

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## Mass Intentions for the Week

Sat. January 5, 5:30p.m. St. Mark's (Marlys Richard)  
 Sun., January 6, 9:00a.m. St. Andrew's (Parishioners)  
 Sun., January 6, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's († Ralph Gangl)  
 Tues., January 8, 2019 12:00pm St. Mark's († Del Haberman)  
 Wed. January 9, 2019 7:30a.m. St. Mark's (Emily Kempf)  
 Thurs., January 10, 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's (Orville, Barbara & Ronald Halvorson)  
 Fri., January 11, 11:00a.m. Good Sam († Ella Ann Gauvain)  
 Sat. January 12, 5:30p.m. St. Mark's († Marion Honer)  
 Sun., January 13, 9:00a.m. St. Andrew's († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)  
 Sun., January 13, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's (Parishioners)

### 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,** Mary Longtin, Curt Beyer, Cindy Volk, Diane & Mike Lee, John Wilcox, Darlene Sedivy, Eden Larson, Jim Nero, Debra Bollinger & family, Lyle Brandt, Dan Johnson, Charlotte St. Michel, Haylee Jo Jundt, Audrey Phillips, Kathy Sletton, Jim Mootz, Joel Medallo, Ronald Carlson, Jeff Thorsgaard, Marion Lynnes, 2 year-old Hayden, Carol Raymond, Harriet Hall, Janet Kraft, Loretta Schmaltz, Bridger Pulver, Noah Signalness, Rosa Maria Santos, Rick Hummel, Sandy Janzen, Karlee McCloud, Laurie Steinhaus, Brenda Marquardt, Judy Roedukr, Doris Hart, Mary Holen, Francis Kritzberger, Harvey Soland, Erika Hamilton, Russ & Jan Picard, and any special private intentions.



**St. Andrew's Health Center:** Barney Honer  
**Good Sam:** Regan Benning, Maria Borbolla, Pete Anderson, Jane Kuntz, Shirley Pasicznyk, Judy Baumann  
**The Wellington:** Ray and Donna Sharkey

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



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**St. Andrew's**  
**Jan 15:** Parish Council meeting 7:00p.m.  
**St. Mark's**  
**Jan 8:** Parish Council meeting 6:00p.m. - Social Hall  
**Jan 9:** Religious Ed at 5:00p.m. - Church basement  
**Jan 9:** Social Concerns meeting 7:00p.m - Social Hall  
**Jan 10:** Widow/Widower meeting 3:00 - Rectory basement  
**Jan 10:** Card party 6:30p.m. - Social Hall  
**Jan 16:** Bible Timeline, 7 pm - all are welcome! - Social Hall  
**Jan 17:** RCIA at 7:00p.m. - rectory basement.

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

**NOTICE:** St. Mark's is having a hard time scheduling Eucharistic Ministers for Saturday evening Mass. In order to keep having both the Body And Blood of Jesus available at these Masses, we need more people to serve. Please prayerfully consider this beautiful ministry. If you would be willing, please call the Parish Office at 228-3164 or fill out a Time & Talent sheet and indicate this. If no-one comes forward, we will have to stop having Holy Communion under both Species.

### MASS INTENTION REQUEST

A Mass intention is requested for :

From \_\_\_\_\_

Suggested offering \$10.00 per Mass intention.

**Stewardship Moment:** "...the Gentiles are co-heirs, members of the same body, and co-partners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the Gospel." (EPHESIANS 3:6)

Today we celebrate that Christ came to all of us, not just the Hebrews. He has given each of us unique gifts. We all have different yet equally valuable roles to play in the Body of Christ. Pray daily and ask God how He wants you to use your gifts so that we may all "be one".

### Report for December 29-30

	St. Andrew's:	St Mark's	
Adult env.	\$ 408.00	Adult env.	\$ 4576.00
Plate	\$ 40.00	Plate	\$ 86.00
Children	\$ 22.00	Children	\$ 3.00
Building Improvement Fund:		\$	00.00



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

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*And behold,  
 the star that they had seen at  
 its rising preceded them,  
 until it stopped over the place  
 where the child was.*

*(Matthew 2:9)*

### PARISH STAFF

Fr Michael Hickin, Pastor  
 Vickie Gangl, Secretary  
 Cathy Miller, Custodian - St. A's  
 Patty Graber, Custodian - St. M's

### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Valerie Heth, DRE at  
 St. Andrew's Parish  
 Mary Gorder &  
 Jessica Tagestad, co-DREs at  
 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

*January 5-6, Feast of the Epiphany*

# From the Pastor's Pen



**"EPIPHANY,"** a Greek word for *manifestation*, is the mystery of God's Presence *making itself known* to non-believers.

