

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



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

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Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. November 17, 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Del Haberman)
Sun., November 18, 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)
Sun., November 18, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Ethel Emmer)
Tues., November 20, 2:00 p.m. SAHC Chapel
(† Steven Vargo)
Wed., November 21, 7:30 a.m. St. Mark's
(† Bud Emmer)
Thurs., November 22, 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's
Thurs., November 22, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's
(† Scott Wheeler)
Fri., November 23, 11:00 a.m. Good Sam
(Special Intentions of Rosemary Lacroix)
Sat. November 24, 5:30 p.m. St. Mark's
(† Marion Honer)
Sun., November 24, 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's
(Parishioners)
Sun., November 25, 11:00 a.m. St. Mark's
(Brandon Wolf-ordained deacon in Rome on
Sept 27, 2018)

UPCOMING EVENTS

St. Andrew's
Nov 20: Parish Council meeting 7:00p.m.
St. Mark's
Nov 21: Holy Communion service at SAHC Chapel 11:30a.m.
Nov 21: Quilters will meet 1:00—Quilting Room
Nov 21: Thanksgiving Community Service, Good Sam, 7 pm.
Dec 6: Social Gathering - Widow/Widowers; Meeting Rectory Base-
ment from 3-5pm; we plan do an exchange of Holiday goodies; please
bring 1 dozen for exchange and 1/2 dozen for our groups afternoon
snack. All are welcome; even without goodies! We love the Fellowship;
come one come all!

Rosary @ St Mark's: 5p.m., Saturday



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

**WE NEED ANYONE INTERESTED IN BEING IN THE CHOIR FOR EITHER SAT-
URDAY NIGHT OR SUNDAY TO CONTACT LEAN-**

DO YOU LOVE TO SING? **NA EMMER @ 220-4595 OR THE PARISH OF-
FICE @ 228-3164.**

GOOD SAM THANKSGIVING-DAY Eve Community Service
Program begins at 7p.m. followed by a pie social, all
area churches coming together to
give thanks.



United Parish Church Thanksgiving
Day meal! Food & fellowship begin-
ning Thurs, Nov 22, 11a.m. to 1p.m.
The meal is free; turkey and all the
trimmings. Please make a reserva-
tion to help them plan and prepare:
228-2800 for reservations or to help in some way.

