St. James Church
299 Red Oak Dr. Aitkin

Welcome to the Parishes of
St. James and Holy Family Catholic Churches
And Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

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SJ—Saturdays 4:25 pm/Sundays 9:25 am/
Tues-Fri-8:05 am
HF—Sundays 7:30 am

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Deadline - Mondays at 4:00 pm.
Find the Bulletin anytime at:
www.parishesonline.com
www.aitkincatholic.org (SJ)
www.mcgregorcatholicchurch.org (HF)

Mass Schedule	Confessions
Weekday:	
Tues-Fri.....8:30am....*St. James*	*St. James*
Weekend:	Saturday.....10:00am -10:45am
Saturday.....5:00pm....*St. James*	Saturday.....4:00pm - 4:45pm
Sunday.....8:00am....*Holy Family*	*Holy Family*
Sunday.....10:00am...*St. James*	Sunday.....7:15am - 7:45am
	(or by appointment)

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
SEPTEMBER 1, 2019

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GOSPEL MEDITATION -

September 1, 2019
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Can you imagine if Jesus threw a party? From the wedding feast at Cana, we know he wouldn't let the wine run out. From this Sunday's Gospel, we know there would be quite a lively array of guests! We also knew who the most important people would be - everyone. Jesus advises throwing a party that turns everything upside down. Everyone should assume they're the least important attendee, and the guest list shouldn't include the neighborhood "who's who." Rather, we should go looking for "the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind" and hope they RSVP. Jesus describes a particular posture towards our own hospitality.

Parties are about the other people. "Do not recline at table in the place of honor." How often can small talk become a one-upmanship of job promotions, home renovations, and our children's achievements? We've all been to parties where being the most interesting guest is the highest achievement. Yet so often, we know the best party guests are the ones who listen well to our stories. Whether we are guests or hosts, we have the opportunity to look on others with humility and awe.

Parties are opportunities to serve. Jesus advises us to be careful who we invite "in case they might invite you back and you have repayment." Does Jesus literally mean we shouldn't invite our friends over? Of course not! But he does invite us to special consideration when we offer hospitality. When we invite people over to our home, what motivates us? Who we want to spend time with? Who we'd like to impress? These ultimately have only ourselves in mind. How about asking: Who could use some extra care right now? Who could benefit from a fun evening out? In other words, who can I serve?

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Fr. David's Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, Sept 1
7:00 - 7:45 am Confession (HF)
8:00 am Mass (HF)
10:00 am Mass (SJ)

Tuesday, Sept 3
8:00 am Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am Mass (SJ)

Wednesday, Sept 4
8:00 am Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am Mass (SJ)

Thursday, Sept 5
8:00 am Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am Mass (SJ)
9:00 am Exposition of Blessed Sacrament (SJ)
7:00 pm Vocations Holy Hour (SJ)

Friday, Sept 6
8:00 am Angelus (SJ)
8:05 am Rosary (SJ)
8:30 am Mass (SJ)

Saturday, Sept 7
10:00 - 10:45am Confession (SJ)
4:00 - 4:45pm Confession (SJ)
5:00 pm Mass (SJ)

Sunday, Sept 8
7:00 - 7:45 am Confession (HF)
8:00 am Mass (HF)
10:00 am Mass (SJ)

(HF)-Holy Family • (SJ)-Saint James

Monday, **No Mass** (SJ)

Tuesday, September 3
8:30 am Deacon Vern & Betty Anderson
Mass of the Living (SJ)

Wednesday, September 4
8:30 am Don & Carla Emons
Mass of the Living (SJ)

Thursday, September 5
8:30 am Lyla Kosman (SJ)

Friday, September 6
8:30 am Fr. Vince Arimond (SJ)

Saturday, September 7
5:00 pm Tom Magee (SJ)

Sunday, September 8
8:00 am Sharon Furzland
Mass of the Living (HF)
10:00 am For the Parishioners (SJ)

(HF)-Holy Family • (SJ)-Saint James •

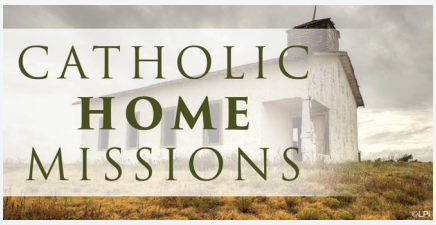
All Parish News

Mark your Calendars!

