

Service

We recognize and empower each person to use their God-given gifts in service of the Body of Christ with solidarity, companionship and defense of the vulnerable.

From Monsignor's Desk ... During the Easter season the first reading at Mass is from the Acts of the Apostles. I always find the account of the early days of the Church to be so inspiring and edifying. Those first disciples were determined to share the Good News of Jesus, even in the midst of opposition and persecution, and invited others to come to know and love and serve the Lord as they did. As a diocese we have that same determination. We strive to share the Good News of Jesus, to know and love and serve the Lord here in western North Dakota and beyond. The God's Share Appeal, being conducted throughout the diocese throughout this weekend, helps us to do that. You should have received a mailing about the Appeal this past week. Return your contribution to the parish as soon as possible. And thank you for your continued generosity for the work of the Church here in western North Dakota.



Mother's Day Flower Sale

After all Masses on May 12-13. Helpers are needed to sell the flowers. Sign up sheets are on the bulletin board in the Gathering Space. Free will offering.

Proceeds will benefit Right to Life. Sponsored by our Charity & Justice Committee.



ARTventure!

June 4-5 for current grades K-2, 1-5 pm, June 6-7 for current grades 3-5, 1-5 pm, MPR. These events present a fun alternative to Vacation Bible School. Kids will learn about the life

and journey of Jesus through the eyes of a stray puppy. We will enjoy art, music, games, faith-sharing and snacks. Contact Sheila, 223-5562 or sheila@stmarysparishfamily.net if you can volunteer!

Attention Servers

Would you be interested in serving Weddings/Funerals during the summer? Please contact Deacon Terry, 223-5562 or

terry@stmarysparishfamily.net or Deacon

Michael, 258-6889 or

michael@stmarysparishfamily.net

Calendar of Events

Sunday, May 6

10 am Fellowship, MPR

Monday, May 7

7 pm Charity & Justice Mtg, Rectory

Tuesday, May 8

7 pm Mass

7:30 pm KC Meeting, MPR

Thursday, May 10

Fellowship after Mass

Saturday, May 12-Sunday, May 13

Right to Life Flower Sales

Paid Weekend Custodial Help

St. Mary's Parish is looking for someone to help with light custodial duties on weekends. Please call Cressy, 223-5562 for more information.

Altar Society

Will meet Sunday, May 6, 10 am in the Rectory. Join us!



Time & Talent Cards

Prayer Hours	6
Electronic Giving	2
Community Service	3
Parish Service	4

1258 Households

Adult Envelopes (186)	\$ 15,864
Electronic Contributions	\$ 5,240
Youth Envelopes (57)	\$ 55
Plate Collection	\$ 1,725
Received April 29	\$ 22,884

Youth Envelope Winner: Ramona Heick



Prayer

We are a prayerful community that worships and celebrates together, especially the Eucharist, out of a deep sense of our oneness with God. Our prayer lives, guided by the Holy Spirit, purify and focus our intentions to be disciples of the Lord.

Liturgies for the Week

- Mon. 5/7 9:00 AM Communion Service
- Tues. 5/8 7:00 PM † Hank Lemieux
- Wed. 5/9 9:00 AM Deceased Members & Spouses of Hassa Family
- Thurs. 5/10 9:00 AM † Catherine Wentz
- Fri. 5/11 9:00 AM † Marc Schwede
- Sat. 5/12 2:00 PM **Wedding**, Jessica Wenninger & Spencer Mewes
- 4:30 PM † Tonita Wolfer
- Sun. 5/13 9:00 AM Ruebel & Breu Families
- 11:00 AM St. Mary's Parishioners
- 6:30 PM † Isadore Wald



Youth group
for
7th-12th graders

- May 6** Know your Faith Contest, 12 pm, Dwelling Place
- May 13** Mary is the New Eve?, 12 pm, Dwelling Place
- May 20** End of School Year Party, 12 pm, Dwelling Place

Bring a friend, even if they aren't Catholic. For questions contact Austin, 223-5562 or austin@stmarysparishfamily.net.

