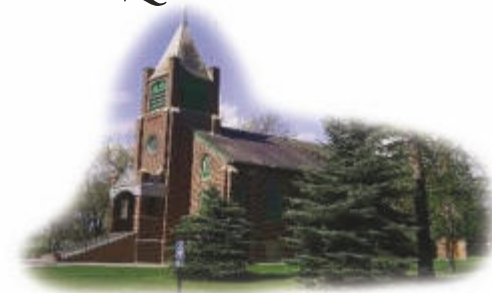


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ST. MARY'S

Olive Wood Holy Land Articles

Imad Qumsieh will be here selling hand-carved olive wood articles made in the Holy Land the weekend of May 18 & 19. The profits go to support Catholic families who made these articles in Bethlehem & Jerusalem. Please support this mission.

Parish Contacts

If you have pastoral needs: baptisms, non-emergency anointing of the sick, or would like a homebound visit, you may contact Sara Bakken for St. Thomas at 557-8878, or Sharon in the parish office at St. Mary's at 643-5173 or 701-403-3117. For emergency sacramental needs please contact St. John's Church, Wahpeton, at 642-6982.

ST. THOMAS

St. Thomas Community Clean-up Day

We will be picking up trash in the town of Kent and our ditch cleaning on May 8 at 6:30pm. (**Note change of date.**) All are encouraged to come out and help. Food will be served after we are done. Rain make-up date will be May 15th.

Cemetery Mowing

We are looking for someone to mow the Kent Cemetery. Pay is \$175/mowing. You would need to provide your own mower. The position starts as soon as the grass needs mowing in the spring and runs until the last mowing in the fall. If interested or if you have questions call Brian Arnhalt at 701-640-1445 or Kim Arnhalt at 701-640-2898.

INTER-PARISH NEWS

A Sincere Thank You

We would like to thank all the people, from both parishes, who made our Holy Week so special. To the ministers who did extra duty during the Triduum. To the servers, who not only may have served at more than one Mass, but put in extra time at practices. To the musicians who spent untold hours practicing their talents—it sounded so beautiful! To Mark Beyer for “lighting our fire” Thursday evening. To the many decorators who came & went & at times looked like a bunch of busy bees making our churches come alive for Easter. Thank you to Nancy Nordick and Gail Singelmann for coordinating the decorating and taking care of all the little details. A special thank you to Kristi Bivens who was here for 4 days working behind the scenes at each Mass and liturgy to guide us through the Holy Week. Our parishes thank you all.

Franciscan Girls Camp

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls are hosting the 12th annual Franciscan Girls Camp entitled, “Faith and Fund with Franciscans” on Tuesday, June 4 starting at 10:00am until Thursday, June 6, ending at 6:00pm. Girls who have completed grades 6-8 are invited to enjoy a variety of nature and fun activities, campfire, prayer and singing. Participants have an opportunity to visit with and learn about the Franciscan Sisters and the values of St. Francis of Assisi. In addition, campers will discover their unique gifts and become aware of God's presence in their lives—all while camping outdoors in the beauty of nature. For more info, or to register by May 1, contact Sister Ange Mayers at 320-632-0680 or email: amayers@fslf.org.

Summer Youth Programs

St. John's University, Collegeville, is offering the following classes this summer: Youth in Theology and Ministry, National Catholic Youth Choir, and One Call/Una Vocacion. These classes take place in June & July. For more info contact St. John's University at 320-363-2247 or www.csbsju.edu.

Annual Salad Luncheon

The church women of Vukku Lutheran Church, Foxhome, invite you to attend their annual salad luncheon on Saturday, May 18 at 12:00 noon. See flyer for details.

Gravesite Locater

If you type in “Find a Grave” in your computer search bar you will be taken to a program that locates gravesites across the U.S. Type in the name of the city the cemetery is located in & you can begin your search. The site shows pictures of the actual grave stones at each location. Interesting!

