

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

## Mass Intentions for the Week

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)  
Tues., January 15, 2019 2:30pm Hosp. Chapel  
(† Bud & Ethel Emmer)  
Wed. January 16, 2019 7:30a.m. St. Mark's  
(† Duane Sebelius)  
Thurs., January 17, 9:00 a.m. St. Andrew's  
(† Tom & Priscilla Fischer)  
Fri., January 18, 11:00a.m. Good Sam  
(Don & Marlys Richard 64th Anniversary)  
Saturday, January 19, 5:30p.m. St. Mark's  
(† Scott Wheeler)  
Sunday, January 20, 9:00a.m. St. Andrew's  
(Parishioners)  
Sunday, January 20, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's  
(† Marion Honer)

### 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, Howard Beyer, Curt Beyer, Cindy Volk, Diane & Mike Lee, John Wilcox, Darlene Sedivy, Eden Larson, Jim Nero, Debra Bolinger & 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 16:** Bible Timeline, 7 pm - all are welcome! - Social Hall

**Jan 17:** RCIA at 7:00p.m. - rectory basement.

**Jan 22:** Right to Life will recite the Rosary at 11:00a.m.

**Feb 4:** KC meeting 7:00p.m. - discuss getting ready for Fish Dinners

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

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**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:** "John answered them all, 'I baptize you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming...he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit...' " (Luke 3:16)

The Catholic Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.

### Report for January 5-6, 2019

#### St. Andrew's:

Adult env. \$ 8008.00  
Plate \$ 149.00  
Children \$ 9.10

#### St Mark's

Adult env. \$ 1684.00  
Plate \$ 175.00  
Children \$ 5.00

Building Improvement Fund: \$ 641.00



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

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"You are my beloved Son,  
with you I am well pleased."

Luke 3:22

### 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 12-13, Baptism of the Lord



# From the Pastor's Pen



**THE BAPTISM OF JESUS** is a continuation of the Epiphany, the feast of *manifestation*. Jesus' baptism is his 'coming out' from the hidden life, his *manifestation* as a public figure. This event is also a 'coming out' of the Trinity: the Son identifies with sinners, the Father's Voice declares him "Beloved", the Spirit hovers above as over a 2<sup>nd</sup> creation.

St. Luke's account focuses less on the event and more on the aftermath—the descent of the Holy Spirit while Jesus was at prayer. In St. Matthew's account, the Voice is heard by the people, whereas in Luke, the Voice seems as though it's an intimate moment between Father & Son.

By celebrating Jesus' Baptism, the Church invites us to recognize the role of the Spirit and the importance of prayer in our own lives. Through Baptism, each Christian becomes God's beloved child. Awareness of this reality is the driving Force in our lives.

The God who adopted each of us in Baptism is not some distant disembodied voice. At our Baptism, our parents and godparents on our behalf professed the Faith in the form of the Apostles' Creed. Becoming a member of Jesus' Body, we began to share in his mission of serving and saving people. Insofar as we embrace this union with Jesus, we too can hear the Father's Voice saying, 'You are my beloved'.

It was at prayer that Jesus became aware of the Spirit's power. Today we too are invited to pray, really pray. The Baptism shows us that Prayer is simply opening our lives to the Spirit's lead. The Spirit harnesses our lives for the work of Salvation, drawing the world closer to God in Jesus, one little act of love at a time.

The Spirit brings new Energy. Jesus' Baptism signals that something new is happening. Thanks to Jesus, our shared humanity has become a channel for the Spirit to work in the world in new ways. Today is about Sacred Energy and our own prayerlife. What the Spirit accomplishes is simply this: the opening up of the Eternal in time. "Heaven was opened and the Spirit descended...."

