

## PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Mass  for the  
Intentions  Week

Sat, April 2. ST. MARK'S  
NO MASS

Sun, April 3 9 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Jack Sandy)

Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's  
(Parishioners)

Tue, April 5 12 p.m. St. Mark's  
NO MASS, Presbyterate Days

Wed, April 6 12 p.m. St. Mark's  
NO MASS, Presbyterate Days

Thurs, April 7 9 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Kenny Lansverk)

Fri, April 8 11 a.m. Good Sam  
(Parishioners)

Sat, April 9 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's  
(† Tom & Priscilla Fischer)

Sun, April 10 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Todd Baumann)

Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's  
(Parishioners)



### HOME COMMUNION

Any St. Mark parishioners desiring Holy Communion at home, call Claudia Trebas (228-2339) by Saturday noon to be put on the list.



To add or remove a name, please contact Deb Wyman 245-6538 or the parish office.

**PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS:** Military personnel & their families, Garth Saylor, Cindy Volk, Ernie Fontaine, Tammy Allard, Dwayne Thiel, Duane Sebelius, Jodi Bjellum, Lisa Middlebrook, Harvey Soland, Candace Fulsebaake, Karen Busch, John Smith, Amy Vandal, Donna Stratton, Margie Mehlhoff, Mike Bergeron, Cecilia Dolezal, Jim Atkinson, Judy Rudukuhr, Julie Stanislaw, Eli Derr, Edward Bohl, Margie Cranston; a very special intention.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, April 3

St. Andrew—K-6 Religious Ed 10:30  
Confirmation & First Eucharist Recognition

Mon, April 4

St. Mark—KofC's meal at 6pm. Meeting to follow.

Tue, April 5

St. Mark—NO MASS—Father Michael will be in Carrington.

Wed, April 6

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K-6 Religious Ed 3:30pm

Quilters 1pm

Kof C's sponsor Our Lady of Guadalupe and the Silver Rose after Religious Ed.

Sat, April 9

St. Mark's—Rummage Sale 8-2:30 pm, Parish Hall

Sun, April, 10

St. Andrew—K-6 Religious Ed 10:30

St. Mark—1st Communion and Confirmation kids will be introduced to their home parish. Special Candle Lighting during Mass.

**IMPORTANT PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT— THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO SIGNED UP FOR THE APRIL SCHEDULE!! We have put out a sheet for May and June as well and they will be out for three weeks. Please choose the date/dates that are convenient for you to fulfill your Ministry—EMHC, gifts bearers, lectors and ushers. Please sign up. It will be greatly appreciated.**

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

*"Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (John 20:21)*

Peace – the first gift of the risen Lord. Just as Jesus sent the apostles out into the world to share His peace and Good News, so too, He sends us. As disciples of Jesus, we are called to be grateful and generous. We should look for opportunities to share His peace with our brothers and sisters not only within our local parish boundaries, but outside of them as well. In giving, you will receive the peace of Christ.



Report For March 27, 2016

St Andrew's: Adult env \$ 508 Plate \$ 142.75 and children \$ 9

St Mark's: Adult env \$ 2428 Plate \$ 442.50 and children \$ 42.50



# ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU

# & ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE

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## PARISH STAFF

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor

Jen Nero, Director of Religious Ed

Valerie Heth, Director of Religious Ed

Ursula Palmer, Secretary

## WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm, Bottineau

Sunday 9:00 am, Westhope

And 11:00 am, Bottineau

## CONFESSIONS

Saturday, 4:30 pm, Bottineau

Sunday, 8:30 am, Westhope

Or by Appointment

## OFFICE HOURS

Tue-Fri 12:30pm-5:00pm



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**'PEACE BE WITH YOU.**

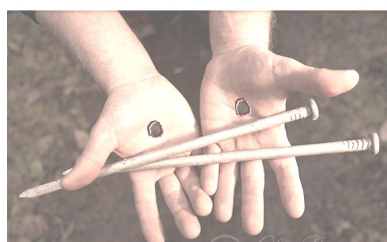
**AS THE FATHER HAS SENT ME, SO I SEND YOU"**

**JN 20:21**

*April 2-3 2016 Second Sunday of Easter—Sunday of Divine Mercy*



**EVIDENCE.** Part of the mystery of Jesus' Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples in bodily form. What exactly this form was, we're not sure. When Magdalen first encountered the risen Jesus, she didn't recognize him—



—thought he was the gardener. In Luke, disciples on the road to Emmaus also failed to recognize Jesus until he broke bread with them.

