



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

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Holy Family Church  
2 S Maddy St. McGregor  
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**Mass & Confession Times**

Mass Schedule

Weekday*	Weekend*
Most Mon 7:30 am (SJ)	Saturday 5:00 pm (SJ)
Tues 8:30 am (HF)	Sunday 8:00 am (HF)
Wed-Fri 8:30 am (SJ)	10:30 am (SJ)

\*Pray the Holy Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet one-half hour before Holy Mass.

Pray with the Knights

Join the Knights of Columbus on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 am at St. James to pray the Holy Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet and other devotionals.

Confessions

Saturday 10:00–10:45 am	St. James
4:00–4:40 pm	St. James
Tuesday 5:30–6:30 pm	Holy Family
Wednesday 5:30–6:30 pm	St. James
(or by appointment)	

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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER  
MAY 5, 2024**



**6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**"If you keep my commandments, you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love." - Jn 15:10**

# Readings of the Week

## Readings for the week of May 5, 2024

Sun: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 (see 2b)/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17  
 Mon: Acts 16:11-15/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Jn 15:26-16:4a  
 Tues: Acts 16:22-34/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Jn 16:5-11  
 Wed: Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Ps 148:1-2, 11-12, 13, 14/Jn 16:12-15  
 Thurs: Acts 18:1-8/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 16:16-20  
 Fri: Acts 18:9-18/Ps 47:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 16:20-23  
 Sat: Acts 18:23-28/Ps 47:2-3, 8-9, 10/Jn 16:23b-28  
 Next Sunday: Ascension: Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/Eph 1:17-23 or Eph 4:1-13 or 4:1-7, 11-13/Mk 16:15-20

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## MASST INTENTIONS

### Monday, May 6

7:30 am Josie Driscoll † (SJ)

### Tuesday, May 7

8:30 am Nathan Keller † (HF)

### Wednesday, May 8

8:30 am Herm Janzen † (SJ)

### Thursday, May 9

8:30 am Bishop Peter Muhich † (SJ)

### Friday, May 10

8:30 am Robert Hasselius † (SJ)

### Saturday, May 11

5:00 pm Luis & Kassy Vilchis (SJ)

### Sunday, May 12

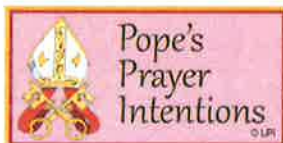
8:00 am For the People (HF)

10:00 am Mary Gubash † (OL)

10:30 am Gerry Eisenbraun † (SJ)

(HF)-Holy Family • (SJ)-Saint James •  
(OL) Our Lady of Fatima

Mass Intentions: Deceased †



**For May:** For The Formation of Men and Women Religious and Seminarians

Let us pray that men and women religious and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

## Sacraments

### Baptism

Please contact the parish office to arrange for Baptism preparation and to schedule a Baptism.

### Marriage

Couples are required to contact the parish office to make arrangements at least six to eight months in advance of the planned date.

### Hospital Admission

If you are admitted to the hospital, please have a friend or family member notify the parish office for visits and prayers for you.

### Communion for the Sick & Homebound

Please contact the parish office to make arrangements.

### Anointing of the Sick

If you are experiencing a serious illness or if someone is close to death, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament.

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday, May 5

After 8:00 am Mass Fellowship, Coffee and Food (HF)  
 8:30 am—Noon KC Family Breakfast (SJ)  
 After 10:00 am Mass Coffee and Food (OL)

### Monday, May 6

9:30—10:30 am S.A.I.L. Class (SJ)

### Tuesday, May 7

8:00—9:00 am Pray with the Knights (SJ)  
 9:30—11:30 am Bible Study: Matthew (HF)  
 Noon—3 pm Food Shelf Hours (SJ)  
 5:30—6:30 pm Confessions (HF)  
 6:00—8:00 pm Bible Study: Matthew (HF)

### Wednesday, May 8

9:30—10:30 am S.A.I.L. Class (SJ)  
 1:00—3:00 pm Quilting (SJ)  
 5:30—6:30 pm Confessions (SJ)

### Thursday, May 9

9:00 am to 6:00 pm Adoration (SJ)  
 9:30 am to 6:00 pm Adoration (HF)

### Saturday, May 11

8:30 am Mom's Group (SJ)

### Sunday, May 12 Happy Mother's Day

After 8:00 am Mass Fellowship, Coffee and Food (HF)  
 After 10:00 am Mass Coffee and Food (OL)

### Bulletin Submissions

218-927-6581 or [office@aitkincatholic.org](mailto:office@aitkincatholic.org)

Deadline - Mondays at Noon

## Vocations Chalice Schedule

Date	St. James	Holy Family
5/5	Dani McWilliams	Emily DuRose
5/12	Mary Ellen Johnson	Gary & Pam Plaisance

## All Parish News

### The Ministries Appeal

The Ministries Appeal is happening this weekend! IF you have not already done so, please make your gift. There are three easy ways to give: mail, online, or in the basket at your parish.

