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HOLY MASS - SANTA MISA

St. Joseph

Saturday ···· 5:00 p.m.

Sunday --- 9:00 a.m.

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month Spanish Mass ···· 2:00 p.m.

Monday ···· 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday-Friday ···· 7:00 a.m.

Saturday ···· 8:00 a.m.

CHI St. Alexius Medical Center Wednesday-11:30 a.m.

Bethel Lutheran Nursing Home Thursday-10:00 a.m.

St. John the Baptist

Sunday-11:00 a.m.

St. Boniface

Sunday-10:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

St. Joseph

Tuesday-Friday··· 6:30-6:50 a.m.

Saturday ··· 3:30-4:45 p.m.

··· 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Sunday ··· 8:00-8:45 a.m.

St. John the Baptist

Before Sunday Mass

St. Boniface

Before Sunday Mass

OTHER SACRAMENTS

Please call the parish office at (701)572-6731.

If after hours, please call the rectory at (701)572-0236.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Joseph

Monday... 3:00-10:00 p.m. Tues.-Wed. ··· 12:00-10:00 p.m.

Thursday... 12:00-9:00 p.m.

Friday... 12:00-4:00 p.m.

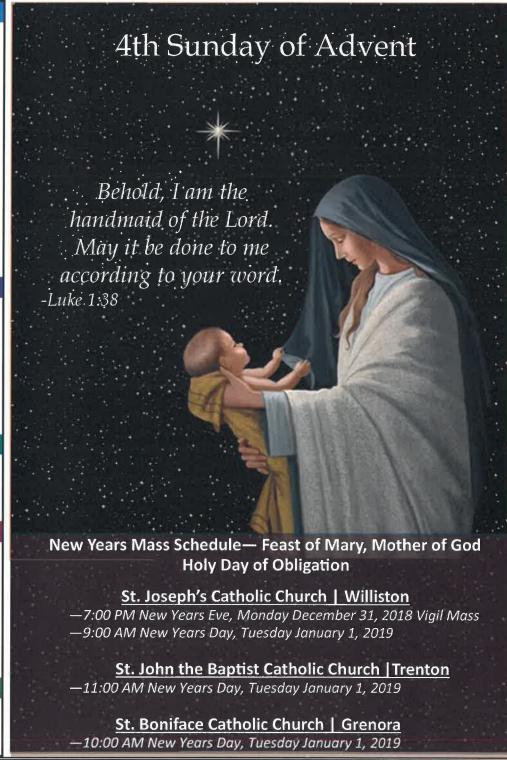
St. John the Baptist

Monthly, the 3rd Sunday after Mass St. Boniface

Monthly, the 3rd Sunday after Mass

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!!!

Welcome to our parish!! You can register on our website or stop by the parish office. We are delighted you are



From the Pastor's Desk

From a barren elderly woman John the Baptist will be born. From a place "too small" our Ruler shall come forth. And "when she who is to give birth has borne" - she a mere girl and Virgin - then God's "greatness shall reach to the ends of the earth." All three of these situations are great examples of how God loves to use our littleness and nothingness in such glorious ways. Our inadequacies and deficiencies would conspire us to keep us away from God. But when we give Him the little we have and are, he can do great things in us and with us. ", Let us say "Yes" to God and then see the greatness of God unfold.

