

# St. Lawrence Catholic Church

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## Mass Schedule:

**Fertile:** Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

## Mentor:

Sunday - 10:30 a.m.  
First Wednesday of the  
month- 7:00 p.m.

**Diocesan Victims' Assistance Coordinator:** Cindy Hulst 218-281-7895  
**(24-hour confidential number)**

## Reconciliation:

Anytime by appointment  
Fertile: Sunday - 7:45 a.m.  
Mentor – before Mass

**Facilities Use:** Anyone wanting to use the St. Lawrence facilities please  
Contact Anita Revier at the parish office: 218-637-8178

## Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018 –5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass this week: Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup>: Parishioners

	February 11 <sup>th</sup>	February 18
<b>Sacristan</b>	Sandy Gagner	Sandy Gagner
<b>Ushers</b>	Fran Chihanski, Terrill Bradford	Lloyd and Charlene Walker
<b>Lector</b>	Bernie Marshall, Reathel Giannonatti	Bob Nephew, Mike Kolden
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Nancy Thomasson, Patty Steinmetz, Jack Sullivan, Alice Sebenaler, Louann McGlynn	Wanda Marshall, Greg Parenteau, Lloyd Walker, Mary Lorfald, Terrill Bradford
<b>Servers</b>	Nathaniel and Jonas Spry	Nathan Fortmann, Gretta Olson
<b>Collection</b>	Ron Spry and Kathie Peterson	Kathie Peterson, Jack Sullivan

Remember: If you are unable to be here on an assigned weekend please find a substitute. Thank you.

**Prayer Requests:** (prayer requests will typically run for 3 consecutive weeks, please contact the office if you would like the name back in the bulletin after 3 weeks)

## Stewardship for January 28, 2017:

Adult and Online: \$ 947.00  
Youth: \$ 1.00  
Loose: \$ 264.00  
\$1,212.00

St. Gianna 1% Tithe: \$12.12

**Thank You for your Financial Support!**

**At St. Joseph's this week - 7:00 a.m. Mass:** Friday.

**Food for thought:** "Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed ...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come'. (Mark (1:35,38) In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes – healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

**Medjugorje Prayer** will be held on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph's. All parishioners and friends of St. Joseph and St. Lawrence are welcome to attend. Please come and join us.

**Good Leaders/Good Shepherds:** This Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday the priests of the diocese will be having their final conference on Good Leaders/Good Shepherds. Please keep the priests of the diocese in your prayers as they gather for this time of formation and prayer. **Due to Good Leaders/Good Shepherds there will be no 7:00 p.m. Mass and Adoration on Wednesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>.**

**JPII Camp:** Registration for JPII Camp are now being taken. If your son/daughter would like to register you can go to the Diocese of Crookston website and download the application – [www.crookston.org](http://www.crookston.org). Go to the Youth Ministry tab, then down on the lower right-hand side click on JPII Camp. If any youth want to help organize and work on fundraising to help cover the cost of JPII, please see Fr. Joe.

**Building and Grounds Committee** will meet on Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. This will be a working meeting. After we have covered our business we will work on putting the sound panels up in the social hall and securing the front kneelers to the floor in the worship space. New members are welcome!

**Ash Wednesday** is on February 14<sup>th</sup>. This is a day of fast and abstinence. Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Joseph's will be at 5:30 p.m. followed by a soup supper; Mass at St. Lawrence will be at 7:00 p.m.

**Lenten Regulations: Abstinence** – Catholics over 14 years of age are bound to the obligation of abstinence. Abstinence is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays of Lent. Abstinence is the refraining from eating meat. The use of broth from chicken or beef is permitted. **Fast** – Catholics 18 and over, and up to the beginning of their 60<sup>th</sup> year are bound to the obligation of fasting. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are the days of fasting. On these days, only one full meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids, including milk and fruit juices are allowed. Regarding other weekdays of Lent, participation in daily Mass and the voluntary observance of fasting is recommended. By the threefold discipline of fasting, almsgiving and prayer the Church keeps Lent from Ash Wednesday until the evening of Holy Thursday. All of the faithful should undertake serious practice of these three traditions. Failure to observe any penitential days at all or a substantial number of them must be considered serious. The special Paschal fast and abstinence are prescribed for Good Friday and encouraged for Holy Saturday.

**REBOOT LIVE is coming to St. Bernard's in Thief River Falls!** The presenter of Reboot Live is Chris Stefanick, and he will be coming to TRF on April 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Chris is an internationally acclaimed author and speaker, who has devoted his life to inspiring people to live a bold contagious faith. Chris's live seminars reach more than 85,000 people per year. His videos and radio spot reach more than 1,000,000 people per month! His educational initiatives are turning the tide in the Church. He authored what is being welcomed as the best Confirmation program in the English language: CHOSEN. He is also the founder of Real Life Catholic, speaker for disciple on Formed.org and the Augustine Institute, co-authored several books and is a regular on Catholic TV. On Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> we will welcome Tom Schaefer to our parish – Tom will speak about Reboot Live and offer us an opportunity to find out more information and purchase tickets.

**Cursillo Weekends:** Many in our parish have attended **Cursillo** weekends over the years and give great testimony to the power of such weekends. **Cursillo** is pronounced KER-SEE-O, meaning - short course in Christianity. Weekends are being offered this spring at Sand Hill Bible Camp, just south of Fosston. The weekends include quiet time, inspirational talks, and most importantly, time to be with Jesus without the many distractions of daily life. Grow closer to Jesus by taking the time to join us. HE will bless your sacrifice of time for HIM. The weekend starts Thursday evening and ends Sunday afternoon. The Men's will be held February 22-25. The Women's will be March 15-18.