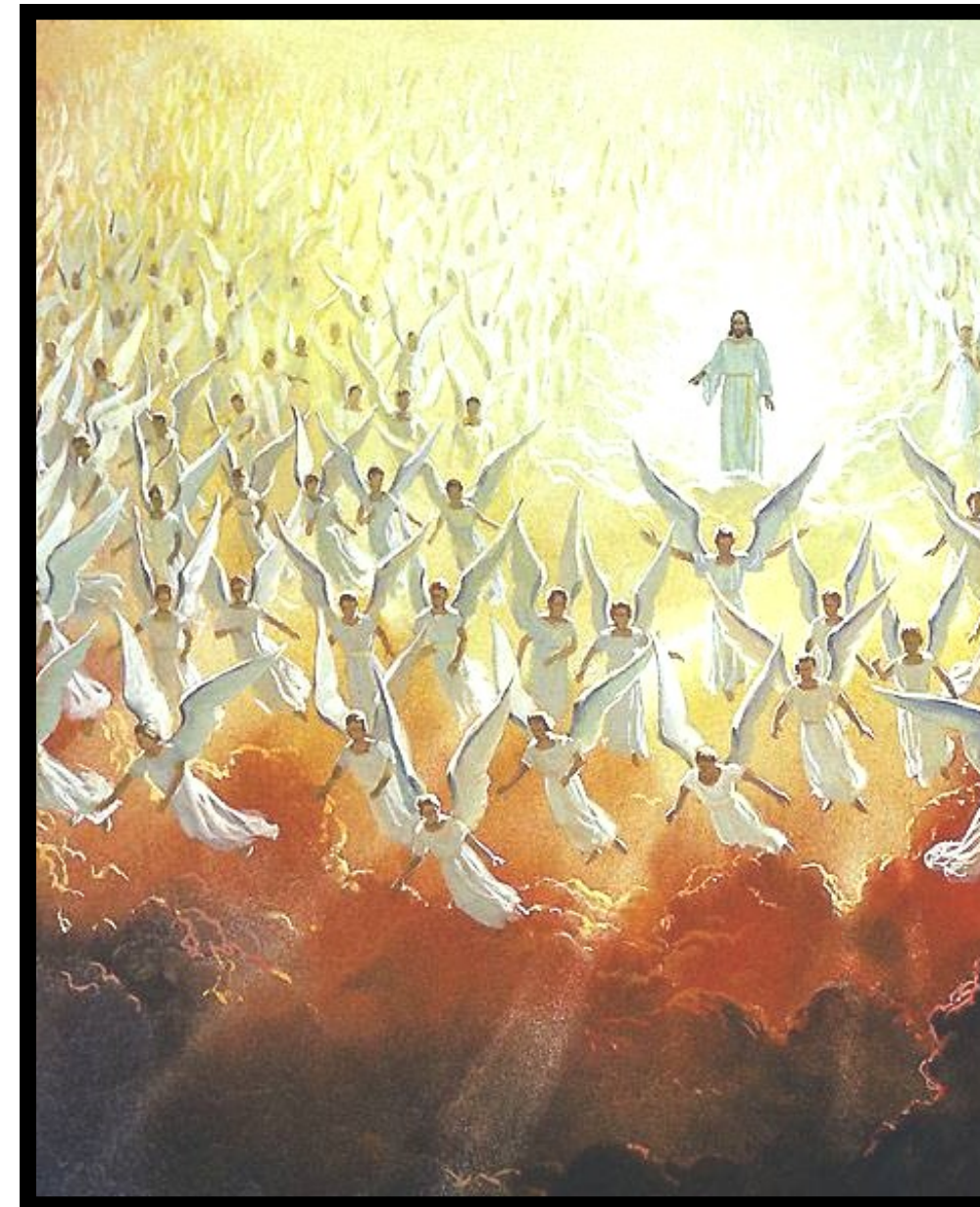
Stewardship Moment: "Well done, my good and faithful serv-
ant. Since you have been faithful in small matters, I will
give you great responsibilities." - MATTHEW 25:21

God expects us to nurture and develop the gifts He has
given us and then generously return a portion with in-
crease. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He
has given us; He expects us to grow our gifts, use them
wisely and be generous with them. Unfortunately, many of
us are not generous in proportion to all that God has given
us.

Report for November 10-11

St. Andrew's:		St Mark's	
Adult env.	\$ 3175.00	Adult env.	\$ 941.00
Plate	\$ 71.00	Plate	\$ 217.00
Children	\$ 9.00	Children	\$ 7.00

Building Improvement Fund: \$ 102.00



"And then they will see the
'Son of Man coming in the clouds'
with great power and glory,
and then He will send out His angels
and gather His elect from the four winds,
from the end of the earth to the end of the sky."

(Mark 13:26-27)

November 17-18, 33rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

PARISH STAFF

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Valerie Heth, DRE at
St. Andrew'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

Home Communion

Any St. Mark parishioners desiring Ho-
ly Communion at home, call Claudia
Treas (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 FAMI-
LIES,** Mary Longtin, Jim Nero, Debra
Bollinger & family, Lyle Brandt, Dan

Johnson, Bryan & Veronica Beaver's premature infant daugh-
ter, Charlotte St. Michel, Haylee Jo Jundt, Audrey Phillips,
Kathy Sletton, the family of Darlene Johnson, the family of
Kasper Binstock, the family of Walt Pasicznyk, the family of
Devon Main, Jim Mootz, the family of Scott Wheeler, Joel
Medallo, Judy Baumann, Ronald Carlson, Jeff Thorsgaard,
Marion Lynnes, Mary Ann Saville, 2 year-old Hayden, special
intention for a granddaughter with pneumonia, Carol Ray-
mond, Harriet Hall, Dakota Miller, Janet Kraft, Loretta
Schmaltz, Bridger Pulver, Noah Signalness, Vilma Moncera,
Craig Dix, Rosa Maria Santos, Mike & Diane Lee, Rick Hum-
mel, Sandy Janzen, Karlee McCloud, Laurie Steinhaus, Bren-
da Marquardt, Judy Roedukr, Doris Hart, Mary Holen, Francis
Kritzberger, Harvey Soland, Erika Hamilton, Russ & Jan Pi-
card, and any special private intentions.

