family Members by Sherack Family
Fri:	12/20	10:00 am	NS Manor	† Sr. Cecilliane by Syl Narlock Family
Sun:	12/22	10:00 am	Warren	People of Warren, Euclid and Oslo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun:		12/15	8:30 am Mass Oslo 9:30 am Rosary; 10:00 am Youth Mass Warren; Children's Program followed by Pancake Breakfast	
Mon:		12/16	Office Closed	
Tues:		12/17	8:30 am Mass Euclid 9:00 am to 8:30 pm Adoration Warren 6:00 pm Mass Warren	
Wed:		12/18	8:00 am Mass Warren Faith Formation Classes 6:10 pm Pre-K—Grade 7; 7:30 pm Grades 8—11	
Thurs:		12/19	8:30 am Mass Oslo	
Fri:		12/20	10:00 am Mass North Star Manor	
Sat: St. Peter Canisius		12/21	9:30 to 11:00 am Confession Warren 5:00 pm Mass Euclid	
Sun:		12/22	8:30 am Mass Oslo 9:30 am Rosary; 10:00 am Mass Warren	
Mon: St. John of Kanty		12/23	Office Closed	
Tues:	▲	12/24	NO Adoration Warren 4:00 pm Mass Oslo 5:00 pm Mass Euclid 6:00 pm Mass Warren	
Wed: The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)		12/25	Office Closed 10:00 am Mass Warren	MERRY CHRISTMAS
Thurs: St. Stephen		12/26	Office Closed 8:30 am Mass Oslo	
Fri: St. John		12/27	10:00 am Mass North Star Manor	
Sat: The Holy Innocents		12/28	9:30 to 11:00 am Confession Warren 5:00 pm Mass Euclid	
Sun: The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph		12/29	8:30 am Mass Oslo 9:30 am Rosary; 10:00 am Mass Warren	



Sharon Nicholls
Landon LaBine
Kinley Johnson
Mary Carlson
Peggy Rominski
Kayde Przybylski
Kim Kostrzewski
Danny Myszkowski
Steve Novak
Anthony Przybylski
LeRoy Vonasek
Rena LaCoursiere
Mary Frances Ennis
Wayd Korynta
Darryl Korynta
Allen Buchner
Robert Nowacki
Stephanie DeYoung
Carol Novacek
Gertrude Praska
Nettie Kuznia
Leonard Novak
Larry Sabol
Alise Cruz Monroe
Steve Johnson
Elise Davy
Ted Pawlowski
Bernie Borowicz
Sharri Paulson
Ralph Melgard
Denise Korynta
Trisha Chaddock
John Buchner
Fred Nicholls
David Kujava

Birthdays & Anniversaries
December 15-21
Geri Lenhart
Molly Franks
Julie Nowacki
Judy Bernat
Michael Olson
Kinley Johnson
Brady Jadeke

Encourage each other
& build each other up...
1 Thess 5:11

Upcoming Activities

† Faith Formation †

Director: Amanda Page

Don't forget to sign up to REMIND for announcements:
<https://www.remind.com/join.c69cd7> (text @c69cd7 to 81010)

December 15 10:00 am Youth Mass followed by Children's Program-Pancake Breakfast



December 18 Faith Formation Classes 6:10 pm Pre-K-Grade 7; 7:30 pm Grades 8-11

December 22 NO FF Class Grades 6-7

December 25 NO FF Classes-Merry Christmas

December 29 NO FF Classes

Congratulations to those who received the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday, December 7, 2024: Chase Novacek, Luke Olson, Miguel Tila



Heart to Heart Chat – 12.15.2024

My dear friends,

Is anything impossible for God? I have shared this story many times, however, good stories of faith can be repeated as many times as possible. When I entered Frazee in 2008 August as a new pastor of Sacred Heart parish, I did not have a clue what to do there? When I say no clue, it is not about the regular duties of a pastor but other special things I needed to do there. One thing that was waiting for

me was an addition to the Church that was estimated to cost \$750,000. My human thinking was, how am I going to complete this project? God had thought differently. Despite of all the hurdles we encountered as a community of faith, still we trusted the Lord that He will accomplish all that we needed to do to finish the project. The day Bishop blessed the new structure, I could not control my tears. I was reassured by the Lord once again that nothing is impossible for Him!