Some people speak of an *epiphany* as a moment when 'the lightbulb' goes on in their imagination. It's an experience of seeing things in a new light. The new light is Jesus, God's Presence in the form of a little infant. This "Light of the World", as he'll one day call himself (Jn 8:12), had a unique spotlight, a mysterious star.

One characteristic of God's signs <sup>(stars & dreams)</sup>, as seen in today's Gospel, is that they appear in the night.

"At night, when the noise of words diminish <sup>[if our screens are powered down]</sup>, when the frenzy is calm, when the business slows down, then God manages to speak to the heart. To capture the message, we need to enter the night, when the silence can be eloquent.

"It is in the stillness of night, when everything is quiet, that the Magi discover this Child with his Mother, prostrate before him, open the coffers of their hearts and offer precious gifts." —Konrad Schaeffer, O.S.B.

'Night' can be literally the time after sundown, but it can also be moments of downturn, when we're hurting, vulnerable, lonely, misunderstood. Every night is a preparation for when in our hearts were afflicted with that dimness that borders on blindness, and we don't know where to turn or what to do. This is what the saints call 'the dark night of the soul'.

Epiphany is a feast that follows a star, a small light in a dark night that points to the Light of the World.

What signs are coming to you in the night?

Can our celebration help give some Meaning to your search?

**EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING All:** *Make the Sign of the Cross.*

**Leader:** "Peace be to this house and to all who dwell here, in the name of the Lord."

**All:** Blessed be God forever.

**Reader:** In the beginning was the Word and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came to be through him. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we saw his glory, the glory as of the Father's only Son, full of grace and truth <sup>Jn 1:1-3,14</sup>.

*Using the blessed chalk, write on the lintel of one or more of your household doorways (each number/letter could be written by a different member of the family):*

*The first half of the current year: + 20*

*Then the three letters: C + M + B*

*Lastly, write the other half of the year: 19 +*

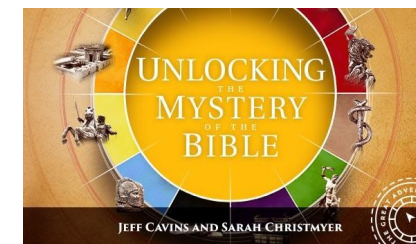
*It should look something like this: + 20 C + M + B 19 +*

*The initials stand for Christus mansionem benedicat, which means: "May Christ bless this house". They also recall the traditional names of the three Magi: Caspar, Melchior, Balthazar.*

**Final prayer**

**Leader:** Lord God of heaven and earth, you revealed your beloved Son to every nation by the guidance of a star. Bless this house and all who dwell here. May we be blessed with health, goodness of heart, gentleness and the keeping of your law. Fill us with the light of Christ so our love for each other can go out to all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**BISHOPS ON RETREAT.** Pope Francis has summoned all the bishops of the U.S.A. to a special time of spiritual reflection, Jan 2-8. Far from their daily commitments, in a climate of prayer and silence and in a personal encounter with the Lord, the Bishops can receive the strength and light of the Holy Spirit to find the right solutions for the problems that afflict the U.S. church today. The bishops seek wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit for themselves and for survivors of sexual abuse. The retreat is in preparation for a world gathering of bishops next month at the Vatican for the hard task of rooting out a terrible evil from our Church and our society.



## JOURNEY THROUGH THE BIBLE

Join us for this 8-part study to understand the Bible. **Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible** makes the complex simple. It helps you uncover the

story woven throughout Scripture. Once you get this "big picture" of the Bible, it will be easier to understand what it's all about. The Bible is a story about the Father's unfailing love for you—a love that you're bound to share with others. **Next meeting: Weds, Jan 16, 7 pm. St Mark's Social Hall**

We will:

- Make sense of the Bible and see how it relates to everyday life
- Discover the remarkable connections between the Old and New Testaments
- See how the sacraments, the Church and our entire Catholic Faith is rooted in Scripture

## Good Shepherd Prayer

O Good Shepherd, you never cease to seek the lost, to call home the stray, to comfort the frightened, and to bind up the wounded. I ask you to bring (mention names) back to the practice of the Faith, and to remove all obstacles that prevent them from receiving your abundant mercy, which flows sacramentally through the heart of your holy Church. Through the intercession of Mary, the Mother of God, their guardian angels, St. Mark and St. Andrew and the ever-prayerful St. Monica, may you pardon their sins and unshackle them from whatever hinders their freedom to come Home. For you, O Good Shepherd, loved us to the end and offered yourself to the Father for the salvation of all. Amen. .

