

The Catholic communities of
Most Holy Redeemer, Ogema
St. Benedict, White Earth
St. Theodore, Ponsford

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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, please contact Cindy Hulst, LSW, the diocesan Victim's Assistance Coordinator at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

Marriage: Please make an appointment to see the pastor twelve months prior than the intended date of celebration.

Baptisms: Baptisms are scheduled as we have candidates. Please call the parish office to register yourself or your child.

Reconciliation: Before Mass or anytime by appointment with a priest.

Lord, help me to love not just when it's easy, but even when it's hard!

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

☞ Mass Intentions this Week ☞

Sat. Feb. 24	4 pm STT	The People of the Parishes
Sun. Feb. 25	9 am MHR 11am STB	+Wally Lefebvre Warner J. Silk
Mon. Feb. 26	NO MASS	
Tues. Feb. 27	8:30 am MHR	+Kenneth Leu
Wed. Feb. 28	8:30 am MHR	+Elaine (Pon) Hoban
Thur. Feb. 29	8:30am MHR	Stalberger Fam. (living & deceased)
Fri. Mar. 01	8:30 am MHR	+James Hoban
Sat. Mar. 02	4pm STT	+Paul Norbert Haverkamp
Sun. Mar. 03	9 am MHR 11am STB	The People of the Parishes +Theodora Warren

ST. THEODORE – PONSFORD

Rosary recited every Saturday before Mass.

Parish Council Meeting first Saturday, every month following Mass.

MOST HOLY REDEEMER – OGEMA

Church cleaners February: Anisa & Russ, Jane & Steve, Julie & Gary, Sarah & Dustin, Jamie Weigel

Rolls & Coffee March : Group 1 to serve-

ST. BENEDICT – WHITE EARTH

Church cleaners February: Teedo Silk & Geraldine Bellanger

FEBRUARY 17/18

Stewardship	M. H. R	St. Ben	St. Theo
Envelope	780.00	250.00	550.00
Plate	205.00	86.00	72.00
Votive		24.00	
Eastern Eur.	218.00	87.00	20.00
Bl. & Ind. Coll	209.00	51.00	185.00
TOTAL	1412.00	498.00	827.00

"Here I am!" he answered. ~ Genesis 22:11

It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord" when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, or when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

THE 140TH ANNUAL NATIONAL BLACK & INDIAN MISSION COLLECTION – Thank you for your support of this collection last weekend.



Kibby Sullivan, Charlie Ketchmark, Bob Johnson, Kurt Halvorson, Jim Stalberger, Tom Doble, Gary Eidem, Janet Edrington, Bob Solmon, Mike Swan, Carrie Ann Penney, Norma Walgren, Banks Nelson, Harper Anderson, Tayvis Zima, Patty Pachel, Charlie Stech, Jeff Larson, Dan Gendreau, Katelyn Lorsung, Marge McArthur, Bode Zima, Maureen Sullivan, Jodi Anderson, Violet Fairbanks, Jessie & Cherie Johnson, Toney Parker, Tony Parker, Chris Fairbanks, Carolyn Williams, Mary Stech, Germaine Riegert, Diane Johnson, Lois Bement, Richard & Mary Heisler, Dean Christianson, Dora Theibe, Roy Lattie, Jessica Leu, Aaron Moore, Von Borgrud, Tammy Noll, Special Intention, and all our service men and women, especially those who are actively serving overseas.

"I Am With You Always!" is the theme of this year's DAA, which is an invitation to encounter God's love and Real Presence today.

Our goals for 2024 are: **Most Holy Redeemer - \$4987**
St. Theodore - \$1589
St. Benedict - \$1596

Have you made a commitment to the 2024 Diocesan Annual Appeal? If you have, thank you! If not, please make your pledge or gift this weekend. You can donate online at www.crookston.org/DAA. Prayerfully consider increasing your gift by 10% if you haven't increased your gift for several years. The ministries you support touch the lives of thousands of Catholics in the Diocese of Crookston!
THANK YOU FOR MAKING CHRIST'S LOVE PRESENT IN OUR COMMUNITY!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Janet Lhotka – Tekakwitha Center Director
 218.473.2101 email: 1112sta@arvig.net
First Communion @ MHR & STB April 28th.
Confirmation @ MHR May 8th 6:00pm.

ST. MICHAEL'S SCHOOL FISH FRY

St. Mike's Church Social Hall
 Fridays During Lent 5:30pm-7:00pm
 Walleye Fillet, Potato, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll & Beverage
 \$20 per 1 Fillet Meal

Starting a prayer journal is a simple way to improve your prayer life during Lent.

See how many times during the day you can stop and recite the Lord's Prayer, truly thinking about what the words mean.

Fasting is another key component of Lent. Whatever you decide to give up, pray about it. When you encounter temptation, pray for God's deliverance. When you resist temptation, thank God for lending you Her strength. Each day, pray that God uses your fasting or your abstinence to nurture your faith.

LENTEN AND EASTER SEASON SCHEDULE STATIONS OF THE CROSS – FRIDAY'S @ 6PM

Mar. 01 – ST THEO
 Mar. 08 – MHR
 Mar. 15 – ST BEN
 Mar. 22 – ST THEO
 (Light Lenten meal to follow each service – attendees please bring a food item to share. Thank you.)

Mar. 16/17 RECONCILIATION AT ALL MASSES

Mar. 23/24 **PALM SUNDAY** REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE
 Mar. 26 **CHRISM MASS** 6:30PM CATHEDRAL CROOKSTON
 Mar. 28 **HOLY THURSDAY** 7:00PM MHR
 Mar. 29 **GOOD FRIDAY** 3:00PM MHR
 5:00PM ST. BEN
 7:00PM ST. THEO
 Mar. 30 **EASTER VIGIL** 7:00PM ST. THEO
 Mar. 31 **EASTER SUNDY** 9:00AM MHR
 11:00AM ST. BEN

As these words of Pope Francis show there are a wide variety of ways to fast this Lenten Season.

*Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
 Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
 Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
 Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
 Fast from worries and have trust in God.
 Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
 Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
 Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
 Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.*

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Happy World Marriage Day – Feb. 12
 Celebrate your sacrament by signing up for a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next available Weekends are Feb. 16-18, 2024 in Windom, MN and Mar. 22-24, in Valley City, ND. For more information Visit northmnwwme.org or contact Miki at Applications@northmnwwme.org or 507.227.8229

Flom Community Club Soup Dinner Sunday, March 3 Flom Hall 10:30-1:00 pm MEAT RAFFLES

A variety of soups and sandwich options, drinks and ice cream. Proceeds go toward needed development to the Flom Hall

Most Holy Redeemer Dinner April 7

The Special Intentions of Pope Francis

Lord Jesus, during lent, be close to all people who are sick, especially those in the final stages of life. May they and their families receive the medical care and human love that they need. May all who risk their lives for the Gospel fill the Church with their courage and missionary zeal.