

St. Mary's Catholic Church



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Weekend Liturgies

Saturday 5:30 PM
 Sunday 8:30 & 10:30 AM

Weekday Liturgies

Monday - NO Mass
 Tuesday - 12:10 PM
 Wednesday - 12:10 PM
 Thursday - 8:00 AM
 Friday - 8:00 AM

Reconciliation

6-6:45 PM Wednesdays (when RE classes)
 9:30 AM TO 10:30 AM Saturdays:
 Half hour before Saturday 5:30 PM &
 Sunday 8:30 AM weekend Masses or by
 appointment.

Baptism - Contact parish office.

Marriage - Contact parish office 6 months
 in advance.



THE EPIPHANY *of the Lord*

"Since from you shall come a ruler,
 who is to shepherd my people Israel." Mt 2:6b

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Dear Brothers and Sisters:



Happy New Year to all of you! In addition to celebrating the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God on January 1st, we have come to Epiphany Sunday, where the Magi represent us in adoring the Christ Child in the manger. On this day it is customary to write a special blessing over the doors to our homes and offices [20+C+M+B+22] containing the initials of the Wise Men and the current year.

Next weekend we will welcome a guest priest from Iowa named Fr. Robert McAleer, here on behalf of Unbound, an organization that supports children and families in developing countries. I appreciate his assistance. I will be away from the parish on vacation from January 4-11.

This coming week we mark the memorials of two American saints. Tuesday, January 4th is the memorial of St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, a Religious Sister whose order were pioneers of Catholic education in the United States. The following day, January 5th, is the Memorial of St. John Neumann, an immigrant from Bohemia who served as the Bishop of Philadelphia in the mid-19th century. All Holy Angels and Saints, pray for us!

God Bless You! Father James Gross

St. Mary's News



**First Friday
ADORATION
at St. Mary's
Followed by Benediction**
January 7, 2022
8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Come spend time with Jesus!

Observances for the week of January 2, 2022

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord

Monday: Monday after Epiphany

Tuesday: Memorial of Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious

Wednesday: Memorial of St. John Neuman, Bishop

Thursday: Thursday after Epiphany

Friday: Friday after Epiphany

Saturday: Saturday after Epiphany

Next Sunday: The Baptism of the Lord

Liturgical Assistants:

Saturday, January 8th at 5:30 PM

Altar Servers: Rylan Bures, Zack Bures, Ellyn Johnson

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Comm: Don Votava

Lector: Jane Hutzol

Sacristan: Duane Simon

Sunday, January 9th at 8:30 AM

Altar Servers: Rilan Korynta, Garret Korynta, Hunter Haman

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Comm: Stacey Dahl

Lector: Rena Helbling

Sacristan: Virginia Wilson

Sunday, January 9th at 10:30 AM

Altar Servers: Leah Kennelly, Rose Kennelly, Ruth Kennelly

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Comm: Annella Winger

Lector: Aida Wakefield

Sacristan: Annella Winger



St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Rosary

St. Mary's Knights of Columbus will not be leading the Rosary together at 5:30 p.m. for a couple of months (January & February.) We are asking you to pray a Rosary at home with your family for America, as we remember that our country was founded "*One Nation Under God!*"



New **OSV** (Our Sunday Visitor) **Kids' books** are here. Please help yourself to a copy - located at the church entrances.

The Diocese has asked us to change the date of our parish Confirmation and First Communion Mass. It will be held Saturday, April 23rd, 2022 at 5 PM at St. Timothy's in Manvel. We appreciate your understanding!

St. Mary's sends their prayers and condolences to **Ryan Brunner and sons** on the recent death of Ryan's father **Michael Brunner**
"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen,"

St. Mary's offers their sympathy and prayers to **Harold & Doreen Narlock and family** on the recent death of Harold's father **Daniel Narlock**
"Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in



Altar Society News

The Altar Society will meet on Monday, January 3rd at 7:00 PM in the church basement. We will be discussing the upcoming Senior Party, Month of Money raffle, and upcoming Bible Study among other items of business. Our goal is to include many women in our activities. Please help us make this happen by putting the first Monday of each month at 7 PM on your calendar.

February Month of Money Raffle: Please check through your mail and Christmas cards for your Month of Money raffle ticket that was mailed out just after Christmas. It would be wonderful if we could get 100% return on tickets. Prizes are \$100 daily and \$500 for each Sunday and Valentine's Day. Additional tickets will also be available after some weekend Masses during January and in the church office. Thank you for your support.

Thank You!

Dear Fr. Gross, Ellen, and Parishioners,

The St. Gianna family would like to extend our sincere thanks for all the gifts you've collected this Christmas season! We are so very grateful for all the blankets, diapers, wipes, ziplocks, diaper creams, diaper bags, cosmetics, cosmetic bags, books, toys, baby hygiene kits, bath & body washes, purses, and baby thermometers. The items you sent will be distributed to our current residents and former residents who are struggling. We wouldn't be able to help them and continue in our mission without the continuous support and prayers of people like all of you! We will keep you and your loved ones in our prayers this joyous season.



MAY YOU HAVE THE *gift of faith, the blessing of hope*
AND THE *peace of His love* AT CHRISTMAS AND ALWAYS
We wish you all a Merry Christmas
and a most blessed New Year as well!
God Bless!