**9 days for Life Novena begins Jan. 14.** Jan. 14-22 will mark the USCCB's nationwide Novena **9 days for Life**. The prayer effort takes place during the U.S. bishop's annual period of **prayer and action** focused on cherishing the gift of every person's life. While the overarching intention of the centerpiece novena is the end to abortion, each days' prayer focuses on a different aspect of respecting each other's God-given dignity. Download or sign up to **receive the novena any of four ways:** free mobile app, text message, email, or online. For more info visit: [www.9daysforlife.com](http://www.9daysforlife.com)

**40 Days for Life ND invites you to an Evening of Thanksgiving.**

Ramona Trevino will be the guest speaker at an evening event honoring the participants of the 40 Days for Life fall campaign and all who stand for life! You are invited to join Ramona as she shares her story of conversion from an abortion provider to an advocate for life, **Tues. Jan. 22, 7-8:30p.m.** at the Avalon Events Center, 2525 9th Ave. South in Fargo. Registration is not required; Hors D'oeuvres will be served—there will be a free will offering. Sponsored by 40 Days for Life ND. For more info contact the Pregnancy Help Center at 701-284-6601.

**Join Johnette Benkovic for Lunch!** She will be the guest speaker at a pro-life luncheon on **Mon., Feb. 18, 11:30a.m.-1p.m.** at Sts. Anne & Joachim Church social hall in Fargo. Johnette is Founder and President of Women of Grace, a Catholic apostolate for women featuring a number of outreaches including conferences, media, study groups and more. She will be speaking on Missionary Discipleship for the Gospel of Life. Cost is \$15/person, preregistration is required. Registration deadline is Feb. 10. To register go to: [www.fargodiocese.org/respectlife](http://www.fargodiocese.org/respectlife) or call 701-356-7900. Sponsored by the Respect Life Office, Diocese of Fargo.

**Bottineau County Right to Life** is collecting change for Dakota Hope Clinic. This clinic helps with unplanned pregnancies. Please take home a baby bottle to collect change for the babies and bring back Jan 26-27. Baskets for the Dakota Baby Bottle collections will be placed at the entry ways of St. Andrew's and St. Mark's Churches. Retain your bottle for the second and final collection May 4-5. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

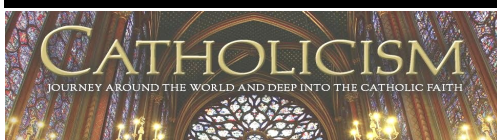
The benefit planned for Charlotte St. Michel, planned for Jan. 27 is on hold for now. My apologies, I jumped the gun in putting it in the bulletin without the final OK. I'm sorry, Vickie

## St. Andrew's Ministries for January 13th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Roberta & Teralyn	Tom Henry	Hilary Huss & Heth Family	Ashley & Isaac	Mike & Terry Thompson	Howard & Roger

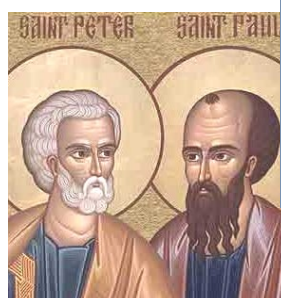
## St. Mark's Ministries for January 12th-13th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	Comm. Leader	COUNTERS
Sat.	<b>Bread:</b> Vickie G. Bobbi Aus /Susan H.	Anne Bergeron	Pat & Rita Lauer	Mike Haberman/ Merle Allard	Joyce Bursinger			
Sun.	<b>Bread:</b> Wayne B. Kathy M./ Priscilla S.	Vicki Boehnke	Hamilton Family	Jeff Beyer/ Corey Bercier	Flora Carlson/ Lois Raymo	Logan Biberdorf	Vicki Boehnke	Marie Meloni-Beach./ Addie Berg



**Bishop Barron's CATHOLICISM SERIES.** Next class,

Thurs, Jan 17, 7 pm, rectory basement. All are welcome. In Lesson 5 we will learn about how Jesus got the Church off the ground and running through the work of Sts Peter & Paul. The Holy Spirit worked mightily thru them, just as today the Spirit works thru us.



**Jan 16: Bible Study - Bible Timeline 7:00pm**



**PLEASE TURN IN YOUR TIME & TALENT SURVEYS TO THE PARISH OFFICE AFTER YOU FILL IT OUT!!!!**