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 at 228-3164.



PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS:
MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES, Dakota Miller, Tallie Fedje,
Duane Indridson, Janet Kraft,

Loretta Schmaltz, Bridger Pulver, Noah Signalness, Vilma Moncera, Shirley Pasicznyk, Craig Dix, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike & Diane Lee, Rick Hummel, Sandy Janzen, Erica Leister Carlson, Karlee McCloud, Laurie Steinhaus, Brenda Marquardt, Judy Roedukr, Doris Hart, Marie Vargo, Mary Holen, Francis Kritzberger, Bud Woeste, Harvey Soland, Erika Hamilton, Crystal Grenier, Russ & Jan Picard, and any special private intentions.

St. Andrew's Health Center: Marion Honer, Barney Honer

Good Sam: Regan Benning, Maria Borbolla, Pete Anderson, Ronnie Houle, Ernie

Houle, Jane Kuntz, Shirley Pasicznyk.

Edgewood Vista: Eileen

The Wellington: Ray and Donna Sharkey

Rosary @ St Mark's: 5 pm, Saturday



UPCOMING EVENTS St. Andrew's

St. Mark's

Aug 1: NO Communion Service SAHC Chapel - Warren will be gone.

Aug. 2: St. Mark's Altar Society meeting 5:30pm Social Hall

Teresa Pokiva has farm-fresh eggs for sale. \$3/dozen. Text 701-871-0460. So fresh you get to wash them yourself!

62ND ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIES located at the Carmel of Mary Monastery northwest of Wahpeton, ND. It will be held on August 12, 2018 starting with a guest speaker at 2pm. and ending with a picnic at 6pm. For more information, call 701-640-6152 or call the Monastery at 701-642-2360. You can also visit their website at: carmelofmary.org or check out the flyer on the board in the entryway by the Parish office.



YES I COULD MAKE FIVE THOUSAND OF THOSE, BUT A FEW FISH AND SOME BREAD MIGHT BE A BETTER OPTION

Catechist Retreat: Friday, August 24, Maryvale, Valley City or Saturday, August 25, Park River Bible Camp. Come away for a day of retreat at Maryvale in Valley City or Park River Bible Camp in Park River, where Fr. Andrew Jasinski will direct a retreat with a series of talks on Missionary Discipleship. These retreats are primarily for those involved in Catechesis, however, all are welcome. The day will begin at 9:00am and end at 4:00pm. Deadline to register for both retreats is Wednesday, August 15. Please register on-line at

www.fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat. Any questions please contact mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org.

Stewardship Moment: "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?" - JOHN 6:9

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes is the only miracle which is recorded six times in the Gospel. It carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. No gift is too small or insignificant!

Report for July 21-22

St. Andrew	<u>'s:</u>		<u>St Mark's</u>			
Adult env.	\$	538.00	Adult env. \$	1851.0		
Plate	\$	61.00	Plate \$	250.0		

Lake Metigoshe Chapel \$ 194.50 Building Improvement Fund: \$ 600.00

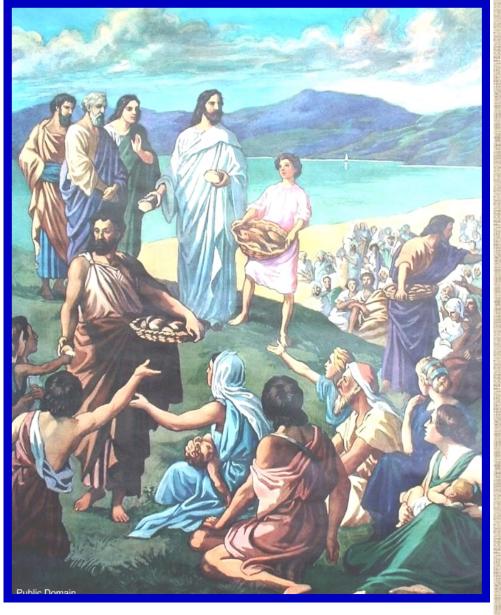


ST. MARK'S BOTTINEAU & ST. ANDREW'S WESTHOPE

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Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed them to those who were reclining, & also as much fish as they wanted.