BRAINERD LAKES CATHOLIC CHURCHES SEPTEMBERFEST!
The Brainerd Lakes Catholic Churches will hold their annual Septemberfest event on Friday, September 6th from 5:30 to 8:30 pm at the Crow Wing County Fairgrounds. There will be free food and beverages, music, and games for adults and kids to enjoy. Bring your family, bring your friends, and bring your neighbors!

Built Upon A Rock Fest
September 14, 2019

Mark your calendars for the 3rd annual Built Upon a Rock Fest! Nationally known Catholic recording artists Fr. Kevin McGoldrick and Dana Catherine will be performing on Saturday, Sept. 14th, on the Cathedral grounds in Duluth. Free admission, free food and the event is open to the public. Begin the evening with Mass, celebrated by Bishop Sirba, at 4:00pm in the Cathedral. Then head across the street for the concert from 5:15-8:00. There will be Eucharistic Adoration in the Cathedral throughout the event and opportunities for confession as well. Let's come together for a simple, casual concert in an authentically Catholic atmosphere. Invite your friends and neighbors to this free event! For more information, check out builtuponarockfest.com.



Next week, we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Right now, over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territory because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work in their communities. Your support of this appeal eases the struggle of these dioceses. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at **www.usccb.org/home-missions**

Anniversary Mass and Dinner—Saturday Sept. 28, 2019

Couples from the Diocese of Duluth celebrating their marriage milestone of 10, 15, 20, 25, 30 or more are invited to our 6th annual Anniversary Mass and Dinner. All are welcome to Mass at 5 PM at the Cathedral, but dinner seating is limited to those who reserve in advance. For more information call 218-724-9111 or visit www.dioceseduluth.org department of Marriage and Family Life.

Weekend for the Engaged

The last scheduled *Weekend for the Engaged in 2019* will be held Oct. 26th & 27th at Blessed Sacrament Parish, Hibbing. Couples desiring to marry in the Diocese of Duluth need to attend this weekend as part of their preparation and discernment before receiving the Sacrament of Matrimony. For more information go to www.dioceseduluth.org/ marriage-and-family-life and clicking on Weekend for the Engage. Registration is limited and is available on a first come first serve basis. The 2020 schedule starts up again in February of 2020. If you have any questions or concerns please contact Betsy Kneepkens 218-724-9111 or bkneepkens@dioceseduluth.org.

Readings of the Week

September 1, 2019

Sun: Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 68:4-5, 6-7, 10-11 [cf. 11b]/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/Lk 14:1, 7-14
Mon: 1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tues: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wed: Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/Lk 4:38-44
Thurs: Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Fri: Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Sat: Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday: Wis 9:13-18b/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14-17 [1]/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33
Next Sunday Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
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Stewardship Report

Through Aug 18, 2019
(Fiscal Year: July 1, 2019-June 30, 2020)

St. James •

Attendance	639
Received 8/18/2019	$7,169
Fiscal Year to date received	$43,781
UCA 2019 Assessment	$50,731.96
UCA 2019 Received/Pledged	$34,579.45

Holy Family •

Attendance	174
Weekly Goal	$1,477
Received 8/18/2019	$2,005
Fiscal Year to date needed	$10,338
Fiscal Year to date received	$14,213
UCA 2019 Assessment	$13,927.72
UCA 2019 Received/Pledged	$7,577.00

Our Lady of Fatima•

Weekly Goal	$58
Received 8/18/2019	$70
Fiscal year to date needed	$404
Fiscal Year to date received	$373
UCA 2019 Assessment	$2,172.38
UCA 2019 Received/Pledged	$1,527.00

Thank you for your contributions!

