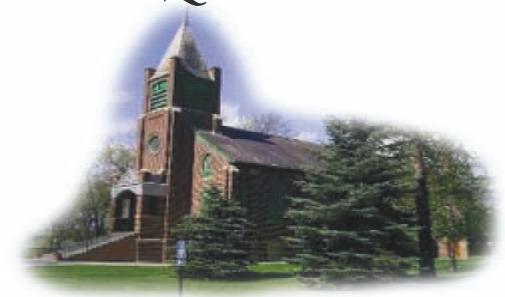


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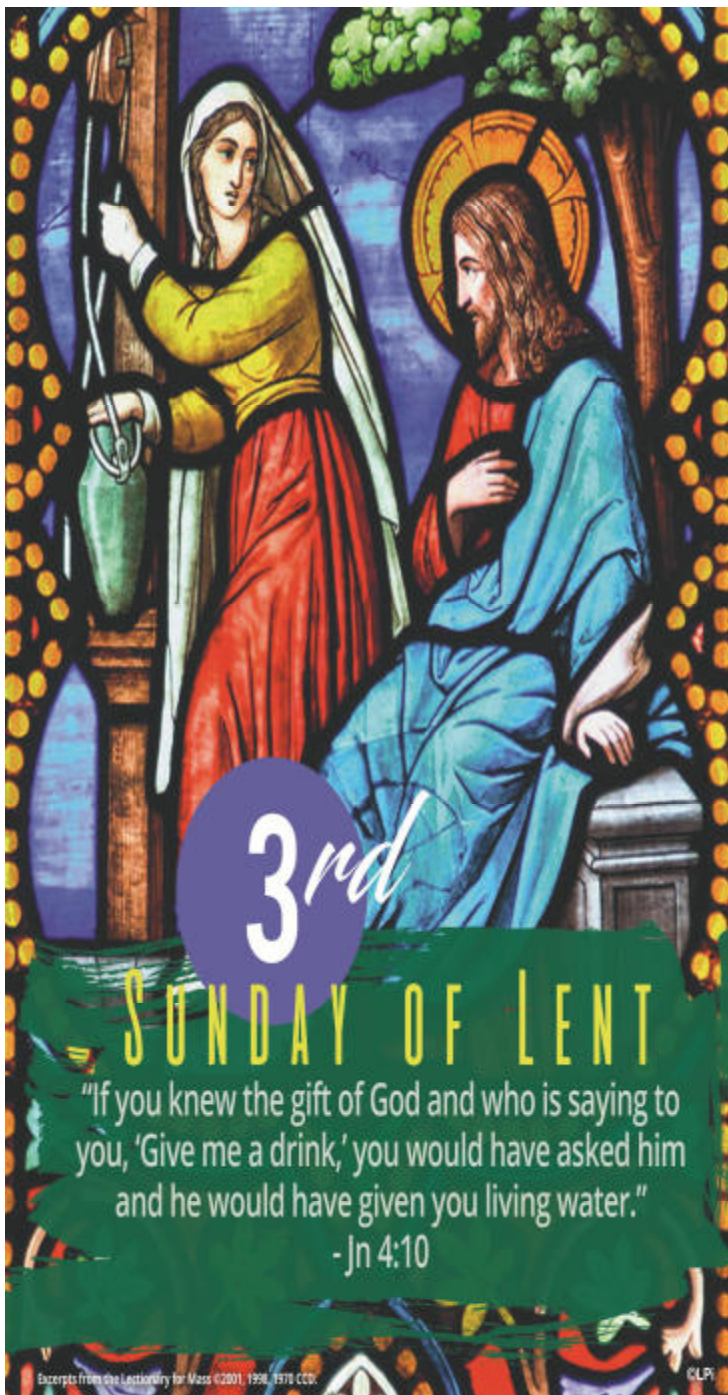


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INTER-PARISH NEWS

St. Mary's Youth Group Fish Fry

Mark your calendar for our annual fish fry for Friday March 20th, 2020
5:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.



Study the Sunday Scriptures

Friday March 20th at 1:00 p.m. we gather at LeMar Photography in Wahpeton.
We reflect upon the Scripture readings for the upcoming Sunday.
Anyone is welcome to join!

Bishop's Annual Appeal

Lent is a time of reflection and renewal. It is when we are reminded of Christ's journey to Calvary and the great sacrifice he made to save us from our sins. We deeply appreciate the sacrifices you make in order to support diocesan ministries, your parish and worthy causes in our communities.



March Matching Program for the Richland/Wilkin Food Pantry

This year the matching program will run from March 1 – April 12th.
Remember your donation can be either food products or monetary donations.
The number of clients needing our food pantry continues to grow.
We hope you can join in the Generosity.

Relay for Life

American Cancer Society Relay for Life Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 3 – 9 pm
at the NDSCS Blikre Activity Center

ST. THOMAS SPRING RAFFLE

Raffle tickets are available for sale now. Tickets are \$10 each and are in books of 5. Only 600 tickets are available. Prizes will be awarded for each of the 31 days in May. When prizes are drawn the ticket will go back in for additional drawings.

Tickets can be purchased after Mass on Sundays or you can pickup books of tickets to sell.
If you need more contact:

Terri Tschakert: 701-6404255 (call or text) Diana Freese: 701-640-3521 (call or text)



Please turn in tickets by April 27.

They can be given to Terri or Diana or placed in an envelope and put in the Sunday collection basket.

