

Sacred Heart Church ~ Baudette



Saint Joseph Church ~ Williams

Lake of the Woods, Minnesota



4th Sunday of Advent

December 24, 2017

Listen! You are to conceive and bear a son.

Mass Times

St. Joseph, Williams ~ Saturday: 4:30 PM
Sacred Heart, Baudette ~ Sunday: 10:30 AM
St. Mary, Warroad ~ Sat. 6:00 PM, Sun. 8:30 AM
Weekdays and Holy days as listed in bulletin.

Parish Office

104 1st St SW, PO Box 738, Baudette MN 56623
(218) 634-2689 ourlady@mncable.net
This number is not listed in telephone books.
Office hours: M-W-F 9:30 AM – 3:30 PM

Clergy

Pastor Fr. Todd Arends St. Mary's, Warroad
218-280-7880 tarends@saintmarywarroad.org
Deacon Jim Lukenbill 218-766-5107

Parish Website

sacredheartbaudette.org

Find here recent bulletins, monthly calendars and visitor information.

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursdays, 11AM – 5PM in Sacred Heart basement chapel

Planning a Marriage or Baptism?

Contact our pastor or deacon for more information.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Available by request after Sunday or weekday Masses at Sacred Heart and before Mass at St. Joseph or by appointment.

Homebound or in a health care facility?

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call clergy if Holy Communion and/or a visit is desired. Hospitals will not call unless a patient asks that a priest be notified.

Are You a New or Seasonal Parishioner?

To help to serve you better, please register with the parish office.

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

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).

Abortion Alternatives

Bemidjipregnancyoptions.com or (218) 444-3035
Heartbeat International, optionline.org 1-800-712-HELP

Roses in December Alzheimer's support group

Local contact: Les Nelson at 218-556-1426



Mass Intentions

Sat., Dec. 23, 4:30 pm Richard Schaefer†
by Lois Schaefer

Sunday, December 24, 10:30 am Vicki Brucciani†
by Joe Brucciani
7:00 PM for the parishes

Monday, December 25, 8:00 AM Barb Nelson† by Les

Friday, December 29, 8:00 am Carol Scharfenkamp†
by Roy Scharfenkamp

Saturday, December 30, 4:30 pm Richard Schaefer†
by Lois Schaefer

Sunday, December 31, 10:30 am
George & Lenora Ubel† by Lorene Hanson

Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, December 24, 7:00 pm Sacred Heart
Eucharistic Ministers: Rita Krause,
Bernice Merschman, Joe Brucciani, Ann Ellis
Lector: Todd Higgins
Cantor: Choir
Accompanist: Lori Gubbels
Altar Server: Will Tange
Ushers: Liz Lockner, Dale Boretski


Monday, December 25, 8:00 am St. Joseph's
Eucharistic Minister: David Cassi
Lector: John Krousey

Saturday, December 30, 4:30 pm St. Joseph's
Eucharistic Minister: Les Nelson
Lector: Jerry A Pieper

Sunday, December 31, 10:30 am Sacred Heart
Eucharistic Ministers: Don & Kathy Krause,
Tabitha & Dennis Ubel
Lector: Don Krause
Cantor: Joan Heinrich
Accompanist: Lori Gubbels
Altar Server: Andrew Higgins

Hospitality Time ~ Sacred Heart
December 31 – Betty Jo Berg, Liz & Trevor Weigel

St. Joseph Church cleaning
December 30 – Heather Arneson

 Coffee and rolls are served downstairs after the 10:30 AM Mass this Sunday. Everyone is welcome to come relax and visit.

The Week Ahead

Sunday, December 24
7:00 PM Christmas Mass at Sacred Heart

Monday, December 25
8 AM Christmas Mass at St. Joseph

Thursday, December 28
11am-5pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday, December 29
8:00 AM Mass at Sacred Heart

Saturday, December 30
4:00 PM Confessions
4:30 PM Mass at St. Joseph

Sunday, December 31
9:15 AM Choir practice at Sacred Heart
10:05 AM Rosary at Sacred Heart
10:30 AM Mass at Sacred Heart
11:30 AM Hospitality Time – Sacred Heart



Welcome Visitors

Thank you for visiting our church during this holy season. If you are in the area visiting friends or family, may your visit be joy-filled. We pray for your safe travel home. If you live in the area and are searching for a church to call home, Deacon Jim Lukenbill would be pleased to meet with you and answer your questions (634-2689).

Please consider sending Christmas greetings to:

Fr. Ray Palcisko

P.O. Box 115, Naco, AZ 85620

Sr. Rosemary Toenynan, CSJ

Villa St. Vincent

516 Walsh St, Crookston MN 56716

Stewardship of Treasure

December 16/17	Sacred Heart	St. Joseph
Envelopes	\$1549(43)*	\$230(6)*
Plate	\$ 99	\$ 58
TOTAL	\$1648	\$288
Retired Religious		
this year	\$784(34)*	\$369(9)*
last year	\$529(29)*	\$226(9)*

* Indicates the number of envelopes used.