Sincerely,
Mary Pat, Fr. Joseph,
Morgan, and all
of us at St. Gianna's

Pilgrimage to the East Coast Shrines with Bishop Folda, September 10-14, 2022

Join a Pilgrimage to Washington D.C, Emmitsburg and Philadelphia with Bishop Folda, September 10-14, 2022. Travel with the bishop to some of his favorite shrines in the USA! Sites include the Franciscan Monastery of the Holy Land, The Basilica of the Immaculate Conception, St. John Paul II National Shrine, Elizabeth Ann Seton Shrine, and the saints in Philadelphia; St. John Neumann and St. Katherine Drexel along with many other historical sites. Pilgrimage cost based on double rooms: \$2195.00. Deadline to register is January 20, 2022. Visit Fargodiocese.org/events for more details and registration link. Or call the Diocese of Fargo for registration forms, 356-7900. Organized by Peter's Way Tours.



Monday, January 3rd: NO MASS

Tuesday, January 4th:

12:10 P.M. **Special Intention Family of Emma Hovelsrud**
by Vicki & Dave Schreiner

Wednesday, January 5th:

10:00 A.M. † **Pat Coffey**
by Pat Jensen
(At Parkwood Place)
12:10 P.M. † **Jack Backmeier**

Thursday, January 6th:

8:00 A.M. † **LuVerne Olrich**
by Tony & Joan Scheett

Friday, January 7th:

8:00 A.M. † **Dolores Streifel**
by Virginia Wilson

Saturday, January 8th:

5:30 P.M. † **Gerald "Jerry" Gefroh**
by Vicki & Dave Schreiner

Sunday, January 9th:

8:30 A.M. **50th Wedding Anniversary**
Richard & Aida Wakefield
(was December 26th)
by Miriam Badran
10:30 A.M. **For the Parishioners**

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Sacrificial Giving

**"for December 25th & 26th,
No report at time of printing."**

Received December 18th & 19th:

Envelopes.....	\$3,211.00
WeShare.....	\$1,560.00
Loose.....	\$313.82
Children.....	\$5.00
Total.....	\$5,089.82

**Weekly Collection budget
\$ 5,206.00**



Readings for the week of January 2, 2022

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-11,12-13/Eph 3:2-3a,5-6/Mt 2:2/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: 1Jn 3:22-4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8,10-12a/Mt 4:23/Mt 4:12-17,23-25

Tuesday: 1Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2,3-4,7-8/Lk 4:18/Lk 6:34-44

Wednesday: 1Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2,10,12-13/1Tm 3:16/Mt 6:45-52

Thursday: 1Jn 4:19-5:4/Ps 72:1-2,14,15bc,17/Lk 4:18/Lk 4:14-22

Friday: 1Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13,14-15,19-20/Mt 4:23/Lk 5:12-16

Saturday: 1Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2,3-4,5-6a,9b/Mt 4:1-6/Jn 3:22-30

Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4,6-7/Ps 29:1-2,3-4,3,9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Cf. Mk 9:7/Lk 3:15-16,21-22



Job Postings

Preschool Teacher

Holy Family - St. Mary's Catholic School in Grand Forks, ND is hiring a preschool teacher to start January 3rd, 2022 and complete the remainder of the school year. You must hold a valid ND teaching license in the area of early childhood education. If interested, please email letter of interest, resume, copy of teaching license and two letters of recommendation to Katie Mayer at: kmayer@hfsmschool.org Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

St. Anne's Living Center in Grand Forks is looking for two part-time employees:

- Dietary Aide
Universal Worker (Laundry/PM Aide/Receptionist - Temp to Permanent).

Call (701) 746-9401 for more information or apply online at www.stannesguesthome.org.

A Heart Like Water

Daniel Bielinski is a North Dakota filmmaker, and the writer and producer of A Heart like Water, a new North Dakota feature film.

Shot here in North Dakota, A Heart like Water is a powerful, frontier survival story that is based on the true stories of Dakota settlers in the late 1800's.

The story is told through a subtle Christian lens, meditating on faith and the meaning of suffering in the context of Christian life. It uses the Book of Lamentations as a guidepost. ("Pour out your heart like water before the presence of the Lord" - LAM 2:19)

It's a very powerful movie, and Daniel is eager to share it with Christian audiences!

Daniel would love to invite you to attend one of the Limited Theatrical Showings in North Dakota. The film will be shown at the Empire Arts Center in Grand Forks on Thursday, December 30 at 7 PM.

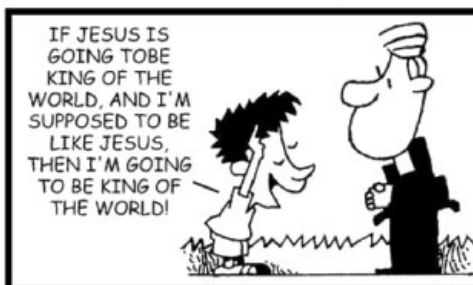
Please find the Trailer and Showtimes on the website: www.aheartlikewater.com.

Stewardship Moment - The Epiphany of the Lord

"...They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh." (MATTHEW 2:11)

What gifts do you give to the Lord? Pope St. Gregory said that these three gifts represent what we should give God every day. Gold - we should reflect Christ's wisdom in all our relationships. Frankincense - represents our daily prayer and adoration to God. Myrrh - is a symbol of our daily sacrifices that we unite with Jesus for the sake of others.

EPIPHANY



Religious ED Christmas Program



PRAYERS IN THE
NEW YEAR
AND SOLEMNITY
OF
Mary THE Mother
OF *God*

Father Gross and the Staff of St. Mary's pray you have a very blessed and Happy New Year! May our Lord touch your hearts and your lives in 2022!



St. Mary's Religious Education Christmas Program followed 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, December 18th.

Merry Christmas!



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