-Peace, Fr. Russell Kovash

	Daily Mass Intentions	Liturgica	l Ministers
Monday	4:00 PM † Robert Enno	5:00 p.m. December 29	9:00 a.m. December 30
Dec 24	by Donna Enno & Family 4:00 PM St. John Fr. Joseph Evinger by Greg & Netty Bjerke 7:00 PM Spanish † Deanna Dhuyvetter by Bruce & Sarah Haugen Midnight Mass † Mike McMahon by Jim & Peg Haga	Greeters	
		Anthony Dineen, Fran Zerr	Kristal & Aaron Schmit Family
		Lectors	
		Jan Monson	Sandra Schilke
		Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	
Tuesday Dec 25	9:00 AM † Deb Bezdicek 10:00 AM St. Boniface Joe Pittenger by Tom & Corrie Enander 11:00 AM St. John For the Parishioners	James Goebel, Sarah Haugan, Jan Monson, Carol Shackelford, Karoline Wingerter	Zac Corcoran, Allen Domagala, Ida Kirchmeier, Keith Klein, Mary Ann Richardson, Sandra Schilke
Wednesday	7:00 AM Katie Monson	Altar Servers	
Dec 26	by Greg & Jan Monson 11:30 AM Hospital † Charlie Dhuyvetter by Bruce & Sarah Haugen	Alex Allen, Jesse Peisar, Bella Carter	Gannon Bjerke, Grace Keck, Evan Fisher
		Ushers	
Thursday	7:00 AM Dominic Monson	TBD	TBD
Dec 27	by Greg & Jan Monson 10:00 AM Bethel Vance Nygard & Michele Goebel by Todd Laura Nygard	Scrip Sellers	
		Dennis & Connie Glueckert	Bob Lindseth, Peg Hagan
Friday Dec 28	7:00 AM † Ralph Muller by Bert & Diane Muller 9:00 AM School No School Mass	Money Counters Plants (De Sandra Fearing, Pat Luther Mary Wegley, Sherry Rockaren Farber & Missy Doeden	, Darrel & Kathy Ahmann
Saturday Dec 29	8:00 AM † Deb Bezdicek 5:00 PM † Ed Goergen by Isabell Johnson		Through December 17, 2018
	9:00 AM † Elmer Allard & † Robert Desjarluis by Lillian Allard 10:00 AM St. Boniface Tyson Ellifriz & Family by Darin & Angie Melgaard 11:00 AM St. John For the Parishioners	Adult Collection	\$9,648.71
Sunday Dec 30		Children's Offering	\$25.55
		EFT Offering	\$0.00
		Online Offering	\$0.00
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How Will You Leave a Legacy?

Life insurance policies assigned to a parish can mean substantial gifts. They are easy to assign and avoid taxes and estate complications. Would you consider designating our parish as one of your beneficiaries?

Financial Stewardship Through December 17, 2018		
Adult Collection	\$9,648.71	
Children's Offering	\$25.55	
EFT Offering	\$0.00	
Online Offering	\$0.00	
	\$9,674.26	
Budgeted Amount	\$12,581.00	
Year-to-Date Total	\$244,438.28	
Year-to-Date Budget	\$276,782.00	
St. John the Baptist	\$493.96	
St. Boniface	\$434.00	

Tue

Thurs

Quotation

of the week

~ St. John Paul II

"You are with us, Emmanuel. You are with us as a human being, as a new-born child, weak and vulnerable, wrapped in swaddling clothes, and lying in a crib....Could you ever have done any more than you did to be our Emmanuel, God with us?

NO ADORATION No Adoration December 24th or 25th, nor on December 31st and January 1st for the Christmas and Solemnity of Mary holy days.

ADORERS NEEDED FOR ADORATION

As parishioners have stepped forward to fill some Adoration hours, the hours we welcome an additional adorer are:

- Mondays 5-6pm or 8-9pm
- Thursdays 4-5pm or 6-7pm

Teams work especially well as you can cover for each other for vacations, illness etc. but please be mindful that someone ALWAYS needs to be present when Adoration is taking place.

<u>COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS</u> There will be Coffee and doughnuts following the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday the 30th of December! Everyone is invited to attend.

NO FAITH FORMATION There will be no Faith Formation this Wednesday December 26th.

IN NEED OF PRAYER FOR A SPECIAL

<u>INTENTION?</u> St. Joseph's Parish has a prayer chain. Simply call Shawn Peck 612-655-2169 with your prayer intention and she will pass on the intention to several individuals!

IN OUR PRAYERS

The Sick:

Jacki Keck, Dorothy Johnson, Jim Leinen, Pat Luther, Mike Linghor, Bob Kirby, Casey Benning, Court & Laurlynn Browning, Alicia Martin, Dawson Barman, Jackie Overstreet, Mavis Sogard, Kazimierz Oleksik

The Deceased:

Baby Isabelle Owan, Ronald Oster, Shirley Korenchen, Mary Ann Koch, Luz M. Cerezo, Shirley Haga, Rodney "Mike" Harstad

Individuals on the sick & deceased prayer list will only be listed for six weeks. Please call the parish office 572-6731 or email dre@stjparish.com if you would like names to be placed back on for another six weeks. Please also keep in mind that St. Joseph's Parish has a prayer chain for individuals who are in need of prayer.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

Sun 4th Sunday of Advent

Mon Christmas Eve

No 10:00 am Women's Bible Study—P.L.C.