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

	ST. MARY'S	ST. THOMAS
Budgeted Income for April	\$33,360.00	\$6,312.00
Income to Date for April	\$23,440.66	\$3,875.00
Income for weeks of April 28		April 21
Adults	\$3,133.00	\$1,066.00
Plate	\$371.00	\$117.00
Children	\$70.00	\$0.00
Direct Deposit*** (April)	\$9,465.00	\$820.00
Income to date	\$350,511.47	\$43,565.89
Budgeted Expenses to date	\$375,300.00	\$71,010.00
	(45 Sundays X \$8,340.00)	(45 Sundays X \$1,578.00)

Summer Gardening Project

Is someone or some group looking for a summer project this year? The flower beds around the rectory will need to be planted, then watered & weeded as needed this summer. If you would like to take on this project please call Sharon at the rectory. Flowers & garden tools will be provided.



Spiritual Opportunities

Eucharistic Adoration

Eucharistic Adoration is held in St. Mary's Church on Wednesdays from 8:00am-4:00pm.

Studying the Sunday Scriptures

Fridays at 1:00 pm we gather at LeMar Photography, Wahpeton, to reflect upon the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday. This is a great way to have a better understanding of the Sunday Scriptures before you hear them at Mass. You do not need to register or to have attended before. The next meeting is May 10th.

Christian Book Club

This group meets at the Red Door Gallery in Wahpeton. Our next book will be *The Vanishing Woman* by Florella De Maria. Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 21, 7:00pm. Everyone welcome.

****Let us continue to pray for our Armed Forces and their families. We thank God for the sacrifices they make to ensure our freedom.**

MASS SCHEDULE

SM: St. Mary's ST: St. Thomas SF: St. Francis Home

Monday, May 6

SM No Mass

ST No Mass

Tuesday, May 7

SM No Mass

ST No Mass

SF 10:30am Mass at St. Francis Home

Wednesday, May 8

SM No Mass

ST No Mass

Thursday, May 9

SM No Mass

ST No Mass

Friday, May 10

SM No Mass

ST No Mass

Saturday, May 11

SM 5:00pm ††Herbert & Kevin Beyer

ST No Mass

Sunday, May 12

ST 8:00am †Pauline Gunderson

SM 10:00am People of the Parish

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, May 11, 4:00pmn at SM

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. As of April 26, 5,754 parishioners have donated \$849,080 in gifts & pledges. Every dollar goes directly to diocesan ministries like respect for life and the diaconate.



Parish Happenings

- Monday, May 13, 12:00noon: Christian Mothers meet in Fatima Hall for a pot luck meal.

Deepest Sympathy

We offer our deepest sympathy to the families of Anna Klein and Maurice Kappes. May they be resting in God's eternal love and peace.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

ST. MARY OF THE PRESENTATION

Saturday, May 11, 5:00pm

Servers: Cooper & Parker Y, Grace C.

Lector: Stacy H.

Extraordinary Ministers: Cathy J, Val H, Joe V,
Tim M.

Ushers: Jeff L, Doug E, Dar J.

Sunday, May 12, 10:00am

Servers: Landon & Erin B, Rachel G.

Lector: Nolan L.

Extraordinary Ministers: Gail S, Rick S, Hunter
& Sawyer G, Wanda H, Linda J.

Ushers: Pau Viger Family, Savannah C, Ray-
mond,

ST. THOMAS

Sunday, May 12, 8:00am

Servers: Tyler, Austin, Sophie

Lector: Terri

Eucharistic Minister: Steve

Collection Counters: Merlin & Gary

May Ushers: Dean Tschakert and Andy Beyer



Rice Bowls

St. Thomas collected a total of \$150.16 in the Rice Bowl Collection

St. Mary's collected a total of \$667.86. Of that amount, \$446.81 came from rice bowls turned in by students at the school!

Thank you all for your generosity.

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