

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, March 30, 5:30p.m. († Del Haberman)	St. Mark's
Sunday, March 31, 9:00a.m. (Parishioners)	St. Andrew's
Sunday, March 31, 11:00a.m. († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)	St. Mark's
Tuesday, April 2, 12:00p.m. († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)	St. Mark's
Wednesday, April 3, 7:30a.m.. (Jacob & Anna Brustoski & family)	St. Mark's
Thursday, April 4, 9:00a.m. († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)	St. Andrew's
Friday, April 5, 8:00a.m. († Curt Beyer)	St. Mark's
Saturday, April 6, 5:30p.m. († Robert Brunelle)	St. Mark's
Sunday, April 7, 9:00a.m. (Charles & Edna Hickin & family)	St. Andrew's
Sunday, April 7, 11:00a.m. (Parishioners)	St. Mark's

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.

PrayerLine

PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS: MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES, Casey Benning, Marilyn Back-

man, Seth Bothwell, Monte Mikkelsen, Susan Brandjord, Francis Kritzberger, Marie Vargo, Mary Longtin, Tanya Buzzerd, someone having hip replacement surgery, Mary Ann Saville's daughter Sara, Howard Beyer, Diane & Mike Lee, John Wilcox, Darlene Sedivy, Eden Larson, Lyle Brandt, Charlotte St. Michel, Haylee Jo Jundt, Audrey Phillips, Jim Mootz, Joel Medallo, Marion Lynnes, Janet Kraft, Noah Signalness, Rick Hummel Family, Sandy Janzen, Karlee McCloud, Judy Roedukr, Mary Holen, Harvey Soland, 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., Sat



UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 3: Stations of the Cross 5:30p.m.
St. Andrew's
St. Mark's

Apr 3: Soup supper 4:45-5:45, Stations 6:00pm, Bible Study after Stations

Apr 4: SAHC Communion Service at 11:30a.m. and Adoration following until 12:45p.m.

Apr 4: Altar Society meeting 5:30pm Social Hall

Apr 5: 1st Friday Mass and Adoration

Apr 7: Communal Penance Service/1st Reconciliation 7:00pm

Apr 11: Widow/widower gathering at Maries at 11:30am, call Peg Nero or Addie Berg for more info.

Apr 11: Card Party at 6:00pm in the Social Hall with snacks

Pancake & Sausage Breakfast Kiwanis Pancake & Sausage Breakfast on Sunday, April 7th from 8:30-12:30 in the BHS Multipurpose room. Donations accepted for Bottineau County Imagination Library.

NOTICE: We are putting a committee together to get a new parish directory done. If you would be interested in being a part of this, call the Parish Office at 228-3164.

Memorial Easter Plants

In memory of: _____

Given by: _____
An acceptable donation is \$10.00

Stewardship Moment: "No longer was there manna for the Israelites, who that year ate of the yield of the land of Canaan." (JOSHUA 5:12)

Over the forty years that the Israelites journeyed through the desert, God provided them with manna to eat. As soon as they were able to enjoy the fruits of the Promised Land the manna ceased. Likewise, God's blessings to us may change over the years but it is important to trust that God will always provide us with all that we need.