Daily Scripture Readings

- Monday, May 7**
Acts 16:11-15/Jn 15:26-16:4a
- Tuesday, May 8**
Acts 16:22-34/Jn 16:5-11
- Wednesday, May 9**
Acts 17:15, 22-18:1/Jn 16:12-15
- Thursday, May 10**
Acts 18:18/Jn 16:16-20
- Friday, May 11**
Acts 18:9-18/Jn 16:20-23
- Saturday, May 12**
Acts 18:23-28/Jn 16:23b-28
- Sunday, May 13**
Acts 1:1-11/Eph 1:17-23/Mk 16:25-20

With Sympathy



Joel Bosworth, brother of Brenda (Michael) Hove and **Phillip Lamy**, son of Jacqueline Lamy; **Ward Nostdahl**, grandfather of Jeff (Janelle) Nostdahl and **Karen Wolf**, sister of Audrey (Ed) Behrendt. We pray for family and friends who grieve their loss. May the fullness of life be theirs.

Vocation Views "God shows no partiality." He does not call those who are equipped for the work; He equips those whom He has called. (Acts 10:34)

May 12/13	Eucharistic Ministers	Readers	Servers	Ushers	Gift Bearers	Musicians	CLOW
Saturday 4:30 PM	B1 CINDY GABEL B2 PENNY GOEBEL C1 LAURIE SCHEPP C2 SHAWN MORLOCK C3 CRESSY ABERLE C4 GERRI FLECK	WENDY CONNELLY MICHELE BURIAN	JACOB SCHEPP PAITYN ABERLE	GROUP 4	JAY & LAURIE SCHEPP FAMILY	CHUCK JOHN CHRIS	SARA G EMILY ERICA ELLA
Sunday 9:00 AM	B1 LES MASON B2 JODY BELVERSTONE C1 KENNEN/DIANE HUCK C2 SOMER BELVERSTONE C3 GAIL MASON C4 BERNADETTE TERNES	JED STEINER CHELSEY TREBAS	MATTHEW HUCK LONDON HUCK	GROUP 5	KATHY GETZ JOE & IVY TWIGG	ADULT CHOIR MASON KERRY	ANGELA F JUAN MERCEDES
Sunday 11:00 AM	B1 NANCY KELLER B2 BOB SCHMIDT C1 SUE ACKERMAN C2 VONDA HORNER C3 TERRY HULM C4 COLLEEN OLUFSON	COREY SILVERNAGEL TERRY HULM	AIDAN SCHAEFBAUER TERESA SCHAEFBAUER	GROUP 6	ERIC & ERICA QUALE FAMILY	BLETH FAMILY	KRISTEN S COLLEEN O
Sunday 6:30 PM	C1 SHELLY VECCHIA C2 MEREDITH GROSS	BRIAN SEILER	SYRIANA BENDER OLIVER BENDER	GROUP 15	MARY LUDWIG MARY NESPER	KEYLEE ANTHONY	

Formation

We nurture the life-long Faith Formation journey of conversion from selfishness to selflessness—to loving as God loves. Our formation encompasses education of the mind and conversion of the heart that deepens knowledge and understanding which both flow from and lead to, a life of holiness.



Listen Assist is now available. Please stop by the Sacristy to checkout a receiver before Mass.

Charity & Justice

Meeting May 7, 7 pm in the Rectory. Join us!

"The Banquet" was served April 26th by St. Mary's Parish. "A place where all are welcome to share and enjoy a meal together at Trinity Lutheran Church.

Through your stewardship generosity to the "Ministry of the Needy" account, we were able to serve 313 people were served and an additional 101 meals were sent home.

Thank you to all who volunteered by cooking, setting up, serving, baking, music, cleaning up or helped in other ways. Your help is very much appreciated.

St. Mary's Charity and Justice Committee

Light of Christ Catholic Schools

Spring Concert St. Mary's Academy Bands and Percussion Ensemble, May 14, 7 pm, SMCHS Main Gym.

Community

Engage at Every Age! Region VII Health & Learning Day, Tuesday, May 8, 8-2 pm, Burleigh County Senior Center. Featuring Terry A. Fleck, The Attitude Doctor, informative classes, exhibits. A box lunch will be available. For more information call, 255-4648. Free and open to the public.

Do you want to learn more about your Catholic faith? Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church? Were you baptized Catholic, but didn't receive the Sacraments of Eucharist, Reconciliation and/or Confirmation? There is no commitment on your part to become Catholic. Join us to learn more about the faith of your spouse and/or children. The first session will be **Sunday, May 6, 5 pm**. We will meet from 5-6:15 with Mass at 6:30 pm and continue from 7:30-9. We will meet over the course of six weeks and celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation for those that are ready over the summer. For more information or to register contact Diane, 223-5562.