Cathy Miller, Custodian
Patty Graber, Custodian

PARISH STAFF

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor

Vickie Gangl, Secretary

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Valerie Heth, DRE at St. Andrew's Parish

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:30 pm, Bottineau Saturday 8:00 pm, Lake Chapel 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

John 6:11

From the Pastor's Pen



GIVE WHAT YOU GOT. William Maillis is the youngest student at Allegheny County Community College. He's 9. At 6 months old, Wm already recognized numbers, and at 7 months old, he started to pronounce complete sentences. At 2, he could read, write, and multiply. At 4, he learned to read Greek, at 5 he knew geometry, and at 7 he mastered trigonometry.

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One of William's teachers, Aaron Hoffman, explains that the boy is the only student who does not take notes in class. He just listens, reads, and absorbs knowledge.

William affirms in an interview in *People*, he'd like to become an astrophysicist in order to achieve a very specific goal in life: to help science "prove that God exists." Williams wants to prove that only one external force is able to form the Universe.

For further studies, he plans to deepen his knowledge in physics and chemistry, get a PhD, and show that the theories of the physicists Albert Einstein and Stephen Hawking on the Universe are incomplete.

"There is a lad here who has five barley loaves and five small fish, but what are fivey among so many?" Godin 6-79

His parents say that they want to keep William down-to-earth without hampering his aspirations. "I just want him to appreciate the gift he has. God

gave you a gift. The worst thing would be to reject that gift and not use it for the betterment of the world."

Whether you're a little person with a lot to give or a big person with little to give, the boy in today's Gospel with 5 loaves and two fish is our model. Give what you have. God will make something of it.

Summer is a time of vacations and visitors. When relatives and friends visit, we put the great Christian virtue of hospitality into



gear. The following Blessing prompts us to greet God in the people who come to see us, to proclaim their visits a blessing to us, and to recognize that our homes and farms are indeed holy places where God can be encountered.

Opening Prayer

O God, you have made us your guests in this world, the Earth you created for all. We remember how you sent your angels to Abraham and Sarah to be received as guests. By their hospitality, Abraham and Sarah received a message of hope and life. Bless us and our hospitality. May our guests be a blessing to us and reveal your presence to us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father or Hail Mary or other prayer.

Closing prayer

O wondrous God, you are never far away. Again and again, you reveal your presence among us. Look with favor on our guests, who open our eyes to the mystery of your love and grace. Like

our ancestors in the Bible, we receive these guests in a companionship that mirrors the relationship between you and your people.

Bless these holy pilgrims with safety, wonderful adventures and happy returns to the home they love. Bless us, O Lord of Hosts, who became a guest to reveal your own Loving Presence.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. (Slightly adapted from the *Catholic Rural Life Prayerbook*)



Looking for Christ

St. Mark's: the fence is getting a new coat of paint. The red is a primer; we're keeping it black. The courtyard garden is getting an overhaul. Our centerpiece for it is a step closer. We ordered wrought iron railings for the front steps. The damaged stained glass windows are being repaired. Boiler work moves along. We still need to get a pad made for the propane tank.

St. Andrew's: Need to pour a pad for the grotto for the Mary statue, put in a Rosary walkway, prep the central area for some plantings, and build the grotto.

LIFE & LOVE. July 25 marked the 50th anniversary of Pope Paul VI's *Humanae Vitae*. This letter restated the Church's firm belief that marital love must always be open to life. The later popes—John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Francis—have courageously built upon this same teaching. By listening to families, the Church continues to discern how the Spirit is energizing us to show the world what godly love looks like. One of the great fruits of the Church's teaching has been the development of Natural Family Planning, an excellent way to strengthen the bond between husband and wife as together they shoulder the power and beauty of God's plan.

Cooking for Christ Cookbook. The new edition of a Catholic Rural Life 1949 classic cookbook is available for bulk discounts of 3 or more. The new 180 page edition preserves all the original stories and recipes, and includes new stories and submissions from CRL friends and members across the country. Faithful to the liturgical year, this cookbook celebrates food, family and faith. Contact the Parish Office if interested.

