St. Andrews Catholic Church

Mission: We are a Christian Community where all are welcome. Guided and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we strive to meet the spiritual needs of all through the Sacraments, religious education, and worship. We seek to live an example of holiness and encourage one another as we journey toward eternal life.

Schedule & Mass Intentions

Sunday, November 1
8:30 a.m. St. Elizabeth – Parishioners
10:30 a.m. St. Andrew — Prayers of St. Expedite

Monday November 2
9 a.m. St. Elizabeth —No Mass
4-7 p.m. St. Andrew — Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, November 3
9 a.m. St. Andrew — Communion Service

Wednesday, November 4
9 a.m. St. Elizabeth – No Mass

Thursday, November 5
9 a.m. St. Andrew — Communion Service

Sunday, November 8
8:30 a.m. St. Elizabeth – †Neil Brown
10:30 a.m. St. Andrew — Parishioners

To have Masses said for deceased or living family members, send your intentions to the parish office. Stipends are $10 per Mass.

***Daily Mass readings** can be found at www.usccb.org or www.livingfaith.com*

Rosary is prayed before Mass each Sunday morning beginning at 10:00 a.m.

Confessions: By request after daily and Sunday Mass and by appointment.

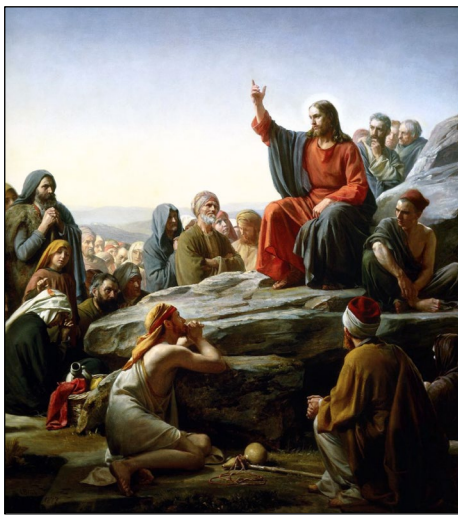
Prayers for the Sick: Remember all who are in need of the Lord's healing and strength and those who have asked for our prayers, especially: Bishop Balke, Rose Swenson, Joan Vanderweyst (family friend of Tim and Karla Winkelman), Kay Dahlberg and Kim Moen (friends of Dawn Chisholm), Dean Grommesh (brother of Dawn Chisholm), Steve Lunneborg, Jason Dodd, Joan Wang, Tricia Rux, Faye Smiley Aakre, and Anna Schmidt. If you are aware of someone who should be added to the prayer list or if a name has been removed and you would like to again include someone, please email Deacontomstandrews@gmail.com.

All names will remain on the list for 30 days.

November 1, 2026 / Solemnity of All Saints

Few Walk It – Will You?

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the Kingdom of heaven. . . " – Matthew 5:1-3



Sermon on the Mount, 1887, oil painting by Danish artist Carl Bloch painter James Tissot, in the Museum of National Historv at Frederiksbora Castle in Denmark.

Do you want to get to Heaven? Most would instinctively respond, "Yes." But imagine an angel appearing to you today and saying, "The Most High God will be taking you to Heaven this very day." How would you react? Would your heart leap with joy? Or would a wave of fear wash over you as you realized everything in this world would be left behind?

Many struggle to look forward to Heaven with genuine longing. We may think of it from time to time, perhaps smile when recalling loved ones who have gone before us, presuming they are "in a better place." Yet few of us live with a desire that eagerly awaits Heaven as our true home.

Today, on the Solemnity of All Saints, the Church invites us to lift our eyes to the glorious communion of saints and angels. In Heaven, they behold the Beatific Vision, gazing with awe and love upon the Most Holy Trinity. They are fulfilled. Their hearts are open, receiving God's love in its fullness and returning it with perfect charity. This eternal exchange of love deepens their union with God in an everlasting ascent of glory.

By God's mercy, if we are counted among the "few" who enter through the narrow gate (cf. Matthew 7:14), by walking the constricted road that leads to life, then, when this life is ended we will immediately know that every act of prayer, sacrifice, and surrender was worth it. The beatific gaze upon God will fill us with such radiant joy that all earthly attachments will dissolve. We will see clearly how foolish it was to cling to the vanities of this world and will be eternally grateful that we strived to overcome them with diligence.

Riches, possessions, honors, and status will be gone. None of it will matter. All we will carry into eternity is the love we lived—our love that was purified through suffering, tested by obedience, and offered as a sacrifice. This is divine charity, and its fruit will forever remain with us. All selfish love will be stripped away. Only what is of God will remain.

Talk of Heaven can be jarring to some. We often become so consumed with the present moment that we see only this present moment, seeking immediate satisfaction or resenting current struggles. Living as if this life were all we have is self-deception. It blinds us to eternity, which will be spent either in Heaven or in hell.

The path to Heaven challenges our natural instincts. Grace must elevate them, guiding us by divine wisdom rather than human reasoning. Today's Gospel reveals that wisdom: The truly blessed are the poor in spirit, those who mourn, the meek, those who hunger for righteousness, the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemakers, and those persecuted for Christ.