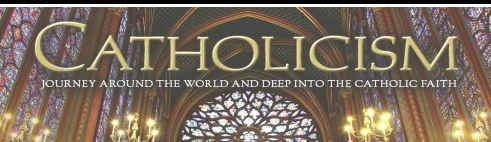
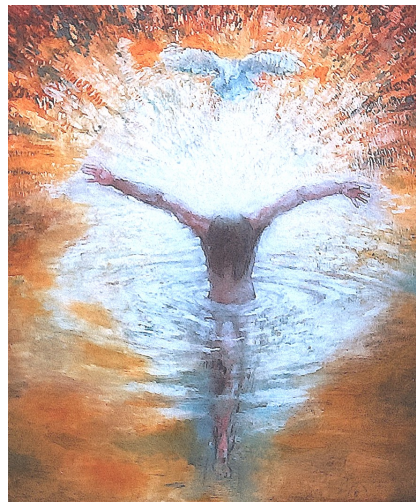
Our earthly experience is that everything dies. Everything tends in the direction of corruption, breakdown, ultimate disintegration. What the Holy Spirit brings is *eternal worth* of who we are and all we do. The firstfruits of Eternal Life is believing in Eternity.

In our lives, we can get stuck. Our faith needs new infusions of the Spirit to give new energy to stay oriented to what never passes away. Can we be the type of people who know how good it is to be open to God's Spirit, open to new life, new love, being together on a journey that will never end?

**SISTER VERONICA, OUR FRIEND.** Did you happen to see the article on page 19 of our last edition of the *New Earth*? There's a beautiful article written by Sr Veronica of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In the past I've told you that a Sister from the Carmel of Mary in Wahpeton has spiritually adopted our parishes of Bottineau and Westhope.

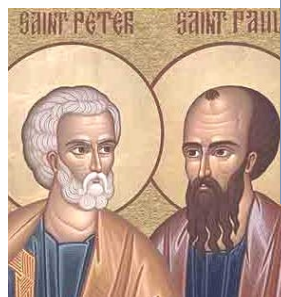
In the article, Sister describes the departure of two Sisters, one of whom was her best friend. This was a very difficult time for the community and Sr Veronica in particular. It was shortly after this event that Mother Madonna contacted me and asked if I was interested in corresponding with Sr. Veronica. And the rest, as they say, is history.

If you didn't get a chance, or didn't make the connection, please read her story and know that we in Bottineau County are especially carried in the heart of this special soul.



**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**



**LECTION BASKET OR PARISH OFFICE !!!**

**ST. MARK'S: PLEASE DROP OFF YOUR TIME & TALENT SURVEYS IN THE COL-**

**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)

**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 Right to Life would like to recite the Rosary **January 22** at 11:00a.m. at St. Mark's. January 22 is a Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The Bottineau County Right to Life invites everyone to join them in reciting the rosary at 11:00a.m. in the church proper.

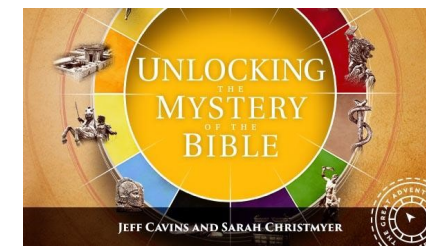
**St. Mark's Church needs volunteers to shovel the sidewalks after a snowfall and/or a big wind, especially before the wkend Masses. Anyone that has service hours to be filled is more than welcome to shovel snow for us!**



**ATTENTION ALL KC'S: THERE IS A MEETING SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 4TH AT 7:00P.M. IN THE SOCIAL HALL TO DISCUSS GETTING READY FOR THE FISH SUPPERS DURING LENT. PLEASE COME AND BE A**

**PART OF THE PLANNING!!!**

**The Social Concerns Committee met and Warren and others will be trying to recruit others to the ministry. Stay tuned!**



**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:**

- See the overall story of the Bible, the historical flow from beginning to end.
- Discover the remarkable connections between the Old and New Testaments
- See how the Sacraments, the Church and our everyday 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. .

## St. Andrew's Ministries for January 20th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Nancy & Jesse	Paul Klokstad	Klokstad Family	Jude & Saul	Mike & Terry Thompson	Tom & Mark

## St. Mark's Ministries for January 19th-20th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	Comm. Leader	COUNTERS
Sat.	<b>Bread:</b> Vickie G. Julie H./ Kathy M.	Barb Waagen	Dennis & Cindy Lagasse	Mike Haberman/ Merle Allard	Larry & Bobbie Baumann	Talor & Tyler Christenson		
Sun.	<b>Bread:</b> Marlys Vad Warren E./ Mary Ann S.	Deb Stewart	Wilmot Family	Jeff Beyer/ Corey Bercier	Chris Wilmot Family	Riley & Logan Biberdorf	Deb Stewart	Helen C./ Carrol Olson