XLT (eXaLT) - Praise & Adoration Join us Thursday, May 16, 7 pm. XLT will begin in the church with contemporary praise and worship music leading into 45 minutes of adoration with music. Followed by fellowship. XLT is open to all ages.

Parenting Pointers This is Screen Free Week, <http://www.screenfree.org> families are challenged to unplug for a day. Whether you did this or not, ask your family if they are willing to free themselves of digital devices (with the exception of work or school) for one full week. Experiment with human or outdoor entertainment.

Marriage Next Sunday, May 13, we will celebrate Jesus' Ascension into heaven. But what does it mean to ascend into heaven? What does it mean to watch a beloved spouse leave for another life after death? These are heavy things to ponder. Talk with your beloved about what you believe about an afterlife.

Stewardship Thought Giving of our time, talent and treasure mainly involves a change of attitude about giving. It is important to think in terms of giving in gratitude to God, of considering how blessed we are, and of using our gifts and talents for the good of others.



Hospitality

We build a community that is empowered by the Spirit based on hospitality, mutuality, trust, forgiveness, acceptance and love, thus revealing Christ's presence in our lives, our community and our world. We strive to create an environment in which parishioners and guests feel they belong and are appreciated.

Diocesan Life

Pray the Rosary for the Unborn Every Monday from 5-6:20 pm, Spirit of Life, Mandan. All 15 decades are prayed, stay for all or as much as you able. All are welcome.

Bible on Display May 5-17, St. Gabriel's Community. The Rare Heritage Edition of the Saint John's Bible available for public display. For more information call, 751-5115 or www.stgabrielscommunity.org).

Tuesday, May 8, 9:30 am Mass will be celebrated followed by a blessing of the Bible by Bishop David Kagan and a reception. Open to the public.

Real Presence Radio Spring Live Drive Let the Lord show you the gifts He has in store for you when you support one of the most effective evangelization tools available today! May 9-11, become an integral part of the driving force that keeps Real Presence Radio alive and growing in your listening area. We will be here live to answer your call on 91.3/91.7FM (Bismarck/Mandan), Thank you for your prayers and support! Call 1-877-795-0122 or send your gifts to PO Box 13703 Grand Forks, ND 58208.

Mother's Day Brunch Sunday, May 13, 9:30-1 pm, St. Joe's School Gym, 410 Collins Ave, Mandan. **Menu:** Omelets, brats, hotdogs, chicken alfredo, fruit, desserts, beverages and more! A Complimentary Family Photo Booth Set up for families to take pictures. Free-will offering to help support the mission of the FirstChoice Clinic in Bismarck. For more information, find us on Facebook @koccouncil2760 or Pat, 202-9103. Sponsored by St. Joe's KC's.

Blue Mass Tuesday, May 15, 5:30 pm, Cathedral. Held during National Peace Officers Memorial Week, this special Mass with Bishop Kagan is an opportunity to pray for all active, retired and deceased law enforcement officers, firefighters and emergency medical personnel.

Annual God's Share Appeal Today is our annual diocesan God's Share Appeal. This appeal gives us the opportunity to act together as a diocesan family; providing the educational, pastoral and religious programs and services needed for our parishes, individuals and families. Every gift, regardless of the size, is vital to the success of the God's Share Appeal. Our goal this year is 100% participation. Please give in accordance with your means.

Do you feel your marriage is a gift? Do you want to share that gift with those currently preparing for marriage. The Diocese of Bismarck Pre-Marriage Program is looking for couples who may want to share that gift by helping carry out our Pre-Marriage Seminars. If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity contact Tara, 204-7209 or tbrooke@bismarckdiocese.com.

Annulments The Tribunal of the Diocese of Bismarck assists Bishop Kagan, in his ministry to serve the people of our diocese. As a part of this ministry, the Office of Canonical Services is pleased to announce the implementation of an expanded service to this area. By way of video conferencing our tribunal staff is now available on a weekly basis to assist divorced Catholic and non-Catholic persons who may be seeking clarity and/or an explanation about the annulment process. Go To Meeting is a confidential and secure way to conduct online collaborative, face to face interviews and meetings between a tribunal auditor and anyone interested in the annulment process. The purpose of the meeting would be to get a general overview of the basis for an annulment and to obtain the paperwork necessary to get the process started. For more information call, 222-3035. An interview is recommended in order to begin the process. If you have any questions or wish to schedule an appointment, call 204-7203.