Special Parish meeting Monday, January 17th at 6:30 p.m. in the Church basement. This meeting is to provide feedback for the upcoming Synod of Bishops. The Synod of Bishops is an organ of the Holy See tasked with providing consultation to the Holy Father regarding particular issues. For more information visit

www.fargodiocese.org/ synod.

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Weekend Liturgles

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

Weekday Liturgles

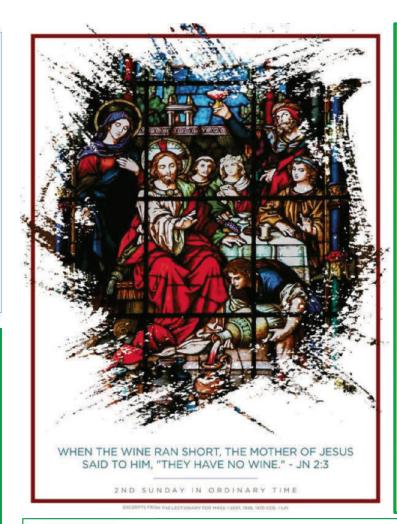
Monday - NO Mass Tuesday - 12:10 PM Wednesday - 12:10 PM Thursday - 8:00 AM Friday - 8:00 AM

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.



J a n u a r y 23,

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

We have begun the season of Ordinary Time, which will continue until the beginning of Lent with Ash Wednesday March 2nd. On nearly all Sundays this coming year, we will hear Gospel readings from St. Luke. His Gospel contains many of the best-loved parables of Jesus' public ministry. Two such parables, of the Good Samaritan and the Prodigal Son, only appear in Luke's Gospel.

This coming week brings the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. This observance serves as a reminder that the reconciliation of all Christians is a prayer intention that we always ought to keep close to our hearts. Our Lord's desire is that all his disciples be one as he and the Father are one (cf. John 17).

Saturday, January 22nd is a recommended day of prayer and penance for the legal protection of unborn children. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops made this declaration because of the 1973 Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision. The previous day, Friday the 21st, is the annual March for Life in Washington DC. Our desire is that God will change human hearts so that more of our fellow citizens will regard abortion not only as illegal but unthinkable.

Please join us for a special parish meeting preparing for the upcoming worldwide Synod Monday, January 17th beginning at 6:30 PM in the Church basement. We will examine the challenges that lay ahead for our community in carrying out the mission Jesus has given us, and we will take a look ahead to upcoming projects. I thank you in advance for your participation.

God Bless You! Father James Gross

St. Mary's Parish Office will be CLOSED Monday, January 17th Martin Luther King Jr. Day



Observances for the week of January 16, 2022

Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Monday: Memorial of St. Anthony,

Abbot

Tuesday: Tuesday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time

Wednesday: Wednesday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time

Thursday: Thursday of the Second Week in Ordinary Time

Friday: Memorial of St. Agnes, Virgin

& Martyr

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Next Sunday: Third Sunday in Ordi-

nary Time

Liturgical Assistants:

Saturday, January 22nd at5:30 PM

Altar Servers: Henry Lents, Theo

Lents, Zack Bures

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Comm: Frank Hutzol Lector: Don Palmiscno Sacristan: Don Palmiscno

Sunday, January 23rd at 8:30 AM

Altar Servers: Bryce Korynta, Teresa

Haman, Paige Stokke

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

Comm: Joan Scheett Lector: Stacey Dahl Sacristan: Vicki Carter

Sunday, January 23rd at 10:30 AM

Altar Servers: Taylor Hodny, Dylan

Larson, Lucy Restad

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy

<u>Comm:</u> Dawn Larson <u>Lector:</u> Ben Wahlstrand <u>Sacristan:</u> Mary Thompson

St. Mary's News

St. Mary's Food offering is this weekend, January 15th & 16th. Place your food donations on the altar steps by the Baptismal Fount. God bless you for caring and sharing.

Roseries for the reversal of Roe vs. Wade:

Rosaries prayed before Masses during January will have the special intention for the reversal of Roe vs. Wade - a ban on abortion. Please join us before Masses [8 a.m. on Sundays, 7:30 a.m. Thursdays & Fridays; and 5:00 p.m. on Saturdays] to pray the rosary or pray the rosary on your own or with family and friends.