Please note: Donations for Our Lady of Fatima can be designated on your envelope or check with "Our Lady of Fatima" Please make this distinction so your donation can be accounted for properly.

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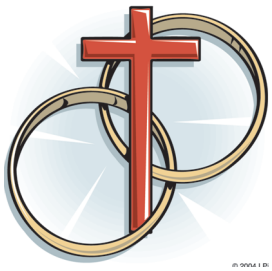
Marriage Enrichment Retreat

4:30 p.m. Friday, November 1 - Noon Sunday, November 3
(No – That's not Deer hunting weekend)
At Clearwater Camp, Deerwood
Retreat Masters: Deacon Dan and Julie Goshey (from Crosby)

The theme of this retreat is "As I have Loved you" based on John 13:34

Lodging and meals and mass included.

Whether you have been married 5 years or 50, this retreat is designed to help you renew, rejuvenate, and rejoice in your marriage.



This will be a no pressure retreat. **Everyone is welcome!**

If you are interested in this retreat, please email Deacon Dan Goshey to get more information and reserve your spot. We have limited space available – so please respond soon.

dangoshey@gmail.com

Attention Quilters & Wannabes!

A new season begins soon, September 4th. We are always looking for new faces -fabric-threads, etc.; not necessarily in that order! We meet twice a month on Wednesday from 1-3. Remember, "Making a quilt to give away is like reaching out and giving a stranger a hug and from that everyone benefits."
The upcoming schedule is as follows: Sept 4th & 18th, Oct 9th & 23rd.

Well Read Mom Book Club

Well Read Mom 'Year of the Artist' will meet every first Thursday of the month @ 7 p.m. Meetings will last about an hour. For those who feel led, plan on starting our time together by joining the group leader in adoration from 6:30-7 pm. Kickoff meeting Sept 5th @ 7 PM. Please go to wellreadmom.com and register today to ensure you have the reading companion and have ordered the first book before the kickoff meeting.

BOOYA BOOYA READ ALL ABOUT IT

Booya on Saturday the 5th of October. Its recipe cannot be revealed, but its ritual can be explained. It starts the afternoon before October 5th when the uniformed Booya crew chop up hundreds of pounds of vegetables. These vegetables and various meats are blended, simmered and stirred gently with large paddles throughout the night and the next day in a 50 gallon pot. At the secret hour the spice bag, affectionately known as the "Muskrat", is thrown into the pot.
The hearty brew will be sold after the 5:00 pm Mass on Saturday, October 5th. Just like the old days take-home Booya will be available for $2.00 a scoop or by the bucket. Containers supplied. IF there is any Booya left after Saturday, it will be sold after the Sunday Mass on October 6th. Beware, in years past the Booya has sold out early on Sunday morning. See you there!

Women of CCW

The date is set – Thursday, September 12, at 9:30am here at St. James.
This is your opportunity to learn about the Women's Care Center of Duluth, which we support. Coffee and goodies will be available. A short business meeting will follow the presentation. Come join us!

Knights of Columbus

The Knights of Columbus meeting is scheduled for Tuesday Sept 3rd at St Joseph Catholic School in Crosby.
Rosary 6:30pm; Meeting 7:00 pm.
Fellowship and refreshments to follow.

Men of Faith

God's calling you!
That Man is You coming this fall!
Watch the bulletin for further details or contact Deacon Mike Eisenbraun 218-513-8119.

St. James Food Shelf

9/7 & 9/8
Food Share Weekend
9/14 & 9/15
Canned or packages soup, large or small containers

Alzheimer's Association Fundraiser

Tickets available for quilt raffle (queen size) on Labor Day Weekend (August 31 & September 1) before & after Mass on Saturday and Sunday.

