

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Mass  for the
Intentions *for the Week*

- Sat, August 13 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Tom & Priscilla Fischer)
- Sat, 8 pm Lake Metigoshe Chapel
- Sun, August 14 9 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)
- Sun, 11 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Rita Davis)
- Tue, August 16 2 p.m. St. Andrew's Hospital
(† Duane Sebelius & Margaret Sebelius)
- Wed, August 17 7:30 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Aime Vandal)
- Thurs, August 18 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's
(† Jack Sandy)
- Fri, August 19 11 a.m. Good Samaritan
(† Bill Nero)
- Sat, August 20 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Delmar Haberman)
- Sat, 8 pm Lake Metigoshe Chapel
- Sun, August 21 9 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)
- Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Aime Vandal)

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.



PrayerLine 

PARISHIONERS, FAMILY, AND FRIENDS: Military personnel & their families, Garth Saylor, Cindy Volk, Karen Busch, John Smith, Donna Stratton, Margie Mehlhoff, Jim Atkinson, Julie Stanislaw, Edward Bohl, Margie Cranston, Michael O'Malley, Frances Kritzberger, Patricia Toenjes, Jack Barber, Clint Strommen, Mary Frolek, Everett Lahr, Elois Halvorson; a very special intention.

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Mark's—August 20 & 21, representatives of Bethlehem Christian Families Mission, after Mass. Metigoshe Ministries, Catechist Retreat, Aug 27
St. Andrew's—September 11, Religious Education

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT

ST. MARK'S PARISH

If you haven't signed up for the September schedule, 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.

ATTENTION

THERE ARE STILL SOME POTS AND PANS IN THE KITCHEN AT ST. MARK'S, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO PICK YOURS UP AT ANY TIME. THANK YOU!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

"Do you think I have come to give you peace on Earth? No, I tell you, but rather division."— Luke 12:51

Living a stewardship lifestyle means stepping out of our comfort zone when needed. Many of us like to play it safe, not cause waves, stay in the middle of the road. In today's world we are called to be informed and take a stance for life, marriage and religious liberty.



Report For August 7, 2016

St Andrew's: Ad env \$ 368 PI \$ 100 and Ch \$ 0

St Mark's: Ad env \$ 2,125 PI \$ 1,396.62 and Ch \$ 0



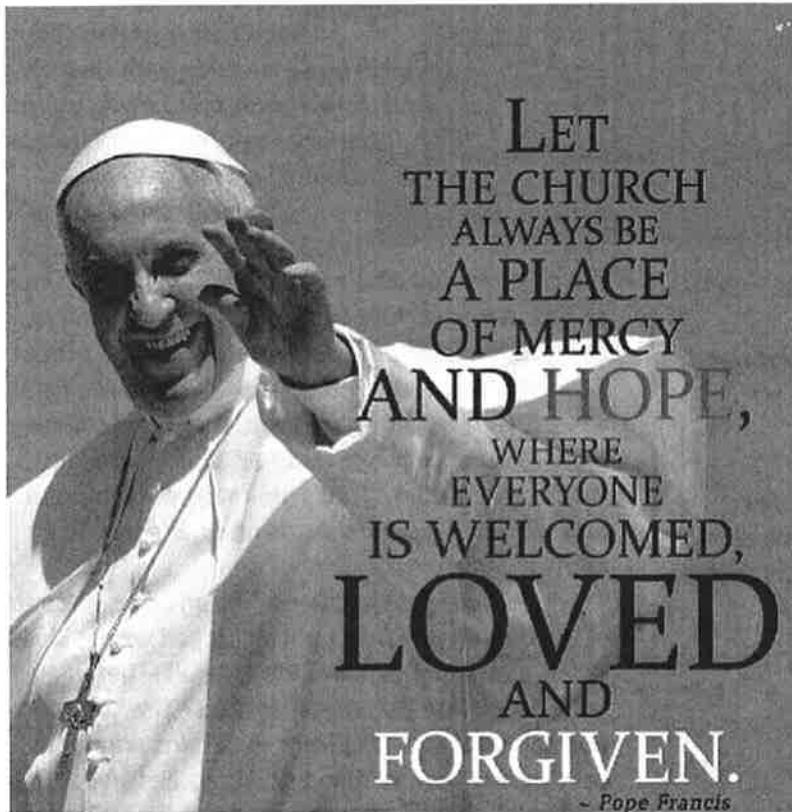
ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU &

ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE



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Ursula Palmer, Secretary

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm, Bottineau

Saturday 8:00 pm, Lake Metigoshe

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



Jubilee Year of Mercy

DECEMBER 8, 2015 - NOVEMBER 20, 2016

August 13-14 — Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary



**JUBILEE OF MERCY,
THE JUBILEE INDULGENCE.**

"I wish that the Jubilee Indulgence may reach each one as a genuine experience of God's mercy, which comes to meet each person in the Face of the Father who welcomes and forgives, forgetting completely the sin committed" – Pope Francis, Letter, Sept 1, 2015.

