

February 22, 2026



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February 22, 2026 – First Sunday of Lent

Like Adam and Eve, Jesus was tempted, but did not sin. Our sinfulness is
acquitted through one man, Jesus Christ, in whom we are justified.

Planning for Mission Discernment Videos this Sunday: On November 1st last year, the Diocese of Crookston hosted a Regional Leadership Summit at St. Michael's Church for the parish leaders of St. Michael's, St. Joseph's and the White Earth Catholic Communities on planning for mission. All the parish leaders who attended or were invited to that event are invited to follow up Leadership Formation Sessions this **Sunday February 22nd** and next **Sunday March 1st** from **2 to 4 pm** at St. Michael's Parish Hall. The session will include prayer, watching a 30-minute video and discussions. This Sunday, we shall watch videos 1 and 2 and then video 3 on March 1st.

The second Collection this weekend is to support the Black and Indian Mission. This collection exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease. The Collection was formerly known as The Black and Indian Home Mission Collection.

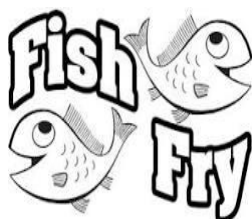
St. Michael's PTC Lenten Fish Fry

Fridays during Lent.

February 20th and 27th, March 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

5:30-7:00 pm.

\$20.00 per 1 Fillet Meal



Meals include: Walleye Fillet, Potato, Coleslaw,
Dinner Roll and Beverage

To-go orders available at the door.

All proceeds will go to Matching Funds.

<p>Saturday 2/21/26</p> <p>Black & Indian Missions Collection Team 3</p>	<p><u>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u> <u>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</u> † Joyce Klinkhammer by Rodney & Susan McCollum <u>Sacristan:</u> Tim (Too Tall) Spaeth <u>Servers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Lisa Larson <u>Commentator:</u> Char Spaeth <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Lisa Larson, Marlys Johnson, Tim and Char Spaeth, HELP NEEDED <u>Ushers:</u> Don Eveslage, Don Kaiser, Roger Francis, Brian Klinkhammer <u>Cantors:</u> Dave Kochmann, Evan Bruggeman, Choir <u>Pianist:</u> HELP NEEDED</p>
<p>Sunday 2/22/26</p> <p>Black & Indian Missions Collection Team 4</p>	<p><u>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</u> <u>8:00 am Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's</u> <u>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's:</u> † Math and † Sally Neisen by Darrell Neisen <u>Server:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Deb McNamee <u>Commentator:</u> Doug Kersting <u>Gifts:</u> Chris and Wanita Bray <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> PauliAnn Neisen, JoAnn Kersting, Yvonne and Doug Kersting, Joe Buresh <u>10:00 – 10:15 am Reconiliation at St. Michael's</u> <u>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</u> For the Parishioners <u>Sacristan:</u> Kevin Gieseke <u>Servers:</u> Vanessa and Brock DeLong and Hannah LaFrinere <u>Lector:</u> Melissa Netland <u>Commentator:</u> Jill Bisek <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Melissa Netland, Ray Bisek, Misty Amberg, HELP NEEDED <u>Ushers:</u> Steve Worms, Kevin Gieseke, HELP NEEDED <u>Cantor:</u> Jill Bisek <u>Pianist:</u> Gina Worms <u>2:00-4:00 pm Leadership Formation Session for Parish Leaders at St. Michael's Church</u></p>
<p>Monday 2/23/26</p>	<p><u>No Mass</u></p>
<p>Tuesday 2/24/26</p>	<p><u>No Mass – Fr. Andrew to St. Cloud</u> <u>9:30 am Collection Counters:</u> Fred Houdek and Karen Hanson</p>
<p>Wednesday 2/25/26</p>	<p><u>10:00 am Mass at Mahnomen Senior Living: For the Parishioners</u> <u>6:15 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's followed by Soup Supper,</u> <u>Adult Enrichment. Faith Formation</u></p>
<p>Thursday 2/26/26</p>	<p><u>2:00 pm Bulletin Folder:</u> Marlys Johnson <u>5:30 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</u> For the Parishioners <u>6:00 pm St. Michael's Pastoral Council</u></p>
<p>Friday 2/27/26</p>	<p><u>7:15-8:15 am and 9:00-10:00 am Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Michael's</u> <u>8:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</u> For the Parishioners <u>1:00 pm Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's</u> <u>5:30 – 7:00 pm Fish Fry at St. Michael's</u></p>
<p>Saturday 2/28/26</p> <p>Team 4</p>	<p><u>4:30 pm Reconciliation at St. Michael's</u> <u>5:00 pm Mass at St. Michael's:</u> † Betty Thompson by Dave and Nicole Thompson and Family <u>Sacristan:</u> Kevin Gieseke <u>Servers:</u> Vanessa and Brock DeLong and Hannah LaFrinere <u>Lector:</u> Darlene Spaeth <u>Commentator:</u> Melissa Netland <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Melissa Netland, Samantha DeLong, Ray Bisek, Misty Amberg <u>Ushers:</u> Steve Worms, Kevin Gieseke, Mark Amberg, HELP NEEDED <u>Cantors:</u> Dave Kochmann, Evan Bruggeman, Choir <u>Pianist:</u> HELP NEEDED</p>
<p>Sunday 3/1/26</p> <p>CLOW at Both Parishes Team 1</p>	<p><u>8:00 am Reconciliation at St. Joseph's</u> <u>8:00 am Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's</u> <u>8:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's:</u> † Steven Elsinger by Walter and Carol Geray <u>Server:</u> Wyatt Geray <u>Lector:</u> Rita Wolbeck <u>Commentator:</u> Cletus Geray <u>Gifts:</u> Steve and Kathy Haider <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Jerome and Ann Schoenborn, Dan and Deb McNamee, Doug Kersting, Rita Wolbeck <u>10:00 – 10:15 am Reconiliation at St. Michael's</u> <u>10:30 am Mass at St. Michael's:</u> For the Parishioners <u>Sacristan:</u> Fred Houdek <u>Servers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Lector:</u> Judy McCollum <u>Commentator:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Judy McCollum, Fred Houdek, Karen Ahmann, HELP NEEDED <u>Ushers:</u> HELP NEEDED <u>Cantor:</u> Jill Bisek <u>Pianist:</u> Gina Worms <u>2:00-4:00 pm Leadership Formation Session for Parish Leaders at St. Michael's Church</u></p>



