PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, August 3, 5:30p.m. († Duane Sebelius)	St. Mark's
Saturday, August 3, 8:00p.m.	Lakeside Chapel
Sunday, August 4, 9:00a.m. (Parishioners)	St. Andrew's
Sunday, August 4, 11:00a.m. († Bud & Ethel Emmer)	St. Mark's
Tuesday, August 6, 12:00p.m. († Dave Olson)	St. Mark's
Wednesday, August 7, 7:30a.m. († Tom & Priscilla Fischer)	St. Mark's
Thursday, August 8, 9:00a.m. († Mary Jo Hoegler)	St. Andrew's
Friday, August 9, 11:00a.m. († Helen Passano)	Good Sam
Saturday, August 10, 5:30p.m. († Everett Lahr)	St. Mark's
Saturday, August 10, 8:00p.m.	Lakeside Chapel
Sunday, August 11, 9:00a.m. (Parishioners)	St. Andrew's
Sunday, August 11, 11:00a.m. († Sandy Janzen)	St. Mark's

Home Communion

Any St. Mark parishioners desiring Holy Communion at home, call Anne Bergeron (228-2750) by Monday evening to be put on the list. To add or remove a name for St. Andrew's , please contact Deb Wyman at 245-6538 or the parish office at 228-3164.

PrayerLine

PARISHIONERS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS: MILITARY PERSONNEL & THEIR FAMILIES,
John DePlazes, Alice Christenson, Lyle Brandt, Amy Artz, Dave Agnes, Bev Boucher, Sherry Severson, Flora Carlson, Vilma Moncera, Steve Lauckner, Marlys Richard, Thomas Kersten, Heidi, Delphine, Kim, Delores Cranston, Carol Raymond, Duane Schaan, Baby Nola, Carter Siverson, Pam Gunderson, Monte Mikkelsen, Susan Brandjord, Francis Kritzberger, Marie Vargo, Mary Longtin, Tanya Buzzerd, Sara Saville, Howard Beyer, Diane & Mike Lee, Charlotte St. Michel, Joel Medallo, Janet Kraft, Noah Signalness, Sandy Janzen Family, Karlee McCloud, Mary Holen, Harvey Soland, Russ & Jan Picard, and any special private intentions.

St. Andrew's Health Center: Barney Honer

Good Sam: Regan Benning, 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

St. Mark's

Aug. 8: SAHC Communion Service at 11:30am, followed by Adoration at SAHC Chapel until 12:45.

Farm Fresh Eggs for sale: text Teresa Pokiva 701-871-0460. Asking $3.00/dozen. So fresh you get to wash them yourself!

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Vickie will be on vacation August 5-9. If you need anything, call Fr. Michael at the rectory 228-5164 or his cell 891-1238.

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Aug 14-15, Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary

Special Holy Day

Mass times:

St. Mark's:

Aug. 14th at 5:30pm

Aug. 15th at 7:00am

St. Andrew's:

Aug. 15th at 7:00pm

Mark your calendars!

MASS INTENTION REQUEST

A Mass intention is requested for :

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From_____

Suggested offering $10.00 per Mass intention.

Stewardship Moment: *"Take care to guard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions." Luke 12:15*

The Gospel message today is contrary to our modern culture where advertising continually tries to convince us that our value lies in the things we possess. Jesus showed us that our true value lies in the way we live our lives. He challenges us to not hoard material possessions, but rather to live a grateful and generous lifestyle and become more "other-centered" and less "self-centered."

Report for July 27-28, 2019

Stewardship a way of life

St .Andrew's:			*St .Mark's*		
Adult env.	$	180.00	Adult env.	$	1793.00
Plate	$	27.00	Plate	$	428.70
Children	$	6.00	Children	$	14.00

Lake Chapel:	$	118.00
Building Improvement Fund:	$	.00

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

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LESSONS FROM THE RICH FOOL
Luke 12:17-20

A 'rich' person without God is just a poor person with money.

Some people are so poor... All they have is money.

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

And Lake Chapel 8:00pm

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

August 3-4, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

From the Pastor's Pen

Can't take it with you. Jesus tells a parable about a man whose lands yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share the extra. Rather, he wonders how he can store it all. He has a brilliant idea, tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

God has a response, "You fool."

We could easily think, 'But the farmer's got the right idea. That's what everybody does. It's just the smart thing to do.'

What does God know that the farmer doesn't? That very night the farmer is going to die.

Oh! To whom will everything belong? The real question is, how can I use my treasure to grow rich in what matters to God…, since He and I will be having a face to face sometime (perhaps soon)?

It's normal enough to work, provide for retirement, and anything left over goes to our children or special causes we've adopted along the way. Saving money isn't sinful. It can, in fact, be very responsible.

But Jesus' point still stands – you can't take it with you. We have a choice: share now or share later. If I share now, I'm becoming rich in what matters to God – compassion, mercy, charity. If I *only* share later, when death comes a-knocking, it might do other folks some good, but I've missed out on some special chances to love.

Jesus understands that the quality of life is in love. Love moves us to share. Dying rich without having shared is foolishness in God's eyes.

We only get one shot at life. We will be judged on how we loved. Sharing what we've reaped from God's bounty (yes, it's all God's, no matter how hard we worked for it), is one of the significant ways we show love.

Laying up treasure in Heaven by distributing our goods rather than hoarding them, makes us rich in what matters to God.

