

**PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS**



Sat, September 17 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's  
(† Delores Stratton)  
 Sun, September 18 9 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(Parishioners)  
 Sun, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's  
(† Duane Sebelius)  
 Tue, September 20 2 p.m. St. Andrew's Hospital  
(Emily Kempf)  
 Wed, September 21 7:30 a.m. St. Mark's  
(† Bill Nero)  
 Thurs, September 22 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Shawna Deschamp)  
 Fri, September 23 11:00 a.m. Good Samaritan  
(† Aime Vandal)  
 Sat, September 24 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's  
(Special Intention)  
 Sun, September 25 9 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Jack Sandy)  
 Sun, 11 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, Cindy Volk, Donna Stratton, Jim Atkinson, Margie Cranston, Frances Kritzberger, Jack Barber, Clint Strommen, Mary Frolek, Everett Lahr, Elois Halvorson, Wayne Barbot, Cathy Miller's mother, Renee Wondrasek, Arlene Duval, Tanya Buzzerd, the Thomas family, Cool Bauman; a very special intention.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

St. Mark's—Sept. 21, CCD classes start  
 St. Mark's—Sept. 25, **FALL SUPPER**  
 St. Andrew's—Sept. 25 CCD class + CYO  
 St. Mark's—Sept. 28, CCD class  
 St. Andrew's—Oct 2, CCD class  
 St. Mark's—Oct 2, Right to Life meeting, 10am

**IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT**

**ST. MARK'S PARISH**

The sheet for the October schedule will be out for a couple of 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.

**NEXT SUNDAY**

**SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2016**

**ST. MARK'S FALL SUPPER**

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS**

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." - LUKE 16:13*

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our Faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money and increases our dependence on God and to trust that He will provide all that we need.



**Report** For September 11, 2016

St Andrew's: Ad env \$ 855 PI \$ 112 and Ch \$ 23.50

St Mark's: Ad env \$ 1855 PI \$ 369 and Ch \$ 28.40

St. Mark's Roofing Project Drive: \$ 52,910



**ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU &**

**ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE**



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**PARISH STAFF**

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor

Ursula Palmer, Parish Secretary and Director of Religious Ed at St. Mark's

Valerie Heth, Director of Religious Ed at St. Andrew's

**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

*September 17-18— Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

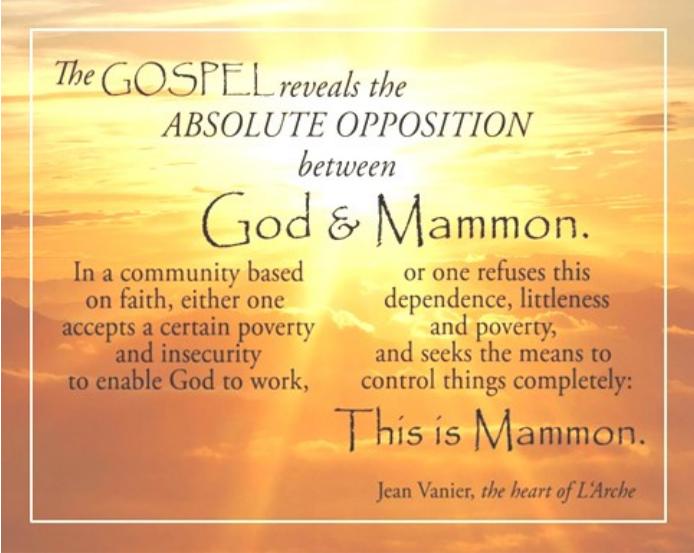


**'LONG-VIEW' ECONOMICS.** Sometimes, Jesus was dismayed that non-believers had more determination than believers. To inspire a sense of initiative, he tells them a parable.

A master dismisses his steward because he is squandering property. He's dishonest in not serving the interests of his employer. In response the steward, to win favor among his master's debtors, brokers some deals. It is unclear if the steward is deducting his own commission or his boss's profit, but what is clear is that he is taking the long view to enhance his security. For this, the rich man commends him.

The passage contains a few morals. First, be prudent about the use of wealth and get a perspective. Like the steward in the parable, those who follow Jesus should handle temporal affairs with an eye to eternal life, that is, the long view.

Second, those who can be trusted in small things can also be trusted in great things. To handle money and other passing things responsibly, prepares one for the business of the Kingdom of God. Our impact on the Kingdom of God is influenced by how we behave with worldly goods.



Finally, no one can serve two masters simultaneously. We must put God ahead of money. When money is used with a view to Heaven, there's no risk of it overthrowing God as the center of our life and the goal of our destiny.

The Lord wants to see his disciples be as pro-active as possible with their resources, aiming for eternal life.

Our parishes are places where people can share their wealth with an aim to Heaven. Upkeep of the parish community, where the Gospel is heard and the Sacraments are celebrated, is just one way this happens.

See below for two examples about how our parishes provide avenues to the needs of others far and wide.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION FOR LOUISIANA FLOOD VICTIMS.** The US Conference of Catholic Bishops has issued a call for an emergency collection to help the victims of the recent flooding in Louisiana on or near September 18 to support the humanitarian efforts of Catholic Charities USA and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted Catholic dioceses.



ND to support the ministries of Catholic Charities North Dakota. This special collection is next wkend, Sept 24-25. Thank you for your generosity and participation.



**LOOKING FOR TEACHERS.** St. Mark's is still looking for teachers to teach 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th grades. If anyone is interested, please contact the parish office.

If the needed volunteers do not come forward, we will seek input from families to discern the way forward, either teaching at home or trying another meeting time.

**FAMILY CRISIS CENTER** is hosting TRASH TO TREASURE SALE at the Bottineau Armory on Friday, September 23 from 5pm to 8pm and on Saturday, September 24, from 8am to 2pm. \$5.00/box. Larger items as marked.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES NORTH DAKOTA SUNDAY**— Every year a special collection is taken up throughout all the Catholic Churches of

**LITTLE FLOWER PARISH** in Rugby will hold their annual Parish Mission from September 26-28 at 7pm each day. The speaker this year will be author Ken Yasinski. This Mission is designed to empower people to experience the life God created them for. For an introductory talk by Ken, text FREETALK to 44222

**BOTTINEAU COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE** Fall meeting at St. Mark's social Hall Sunday Oct. 2 at 10 am. Anyone is welcome to join us.



**ROOFING PROJECT.** While not unanimous, parishioners showed overwhelming support to move forward with the roofing project as planned: specifically, to do an overlay of the existing shingles. Special thanks to Earl Wilhelm, Project Manager for the Diocese of Fargo, and others who provided valuable research to give a most informed decision.

Originally the steeple work was going to begin on Sept 19, but now both steeple and roof work will begin on Sept 26. Please pray for the safety and success of this important undertaking.

Although we are each allowed to have varying opinions about the best way to accomplish a project, the important thing is that we work together. Supporting one another in mutual respect through our words and actions is a Gift from God and the glue that holds us together.



## Ministries for September 24-25

DATE	BREAD & WINE	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Morris Holen Leanna Emmer & Vickie Gangl	Jan Picard	Pat & Rita Lauer	Matt Brandjord / Denis Lagasse	Marlys Richard	TBD
Sun.	Bread: Jullie Hoffman Phyllis Brunelle & Kathy McGhan	Jared Nelson	Chris Aberle family	Mike Nero /Michael Haberman	Loren & Mary Ann Saville	TBD