Thank you! Thank you! To all those that lent a hand and whole lot of muscle to move the parish office furniture for the new carpeting! Thank you also to those that helped get the contribution statements ready for mailing. St. Mary's depends on its volunteers and we truly appreciate every one of you! To get involved, please call the parish office at 701-775-9318. We need you too!

Catholic Daughters Court Marquette #677 will meet Sunday, January 16th at 2:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Social Area. We will be collecting items for the Women's Pregnancy Center. All women are welcome to join us.

February Month-of-Money Raffle:

Month-of-Money raffle tickets were mailed out right after Christmas. 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. It would be wonderful if we could get a 100% return on tickets. Please return by Jan 23. The first drawing will be held on Jan 31. *Thank you for your support.*

Adult Catechism/Bible Study

Adult Catechism/Bible Study begins on Monday, January 24th. We will

meet on the 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 6:30pm in the meeting room on the main floor near the office. "With humor and simple illustrations, theology professor John Bergsma focuses on Matthew, Luke, Paul, and John, whose writings comprise about 90 percent of the New Testament. Intended as an introductory work for those who are new to scripture study, New Testament Basics for Catholics does not aspire to be a comprehensive guide to all twenty-seven books of the New Testament, but is intended to lay the foundation for



a lifetime of scripture reading." Books are \$15.00. If you are interested, please call or text (701)741-5370 to reserve your copy.

Greetings from Unbound. We are deeply grateful for your parish's response to Fr. Robert McAleer. Please know that your parish's generosity is making a great difference in the lives of the children, youth and aging who were sponsored. If you want to see how this is making a difference in the lives of the people we work with you can click on the following link to see a video about Monica, one of the children sponsored through Unbound: https://player.vimeo.com/video/101657414

Events

CATHOLIC MAN NIGHT will be Thursday January 20th. The purpose of Catholic Man Night is to better know Jesus and imitate Him in our daily lives. To build a



relationship with Jesus using a very simple formula that works:

- 6 pm we gather to meet Jesus in Adoration
- At St. Michael's Catholic Church
- A talk teaches us about Jesus
- We can receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Adoration
- We share a man-food meal
- We discuss how to better know and imitate Jesus in our daily lives
- Done at 8pm.

You can just show up or Contact Dcn John Bredemeier - john.bredemeier@stmichaelsgf.com - Text or call 701.314.0207



March for Life - Bismarck

The Second Annual North Dakota March for Life - will be held in Bismarck on Friday, January 21st There will be Mass at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit with Bishop Kagan at 10:30 a.m. followed by a march to the Capitol where there will be a rally from 12:30-1:00 p.m.

The link to the Bismarck Diocese's website with more information and to RSVP for the event:

https://bismarckdiocese.com/events/north-dakota-march-for-life



Real Presence Radio invites you to attend the annual fundraising banquet in Fargo, ND on Monday, February 7th at the Delta Hotels by Marriott. This year's keynote speaker is Dr. Stacy Trasancos.

Stacy Trasancos, scientist and theologian, has a doctorate in chemistry, a master's in dogmatic theology, and is a wife, mother of seven, and grandmother. She worked as a chemist for DuPont before converting to Catholicism and radically restructuring her life. Leaving her career to stay home with her kids, she went on to become a writer and educator. Now a nationally-recognized author, speaker and educator on the intersection of theology and science, Dr. Stacy Trasancos is the Executive Director of the St. Philip Institute of Catechesis and Evangelization in the Diocese of Tyler, TX. She also teaches classes for Seton Hall University and is a Fellow of the Word on Fire Institute.

Dr. Trasancos is author of three books on faith and science, has written numerous articles for Catholic journals and magazines, and has appeared across the nation on Catholic radio and television.

For more information about the event, to register as a guest, host a table or to sponsor the banquet, please call (877) 795-0122 or email jessica@realpresenceradio.com. Sponsorship packages are available at the \$250, \$500, \$1,000, \$5,000 or higher levels.



