

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

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



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## Mass Intentions for the Week

Saturday, September 7, 5:30p.m. St. Mark's  
(† Everett Lahr)  
Sunday, September 8, 9:00a.m. St. Andrew's  
(Sophie & Tanner)  
Sunday, September 8, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's  
(Parishioners)

**Fr. Michael is gone on retreat. September 1-13, 2019**  
**Fr. Michael Slovak from Dunseith will be at St. Mark's for Mass on Wednesday, September 11, 7:30a.m.**  
**And Friday September 13, at 11:00a.m. at Good Sam.**

Saturday, September 14, 5:30p.m. St. Mark's  
(† Duane Sebelius)  
Sunday, September 15, 9:00a.m. St. Andrew's  
(Parishioners)  
Sunday, September 15, 11:00a.m. St. Mark's  
(† Duane Sebelius)

## 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,**  
Linda Ysulan, Rosemary LaCroix, Cool Baumann, Leona Hosmer, John DePlazes, Alice Christenson, Lyle Brandt, Amy Artz, Bev Boucher, Sherry Severson, Flora Carlson, Vilma Moncera, 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, 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, Shirley Pasicznyk, Judy Baumann

**The Wellington:** Ray and Donna Sharkey

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



## UPCOMING EVENTS

**St. Andrew's**  
**Sept. 8:** Religious Ed starts after Mass  
**St. Mark's**  
**Sept 12:** NO SAHC Communion Service at 11:30am, NO Adoration at SAHC Chapel until 12:45pm. Warren is gone.  
**Sept. 18:** Religious Ed for grades 1-6 starts at 5:00pm  
**Sept. 25:** NET Retreat for grades 7-12 from 6-8:30pm with a meal. St. Andrew's kids are welcome to come too!  
**Farm Fresh Eggs for sale:** text Teresa Pokiva 701-871-0460. Asking \$3.00/dozen. So fresh you get to wash them yourself!  
**NOTICE:** There are several bowls and pans in the Social Hall kitchen. If one of them is yours, PLEASE come and get it or I will add it to my collection at home. Thank you!  
**Fall Dinner:** St. Joseph of Devils Lake—September 15, 10:30-1:30pm. serving Swiss Steak. See poster for more info.  
**To St. Mark's Parishioners who attend Mass on Saturday night:** Due to the shortage of Eucharistic Ministers who are willing serve on Saturday night, we may have to switch to just 2 EM who distribute the Precious Blood and Fr. Michael will distribute the Precious Body by himself which will extend Mass time by several minutes. If you would like to volunteer, please call the Parish Office at 228-3164 or Vickie at 871-8576.

## MASS INTENTION REQUEST

A Mass intention is requested for :

From \_\_\_\_\_

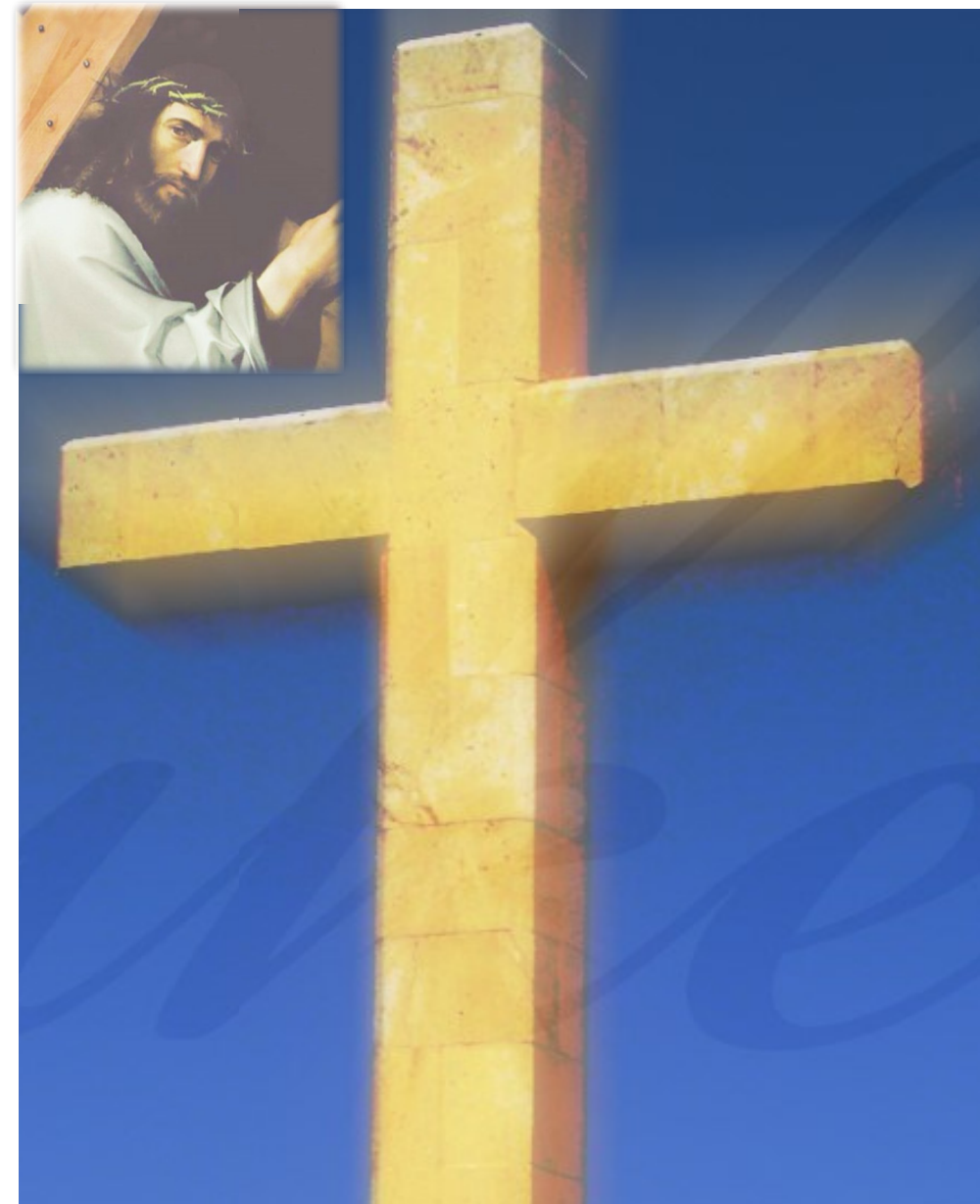
Suggested offering \$10.00 per Mass intention.

