



SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church Bulletin



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December 22, 2024

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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:	12/22	10:00 am	Warren	People of Warren, Euclid and Oslo
Tues:	12/24	6:00 pm	Warren	† Ron, Clif and Richard Adrian by Becky Adrian
Wed:	12/25	10:00 am	Warren	† Mary Deschene by Larry & Debbie Sabol
Fri:	12/27	10:00 am	NS Manor	† Donald Narlock by Todd & Jan Mortimer
Sun:	12/29	10:00 am	Warren	People of Warren, Euclid and Oslo

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun:		12/22	8:30 am Mass Oslo 9:30 am Rosary; 10:00 am Mass Warren NO Faith Formation Classes Grades 6-7
Mon:	<i>St. John of Kanty</i>	12/23	Office Closed
Tues:	<i>Christmas Eve</i>	12/24	NO Adoration Warren 4:00 pm Mass Oslo 5:00 pm Mass Euclid 6:00 pm Mass Warren 
Wed:	<i>The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)</i>	12/25	Office Closed 10:00 am Mass Warren NO Faith Formation Classes 
Thurs:	<i>St. Stephen</i>	12/26	Office Closed NO 8:30 am Mass Oslo
Fri:	<i>St. John</i>	12/27	10:00 am Mass North Star Manor
Sat:	<i>The Holy Innocents</i>	12/28	9:30 to 11:00 am Confession Warren 5:00 pm Mass Euclid
Sun:	<i>The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph</i>	12/29	8:30 am Mass Oslo 9:30 am Rosary; 10:00 am Mass Warren NO Faith Formation Classes 
Mon:		12/30	Office Closed
Tues:	<i>St. Sylvester I</i>	12/31	NO Adoration Warren-NO 6:00 pm Mass Warren 5:00 pm Mass Oslo
Wed:	<i>New Year's Day Holy Day of Obligation Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God</i>	1/1	Office Closed- 8:00 am Mass Euclid 10:00 am Mass Warren NO Faith Formation Classes 
Thurs:	<i>Sts. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen</i>	1/2	8:30 am Mass Oslo
Fri:	<i>The Most Holy Name of Jesus</i>	1/3	10:00 am Mass North Star Manor
Sat:	<i>St. Elizabeth Ann Seton</i>	1/4	8:00 am Confession; 8:30 am Rosary; 9:00 am Mass Warren 5:00 pm Mass Oslo
Sun:	<i>Special Collection: Boiler The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	1/5	8:00 am Mass Euclid 10:00 am Mass Warren 11:00 am Faith Formation Class-Grades 6-7



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 Chadduck
John Buchner
Fred Nicholls
David Kujava

Birthdays & Anniversaries December 22-28
Sophia Olson
Lilly Kostrzewski
Conrad Kostrzewski
Mike Bienek
Mike/Stacey Bienek
Michael/Bethany Olson



We extend our sincere sympathy to the John Praska family. John passed away on Monday, December 9, 2024, and his Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, December 13, 2024 at SS. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, Warren, MN. May God Grant Him Eternal Rest.

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 22 NO FF Class Grades 6-7

December 25 NO FF Classes-Merry Christmas

December 29 NO FF Classes Grades 6-7

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, JPII, 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.

Heart to Heart Chat – 12.22.2024



My dear friends,

As we are getting closer to the day of our Lord's birth, I would love to share an amazing reflection about St. Joseph, who went through a special time waiting for the birth of Jesus. Certain spiritual insights offer us greater clarity to life situations than any other human experience can teach.

Fr. Ilango

“The story of Joseph's bewilderment when he realized that his future wife was going to have a baby is well known, and it is well known, too, that Our Lady did not explain. Her example here teaches us wisdom when misunderstandings arise because of Christ conceived in us. There is little gained by trying to explain. At that time, the Advent time, His voice is silent in us; it is simply our own heartbeat. Love is more effective than words. The only thing to do is to go on loving, to be patient, to suffer the misunderstanding. Explanations even of what can be explained seldom heal – and there is so much that cannot be explained.

Even the presence of Christ in us does not do away with our own clumsiness, blindness, stupidity; indeed, sometimes because of our limitations, His light is a blinding light to us, and we become, for a time, denser than before. We shall still be irritable, still make mistakes, and still very likely be unaware of how exasperated we are. Explanations, words, at this stage, may only wound, but love will be a bridge over which at last, in God's time, we shall cross to a better understanding. It will have to be the love of humility, that is love informed by humility – long suffering, patient, and humorous. If we realize that we are a little absurd, such love will come more easily. We must try to be like Our Lady, to make as little fuss as she did about being the mother of Christ.

No one can be so recollected, so tranquil, that he can be a contemplative in the world, a contemplative of Christ in his own heart, unless at the very outset he finds a cure for fear. There is only one cure for fear – trust in God. That is why the beginning of Christ's being formed in us consists in echoing Our Lady's fiat; it is a surrender, a handing over of everything to God.” (Caryll Houselander, *The Reed of God*).

December 22, 2024; 4th Sunday of Advent

“For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy.” (LUKE 1:44)

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you “leap for joy?” If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

Collection for the Week of December 15, 2024

Adults	\$3,431.00	Christmas Flowers	\$60.00
Plate	\$282.00	Retired Religious Fund	\$15.00
Mortgage	\$125.00	Immaculate Conception	\$50.00
		RE Breakfast	264.00
Parish Total	\$4,227.00	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 Tuesday, December 24, 6:00 PM

Commentator/Lector:	M. Johnson, M. Pederson
Altar Servers:	M. Pederson, L. Linder
Ushers:	K. Anderson, R. Schmiedeberg
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist:	M. Johnson, K. Pederson, R. Schmiedeberg

Ministry Schedule for Wednesday, December 25, 10:00 AM

Commentator/Lector:	C. Colbert, G. Myszkowski
Altar Servers:	M. Colbert, B. Gust
Ushers:	J. & N. Gerszewski
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist:	G. Myszkowski, S. & T. Oberg

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, December 29, 10:00 AM

Commentator/Lector:	R. Bolduc, M. Johnson
Altar Servers:	L. Larson, N. Larson, E. Page
Ushers:	M. & J. Weiland
Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist:	A. Anderson, R. Bolduc, D. Golden

BOOKSWAP Take a Book, Leave a Book..

There are free books available on the back table in the Social Hall! Please feel free to take a book, or bring a book to add to the table for others to enjoy.



The Last Pocket Change Collection

for the Rectory Mortgage-
 Past donations: \$57,625.31; 12-15-2024 Collection/
 Donation: \$5,125.00; **Total: \$62,750.31** 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**”!



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

Christ Candle-This white candle symbolizes Jesus being the light of the world as well as his call for Christians to be lights. Read John 8:12

Pour forth your blessings upon us as we light these candles each week, may their light reflect the splendor of Christ, who is Lord, for ever and ever.