St. Andrew's Health Center: Barney Honer, Shirley
Pasicznyk

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

The Wellington: Ray and Donna Sharkey

From the Pastor's Pen



AWAITING THE END, LESSONS FROM A FIG TREE. How do we wait? Often times with impatience and anxiety; sometimes with fear. Can waiting also be colored with joyful expectation?

In our Gospel, Jesus teaches about the end of the world as he prepares his disciples for his passion.

St Mark wrote his Gospel for Christians living in Rome 30 or so years after Jesus' death. Many Christians were persecuted by the Romans during this time of political turmoil under the emperor Nero (about 64 A.D.). Some Jews rebelled against the Roman authorities, leading the Romans to destroy the Temple in Jerusalem (70 A.D.). The times were grim as Mark wrote his Good News, and many wondered if the End Jesus predicted was near.

Persecution of Christians under Nero

- Time: 64 AD
- Place: Rome
- Occasion: the great fire in Rome
- Nero blamed the fire upon Christians
- Christians burned as torches & used as gladiators

Emperor Nero (54-68)

After Jesus' observation about the poor widow's offering (last week), he spoke about the destruction of the Temple and the woes of the end times. In today's Gospel, Jesus continues this teaching by offering his disciples signs to look for that will indicate that the coming of the Son of Man is near.

The lesson of the fig tree is that if one knows how to read the signs, one will be prepared for the end times. Jesus also teaches that no one knows when the End will come, except the Father.

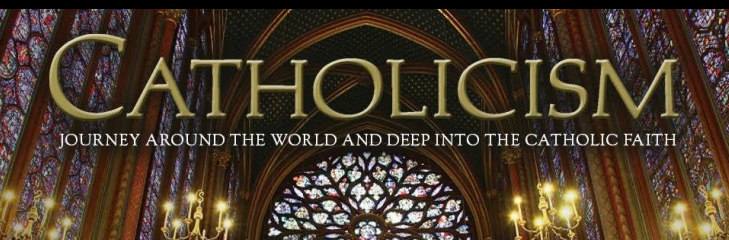
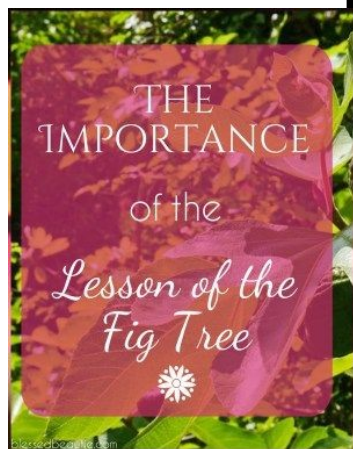
Jesus' words are not a scare-tactic. They are a sober preparation for changes that we will experience during our lifetimes and at the end times.

Believing in an End, a dramatic End, is part of what it means to be Christian. That there is an End to the Story gives meaning and purpose to its 'unfolding'.

Back to *How we wait*, doesn't human experience often teach us that 'anticipation' is more pleasurable than 'arriving'? Shakespeare wrote, "All things that are, are with more pleasure chased than enjoyed" (*The Merchant of Venice*).

This doesn't mean that the End may somehow disappoint, but it suggests that waiting doesn't have to be entirely dreadful. Even if bad things must happen, the Real End Jesus promises is a Glorious One beyond all expectations.

Stay tuned. That's the follow-up message next week for Christ the King, the Eternal Spring of the fig tree.

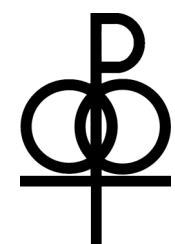


We are following the CATHOLICISM SERIES by Bishop Robert Barron. The next class is Thursday, Nov 29, 7 pm in the rectory basement.

For our first mtg, we were blessed with 12 participants. All are welcome. Invite others. If we need more room, we can move to the social hall.

After confronting the startling identity of Jesus Christ as God and Man, this next mtg we will consider the essence of his teaching.