The usual conditions for receiving the Jubilee Year indulgence:

- Be in the state of grace at the time the indulgenced work is completed.
- Have the interior disposition of complete detachment from sin, even venial sin.
- Sacramental Confession of sins.
- Reception of the Holy Eucharist.
- Pray for the intentions of the Holy Father.
- Indulgences can be applied either to oneself or to the souls of the deceased, but they cannot be applied to other persons living on earth.

UNDERSTANDING THE TEACHING & PRACTICE OF INDULGENCES

Indulgences are poorly understood. According to the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*: *An indulgence is a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven, which the faithful Christian who is duly disposed gains under certain prescribed conditions through the action of the Church which, as*



**THE MOST
POWERFUL
WEAPON
ON EARTH IS
THE HUMAN
SOUL ON FIRE**

I have come to cast fire on the earth, and how I wish that it were already kindled!
Luke 12:49



the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints, CCC 1471.

Christ's death on the Cross redeems (buys back) our friendship with God. Jesus' forgiveness takes away eternal punishment, but "temporal punishment" can still remain.

To understand "temporal punishment", think of

the neighbor kid who puts a baseball through your picture window. You can go out, confront the rascal, give him a chance to say he's sorry and accept it. At this point, the relationship is mended. He's sorry & forgiven. But the broken window still needs fixing. You expect him to do his part, however that's determined. That's an image of "temporal punishment." Forgiveness is one thing; repair is another.

Another example—who can claim to be free of all prejudices? Don't unchallenged wrong ideas about our neighbor make life difficult – between individuals, families, races, nations? The "temporal punishment" resulting from these sins are not as easy to repair as a broken window. Hatred, suspicion, rash judgment—such attitudes divide us from

one another and plague the world with loneliness. Even after we confess these sins, how do we repair the damage done? When we take sin seriously, sometimes we can feel overwhelmed by how entrenched we are in this messy world.

We are not alone!! The

sufferings of Christ and his followers, the Saints, can be used to satisfy the demands of "temporal punishment" due to our past sins. In the Bible there are examples of saints making amends for the sins of others. Moses offers his life to God as a sacrifice for the sins of his people, Ex 32:32. Job offers sacrifice to God for the sins of his children, Job 1:5. St. Paul writes, *I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls*, 2 Cor 12:15, and, *For I am already on the point of being sacrificed*, 2 Tim 4:6.

Christ's Sacrifice on the Cross redeems us; still, St. Paul recognizes his own sufferings are important: *Now I rejoice in my suffering for your sake, and in my flesh I complete what is lacking in Christ's afflictions for the sake of His Body, the Church*, Col 1:24.

The Church, as the minister of redemption, has the authority to dispense and apply the treasury of love and holiness we find in Christ and the Saints, "... whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven," Mt 18:18.

The Church's God-given authority to *bind and loose* gives the Church the power to forgive sins (John 20:23) and remove this "temporal punishment", the 'repair job' that remains after sin is forgiven.

SUMMARY. An *indulgence* is the wiping away of "temporal punishment" due to past sins already forgiven. The stuff in the balance, *the weight of love* that cancels our spiritual debt, is drawn from the treasury of Love stored up in Heaven by Christ and His saints. The Church has the authority to dispense and apply this treasury to our souls while still on Earth. We are all responsible for our actions. Even after we seek and receive forgiveness, we must repair what we've broken (windows, relationships, etc.). Without indulgences, we do this on our own through personal penance while on Earth or after death, in the state of transformation we call Purgatory. If an *indulgence* sounds like a short-cut, that's precisely what it is; the word means a "favor" granted by Christ through His Church.

CATECHIST RETREAT, Sat, Aug 27, Lake Metigoshe Ministry Center —Come away for a day of retreat at Lake Metigoshe Ministry Center in our own Turtle Mtns. Fr. Andrew Jasinski will direct a retreat with a series of talks on Pope Francis' motto, "Chosen to be shown Mercy", which is also the theme for the Jubilee of Catechists. This is a retreat for anyone who is involved in Catechesis.

The day begins at **9:00am**, ends at **4:00pm**. Deadline to register is Weds, Aug 17. Please register on-line at www.fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat. Any questions please contact mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org. 701-356-7909.

ST. MARK'S ROOF—Latest update! So far 56 of our 235 Registered families have participated. As of August 4, we have received about \$ 39,260, 98.15% of our goal of \$40,000.



REPRESENTATIVES FROM **CATHOLIC BETHLEHEM CHRISTIAN FAMILIES** will be here on the weekend of August 20 & 21, after Masses to ask for your help and blessing for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, it



has caused these families to face devastating economical strain, and caused the population to decrease to less than 2% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourists. So we have come to the USA to try to help support these families by bringing their artifacts here to sell in the USA. All the proceeds from sales will be send back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide for their families. The last few years were very tough for the Christian families, and this is the only source of income for them. PLEASE BROWSE THEIR ITEMS AND HAVE SOMETHING FROM THE HOLY LAND.