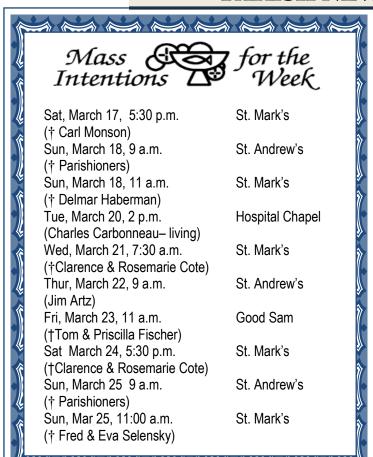
PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



Home Communion

Any St. Mark parishioners desiring Holy Communion at home, call Claudia Trebas (228-2339) by Monday evening to be put on the list. To add or remove a name, please contact Deb Wyman at 245-6538 or the parish office.





PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS:
MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES:

Clay Gunderson,

Sylvia Frazer, Harvey Soland, Jodee Blaze, Dave Woeste, Todd Pigeon, Duane Indridson, Carol Carbonneau, Ann O'Connell, David Schultz, Jerry Volk, Cindy Haman, Charles Carbonneau, Janet Kraft, Noah Signalness, Joe Schmaltz, Kenny Cote, Frank King Family, Jim Artz; Paul Amsbaugh, Erika Hamilton, Crystal Grenier, Sandy Hanretty, Russ Picard, Gary Wall Family, and any special private intentions.

St. Andrew's Health Center: Marion Honer, Barney Honer **Good Sam:** Regan Benning, Maria Barballa, Pete Anderson, Ronnie Houle, Ernie Houle, Jane Kuntz.

Edgewood Vista: Eileen Lahr

The Wellington: Ray and Donna Sharkey

Rosary @ St Mark's: 5 pm, Sat; 10:30 am, Sundays.



UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Andrew's

Mar 21 - Soup supper 6:00 pm - Followed by Living Stations of the Cross

St. Mark's

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Mar 18 -2nd grade Lunch, Retreat &1st Reconciliation	on After Mass
Mar 18 Communal Penance Service, St Marl	k 7:00pm
Mar 21K-6th grade rosary	4:30-5:00 pm
- K-6 Religious Ed Class	5:00-6:00 pm
 Soups by Altar Society 	5:00-6:15 pm
- Stations of the Cross	6:30 pm
Mar 23 -KC Fish Fry and K-6 Bake Sale	4:30 pm
Mar 28 -K-6th grade rosary	4:30-5:00 pm
- K-6 Religious Ed Class	5:00-6:00 pm
 Soups by NLA/Altar Society 	5:00-6:15 pm
-Stations of the Cross	6:30 pm

Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation I—will be used throughout the Lenten Season. Follow along, in the *Breaking Bread,* pp. 23-24.

RECONCILIATION

Memorial Caster flowers



The beautiful Easter lilies that decorate the church for Easter represent memorials given by parishioners in memory of loved ones. To purchase an Easter lily,

please fill out this form and drop it at the office or in the collection with your donation of \$10.00.

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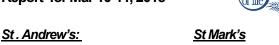
MASS INTENTION REQUEST

A Mass intention is requested for :

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Suggested offering \$10.00 per Mass intention.

Report for Mar 10-11, 2018



Adult env. \$ 793.00 Adult env. \$ 1,969.00
Plate \$ 78.00 Plate \$ 169.00
Children \$ 8.00 Children \$ 5.00

Building Improvement Fund: \$ 110.00

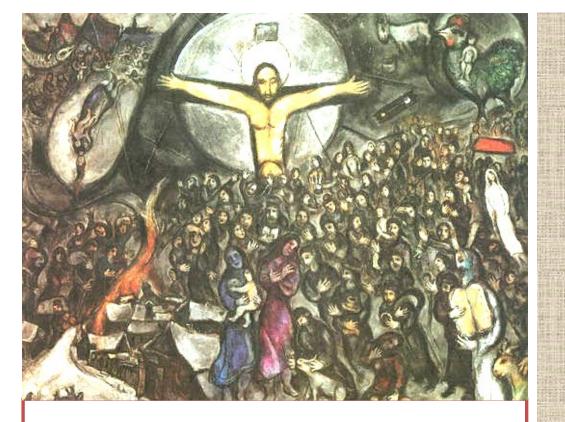


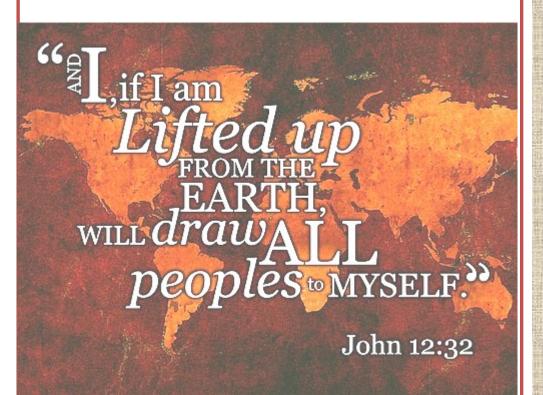
ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU & ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE

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Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor
Vickie Gangl, Secretary
Cathy Miller, Custodian
Patty Graber, Custodian

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Valerie Heth, DRE
St. Andrew's Parish
Kathy McGhan, DRE
St. Mark's Parish

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

Mon.-Fri. 8:30am-5:00pm

March 17-18, Fifth Sunday of Lent

From the Pastor's Pen &





"UNLESS A GRAIN of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains just a grain of wheat. But if it dies, it produces much fruit." For us residents of the world's *breadbasket*, these words describe the livelihood that sustains our place on the prairie.