Holy Family
2 S Maddy Street, McGregor

Adoration and Vespers

Holy Hour every Thursday evening from 5-6 p.m. This hour will include quiet time to be with the Lord, Vespers and Benediction. You may come for the whole hour or just stop in for a few minutes to pray.

Fellowship and Treats

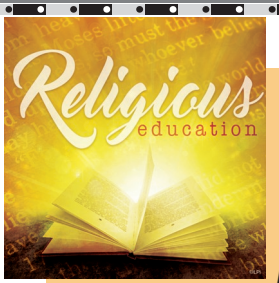
Come and join us for goodies, coffee and fellowship after Sunday Mass. Get to know your parish community and meet your neighbors.

McGregor Food Shelf

If you would like to make a cash donation to the McGregor Food Shelf, Please make a notation on your check. Your generosity is much appreciated by those in need. For any questions, please feel free to contact Sharon or Darrell Bruggman, 218-426-3330.

Please pray for Paul Dolney and his bereaved family and friends.

Religious Education



Attention: All Religious Education Families!

Coming soon "Family Night" and Kick-off to the 2019-2020 Religious Education programs K-12.

With the school year beginning, it is once again time to think about religious education programs for the elementary, junior and senior high students. Parents and students should be on the look out for details about this upcoming event in September and plan to attend.

More details and registration information will be available in next week's bulletin and coming soon to your mailbox!

Thank you,
The Religious Education Team

Thank our advertiser OF THE WEEK

Cummings
Treasured Time
Adult Day Center
218-546-5071
22401 State Hwy 6
Deerwood, MN 56444

Our Lady of Fatima

102 S Highway 65 McGrath

OLOF Chapel Mass Tentative Schedule

September 1, 2019
September 15, 2019
September 29, 2019
10:00 am

Save the Dates:

September 28th: Brainerd Deanery Fall Conference 28th in Emily. Katie Jacobson will be the speaker $15

October 29th: DDCCW Convention in Sturgeon Lake. Fr Kris will speak about being a military chaplain.

This Week

Sunday, Sept 1
After 8:00 am Mass — Fellowship & Treats (HF)
After 10:00 am Mass — Coffee and Treats (OL)

Tuesday, Sept 3
6:30/7:00 pm — Rosary/KC Meeting at St. Joseph Crosby (SJ)

Wednesday, Sept 4
1-3 pm — Quilters (SJ)

Thursday, Sept 5
7:30 am — Rosary (SJ)
9:00 am to 8:00 pm — Adoration (SJ)
5:00-6:00 pm — Holy Hour (HF)
5:30 pm — Legion of Mary (SJ)
7:00 pm — Vocations Holy Hour (SJ)
7:00 pm — Well Read Mom Book Club (SJ)

Sunday, Sept 8
After 8:00 am Mass — Fellowship & Treats (HF)
Food Share Weekend at St. James
After 10:00 am Mass — Coffee & Rolls (SJ)

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, Sept 7 at 5:00 pm (SJ)
Music ..... Jim
Greeters ..... Helen Mary Wagner
Sacristan/Server ..... Dave Thompson
Lector ..... Dolores Wickham
EOMs ..... Brad & Chris McCusker (MOB)
..... Tim & Kathy Ryan (MOC)
Ushers ..... John Pierson, Scott Sherman,
..... Gary Newman, Volunteer

Sunday, Sept 8 at 8:00 am (HF)
..... Please see the green binder in narthex.

Sunday, Sept 8 at 10:00 am (SJ)
Music ..... Ruth, Betty
Greeters ..... Bill & Barb Matalamaki
Sacristan ..... Larry & Roseann Johnson
Servers ..... Quintin Christy, Ella Janzen
Lector ..... Felicia Forder
EOMs ..... Carroll Janzen, Larry Johnson (MOB)
..... Tim Anderson, Terry Stein,
..... Bernie Novak, Nancy Lamke (MOC)
Ushers ..... Russ and Ellie Hoppe, Harlan & Betty Ninow

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