

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Mass  for the
Intentions  Week

Sat, April 16 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Carlos Huaman de los Heros)

Sun, April 17 9 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)

Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Tom & Priscilla Fischer)

Tue, April 19 2 p.m. St. Andrew's Hospital
(Special Intention)

Wed, April 20 12 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Severin, Gary & Patti Posch)

Thurs, April 21 NO MASS @ St. Andrew's

Fri, April 22 11 a.m. Good Sam
(† Lorraine Tjon)

Sat, April 23 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Lloyd Jelleberg)

Sun, April 24 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)

Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Everett Solper)

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.



PrayerLine 

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, Karen Busch, John Smith, Aimé Vandal, Donna Stratton, Margie Mehlhoff, Mike Bergeron, Cecilia Dolezal, Jim Atkinson, Judy Rudukuhr, Julie Stanislau, Eli Derr, Edward Bohl, Margie Cranston, Michael O'Malley, Dwayne Thiel, Jodi Bjellum, Rosemary Lacroix; a very special intention.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun, April 17
St. Andrew— NO CLASS (Spring Break)

Tues, April 19
St. Andrew—Parish Council Meeting, 7 p.m.

Wed, April 20
St. Mark—K-6 Religious Ed. 3:30 p.m.
Quilters 1 p.m.

Thurs, April 21
St. Mark— RCIA meeting 
St. Andrew—NO MASS—Diocesan Meeting in Devil's Lake

Fri, April 22
Beginning of Passover

Sun, April 24
St. Andrew—K-6 Religious Ed 10:30 a.m.
St. Mark—Feast of St. Mark 5 p.m.

Mon, April 25
St. Mark—Calling Youth to Mission Workshop 3:30-8:30 p.m. at the Social Hall. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

IMPORTANT PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT—

The sheet for June schedule will be out for three more weeks. We encourage you to choose the date/dates that are convenient for you to fulfill your Ministry—EMHC, gifts bearers, lectors and ushers. Please sign up. It is greatly appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT

"The disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit." (Acts 13:52)

Because the disciples heard Our Lord's call, they were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we take time to open our hearts, listen to God, ask for His direction and allow the Holy Spirit to guide our lives and our decisions.



Report For April 10, 2016

St Andrew's: Adult env \$ 590 Plate \$ 54 and children \$ 8

St Mark's: Adult env \$ 2903 Plate \$ 136.40 and children \$ 76

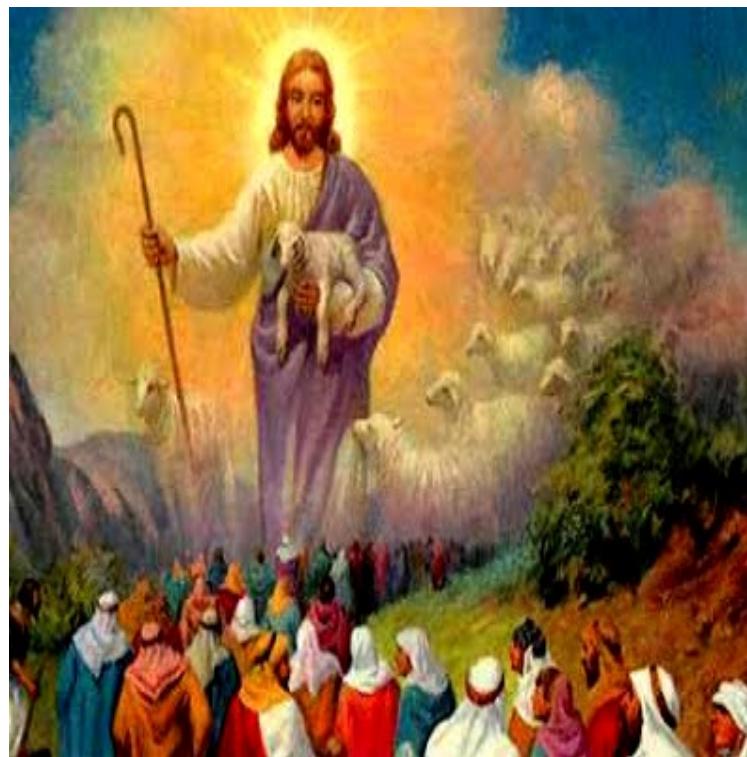


ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU

& ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE

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**"MY SHEEP HEAR MY VOICE;
I KNOW THEM,
AND THEY FOLLOW ME"**

JN 10:27

PARISH STAFF

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor

Jen Nero, Director of Religious Ed

Valerie Hefth, 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

April 16-17 Fourth Sunday of Easter



VOICING HIS PRESENCE.

The 4th Sunday of Easter is called Good Shepherd Sunday. Each year, this Sunday's Gospel is taken from Jesus' Good Shepherd discourse in John 10.

Even though Bottineau County used to be home to quite a bit of sheep ranching, most folks are less familiar with sheep and shepherds than Jesus' audience. Still, the image of Jesus as Good Shepherd remains dear over the centuries.

Today's Gospel speaks powerfully about the familiarity between Jesus and his disciples. It comes down to recognizing his voice.

When it comes to family, we pretty much know very well one another's voices. Recognizing family members' voices, let's us also read their mood. By hearing their voice, we detect, more often than not, what their attitude is at a particular moment.