5 THINGS YOU CAN'T TAKE BACK
A stone after it's thrown,
a word once it is spoken,
an occasion once it is missed,
an action when it is done,
and time once it has passed.

A reflection from our *Catechism of the Catholic Church*:

1934 Created in the image of the one God and equally endowed with rational souls, all men have the same nature and the same origin. Redeemed by the sacrifice of Christ, all are called to participate in the same divine beatitude: all therefore enjoy an equal dignity.

1935 The equality of men rests essentially on their dignity as persons and the rights that flow from it: "Every form of social or cultural discrimination in fundamental personal rights on the grounds of sex, race, color, social conditions, language, or religion must be curbed and eradicated as incompatible with God's design" (Vat II, *GS* 29 § 2).

1936 On coming into the world, man is not equipped with everything he needs for developing his bodily and spiritual life. He needs others. Differences appear tied to age, physical abilities, intellectual or moral aptitudes, the benefits derived from social commerce, and the distribution of wealth. The "talents" are not distributed equally.

1937 These differences belong to God's plan, who wills that each receive what he needs from others, and that those endowed with particular "talents" share the benefits with those who need them. These differences encourage and often oblige persons to practice generosity, kindness, and sharing of goods; they foster the mutual enrichment of cultures:

> *I distribute the virtues quite diversely; I do not give all of them to each person, but some to one, some to others. . . . I shall give principally charity to one; justice to another; humility to this one, a living faith to that one. . . . And so I have given many gifts and graces, both spiritual and temporal, with such diversity that I have not given everything to one single person, so that you may be constrained to practice charity towards one another. . . . I have willed that one should need another and that all should be my ministers in distributing the graces and gifts they have received from me*. (From the Dialogs of St. Catherine of Siena, Dialog 1,7)

Welcome Madeline Carson, Focus Missionary. Focus is a Catholic collegiate outreach whose mission is to share the hope and joy of the Gospel with college and university students, inspiring and equipping them for a lifetime of Christ-centered evangelization, discipleship and friendships in which they lead others to do the same.

I do not know what Madeline's message will be, but I trust it will be good. I know her parents, Paul and Jan, from a pilgrimage I led to France more than ten years ago. I also know the pastor she works with at the UND Newman Center, and he highly recommended Madeline.

Focus also has a strong presence on the NDSU campus. Since many of our parishioners have connections to these two universities, it's helpful to know that our young people have access to such ardent disciples of Jesus.

We are very grateful to Madeline for her visit, for her ministry, for her desire to share with others her relationship with Jesus Christ. She will be available after all Masses for an informal Q & A gathering.

FOOD PANTRY: AUG & SEPT IS ST. MARK'S TURN TO HELP AT THE FOOD PANTRY. THEY NEED PEOPLE WHO CAN LIFT AND CARRY HEAVY BOXES. IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP, CALL THE PARISH OFFICE AT 228-3164. THANK YOU. ***YOUTH - DO YOU NEED SERVICE HOURS?*** YOU CAN EARN THEM CARRYING BOXES AND HELPING AT THE FOOD PANTRY!

New-old church goods. St. Patrick's in Hurdsfield (about 30 mi south of Harvey) closed its doors this year. In the redistribution of sacred items, the churches in the immediate vicinity get priority. Of what remained, St. Mark's was able to acquire two white vestments, a few altar server cassocks, a processional cross, and a small cabinet for our Holy Oils.

For St. Andrew's Westhope, there is a Paschal Candle stand, that looks a little rough, but could be repainted if we're interested, also there is a beautiful Crucifix that could replace the one currently in use. Again, if we're interested. The Crucifix is on display in the back of the church; the candle stand is in the rectory.

St. Patrick, please bless the people of Hurdsfield. We are grateful that a little part of their life can continue in the lives of our parish communities.

A Prayer for Rain

Almighty God, we are in need of rain. We realize now, looking up into the clear, blue sky, what a marvel even the least drop of rain really is. To think that so much water can fall out of the sky, which now is empty and clear! We place our trust in You. We are that You know our needs. But You want us to ask You anyway, to show You that we know we are dependent on You. Look on our dry hills and fields, dear God, and bless them with the living blessing of soft rain. Then the land will rejoice, and the rivers will sing Your praises, and the hearts of men will be made glad. Amen.

Another Prayer for Rain

O God, in whom we live and move and have our being, grant us rain in due abundance, that being sufficiently helped with temporal gifts we may seek with more confidence those that are eternal. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

(*From the Rural Life Prayer Book*)

St. Andrew's Ministries for August 11th, 2019

DATE	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Paul & Tom	Paulette Martin	Hilary Huss & Heth Family	Calma & Jude	Terry & Jan Baumann	Mark & Roger

St. Mark's Ministries for August 10th & 11th, 2019

DATE	EUCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	**Bread**: Carla E. Peg N./ Bobbi A.	Susan Haberman	Maxine Erdman/ Bobbi Baumann	Brad Trebas/ Alan Cote	Maxine Erdman/ Bobbi Baumann	Talor	
Sun.	**Bread:** Vicki B. Warren E./ A. Lorraine Wilcox	Jerry Migler	Darwin & Kayla Getzlaff Family	Corey Bercier/ Steve Lorenz	Darwin & Kayla Getzlaff Family	Mylee & Gabe	Helen C./Marie M.-B.