Do you desire this life of beatitude? Or do you desire a life of riches, fun, pride, judgment, condemnation, an indulgent heart, self-righteousness, and freedom from all suffering and persecution? If you struggle with desiring a life of true beatitude, then fall to your knees in prayer today. Beg God to open your heart to the truth of the Beatitudes that leads to heavenly glory. The path is narrow and few walk it. Resolve to be among those few.

Reflect today on the saints in Heaven. They were not perfect on earth, but they were faithful. They allowed divine charity to take root in their hearts and persevered through trial. Read the Beatitudes slowly and ask, "Do I truly want to be counted among them?" If the answer is "Yes," then live today—and every day—with Heaven as your only goal.

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Deacon Tom Jirik

Our warmest welcome to all who worship with us. We appreciate your participation. If you would like to join our community, please fill out this form and place in the collection basket or mail to our parish office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

Book of Remembrance is Displayed During the Month of All Souls

During the Month of All Souls (November), many parishes have the custom of giving a place of honor to a book in which community members and visitors write the names of their beloved dead. The Book of Remembrance was inspired by the ancient practice of recording the dates of the deaths of loved ones in a necrology, a public record or registry of death. This practice provides the living with an opportunity for healing and consolation in the face of grief. The Book of Remembrance is usually displayed from the solemnity of All Saints until the beginning of Advent. It is left open for people to write the names of their deceased loved ones and for others to read the names, remember, and pray for the repose of their souls. Our Book of Remembrance will be located on a podium near the baptismal font.

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.

Liturgical Assignment	Sunday, Nov. 8
Lead Rosary	Donna Noll
Altar Servers	Ruth Thompson Adley and Colton Underdahl
Ministers of Holy Communion	Dean & Diane Omberg Paul & Tiffany Sullivan Kathy Tibbetts
Greeters	Shawn & Paulette Hagen
Lectors	Lynn Buschette Dawn Chisholm
Ushers	Carmen & Troy Barth
Music Ministry	Brigid Pender
Gift bearers	Aldinger Family
Counters	Becky Thiel Kathy Tibbetts Sherry Bisek
Cookies & Coffee	Donna Noll Emily & Mikel Olson Beth Osowski

The Pope's Monthly Intention

November – For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

Charismatic Praise & Worship

Charismatic praise and worship followed by healing prayer is held at 6:30 p.m. at St. Elizabeth's on the second and four Thursday of every month.

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.)

Support Vocations Through the Serra Club

The Serra Club of the Diocese of Crookston is dedicated to fostering and supporting vocations to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, and lay ministry through prayer, encouragement, and education. The Serra Club's next monthly meeting will be held via Zoom on:

Monday, November 9, 2026, at 8:00 p.m.

The meeting will feature **Seminarian Westin Gourneau**, a fifth-year seminarian for the Diocese of Crookston, who will share about his vocation journey and seminary formation. Anyone interested in learning more about supporting vocations in our diocese is welcome to attend.

Zoom Meeting Link:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87472186980

For more information about the Serra Club and how you can encourage and support vocations, please contact Tiffany Sullivan, President of the Diocese of Crookston's Serra Club/Ministry, paultiff61@gmail.com.

Discerning the Diaconate Sessions

The Diocese of Crookston's next formation group for the permanent diaconate will begin in the Fall of 2027. The Diocese will be holding a number of "Discerning the Diaconate" sessions in November and December via Zoom for men, and wives if married, to provide more information about the diaconate and deacon formation. The sessions will be held on November 2nd, November 17th, or December 3rd from 7:00 to 8:00 pm. If you are considering discernment of a call to the permanent diaconate, you are encouraged to attend one of these sessions. To register for one of the sessions and receive the Zoom link for the meeting, please email Deacon Mark Krejci, Director of Deacon Formation, at mkrejci@crookston.org. In the email, please indicate which session you wish to attend.

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- Scan the QR code with your phone's camera
- Download the TeamReach app
- Join the St. Andrew's group

Comfort, care and prayer. . .

If you or someone you know is in need of a blessed prayer blanket, see Fr. Augie or Deacon Tom. We have a number of hand-made blankets available.

Vocations Awareness Week

November 1-7 is Vocations Awareness Week. Please take some extra time this week to pray for an increase in vocations in the Diocese of Crookston.

Today, November 1, at the end of Mass, we will honor Fr. Augie Gothman and Deacon Tom Jirik in gratitude for their devotion and service to St. Andrews Parish. Hundreds of popcorn prayers have been said for these men during October and we will continue to pray for them throughout the year.

In November we are transitioning to **prayers for future vocations** by praying popcorn prayers for future priests, deacons, men and women religious, and marriages! Please consider signing up to take the traveling Vocations Crucifix Kit home for a week. The prayers in the kit take only 30 to 90 seconds each – far less than the time it takes to microwave a bag of popcorn. Please fill up the sign-up sheet in the gathering space. Let's fill it for the entire year!