Monday, January 17th: NO MASS

Tuesday, January 18th:

12:10 P.M. † LuVerne Olrich

by Tony & Joan Scheett

Wednesday, January 19th:

10:00 A.M. **† Fr. Val Gross**

by Fr. James Gross (At Parkwood Place)

12:10 P.M † Rose Nienas

by Family

Thursday, January 20th:

8::00 A.M. † Annella (Ann) Schwartz

by Steve & Annella Winger

Friday, January 21st:

8::00 A.M. **† Helen Daucsavage**

by St. Mary's Knights of Columbus

Saturday, January 22nd:

5:30 P.M. † Ruth Holeweger

by Alyce and St. Mary's Choir

Sunday, January 23rd:

8:30 A.M. † David Holly

by Keith & Marisa

Holly

10:30 A.M. For the Parishioners

Sacrificial Giving

Received January 8th & 9th:

Envelopes.....\$2,422.00
WeShare....\$1,522.00
Loose....\$387.50
Children....\$1.00
Total....\$4,332.50

Weekly Collection budget \$5,206.00



Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

<u>Sunday</u>: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2,2-3,7-8,9-10/1Cor 12:4-11/2Thes 2:14/Jn 2:1-11

Monday: 1Sm 15:16-23/ Ps 50:8-9,16bc-17,21,23/ Hb 4:12/Mk 2:18-22

<u>Tuesday</u>: 1Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20,21-22,27-28/Eph 1:17-18/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Ps 144:1b,2,9-10/Mt 4:23/Mk 3:1-8

Thursday: 1Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3,9-10a,10b-11,12-13/2Tm 1:10/Mk 2:7-12

Friday: 1Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2,3-4,6,11/2Cor 5:19/ Mk 3:13-19

<u>Saturday</u>: 2Sm 1:1-4,11-12,19,23-27/Ps 80:2-3,5-7/ Acts 16:14b/Mk 3:20-21

Next Sunday: Neb 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10/Ps 19:8,9,10, 15/1Cor 12:12-30/Lk 4:18/Lk 1:1-4,4,14-21



Job Posting

FT or PT Newman House Director

The Newman House (www.newmanhouse.org) on the University of North Dakota Campus in Grand Forks, ND is looking to hire a full-time or part-time Director for the 2022-2023 school year. Duties would include: serving a community of women by providing leadership and formation, overseeing maintenance and improvements to the facility, building and grounds, and complete all business and public relation needs to create a united and thriving culture to help serve the Newman Center and UND communities. Apply immediately, spring semester training is currently an option. Please send cover letter, resume and two references to: luke.meyer@undcatholic.org.

Retreat / Pilgrimage

Life in the Spirit Retreat



Deepen your relationship with the third person of the Blessed Trinity and awaken the gifts of the Holy Spirit in your life. February 25-27, 2022 (registration begins at 6pm, seminar begins at 7pm on Friday and finishes at 3pm on Sunday) St. Cecilia's Catholic Church, Harvey, ND

Cost: free will offering. Pre-registration appreciated by February 21. Register at raxtman@gondtc.com or call 701-324-2706 or the parish office steecilia@gondtc.com or 701-324-2144 during business hours.

Housing: Cobblestone Inn 701-635-2222

R & R Motel 701-324-2271 Artos Motel 701-324-4602

No cost housing available in Social Center. Please contact Rosalie prior to the weekend for arrangements using the email or phone numbers listed above.

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.







Organ Showcase





Front Row (L to R): Henry Lents, Theo Lents, and Paige Stokke

Back Row (L to R): Angela Scheett, Alyce Stokke, RuthAnn Tuseth, and Delphine LaMoine



Delphine LaMoine on the organ

Alyce Stokke on the piano



Theo Lents on the organ
Henry Lents on the piano



Paige Stokke on the saxophone

Accompanied by Delphine LaMoine on the organ

If you'd like to watch the Organ Showcase here is a link to see it at: https://bit.ly/stmarysorgan22

Stewardship Moment - 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 Corinthians 12:7)
St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.



Deuteronomy 30:19

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

(Saturday, January 22nd)

Pope Francis has said that respect for life is not just about the unborn child in the womb, but also about the least of our brothers and sisters. Yes, it is even upon the undocumented resident alien who has no voice but ours. As followers of Jesus Christ, we are all called to protect the voiceless.



Let us pray...

Good and gracious God, you blew into our nostrils the breath of life. You are the One to whom we owe our very existence.

Give us the courage to take that unpopular position of protecting those who have no voice, the unborn child in the womb to the person taking his or her last breath.

The life you have given us is a gift beyond measure.

Embolden us to speak the truth about protecting the child, the elderly, and the one without a voice in the public square.

With thankful hearts, we ask all this of the One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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