**Stewardship Moment:** "Every one of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." - Luke 14:33

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

## Report for August 31-September 1, 2019

St. Andrew's:		St. Mark's	
Adult env.	\$ 228.00	Adult env.	\$ 3091.00
Plate	\$ 130.00	Plate	\$ 267.00
Children	\$ 26.00	Children	\$ 54.00
		Lake Chapel:	\$ 319.05
		Building Improvement Fund:	\$ 673.00



**"And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple."** Luke 14:27

## 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

September 7-8, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



# From the Pastor's Pen



**BEING JESUS' DISCIPLE.** Three times Jesus says in the Gospel "...you cannot be my disciple".



Jesus is making a very strong case for the kind of relationship he's looking for. He is asking each of us to make him our #1—loved more than anyone else, even our selves. It's going to cost something and there'll be crosses to carry.

Do you think it's worth it? That's the question every follower needs to ask.

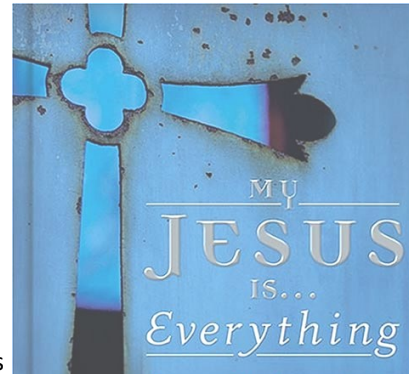
Pope Francis weighs in on the issue:

"A father's affection, a mother's tenderness, the gentle friendship among brothers and sisters, all this, even while being very good and valid, cannot be placed

before Christ. Not because he wants us to be heartless and ungrateful, but rather, on the contrary, because the condition of a disciple demands a priority relationship with the teacher. Any disciple, whether a layman or laywoman, a priest or a bishop: an all-absorbing relationship.

"Perhaps the first question that we must ask a Christian is: 'Do you meet with Jesus?'"

"Those who allow themselves to be drawn into this bond of love and of life with the Lord Jesus become his representatives, his 'ambassadors'. It is important that people see that for that disciple Jesus is truly 'the Lord'. He is truly the center of his or her life, the everything of life.



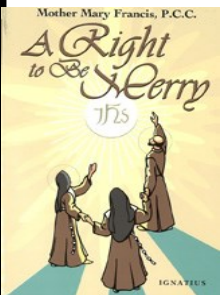
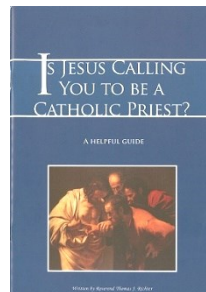
"It does not matter if he or she has limitations and even makes mistakes — as long as they have the humility to recognize them." (July 2, 2017)



**WELCOME FR. KYLE METZGER.** Fr. Metzger is the Vocations Director for the Diocese of Fargo. He is subbing while I'm in New Mexico (details were in last week's bulletin). On the diocesan website, a few **RESOURCES** are given for young men and women as well as for their parents regarding how to approach a call to religious life.