Congratulations to Luke and Mandy Artz who were married on Saturday at St. Mark's. May God bless and keep you all the days of your lives.



Please write the names of those departed souls for whom you wish us to pray throughout this month.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS. If we have enough nominations, we will proceed next week to the elections. Nomination slips will be by the doors, you can drop it in the collection basket or give it to Vickie in the office.

Outgoing Parish Council members are: (at St. Mark's) Bryan Schweitzer and Mike Nero. (at St. Andrew's) ... please let us know if those currently on the Council wish to continue in this service.



Convocation of Parish Leaders

EVANGELIZING MISSIONARY DISCIPLES

DIOCESE OF CROOKSTON / NOV. 30 - DEC. 1, 2018 / DIOCESE OF FARGO

EVANGELIZATION. We are waking up as Catholics to the need to put on a new mindset. Our hold on the culture we live in is slipping. To pass on the gift of our Faith demands thoughtfulness. More & more, we have to fight to keep the Faith alive. The Diocese of Fargo is responding with a 2-day conference, Nov 30-Dec 1. It will be a time to reflect together with parish representatives across the Diocese about what it means to be 'on mission' here at home in ND.

We have a small delegation and ask for your prayers to come home with some food for thought and some seeds for the future.

St. Andrew's Health Center
SMP Health System

SAHC renovated Chapel Blessing, Dec 18th with Bishop John Folda officiating. More details to come later.

NORTHERN LIGHTS Looking for 7-12 graders to be part of NLA. **Nov 28:** Bake cookies for Dec. 19th at Good Sam.

Dec. 5: Bible Study

NLA are looking for 3 white unstained king flat sheets to be used for living stations. Bring them to the office.

Advent Communal Penance Services 2018
 Sunday, December 2, **Bottineau**, 7:00p.m.
 Sunday, December 9, **Rolla**, 2:00p.m.
 Sunday, December 9, **Rolette**, 7:00p.m.
 Monday, December 10, **Dunseith**, 7:00p.m.
 Monday, December 10, **Towner**, 7:00p.m.
 Tuesday, December 11, **Drake**, 7:00p.m.
 Wednesday, December 12, **Rugby**, 3:00p.m.
 Wednesday, December 12, **Rugby**, 7:00p.m.
 Wednesday, December 12, **Belcourt**, 6:00p.m.
 Sunday, December 16, **Maddock**, 7:00p.m.
 Monday, December 17, **Esmond**, 7:00p.m.
 Tuesday, December 18, **Balta**, 7:00p.m.
 Thursday, December 20, **Harvey**, 7:00p.m.
 This is the current schedule as of now, it may be changed at some point in the future.

Advent Reflections: for anyone interested, Warren Emmer, chaplain at SAHC, is planning to have Advent reflections on December 5, 12, 19 in the SAHC Chapel. Time to be determined later. All are welcome.



Bottineau County Right to Life is collecting change for Dakota Hope Clinic. This clinic helps young pregnant women and fathers make positive choices regarding the unplanned pregnancy they are facing.



With Learn to Earn parenting classes, counseling on nutrition and mother and child health issues and ultrasound they can make sound decisions. Please join others in our parishes and take home a baby bottle, found in the back of both churches, and collect change for the babies. We will have our first collection the last Sunday in January. Thank you for your kindness.

St. Andrew's Ministries for November 25th

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Trudy & Jesse	Tom Henry	Ted & Becky Artz	Maria & Kimberly	Paul Klokstad & Wayne Miller	Roger & Mark

St. Mark's Ministries for November 24th & 25th

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	Comm. Leader	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Vickie Gangl Karen Sollin/ Julie Hoffman	Barb Waagen	Matt & Susan Brandjord	Dennis Lagasse/ Alan Cote	Patty Graber Family			
Sun.	Bread: Morris Holen Jr. Wayne Barbot/Jen Nero	Vicki Boehnke	Bryan & Heidi Schweitzer Family	Justin Barbot/ Mike Nero	Pete & Gigi Artz	Jonas Parisien/ Logan Bib- erdorf	Vicki Boehnke	Carla E./ Addie Berg