St. Andrew's Men's Bible Study

When: 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, 7:00-8:00 AM

Where: Church Library (South doors will be unlocked)

What We Do:

- Read and discuss Sunday gospel readings
- Talk about what Christ is doing in our lives
- Share prayer requests and pray

Want to join?

Text Mike at 218-232-4875 to be added to the text chain.

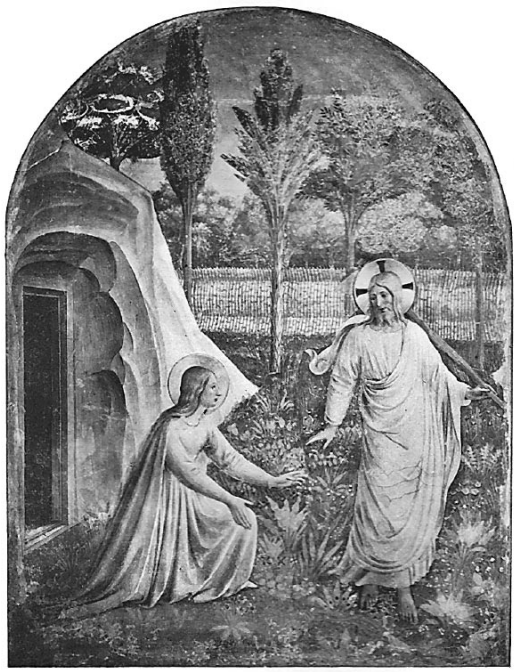


11/01	Amelia Geeslin	11/15	Dash Jorgenson
	Mason Klevgaard		Dean Omberg
	Benjamin Omberg	11/17	Andrea Steele
	Blake Omberg	11/18	Aimee Burkel
11/03	Brylee Larson		Amelia Vetter
11/04	Pat Ketterl	11/19	Nancy Paur
11/05	Ashlee McManigle	11/20	Ava Hagen
	Jacob Vetter		Jerry Rutten
11/08	Dale Van Havermaet	11/21	Kaigen Grandstrand
	Oliver Vossen		Braeden Lessard
11/10	Clara McManigle	11/22	Samuel Osowski
	Dylan Steele	11/23	Jesse Johnston
	Evette Vossen		Miles Zacher
11/11	Jason Underdahl	11/23	Reed Zacher
11/12	Craig Mahan	11/25	Ashley Curry
11/13	Abigail Norris	11/27	Kelly Amann
	Sharon Revier		Christian Fiskness
11/14	Joshua Hager	11/29	Kasey Steichen

The Second Coming of Christ

… then will appear the sign of the Son of man in Heaven, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of man coming on the clouds of Heaven with power and great glory; and he will send out his angels with a loud trumpet call, and they will gather his elect from the four winds, from one end of Heaven to the other. ~ Matthew 24:30-31

CHRIST WAS SENT into the world by the Father to usher in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. He announced the coming of God's reign that had been promised by the prophets of old and before ascending into Heaven he established a visible order and structure to it: the Church. The reality of the Kingdom continues in the Church, which has been given the same authority and power of Christ. While the Church is truly the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, it is only the beginning, the seed. The powers of sin and death were conquered by Christ on Calvary, definitively, but his Lordship has not yet been recognized by all, nor has his Kingdom come in its fullness. That is why we still pray *"thy Kingdom come"* (Mt 6:10) and *"Come, Lord Jesus"* (Rv 22:20).



Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene on Easter morning, by Fra Angelico, 1387-1455

Christ is coming back to subject all things to himself: *"[E]very knee should bow, in Heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father"* (Phil 2:10-11). His promised return will happen in the last days and will mark the end of time. Since Christ ascended into Heaven, we have been in the last days. While the Lord promised that there would be signs of his return, he also said, *"Take heed, watch; for you do not know when the time will come"* (Mk 13:33). Rather than becoming anxious about his return, the Lord asks us to be prepared, that is, to live the present day as if it were the day of the Lord's return.

One of the signs that Jesus prophesied would signal the last days is the appearance of *"false Christs and false prophets"* (see Mt 24:24) who will assault the Church one last time before his glorious return (see Mt 24:3-24). The Antichrist is not necessarily one individual but refers to anyone who denies that Jesus is the Christ: *"For many deceivers have gone out into the world, men who will not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh; such a one is the deceiver and the antichrist"* (2 Jn v 7; see also 1 Jn 2:18-23).

The Second Coming should not make us fearful, because Christ has already won the victory. It is true that when he comes, the Final Judgment will take place, but like his first coming his return is also motivated by love. God the Father's love for his children is fully revealed in Christ both then, now, and forever. Even when he comes again, he still *"desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth"* (1 Tm 2:4). If we repent and turn back to Christ even in the "eleventh hour" before the judgment, he will save us. The expectation of his coming is a constant reminder to be vigilant and call for conversion and ongoing conversion in our daily lives.

(CCC 668-679, 2771-2772, 2816-2818)

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