Stewardship of Treasure
For The Week of February 15, 2026

*Thank you to all who are using envelopes or mailing your stewardship offering to the parish office.
Your Gifts Are Greatly Appreciated!*

	<u>St. Michael's</u>	<u>St. Joseph's</u>
Adult	\$ 1145.00	\$ 1623.00
Youth	\$ 12.00	\$
Plate	\$ 444.00	\$ 100.00
TOTAL	\$ 1601.00	\$ 1723.00
Year-to-date Totals (As of July 1, 2025)	\$106,529.00	\$ 42,340.00

YOUR PRAYERS ARE NEEDED - Please pray for those in need for their healing & peace.
We Especially Remember:

Jim Krajsa, Chad Blaser, Mike Neisen, Trey Beauchamp, Richard Pavlish, Harold Schultz, Reed Bjerk, Jeri Lynn Jaeger, Keith Francis, Sue Voit, Jessica Halvorson, Molly Houdek, Sandy Haddeland, Allen Neisen, Mike McCollum, Connie Bruggeman, Linda Noll, Theresa Thielen, Rita Kaiser, Amy Houdek, Mary Monahan, Al Beach, April Jirik, Lucy Johnson, Nan Christopherson, Ernie Stock, Maggie Lerud, Joe Thompson, Mary Jirik, Joyce Sponskowski, Alan Beach, Cole Houska

And all recipients of the Catholic Daughter Prayer Blankets.

To add or remove someone from our Parish Prayer List, please call the Parish Office at 218-935-2503.

Lenten Liturgy and Hospitality Schedule
6:15 Mass or Stations followed by Soup
Supper, Adult Enrichment, FF grades 7-11

February 25th – Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's
March 4th – Mass at St. Michael's
March 11th – Mass at St. Joseph's
March 18th – Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's
March 25th – Penance Service at 6:00 pm
(NO Soup Supper)
April 1st – Stations of the Cross at St. Michael's

**2026 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL:
IN CHRIST, WE ARE ONE!**

Thank you for your support of the Diocesan Annual Appeal! Your generous gift, joined with others, gives encouragement, strength, and purpose to our family of faith. If you have not had the opportunity to make your commitment, please make your pledge or gift this weekend. You can donate online at www.crookston.org/DAA.

For questions about automatic sustained giving, contact Renée Tate at rtate@crookston.org or call 218-281-4533, ext. 432.

Your gifts shine the love of Christ to every corner of our diocese!



Chicken Noodle

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Chicken Wild Rice

Chili



AT THE FLOM HALL

**Pre-Marriage Retreat will be February 28th –
March 1st at Nazareth Retreat House in
Crookston**

All engaged couples are invited to come be Transformed in Love. On this weekend retreat, couples will learn about how God designed marriage to be a reflection of His love for humanity and how in marriage, couples get to participate in God's absolute love. Couples will also learn practical tools for a healthy marriage while diving into a deeper understanding of the nature of marriage. Engaged couples are invited to participate in relationship-building conversations and activities with their future spouse and hear firsthand marriage experiences from our Diocese of Crookston host couples.