In our relationship with Jesus, can we say we know Jesus' voice? Reading Scripture, there are lots of different tones, moods, attitudes folded into those many pages. No matter what book of the Bible, Old Testament or New, the believer, the true sheep, knows how to pick out the tenor of Jesus' voice and discern at least something of his will for them and how he's leading them.

To recognize Jesus' voice—be it in the Bible, in the Liturgy, in Nature, wherever...—is to get a direct word from the Father. Jesus is the Word of God.

The human voice is as effective as fingerprints in marking us each as unique. Under



close examination, no two voices are alike. Height, weight, hormones, origin, emotions, and environmental factors all play a role in determining how your voice ultimately emerges.

Anatomically, males have larger vocal cords than females, so, even before adolescence, boys typically have deeper voices than girls. When we hit puberty, hormones cause the voice to change. During this time the vocal folds lengthen and thicken, causing them to resonate at a lower

frequency, which produces a deeper pitch. Think of the strings on a guitar. Girl's vocal folds grow about 3 mm compared to 10 mm in boys.

Genetics also play a role in how our voices mature. How a child's voice develops owes something to mimicking their parents; still, people from the same family often sound alike because the anatomy of your voice box comes from your ancestral DNA just like every other physical trait.

Although we do not hear the physical voice of Jesus, in everybody's conscience a Voice resounds. By it, God guides. CCC 1776.

Male or female, our inner voice changes as we grow in Wisdom. As we mature, hopefully, our recognition of an Inner-Guiding Voice deepens. Our spiritual ancestry is tied to Jesus Christ. We are *Family* with God.

If we do not think Jesus speaks to us, stop and ask, "Am I in relationship with Jesus?" Is this a generic relationship or a personal one? With relationship comes familiarity. With familiarity, we have family. With family, we have real voice recognition.



CENTER FOR MINISTRY DEVELOPMENT WORKSHOP COMING TO BOTTINEAU. The Fargo Diocesan Youth Office has invited Joan Weber to give a workshop: "Calling Youth to Mission, Equipping Young Disciples". Joan is presenting at 5 locations, including Bottineau! Workshop includes: Session 1—Following Christ – Mini-Retreat; Session 2 – Calling Youth to Missionary Discipleship; Session 3 – Becoming a Disciple Building Parish; Session 4 – Disciple Building Action Plan!

Cost for the workshop is \$25, includes resources and meals.

CCD teachers from St. Mark's and St. Andrew's are strongly urged to attend. *In gratitude for their services this year, the parish will pick up their registration fees.*

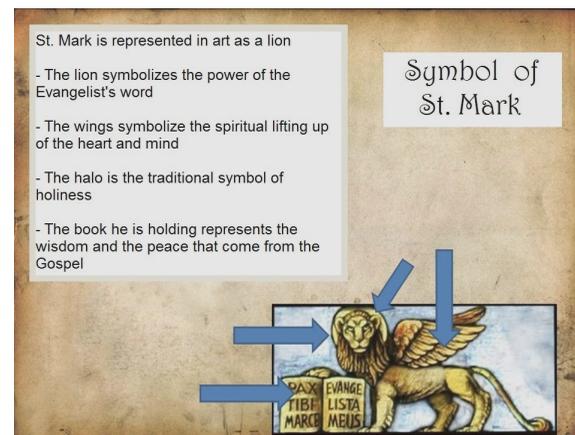
Anyone whom the Spirit has touched with the grace to see ministry to our Youth strengthened, please consider registering. In Bottineau, the workshop is Mon, Apr 25: St. Mark's Social Hall, 3:30pm-8:30pm, supper included. To register either call Kathy at 701-356-7902 or

http://
www.fargodiocese.org/cmdregistration

MY SINCERE THANKS TO ALL OF YOU, WHO IN ONE WAY OR THE OTHER, HELPED TO MAKE OUR RUMMAGE SALE A SUCCESS. YOUR HELP WAS MOST APPRECIATED. **JOAN BERTRAM**



GOD'S GIFT APPEAL 2016—LET THE CHURCH ALWAYS BE A PLACE OF MERCY! Every year, God's Gift Appeal provides the means to continue the mission that Christ has entrusted to us. Last year, throughout our 30 Counties, our Diocese counted 131 parishes served by 132 priests, 89 Sisters, & 43 Deacons. We witnessed 293 Marriages, had 1,065 infant Baptisms & 108 adult Baptisms; 1,096 Confirmations; with 839 deaths. This Family of Faith counts 71,211 Catholics. Thanks for all you do to help keep this flame of Faith alive.



ST. MARK'S FEAST—A FESTIVE SUPPER for the parish will be celebrated next Sunday, April 24. 5pm—wine and hors d'oeuvres; 6 pm—supper, served by the Parish Council. ALL FAMILIES WELCOME.

SPIRIT OF LIFE PARISH in Mandan, has a Full Time Communications position open. Please direct any inquiries to their Business Manager, Cheryl Hansen to: Church of Spirit of Life, 801 South 1st Street SE, Mandan, ND 58554—Office: 701-663-1660/Cell: 701-527-4022

FAMILY CRISIS CENTER—Rummage Sale, Friday, April 29th, 5-8pm and Saturday, April 30th, 8am-2pm at the Bottineau Armory. \$5/box or \$0.50/item. Proceeds support the Family Crisis Center.