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve - Sunday

7 pm Sacred Heart Church - Baudette

10:00 pm St. Mary's Church - Warroad

Christmas Day - Monday

8 am St. Joseph Church - Williams

10 am St. Mary's Church - Warroad

Masses for Mary the Mother of God

Monday January 1st 9:00 am Sacred Heart

Monday January 1st 6:30 pm St. Mary's

Please join us this New Year's Day.

Up Coming Religious Education Classes

1st-5th Grades Wednesdays, 4-5 PM

7th-10th Grades Wednesdays, 6:30-8 PM

Jan. 3 & 17, Feb. 7 & 21 March 7 & 21,

April 4 & 18 at Sacred Heart

The Legend of the Candy Cane

Many years ago, a candy maker wanted to make a candy at Christmas that would serve as a witness to his Christian faith. He wanted to incorporate several symbols for the birth, ministry and death of Jesus.

He began with a stick of pure white hard candy. The white symbolized the virgin birth and the sinless life of Jesus.

He made the candy hard to symbolize that Jesus is the solid rock and the foundation of the church. The firmness also represents the promises of God.

The candy maker made the candy in the form of a "J" to represent the name of Jesus, who came to earth as our Savior. He thought it could also represent the staff of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

The candy maker then added red stripes. He used three small stripes to show the stripes of the scourging Jesus received, by which we are healed. The large red stripe was for the blood shed by Christ on the cross so that we could be forgiven and have the promise of eternal life.

The flavor of mint is similar to hyssop. In Old Testament times, hyssop was associated with purification and sacrifice. It was also used at the cross as they gave Jesus a drink of vinegar before He died.

Up Date on Fr. Don Braukmann

Earlier this month our former pastor, Fr. Don Braukmann, was diagnosed with ALS (Lou Gehrig's disease). The Parish of St. Philip in Bemidji, MN has created a *Caring Bridge* page for Fr. Don, <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/fatherdonbraukmann>. Please keep Fr. Don in your prayers.

Memorial Flowers Donations

The following people have been remembered with poinsettias in the sanctuary this Christmas season:

At Sacred Heart Church: Louis & Rose Gubbels, Jacob Hoops, Norman Hovde, Ed & Mabel Krause, Bud & Myrt Rivard, George & Lenora Ubel, Zimney siblings.

At St. Joseph Church: Charlton family, Krousey family, Strnad family, Gwen & Jerry Pieper, Bob Pieper, Hank & Teresa Pieper, and Buzz & Betty Lemm.

This Week's Mass Prayers for Contemplation Fourth Sunday of Advent

Collect

Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son was made known by the message of an Angel, may by his Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.

Prayer over the Offerings

May the Holy Spirit, O Lord, sanctify these gifts laid upon your altar, just as he filled with his power the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Through Christ our Lord.

Prayer after Communion

Having received this pledge of eternal redemption, we pray, almighty God, that, as the feast day of our salvation draws ever nearer, so we may press forward all the more eagerly to the worthy celebration of the mystery of your Son's Nativity.

Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Bible Readings for the Week of December 25-31

Monday Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Tuesday Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday 1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Friday 1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Saturday 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

Sunday Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:22-40

Merry Christmas,



For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord. And this will be sign for you: you will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes lying in a manger. And suddenly there was a multitude of heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest and peace on earth to those on whom his favor rests.

Luke 2:11-14

There is something simply beyond words to know that the God of all creation loves us so much that he sent his only Son into the world to bring salvation. This is the greatest Christmas gift ever; it is a gift beyond measure, beyond imagination: Christ has been given to us. My prayer for everyone on this Christmas day and over this Christmas season is that the great gift Jesus Christ may bring joy, hope and peace to our lives.

To receive any gift, we must open it; we must accept it. This is true for the gifts under the tree on Christmas morning and it is also true for the gift of the Christ in our lives. To receive the gift of God in Jesus we must accept Him into our lives. The best way to receive the gift of Christ is by growing in our faith, striving to live more fully in the grace of God. There are so many ways we can do this: by coming to Mass every Sunday and Holy Day, by taking advantage of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, by coming to adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, by spending time daily in personal prayer, by reading our Bibles regularly, by doing other spiritual reading, by humbly serving one and other out love, and on and on.

It is amazing, there are a myriad of ways that we can open ourselves to the gift of God in our lives. God gifts us so wonderfully with the gift of His Son, as we celebrate the birth of the Christ Child let's take advantage of the ways that we can truly open God's gift of Jesus in our lives, this Christmas and all year round.

There is a wonderful prayer for Christmas morning that I love to pray every year:

"Lord Jesus, Wise men travelled for miles to bring you the first Christmas presents. So, may we too remember, with thankful hearts, the love that comes with each present we open. We also thank you for the amazing love you have for each of us, and we thank you for the many gifts that you give us. Amen"

It is truly a season of giving and receiving gifts, and I want to say thank you to everyone who has gifted me this Christmas. Everything has been so nice and I appreciate it all very much. Thank you to everyone.

I also want to take a moment and thank everyone who helped to make our Christmas Masses such beautiful celebrations. I truly appreciate all the work that everyone has done, those who clean our churches, those who decorated them so beautifully, our wonderful musicians, and all those who volunteered to take part in our many liturgical ministries. Again, thank you to everyone who helped make our Christmas into such wonderful celebrations.

Have a Joy Filled and Blessed Christmas.

Fr. Todd