7:30 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting—O'Neill Hall

Christmas Day

Wed No 5:45 am Morning Men's Group —O'Neill Hall

No 1:00 pm Quilters Group—P.L.C.

No 6:00 -7:00 pm PK-6th Grade Faith Formation -- School

No 7:00 -8:00 pm 7th Grade— School

No 7:15 -8:30 pm 8th Grade — School/P.L.C.

No 7:15 -8:30 pm Youth Group —School Gym/School Library No 6:20-8:00 pm RCIA- Adult Faith Formation —O'Neill Hall

No 8:00 pm Evening Men's Bible Study —P.L.C.

Sat 10:30 am Faith Formation in Spanish—P.L.C.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS will have a meeting, Tuesday January 8th with Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions beginning at 7:00 PM, followed by a business meeting in O'Neill Hall at 7:30 PM. Hostesses will be Sandra Fearing, Ann Thompson and Mary Persson.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? NO PROBLEM!

Join Fr. Kovash for the following Topics at RCIA on Thursday evenings from 6:20-8:00 PM in O'Neill Hall.

*Dec 27 - No Class

*Jan 3 - The Eucharist

Everyone is welcome to attend Class!

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY January 24th we will begin a new women's bible study every Thursday from 1:30-2:30 PM in the Parish Life Center. Everyone is welcome to join us! We will go through ten video lessons on the Acts of the Apostles and Evangelization by Dr. Mary Healy. No registration is needed. Come once, or come every class!

With the tax year coming to a close, do you wish to make a charitable contribution to one of our parishes or to our school?

Please see Fr. Kovash for the many options available!!!

LORD, WHAT GOOD CAN I DO FOR ALL THE GOOD YOU 'VE DONE FOR ME?

From the Principal's Desk

December 23, 2018

By Mrs. Julie Quamme

Blessed Advent!

This begins the 4th Sunday of Advent! Today all the candles (love, hope, joy and peace) are lit, but especially the last purple candle which symbolizes peace. Peace to help us remember that Christ is the Prince of Peace and that he comes to reconcile us with God and others. Christ reminds us that peace is possible.

This school year we will be choosing a virtue each month to practice and focus on. In January we will begin the virtue of **consideration**. Consideration is the act of thinking carefully about something you will make a decision about. This gives us many good things to think about and decide as we get ready to begin a new year! Winter is here! Please remind your child to bring their "Fab 5" (coat, hat, gloves, snow pants, and snow boots) each and every day!

Before and Afterschool pick-up has been going well this year! As a reminder, please refrain from parking in the handicap spots. These spots are made available to ensure equal and ample accessibility options for those with disabilities. Although you may only be parked there for a quick minute while picking up or dropping of your child, you are taking a parking space for someone in need.

If you are dropping your child off in the morning before 8:10, please have them come in the gym door (door #5). This door opens at 7:45. Children can eat breakfast or sit and play games until the bell rings. We ask that you do not take your child to the classroom or to their lockers until 8:10. The teachers are using this time to prepare for the school day.

On Friday mornings, all families are invited to join us for Children's Mass at 9:00. **Moms in Prayer** is held each Friday at 8:20 in O'Neill Hall. Moms in Prayer is led by Priscilla Keck and Kristal Schmit. All moms who have children enrolled at St. Joseph's are invited to attend.

There is still some World's Finest Chocolate available for sale. Please call the school (572-6384) or stop by to get your chocolate fix.

Mardi Gras is right around the corner! St. Joseph's school will be hosting 4 baskets for the Silent Auction. The theme for the baskets are as follows; Mickey Mouse's 90 Birthday, Arts and Crafts, Family Game Night, and Paw Patrol. With the holiday sales it may be advantageous to begin thinking about and purchasing items for the baskets now. Please hold your items at home until January! Unfortunately we do not have extra storage space. Friday, December 21st is the last day of school for December. School resumes on Wednesday, January 2. The St. Joseph's School staff and students want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas! We want to also thank you all for the love and support you give to our school and students each and every day!



Merry Christmas from the St. Joseph's Church Music Ministry! It has been a year of tremendous growth for us and we look excitingly ahead to another year of meaningful music-making. Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam!

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS THAT WILL HELP YOU</u> GROW IN YOUR FAITH!!!

Men's & Women's Cursillo Retreat in Dickinson

What is a Cursillo Retreat? It is a 3-day retreat called a short course in Christianity for those that are baptized in the Catholic Faith.