There is a pamphlet on *Lectio divina* introducing a person about how to pray with the Scriptures in way to allow God's light to shine on one's life. This is for anyone interested in praying with the Word of God. There is another "Guide for Parents".

For upper high school men and older considering the priesthood, there is an excellent guide written by a priest from the Diocese of Bismarck, *Is Jesus Calling You to be a Catholic Priest?* This booklet is aimed for those who want to know how to follow the will of God. It is very practical with ten spiritual lessons mixed with true discernment stories so the reader can apply the lesson to reality. The Diocese of Fargo has copies available upon request.



For young women there is a beautifully written look into the life and philosophy of the Poor Clares, *A Right to Be Merry*. It would also be greatly beneficial for anyone discerning a religious vocation. Written by Mother Mary Francis P.C.C.

## Prayer Shawls:

We offer at St. Andrews Hospital, to patients that are struggling emotionally or are near death, the opportunity to be the focus of a "prayer shawl service".

Here is a definition that generally describes the prayer shawl:

**"Purpose: Prayer shawls are created to be a comfort for those suffering from mental, physical or emotional difficulties. Those who create these prayer shawls -- through crochet, knit, weave or tying -- give their time and service as an act of prayer for the ones who will use their shawls. They pray for healing, peace and knowledge of God's loving presence."**

We have about 30-35 services each year. That means that we need 30-35 prayer shawls per year as well.

Would you want to ensure that we have enough prayer shawls by making some for us this year? They need to be 20"x 50". Thanks...Warren.



**FOOD PANTRY: SEPT. 18TH 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!**



Bishop Barron's Welcome Message

study, *The Dynamics of Disaffiliation in Young Catholics*, includes extensive research on young Catholics who have left the church for reasons ranging from disbelief to dissatisfaction with Church teaching.

Sociologist Christian Smith,

renowned for his investigation of the phenomenon of disaffiliation, notes that many of the young people who have stopped identifying as Catholics tended to have "weak signs of attachment to the Church" in the first place. In other words, they were not formed very well in the faith.

At the same time, we have signs of hope. I was blessed to participate in the Vatican's October 2018 Synod of Bishops on young people, the faith, and vocational discernment", which found that young people who end religious practice do not necessarily end their spiritual desire. The Church must walk with young people and their families, listen to them with attention and love, and then be ready to give a reason for the hope that is within us.

For Catechetical Sunday this year, we aim to assist the many dedicated faithful in their outreach as missionary disciples particularly to the disaffiliated. Under the theme, *Stay with Us*, the bishops have produced a variety of articles, videos and podcasts focusing on the encounter and accompaniment which builds community. In his recent Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation, *Christus Vivit!* Pope Francis reminds us that in addition to doctrine and morality "It is likewise important that it have two main goals. One is the development of the kerygma, the foundational experience of encounter with God through Christ's death and resurrection. The other is growth in fraternal love, community life and service... All Christian formation consists of entering more deeply into the kerygma and incarnating it ever more fully in our lives. (213-214)

May our lives be an imitation of Jesus' encounter with the two disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35) and accompany those entrusted to us into full community and discipleship.

Bishop Barron is Chairman of the Committee on Evangelization and Catechesis for the USCCB (United States Conference of Catholic Bishops).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION** starts:

**St. Andrew's.** - September 8

**St. Mark.** - September 18



**CATECHETICAL SUNDAY** celebrated next Sunday, Sept 15, carries the theme "Stay With Us." At each of the Masses, we would like to recognize any present who are serving this year as catechists.

Catechetical Sunday is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on the role that each person plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

Catechetical Sunday is an opportunity for all to rededicate themselves to this mission as a community of faith. The following is a message from Bishop Robert Barron:

We live in an increasingly secularized society, which powerfully influences our young people, often compelling them to leave the Church altogether. The 2018 Saint Mary's Press

## St. Andrew's Ministries for September 15th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	READER	GIFT BEARERS	ALTAR SERVERS	USHERS	COUNTERS
Sun.	Nancy & Paul	Paulette Martin	Beckedahl Family	Jude & Saul	Linda Ellingson & Tom Henry	Roger & Mark

## St. Mark's Ministries for September 14th & 15th, 2019

DATE	EUCCHARISTIC MIN.	READER	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS	GREETERS	ALTAR SERVERS	COUNTERS
Sat.	Bread: Bobbi A. Peg N./ Julie H.	Susan Haberman	Pat & Rita Lauer	Merle Allard/ Don Arends	Pat & Rita Lauer	Alice / Tianna	
Sun.	Bread: Morris H. Jr. Bev J./ MaryAnn S.	Jerry Migler	Mike & Jen Nero Family	Jeff Beyer/ Chuck Neubauer	Mike & Jen Nero Family	Gabe / Graysen	Helen C./ Addie B.