Report for March 23-24, 2019

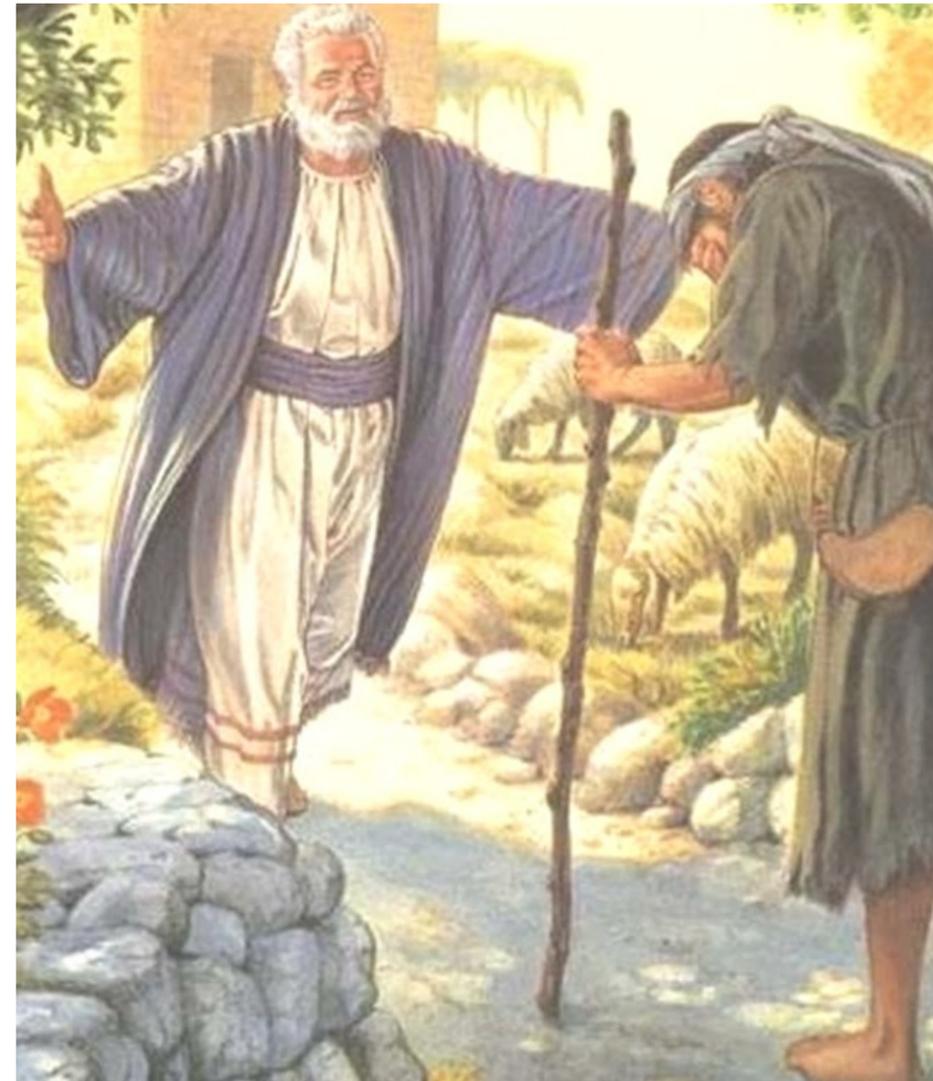
<u>St. Andrew's:</u>		<u>St. Mark's</u>	
Adult env.	\$ 218.00	Adult env.	\$ 2711.00
Plate	\$ 86.00	Plate	\$ 162.00
Children	\$ 15.00	Children	\$ 15.00
Building Improvement Fund:		\$	100.00



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

PARISH OFFICE: (701) 228-3164 RECTORY: (701) 228-5164 stsmanda@utma.com

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*While he was still a long way off,
his father caught sight of him,
and was filled with compassion.
He ran to his son,
Embraced him and kissed him.*

(Luke 15: 20)

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

March 30-31, 4th Sunday of Lent

From the Pastor's Pen



A FATHER HAD TWO SONS. Some call it the best short story of all time. It's a radical way to look at life. No story tells us more about God or gives us more hope about ourselves. It brings together the two extremities of our sinfulness and God's forgiveness. It is rich in colourful details and broad in its scope, as it tells of a father's relationship with two very different sons.

But what provoked it? Like so many of Jesus' pearls of wisdom, it arose out of conflict. The Pharisees objected to the company he kept. Jesus hung out and ate with sinners. The story Jesus tells gives them, if they can handle it, an insight into the mind of God.

There are three parts. The first is about the impatient, uppity, younger son, who wants his inheritance NOW! He just can't wait for father to die. Greedy fingers, itchy feet, a sensual nature—a guy who wants to live it up; to hell with the commandments. Thing is, he comes to his senses. He sees his sin and repents.

Part two, the father. "While he was still a long way off, his father saw him." Clearly, we're supposed to hear this as how God the Father feels about each of us. He didn't just wait for the son. He ran out to meet him, met him half-way. In an explosion of sheer generosity and joy, he commands the fattened calf to be killed. There's a ring, sandals, music, a huge *Welcome Home* party.

The third part concerns the elder son. He's so angry. He's unable to get in the party mood. He cannot celebrate his brother's return. He's more than just a little annoyed about his

father's easy pardon. He boycotts the party and his brother's company.

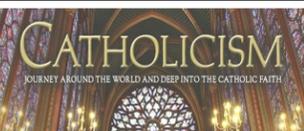
Does an inclusive, all-embracing, forgive-&-forget Father irritate you? If you're the hometown goody-two-shoes, perhaps. If you're the guilty one, certainly not.

See what Jesus is doing?

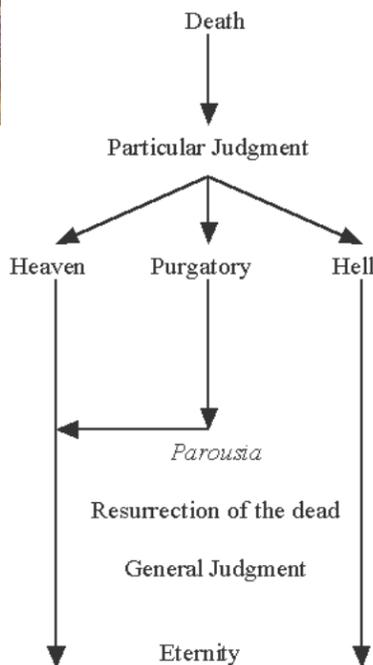
He knows that many of us are tempted to be resentful when good things happen to bad people. It's also Jesus' sneaky way to encourage us to admit that we've gone astray, we've done wrong. The story gives us permission to get honest about the fact that at some level I've squandered the Father's gifts. With that moment of truth should come also an awareness of God's uncanny generosity and love for me, despite my wrong turns.