TEACHING ON THE MASS

THE MASS. This weekend we begin a series of 5 Gospels from Jesus' Bread of Life Discourse, John 6. Each week we'll read a selection from Pope Francis' catechesis on the Holy Mass delivered Nov 2017 - Apr 2018. There are 15 lessons in all, which means I can only give a sam-



pling, but hopefully enough to whet your appetite.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Today we begin a new series of catecheses, which will direct our gaze toward the "heart" of the Church, namely, the Eucharist. It is fundamental that we Christians clearly understand the value and significance of the Holy Mass, in order to live ever more fully our relationship with God.

We cannot forget the great number of Christians who, throughout the world, in 2,000 years of history, have died defending the Eucharist; and how many, still today, risk their lives in order to participate in Sunday Mass. In the year 304, during the Persecution of Diocletian, a group of Christians from North Africa was surprised as they were celebrating Mass in a house, and were arrested. In the interrogation, the Roman Proconsul asked them why they had done so, knowing that it was absolutely prohibited. They responded: "Without Sunday we cannot live", which meant: if we cannot celebrate the Eucharist, we cannot live; our Christian life would die.

Indeed, Jesus said to his disciples: "unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you; he who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day" (Jn 6:53-54).

Those Christians from North Africa were killed because they were celebrating the Eucharist. They gave witness that one can renounce earthly life for the Eucharist, because it gives us eternal life, making us participants in Christ's victory over death. This witness challenges us about what it means to partake in the Sacrifice of Mass and approach the Lord's Table. Are we searching for that wellspring that "gushes forth living water" for eternal life?

In the forthcoming catecheses I would like to answer some important questions about the Eucharist and Mass, in order to rediscover, or discover, how God's love shines through this mystery

of faith.

The Second Vatican Council was deeply inspired by the desire to lead Christians to understand the greatness of faith and the beauty of the encounter with Christ. For this reason it was necessary first of all to implement, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, an appropriate renewal of the Liturgy, because the Church continually lives of it and renews herself thanks to it.

A central theme that the Council Fathers emphasized was the liturgical formation of the faithful, indispensable for a true renewal. It is precisely this renewal as well as the purpose of this series of catecheses that we are beginning today: to grow in our understanding of the great gift that God has given us in the Eucharist.

The Eucharist is a wondrous event in which Jesus Christ, our life, makes himself present. Let's try asking a few simple questions. For

The Sign of the Cross

example, why do we make the sign of the Cross and perform the Penitential Rite at the beginning of Mass? And here I would like to add another side note. Have you seen how children make the sign of the Cross? You do not know what they are doing, whether it is the sign of the Cross or an outline. They do this [gesturing]. Children must be taught how to make the sign of the Cross properly. This is how the Mass begins; this is how life begins; this is how the day begins. This means that we are redeemed by the Lord's Cross. Watch the children and teach them how to make the sign of the Cross properly. And those Readings, during *Mass, why are they there? Why are there* three Readings on Sunday and two on the other days? Why are they read? Or, why

other days? Why are they read? Or, why does the priest presiding at the celebration say at a certain point: "Lift up our hearts"?

It is really important to return to the basics, to rediscover what is essential, through what we touch and see in the celebration of the Sacraments. The question of the Apostle Thomas (cf. Jn 20:25), seeking to see and touch the nail wounds in Jesus' body, is what we all need: to see him, to touch him so that we may be able to know him. The Sacraments meet this human need. The Sacraments, the Eucharistic celebration in a particular way, are signs of God's love, the privileged ways for us to encounter him.

Thus, through these catecheses, I would like to rediscover with you the beauty that is hidden in the Eucharistic celebration and that, once revealed, gives full meaning to each person's life. May Our Lady accompany us on this new stretch of road. Thank you.

St. Andrew's Ministries for August 5th

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St. Mark's Ministries for August 4th-5th

DATE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Vickie Gangl Karen Sollin/ Carla E.	Mary Gorder	Patty Graber Fam- ily	Brad Trebas/ Scott Wheeler	Dave & Janel Agnes		
Sun.	Bread: Morris Holen Jr. Warren Emmer/ Wayne Barbot	Jerry Migler	Mitch & Nicole Schmidt	Corey Bercier/ Steve Lorenz	Pete & Gigi Artz	Logan & Riley Biberdorf	Carla E./ Karen Sollin