For more information, please go to [dioceseduluth.org/the-ministries-appeal](https://dioceseduluth.org/the-ministries-appeal).

Bishop Felton has put together a video for the 2024 Ministries Appeal and it can be found at:

<https://vimeo.com/920634871>. This video is also on the Duluth Diocese webpage under The Ministries Appeal.



### Aitkin County – St. Vincent de Paul

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international organization that has been in existence for over two centuries with its primary purpose being to serve the poor and underserved segments of society. The Home

Visit remains the central work of Members and

Conferences of the Society of St Vincent de Paul. On Home Visits,

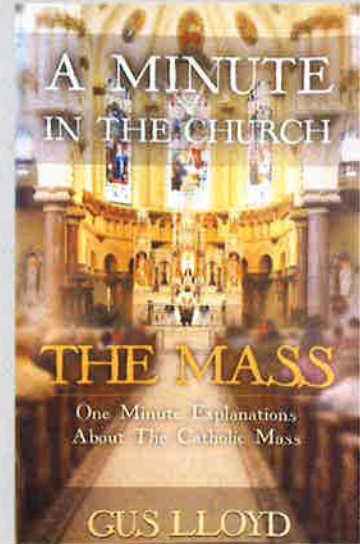
Vincentsians do not merely “stand with” the poor; we sit with them, we listen to them, we pray with them, and we seek to help them in the best way possible. This commonly includes making them aware of resources in the area that can help with their needs; things like rental assistance; help with utility bills or food. No work of charity is foreign to the Society. If you

have questions or want to join contact us at [svdpmothercabrini@gmail.com](mailto:svdpmothercabrini@gmail.com).

### Mom’s Group Meets Saturday

Mom’s Group meets this next Saturday, May 11th at 8:30 am at St. James. If you’re interested in joining, please stop by the office to pick up your book or just show up Saturday. New members welcome.

Our Catholic parishes here in Aitkin County are having a Mom’s Group and Dad’s Group. Meetings are once a month (moms on second Saturdays, dads on third Saturdays). These groups are intended for parents with kids up to and including the college ages. The purpose is to provide support in the context of our faith within the specific calling of family life, to be a place of learning, discernment and growth.



### A Minute In The Church

In the pews at each parish are the above pictured booklets, *A Minute In The Church* by Gus Lloyd. One minute explanations about the Catholic Mass. If you would like your own copy, they are available at the parish office for \$1.



### Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come

If you haven’t signed up yet, please get signed up! This bible study will be held at St. James from 6-7:30 pm on Thursdays in June, July and August. Sign-up sheets are available or you can call or email the parish office.

### Stewardship Report (Fiscal Year: July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024)

Through April 21, 2024	St. James	Holy Family	Our Lady of Fatima
Attendance	345	152	22
Received	\$10,336	\$2,530	\$160
Fiscal Year to Date Goal	\$265,484	\$82,023	\$8,224
Fiscal Year to Date Received	\$268,178	\$85,005	\$7,517



### Our Lady of Fatima Chapel

#### Holy Mass Schedule\* 102 S Highway 65, McGrath

Sunday, May 5 at 10 am  
Sunday, May 12 at 10 am  
Sunday, May 26 at 10 am

Please note there will not be Mass at Our Lady of Fatima Chapel on Sunday, May 19th.

The Rosary will be prayed a half hour before Mass.

\*Note this schedule is subject to change.

### St. James

299 Red Oak Drive, Aitkin

### St. James Quilting

Want to get involved in a new project? The St. James quilters will be getting together Wednesday, May 8th, from 1 to 3 pm. Come and join us as we enjoy fellowship while “doing for others.” No special talent is necessary. All are welcome.



### St. James Liturgical Ministers\*

\*For the latest updates, check Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP)

#### Saturday, May 11 at 5:00 pm

Sacristan/Server Pat O'Connor  
Lector Gary Tibbitts  
EOM Kathleen Ryan  
Ushers John Appel, Kevin Hoge, Elaine Hill, vol.