For those willing to repent is the joy of an incredible Homecoming.

Welcome Home



CATHOLICISM SERIES. Thurs, Apr 4, 7 pm, rectory basement. All are welcome. In Lesson 10 (final lesson) Bishop Barron discusses the Last Things: the Catholic vision of death, judgment, heaven, hell, & purgatory.



Apr 3: Soup supper 4:45-5:45
Apr 3: Bible Study after Stations
Apr 10: Living Stations at St. Andrew's Church

Do you need a "retreat" from the world around you? Experience God in a personal and real way. SEARCH for Christian Maturity has a retreat coming up April 26-28th, 2019 at Maryvale Convent in Valley City, ND. Youth and young adults 16 and older are invited to attend. Details and application at <http://www.fargodiocese-search.org/home> or call Dori at 952-210-2219. Applications due no later than Monday, April 8th.

Anyone who needs a ride to Mass, please call the office at 228-3164 and we will make arrangements for someone to pick you up.



Greeting Card Ministry - if you know anyone in the parish to whom we could send a card for any reason, call:

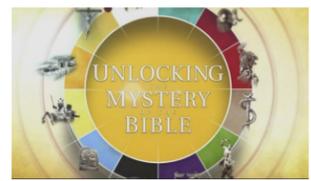
Marie Vargo (701)204-1654 and Marlys Vad 228-2049 for St. Mark's and Paulette Martin 245-6202 for St. Andrew's. They will be happy to send them out. Thank you, ladies.



The KC's Fish Supper on April 12 with serving from 4:30-7:00. Prices are \$10 at the door and \$12 for takeout. Join us for supper!!!

There will be a bake sale that evening put on for the Religious Ed kids.

PILGRIMAGE OPPORTUNITY. Bishop John Folda, along with guides Steve and Janet Ray, will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from October 9-18, 2019. You need only have a desire to walk in the footsteps of our Lord and to support our fellow Christians in the Holy Land. If interested in more information, please contact Angie Kolb at: kolbangie@hotmail.com.



Join us for Session 4, Egypt & Exodus and Desert Wanderings, of this 8-part study to understand the Bible. *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* helps you uncover the story woven throughout Scripture. This time we will be studying the Exodus from Egypt and the desert wanderings.

Get the "big picture" of the Bible so it'll 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: Wed, Apr 3, after Stations, St. Mark's Social Hall**

Holy Thursday Mass Schedule:

St. Mark's - 5:30pm with adoration after until midnight
 St. Andrew's - 8:00pm with adoration until midnight

Good Friday Mass Schedule:

St. Andrew's - 12:00pm
 St. Mark's - 5:30pm

Holy Saturday Mass:

St. Mark's - 8:30pm



Stations of the Cross and Soup supper schedule at St. Mark's:

Date	Who leads Stations	Who brings Soup
April 3:	Knight of Columbus	KC's
April 10:	Lectors (we do clean-up as well)	A. S. - Circle 3
April 17:	NLA - Living Stations	Clean-up-A. S.- Circle 4

Soup to be here by 4:30p.m. ready to serve. Supper is 4:45-5:45, Stations of the Cross at 6:00p.m.

Free will offering will be taken at soup suppers for the NLA. Offering will be collected at Stations for Fr. Jack & Sr. Cecilia charities.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT ST ANDREW'S AT 5:30P.M.

April 3: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion
 April 10: NLA - Living stations - soup supper after Stations
 April 17: Religious Ed children

Lenten Penance Services



- April 1 - Towner, 7pm
- April 7 - Bottineau, 7pm; 1st Reconciliation for St. Mark's
- April 7 - Rolette, 7pm
- April 7 - Velva, 6:30pm
- April 9 - St. John, 7pm
- April 10 - Rugby, 3 & 7pm
- April 14 - Dunseith or Rolla, 7pm
- April 17 - Belcourt, 7pm

WHY DO WE NEED TO CONFESS OUR SINS TO A PRIEST?

<http://www.catholictv.org/blog/catholic-classroom-confession>

St. Andrew's Ministries for April 7th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Nancy & Teralyn	Paul Klokstad	Lenny Artz Family	Jude & Isaac	Tom Henry & Wayne Miller	Tom & Mike

St. Mark's Ministries for April 6th & 7th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Carla E. Vickie G./ Peg Nero	Susan Haberman	Pat & Rita Lauer	Alan Cote/ Dennis Lagasse	Bev Boucher/ Marlys Richard	Talor & Tianna	
Sun.	Bread: Vicki Boehnke Bev J./Warren E.	Pete Artz	Mike & Jen Nero Family	Chuck Neubauer/ Chris Wilmot	Northern Light Apostles	Alice & Gabe	Carla E. / Addie Berg