People can easily forget where their food comes from. We stare it in the face so much we might take it for granted.

Seeds have to die in the soil so that shoots can sprout producing crops of every kind. The seed has to die to give life.

In the same way, Jesus died to give us life. We follow in his footsteps. "Whoever serves me must follow me." Where? We kinda hate to hear, but this reading makes it clear—to the Cross.

The desire to be parent, to be a good worker, an engaged parishioner, a responsible citizen, a teamplayer, etc., are all about a *desire* to be fruitful. The "seed" reminds us the desire to bear fruit implies a willingness to die.

Fruitfulness is necessary and intriguing. The cost makes us cringe.

The seed that dies to yield a new form of life is a lesson from Nature that we're never done relearning. We all need to accept significant losses to become our truest, deepest self. This mysterious being is emerging within each of us like a new life form. Some losses are forced upon us, others we can impose on ourselves as we prune away what might hinder our growth or reduce our energy.

Jesus' Story is encouragement that it's all worth it. "We are God's children now. What we shall later be has not yet come to light, but when it does come to light we shall be like Him and see God as He is" (1Jn 3:2).

One night Martin Luther King knelt in prayer on the kitchen floor. People were throwing rocks through the windows of his home. His wife and children were in danger. He had a promising career ahead of him. In that prayer he asked if it was right to put them and him in danger. In that moment he decided to put the will of God and the welfare of his African American people before his own security and even that of his family. He spoke out for the oppressed. In a sense, he chose to die so that others could more fully live.

The grain of wheat must fall into the ground to yield a rich harvest. What's sprouting in your future?



CATHOLICISM— the truth and beauty of the Catholic Faith in an epic media experience. Next meeting,

Lesson 10: **World Without End.** The Last Things. Explore the Church's conviction that life her and now is preparation for an extraordinary world that is yet to come—our supernatural destiny. Fr. Barron present the Catholic vision of death, judgment, heaven, hell, and purgatory. S^t Mk's Rectory basement, Thursday, March 22, 7 pm.

Good Sam will be hosting an Easter Musical Program on March 27 at 2pm in the dining hall. There will be a salad luncheon at 1pm and coffee and goodies served afterward. This is open to all and all are encouraged to attend.

KC's scholarship: KC's are offering a scholarship to parishioners who will attend DCB. Info in the back of the church.

Thank you to Vickie Gangl and Sheila Monson for the donation of Nativity banners and a new altar cloth donated in memory of their parents Ralph & Lila Gangl.



APOSTLES MEETING TIMES:

Mar21 Living Stations in Westhope

Mar 28Soups and Living Stations in BottineauApr 4Bible StudyApr 18Bible StudyApr 25Speaker - Ken & Tammy Votava - meal

FINAL KC FISH FRY. Mar 23.

Religious Ed K-6 sponsoring a bake sale, please consider bringing and /or buying.







GriefShare is a weekly seminar to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. Our group is led by caring people who have experienced grief and want to help others through difficult days.

Sundays thru May 20, 6-8 p.m. Bottineau Veterans Center Free, no registration required. More information call Warren at 701-220-5042.

KIWANIS PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST - Sunday, March 25, 2018, 9:00am-12:30pm in the Bottineau High School Multipurpose room. Donations accepted for the Bottineau County Imagination Library.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL, a combined effort of our Diocese's 133 parishes in the eastern half of North Dakota, is underway. Please make your contribution or pledge. The diocese

relies on the faithful people of Eastern North Dakota to make possible the many services it is able to provide. The God's Gift Appeal provides more than 50% of the annual funding for more than 40 different ministries that provide services throughout the diocese. This appeal is an opportunity for each Catholic household to help further the mission of the Church.





Bottineau -next Sun, Mar 18, 7 pm

Rugby - Wed, Mar 21, 3 pm &7 pm Dunseith - Sun, Mar 25, 7 pm Rolla - Sun, Mar 25, 7 pm Belcourt - Wed, Mar 28, 7 pm



STATIONS OF THE CROSS & SOUP SUPPERS—ST M & ST A

Mar 21—Religious Ed Children/St A—NLA Mar 28—Northern Lights Ap^{stls}/St. A—Relig Ed children

ADULT EDU FOR LENT—during St. Mark's Lenten Soup Suppers, from 5:30-6:00pm, we will show a segment of Bishop Robert Barron's *Catholicism* series in the social hall.

FOOD PANTRY: is looking for a few good men to do some heavy lifting on April 18 and May 16. We also need someone to bring a noon meal to the Food Pantry on these days. If you feel called to volunteer for either job, please call the Parish Office - 228-3164.

LENT A TIME OF FASTING:



LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR— QUEEN OF PEACE RETREAT CENTER in Belcourt, ND on April 27-29. Starts Friday at 7pm, runs through Sunday about 3pm. For more info, contact Tracy Azure at (701)278-0084.

St. Andrew's Ministries for March 25th

DATE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Lenny & Paul	Roberta Henry/ Sandee Luttkus	Crystal & Don Zane	Calma & Maria	Wayne & Tom	Tom & Roger

St. Mark's Ministries for March 24th-25th

DATE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Vickie Gangl Carla Eisenzimmer/Julie Hoffman	Anne Bergeron Jared Nelson	Dennis & Cindy Lagasse	Merle Allard & Brad Trebas	Larry & Bobbi Baumann	
Sun.	Bread: Jen Nero Priscilla Sturdevant/Wayne Barbot	Deb Stewart Pete Artz	Bryan Schweitzer Family	Steve Lorenz & Jeff Beyer	Chris Bristol Family	Carla Eisenzimmer