#### Sunday, May 12 at 10:30 am

Sacristan Terry Stein  
Servers Bentley Host, Jerome Joerger  
Lector Adam James  
EOM Erin Ryan  
Ushers Chad Larson, Dick Schaaf, Josh Joerger, Pete Nelson

### We have 2 Group Rate Tickets Available yet for Star of the North Eucharistic Congress

May 17 & 18, 2024

The Sanford Center—Bemidji, MN



For those interested in attending the Star of the North Eucharistic Congress and wanting to save money by not having to pay the Ticketmaster Fees for individual tickets, we ordered group rate tickets. Please call or email the office (office@aitkincatholic.org) if you are interested in the last two available.

### Holy Family

2 S Maddy Street, McGregor

### Prayer Shawls Available

We have some prayer shawls available for those who are going through an illness or rough time. A very comforting prayer card is enclosed with each shawl. Please give Shirley Scollard a call, 218-426-3527, if you would like to receive one of these hand-made prayer shawls.

### Brainerd Deanery CCW “Spring Conference”

The Brainerd Deanery Council of Catholic Women “Spring Conference” is May 21, 2024, at Immaculate Heart Church, Crosslake. Guest speaker is Fr. Nick Nelson. Pre-registration by May 17; cost \$20.00 includes morning treats and lunch. See notices on bulletin boards.

### Can You Help?

Woodland Cemetery, south of downtown McGregor on County Road 8, could use your help, especially with spring clean-up. Feel free to bring a friend or neighbor and work whatever amount of time you can spare. This year spring clean-up day is

Saturday, May 11th. Anytime of the day will work. Any branches, etc. can be disposed of at the city compost site that is to the west of the buildings on the west side of County Road 8.

If you would like to make a donation to the cemetery, please make checks payable to Union Woodland Cemetery and mail them to Hedy Hietalati, 15582 370th ST, McGregor, MN 55760.



**Tickets not needed for events below:**  
**Monday, May 20: Evening Event – St. Joseph Catholic Church, Grand Rapids**  
5-7 pm Potluck dinner, 7:15-8 pm Presentation, 8-9 pm Eucharistic Adoration with music, continued overnight adoration

**Tuesday, May 21: Mass and Procession – St. Joseph Catholic Church, Grand Rapids .**  
8 am: Morning Mass, 9 am: Begin Eucharistic Procession from St. Joseph to Itasca County Fairgrounds

More information on events can be found at [www.crookstoneucharist.org](http://www.crookstoneucharist.org) and/or [www.itascacatholic.org](http://www.itascacatholic.org)

## Youth / Religious Education



### Congratulations Confirmation Class 2024

Pictured are Father Keith, Kingston, Deacon Mike, Ellie, John, Bishop Felton, Caleb, Grace, Maxwell, Jerome, Owen and Father Mike.



### Remember to Register!! Vacation Bible School:

#### Come to the Table! Grades Pre-K-Grade 6 June 9-13 Evenings 5-7:30 pm

Have you registered yet? Now is the time to register! Please turn in your registration forms ASAP. Thank you! They can be found on the website, were sent home with religious ed kids, or you can contact Jen for a form.

VBS Help is needed! I need parents, adults and teens to help with our program to make it a success. Please contact Jen to volunteer.

### Men's Paintball Battle – June 4th

The Vocations Office is hosting a day of paintball and fellowship at Superior Paintball in Superior, WI on Tuesday, June 4th. All young men who have at least completed their sophomore year in high school are invited. The day begins at 9:30 am and will conclude at 6 pm after dinner with Bishop Daniel. Any questions can be directed to [fr.scott.padrnos@duluthcatholic.org](mailto:fr.scott.padrnos@duluthcatholic.org). \$20 all day, all gear. Lunch is provided. Cost covers all ammo, gear and food. RSVP to Fr. Scott with name, age and parish.

### Eucharistic Adoration

Every Thursday our Lord's real presence in the Blessed Sacrament is exposed for all to adore. Eucharistic Adoration is a time of stillness, silence, and peace before Jesus in the Eucharist. Many healings and miracles have occurred during the hours of Eucharistic Adoration.

Jesus Christ awaits our company in the gift of his Real Presence!

Adoration: Thursdays  
Holy Family 9:30 am to 6 pm  
St. James 9 am to 6 pm



### Prayer for the United States

God our Father, Giver of Life, we entrust the United States of America to Your loving care. You are the rock on which this nation was founded.

You alone are the true source of our cherished rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness.

Reclaim this land for Your glory and dwell among Your people.

Send your Spirit to touch the hearts of our nation's leaders.

Open their minds to the great worth of human life and the responsibilities that accompany human freedom.

Remind Your people that true happiness is rooted in seeking and doing Your will.

Through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, Patroness of our land, grant us the courage to reject the "culture of death".

Lead us into a new millennium of life.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

~Amen