Can a virgin give birth to a child? Yes, it is possible for God. Can a son of God come in human flesh? Of course, it is possible when God wills it. Can the eternal word of God bring Joy and Peace in our life? That is possible for God, too. If we keep counting all that God has done in our life, we should never think twice whether something is possible for God or not. But our Christian life is a journey of constant struggle that oscillates between belief and disbelief. At times we are so strong to believe that the Lord I trust in can do everything for me. There are times when we despair totally that we tend to think that God cannot do much for me. As we come close to the great feast of Christmas, it is good to overhaul our belief system. Did not God stop King Herod to kill his own son? Joseph could protect the child and mother because God helped him through a dream. Three wise men could see the Messiah that many could not see. A simple beginning in the manger became the salvation of the whole human race. There is no other feast can affirm so strongly that everything is possible for God. As we go to the Nativity Scene on the Christmas day, let us say a special prayer to the newborn baby: "If you could come as baby in our midst, we certainly want to believe that you can do anything in our life. We genuinely believe that through your powerful love, you will transform everything in our life. Thank you for strengthening my faith."

Your brother in Christ,
 Fr. Xavier Ilango

December 15, 2024; 3rd Sunday of Advent

"Have no anxiety at all, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God." (PHILIPPIANS 4:6)

St. Paul reminds us that God is an abundant God – He is the ultimate giver of gifts. He promises to give us all that we need. Remember, that we are created in God's image and likeness. We, too, are made to be generous with all of our gifts as well. Placing our trust in God frees us from being a slave to possessions. It allows us to gratefully and generously share ourselves and our goods with others.

Collection for the Week of December 8, 2024

Adults	\$4,837.00	Christmas Flowers	\$225.00
Plate	\$198.00	Retired Religious Fund	\$245.00
Mortgage	\$520.00	Immaculate Conception	\$327.00
Candles	\$134.00	GCC Funds	\$50.00
Parish Total	\$6,536.00	Needed Each Week	\$4,000.00

November Revenue/Expense Report

Sunday Offertory	\$12,087.26	Admin. Expense	\$7,835.49
Other Revenues	\$4,250.60	Church Expense	\$5,409.61
Gifts		Education Expense	\$3,943.68
House	\$367.00	Projects	\$250.00
Cemetery	\$	Cemetery	\$18.00
Total Income	\$16,704.86	Total Expense	\$17,456.78

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, December 22, 10:00 AM

Commentator/Lector:	D. Votava, J. Ranstrom
Altar Servers:	R. Mortimer, A. Oberg
Ushers:	R. Larson, L. Larson
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist:	D. Votava, S. & T. Oberg



Thank You to everyone who stayed after The Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass to help put up the Christmas garland and wreaths. It didn't take long with so many of you working on it, the whole job was completed in just a few minutes! "Thank You" dear people—we are forever grateful!



The Last Pocket Change Collection

for the Rectory Mortgage-
 Past donations: \$57,105.31; 12-8-2024 Collection: \$520.00;
Total: \$57,625.31 Current Total due on Mortgage:
 \$6,103.23 to be paid by 12-31-2024

Thank you to everyone who helped pay off this mortgage way ahead of schedule. We can now concentrate on updating our heating system in the church. The first Sunday special collection will now turn into the "BOILER COLLECTION"!

ADVENT PRAYER TREE: This Advent our youth students will again be selling ornaments before and after Mass for \$5 each for you to add your prayer intention to. We will then be putting them on the Advent Prayer Tree all throughout Advent and into the Christmas Season.



Proceeds go to the Youth Programs.

WALL OF MONEY \$\$\$

Youth Students have the Wall Of Money, located in the church entrance, to help collect donations for VBS, Steubenville, JP11, and Trinity Youth Camp. You can take an envelope corresponding to an amount or you can select a blank envelope and add the amount you choose. As a thank you for your donation we would like to pray for any prayer intention that you might have while we are at these events. Once you have completed your envelope you can turn it into the office, Amanda Page, or put it in the collection basket at Mass.



Third Advent Candle: JOY-This pink candle echoes the joy of the shepherds who heard the good news of Christ's birth from the angels. It signifies the joy that the world feels with the coming of the Savior. Read Luke 2:10-11

Fourth Advent Candle: LOVE-This purple candle symbolizes God's unconditional love for humanity, made manifest in the birth of Jesus, his Son. It is a reminder of the sacrificial love of Christ and his call to love one another. Read 1 John 4:9-11