Calendar of **E V E N T S**

April 29th—First Communion at St. Thomas at 8:00 a.m. Mass
and at St. Mary's at 10:00 a.m. Mass

May 3rd at 2:00 p.m. Confirmation at St. Mary's Church

SACRIFICIAL GIVING

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Income for week of March 8th

Adults	\$ 2,003.00	\$ 601.61
Plate	\$ 126.00	\$ 80.25
Kids	\$ 21.00	\$.00
Direct Deposit (Feb)	\$ _____	\$.00
Income to date for fiscal year	\$ 263,607.31	\$ 34,087.66

ADORATION



Eucharistic Adoration is held in St. Mary's Church on Wednesday from 8:30 am-3:45 pm. Fr. Leo will conduct the Chaplet of Mercy at 3:45, followed by Benediction at 4:00 pm. Adoration will also be held on Thursday from 9:15-10:15 am after Mass and also on Friday from 8:30-9:30 am. after Mass. Adoration will be held at St. Thomas from 4:30 -5:30 pm on Tuesday evening after the Mass.

Pictures for Church Directory

Photo Dates are:

- March 17 & 18 at St. Thomas in church basement
2:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- March 24-27 at St. Mary's Fatima Hall 2:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- March 28 at St. Mary's School 10:00 am to 5:00 pm
- March 31-April 3 at St. Mary's Fatima Hall 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- April 4 at St. Mary's Fatima Hall 10:00 am to 5:00 p.m.



You can have your pictures taken at either St. Mary's or St. Thomas location.

Sign up on-line during the week at:

St. Thomas Location: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/ykneky3s/>

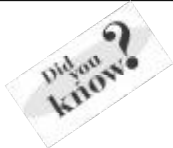
St. Mary's Location: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/yknezeeq/>
Or Call Nancy at the office 218-643-5173

New Bible Study

Fr. Leo will be starting a New Bible Study on April 8th at 7:00 p.m. in Fatima Hall. The Bible Study will be 33 Days to Morning Glory. Please call parish office to sign up so we can order the books.
218-643-5173

Handicap Hearing Ear Buds at St. Mary's Church

Ear Buds have been donated by a family for use at Mass. They are located in the back of the church. Please feel free to use them and return them after Mass.



Did you know that saying the Lord's Prayer takes exactly as long as the CDC recommends you wash your hands.
Love your neighbor Love your God — Wash and Pray.

Old Palms

Your old Blessed palms are being collected now until March 28, 2020
You can turn them in at St. Mary's in main entrance there is a basket
St. Thomas at the back of church there is a vase on the table.

Stations of the Cross

Tuesday March 17th, 8:35 a.m. at St. Mary's Church
Friday March 20th, 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church
Friday March 27th, 7:00 p.m. at St Thomas Church
Friday April 3rd, 7:00 p.m. St. Thomas Church

MASS SCHEDULE

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

Monday, March 16th

No Mass

Tuesday, March 17th

SF 10:30 am at St. Francis Nursing Home

ST 4:00 pm †Mary Kappes

Wednesday, March 18th

SM 8:00 am †Dolores Holecek

Thursday, March 19th

SM 8:40 am ††Charles & Ann Conzemius

Friday, March 20th

SM 8:00 am †Henry Huelsman

Saturday, March 21st

SM 5:00pm †Ed Reddy

Sunday, March 22nd

ST 8:00 am People of the Parish

SM 10:00 am †Francis Abel

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Saturday, March 21st, 5:00pm St. Mary's

Servers: Jackson & Matlin M

Lector: Ken P

Extraordinary Ministers: Val H, Stacy D,
Randy S, Dar J

Ushers: Matt D & Rick B

Sunday, March 22nd 10:00 am St. Mary's

Servers: Carter & Chloe C.

Lector: Russ M

Extraordinary Minister: Kim L, Jeff L, Rick S,
Melea M

Ushers: Steve T, Paul Viger Family

Sunday March 22nd 8:00 am St. Thomas

Servers: Dylan & Owen

Lector: Pat

Extraordinary Ministers: Gary

Collection Counters: Pat & Butch

March Ushers: Jeff Bolme & Jon Kram

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4:00 p.m. St. Mary's Church

Sunday at 9:30 am St. Mary's Church

Sunday at 7:30 a.m. at St. Thomas Church

Before and After Stations of the Cross

Traveling through Lent with Prayer

Spring starts this week; on the Feast of St. Joseph (March 19). Warmer temperatures melt snow. The sun creeps north. More wildlife is apparent, including birds that migrate or rabbits looking for food. Spring is a time of preparing; whether you start vegetable seeds, prune apple trees, clean the house, or check grain planters.

Spring is a time to grow.

Lent is also time to grow our faith.

The church gave us three ways to prepare; fasting, almsgiving and prayer. Fasting and almsgiving are easy to include in our life. In Thessalonians I: Chapter 5; Verses 16-18 “Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing.

In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Jesus Christ”.

“

Pray without ceasing”?

A few weeks ago we talked about the types of prayer, formal and informal, alone or in community. Prayer is an expression of “love and gratitude, joy and sorrow, hopes and fears, thanksgiving and repentance”.

(*The Northern Cross* – a publication of the Duluth Diocese). This definition helps one understand what prayer expresses.

A few years ago a friend recommended an historical fiction book. That book took me on a reading journey of twenty more in the series. I kept returning, not for the history, but for the examples of how prayer was included in the life of the main character. Prayers of love, gratitude, and thanksgiving, as well as sorrow, hope and fear.

When daily work becomes the work of God, our work becomes prayer in action.

We can include repentance in prayer when we pray Psalms of lament. One example is Psalm 51 “Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned”.

As we deepen our relationship with our Lord, let us use the gift of prayer. An article “Journey to the Foot of the Cross” shares; ‘be patient with yourself’. God is also calling us to be patient and see ourselves as

He sees us, with unconditional love.

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