As in today's Gospel, Jesus' resurrected body was no longer bound by space. He entered the room through locked doors. Still, on his resurrected flesh, the disciples could still see the marks of his Crucifixion.

The Resurrection is more than just a spiritual reality. Jesus offers physical evidence. Our Lord understands that it is part of human nature to seek hard evidence. He wants them to know that the same Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is the same Jesus who was crucified.

Jesus breathed on the disciples, and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

It's a different kind of 'evidence', but 18 young people, 9 from St Mark's and 9 from St Andrew's, experienced this last night. From the hands of Bishop Folda, they received the Holy Spirit. We congratulate these young people. They are evidence

Evidence for the Resurrection

- E mpty Tomb
- A ppearances
- S keptics Converted
- T ransformed Apostles
- E xistence of the Church
- R ite of Baptism



to us that the story continues to unfold. The Risen Christ continues to emerge into a fresh generation of believers.

They have much more to learn and experience in their walk with Christ. But it won't be long, and we'll be sending them into the world to walk through the locked doors of fear, violence, drugs, uncertainty, unbelief, and much more. How important it is to be *strong* in one's faith, which is what *confirmed* refers to.

them into the world to walk through the locked doors of fear, violence, drugs, uncertainty, unbelief, and much more. How important it is to be *strong* in one's faith, which is what *confirmed* refers to.

Jesus in the Gospel says, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." We don't get to see Jesus in the flesh the way the Apostles did. But we do get to see faith in action. We do get to see young people eager to receive Jesus for the first time in Holy Communion, and hopefully for a lifetime afterwards.

If we are the Body of Christ, and we are, it is a special grace for us to see beyond young people experiencing something new, and really believe that in them we behold the Risen Christ reaching out, shepherding humanity, and forming the Kingdom of God.

Thanks to all the families and religious education teams that have prepared these youth for this great step forward. In them we see some of the hard evidence we seek in understanding that the Risen One walks with us. In our ancestors, he paved the way. In our youth, he has our back.

**37 EASTER BASKETS** were assembled and distributed by St. Mark's Youth Group. **Thanks** to all who made donations, to those who rallied our youth, and the youth who helped bring Easter joy to many in our community.



**ST. MARK'S PARISH RUMMAGE SALE**

**NEXT SATURDAY**, April 9th, 8 am to 2:30 pm, at St. Mark's Parish Hall. Drop off donations in the Parish basement until April 5th. No large furniture.

We will be needing help moving boxes on Thursday, April 7th at 6:30 pm.

Any and all help will be most appreciated contact Joan at 701-770-2869.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR** - Queen of Peace in Belcourt, ND. Fri, April 8, 7pm to Sun, April 10, 3pm. The seminar is free with free-will donations for meals. If you need housing or have questions, call Cindy Gourneau 701-477-698.

**DIVINE MERCY NOVENA** ends today on Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus asked St. Faustina: "On each day of the Novena you will bring to My heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My mercy. On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these



**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE AND THE SILVER ROSE**—are coming our way on Wednesday, April 6th at 5pm. **The Knights of Columbus** are sponsoring a special ceremony promoting this Rose's journey all the way from Canada through Central United States to its final destination in Mexico. 2016 marks the 56th year of the program which began in 1960 to honor the Blessed Virgin under her title of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Patroness of the Americas. **PLEASE JOIN US in the Running of the Silver Rose.**



**GOD'S GIFT APPEAL 2016—LET THE CHURCH ALWAYS BE A PLACE OF MERCY!** The success of the appeal depends on your active response in faith. Your gift will help those in need. Your stewardship is a witness of your faith in Him. Together we can do great things for Christ's Church. We thank you for your ongoing support.



The Knights of Columbus Peace Garden Field Mass has been an annual tradition for 56 years. It has been because of the dedication and help of a lot of volunteers. If you would like to help keep this tradition alive and find out what it is all about, please come to Rugby on April 6th. The IPGFMA will be holding a meeting to finalize the details for this years Field Mass. It will be at the Dakota Farms restaurant at 6 pm. For more information contact Randy Malo at 771-2205.