Widow and Widowers Retreat Till Death Do Us Part, will be held on March 16–18 at Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston. This retreat is designed specifically for those navigating life after the death of a beloved spouse and offers a compassionate space for healing, reflection, and hope. Through prayer, shared conversation, and guided reflection, participants will explore how God continues to be present and active in their lives — in their grief, their changing relationships, and their journey toward a new “normal.” Together, they will reflect on how a deepening relationship with Jesus can bring renewed peace, meaning, and even joy. To register please go to <https://crookston.org/widowretreat> or call Beth Schauer at Crookston Diocese at 218 2814533 ext. 420

Cursillo

Thinking about your 2026 plans? Consider signing up for Cursillo. The women's Cursillo is March 19-22. To be held at the Nazareth Retreat House in Crookston.

This three-day retreat is an encounter with oneself, with Christ, and with others. It also focuses on living Christianity in all environments.

Applications are available at <https://crookstoncursillo.weebly.com/>



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Women's Care Center is looking for special people committed to our mission, who are personable with excellent communication skills.

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1st Sunday of Lent

"It is written: 'The Lord, your God, shall you worship and him alone shall you serve.'" MATTHEW 4:10

Tempted between the riches and power of this world and service to God, Jesus chose service to His Father. If we wish to truly follow Jesus, we, too, must decide to turn away from worldly power and riches and put God at the center of our lives.

Lent is our time to prune ourselves of earthly things and develop and nurture heavenly things.

Lent is time to repent and let go of the other "gods" we have put before God.

**March 1, 2026
Second Sunday of Lent**

Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 33:4-5, 18-20, 22
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:1-9

The "Sunday Mass Devotional"

on KRJM "Gold 101.5 FM" Radio
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St. Michael's School News

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Congratulations to this week's Calendar Winner Of \$50.00

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**Please join the St. Michael's  
School students at 1:00 pm every  
Friday during Lent for the  
Stations of the Cross**

### **Thank you so much to everyone who donated to the St. Michael's School Benefit Dinner 2026!**

We are so grateful to all of you who donated from their Time, Talents and Treasure! Because of so many donors we were able to have a very financially successful dinner, besides being a fun event to remember!

Total income: \$69,006—ticket sales and fundraisers at the event.

Total expenses: \$2,210.99-food and dinner costs.

Raffle Prizes: \$11,000.00

Total Profit: \$55,795.91 with \$10,000 of the prize money being donated back to the Faith Family Future Endowment by the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners, Dave and Pam Vipond and Pro-Ag Service and Insurance. Thank you again for your sacrificial giving for St. Michael's School!

**Giving Hearts Day** was an amazing success this year with a total of \$22,630.00 received online and in cash and check gifts. We had 77 individual donors plus our 4 match sponsors: United Valley Bank, Gordon Construction, Country Fields Greenhouse and Betty and Delmar Schoenborn. Thank you from all of us at St. Michael's School! This was our 8<sup>th</sup> year participating in Giving Hearts Day and is a record amount for us again this Giving Hearts Day!

**In Gratitude—Tina Penner, Development Director**

## **Retreat Opportunities for High School Students**

Are you a high school student who desires to learn more about your faith? Have you had an encounter with the Lord that you desire to deepen? These "The Reason for Hope" retreats are for you!

These 24-hour retreats are inspired by 1 Peter

3:15 "But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect."

### **Lent Retreat**

March 7-8, 2026 2:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Nazareth Retreat House

620 Summit Ave

Crookston

For more information and to register, visit:

[www.crookston.org/reasonforhope](http://www.crookston.org/reasonforhope)

Or see the poster on our parish bulletin boards to scan the code.

## **Retreat Opportunities For Middle-School and High School Youth**

Wednesday, March 11, 2026: 7:00 pm

St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Moorhead

Wednesday, April 29, 2026: 7:00 pm

St. Bernard's Catholic Church, Thief River Falls

For more information, please see the posters on our bulletin boards.

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).

### **Sacraments**

**Baptisms:** Please call the parish office for baptismal preparation, and to set a date for baptism.

**Reconciliation:** 4:30 pm Saturdays at St. Michael's – 8:00 am Sundays at St. Joseph's or anytime by appt. with the Pastor

**Marriages:** Congratulations! Please contact the parish office as soon as possible (ideally, at least six months in advance) so that we can work with you to prepare for your marriage.

**Pastoral Visitation:** If you desire a home visit, communion for the homebound, or the Sacrament of the sick, please call the office at 935-2503.

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