The next <u>Men's Cursillo retreat</u> will be in Dickinson, from February 28-March 3, 2019.

To register call or email the following: kosteleckyfarm@ndsupernet.com, 701-290-0499

The next <u>Women's Cursillo retreat</u> will be in Dickinson, from March 14-17, 2019.

To register please call or email the following: jmolheiser@yahoo.com, 701-281-4748

For more information about Cursillo & registration online check out the following link:

bismarckdiocese.com/documents/2017/9/ RegistrationForm.pdf

Travelers looking for Mass Times and church locations?

masstimes.org

POSADA CHRISTMAS PARTY Monday December 23rd St. Joseph will have a Posada following the 2:00 PM Spanish Mass in the school gym. Everyone is invited to attend. Posada is Spanish for "lodging", or "accommodation". It is a Mexican tradition celebrating the anticipation of Jesus to be born. It involves singing specifically about the pregnancy of Mary carrying Baby Jesus, and their journey with Joseph to Bethlehem. The festivity will include a small reception.

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DAY DINNER Tuesday,

December 25th from 1:00-3:00 pm there will be a community Christmas day dinner at the First Lutheran Church at 916 Main Street. Anyone is invited to attend.

<u>PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED</u> Monday Christmas Eve and Tuesday Christmas Day for the holiday. See you Wednesday morning!

Do you wish to be generous to our school or parish?

Important reminder!!

Gifts must be dated and received in the parish office by December 29th.

Don't forget about the incredible

40% tax credit

for gifts to our St. Joseph Education Foundation!!! This greatly benefits our school. My brothers and sisters in Christ,

Since Christmas is coming up fast, I am going to take a break from my explanations of the Creed for a short time. I would like to take this opportunity to write about (you guessed it) Christmas. There is no holiday that gets so much attention and, at the same time, so much neglect, at least for its actual purpose. At this time many have spent a significant amount of time decorating their homes and buying gifts for loved ones (I myself still have some Christmas shopping to do!). While we're busy trying to find the perfect gift for the best price, we must take some time to pause, remember, and reflect on what this holiday is really about: the birth of Jesus.

I want to share with you a beautiful experience I had several years ago. It was Christmas of 2011 and I was in Rome. I was given the opportunity to serve Midnight Mass at St. Peter's Basilica (Pope Benedict XVI was the celebrant). As I sat there in the basilica, I began to ponder a bit. Here we were in magnificent St. Peter's Basilica, celebrating the birth of Our Lord with a beautiful Mass, with thousands of people gathered and thousands more watching on TV. I then remembered that first Christmas, over two thousand years ago, when a poor virgin laid her newborn child in manger. So many in the world at the time, having seen this scene would have thought nothing of it, having no idea the magnitude and importance of that small child (except, of course, the shepherds who saw the angels). How simple was that first Christmas! And yet, how incredible. And here we were in Rome, celebrating with great joy that wonderful event: the birth of Our Savior and Redeemer.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, as we enter into the great feast of Christmas, let us never forget what we are celebrating. Enter into contemplation of this wonderful mystery and sing with the angels: "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

In Christ,

Father Luger

ATTENTION SNOW BIRDS We know many of our parishioners like to spend the winter in warmer climates and we rejoice with you, but we still count on your faithful commitment to St. Joseph in remembering us in your prayers and financial support. So while you are away, please stay connected to your home parish by:

- Updating us with your temporary mailing address or asking us to suspend mailings for you while you are away.
- Consider signing up for EFT program to allow you to make regular electronic contributions.
 No need to remember to mail in your envelope ever again! Call the parish office for more information on how to get started.
- Keeping up with the latest parish news and events by reading the parish bulletins online at www.stjparish.com
- Letting us know if you or a family member needs

prayers. You may contact the parish office at 572 -6731. Enjoy your time away and we look forward to your return!

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December 23 - Fourth Sunday of Ad-

vent: Jesus was born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest. The Savior of the world comes for the people in dark places. The real, lasting, and deep joy is that the Light shines there. Through your gift to the

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, "Light" has shown, bringing real, lasting and deep joy to the hearts of the poor who live in dark places in our streets and neighborhood. Tony Fisher, our Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference President (701-404-9986)

SCRIP Business of the Week:

Do you need any last minute gifts? Scrip gift cards are the perfect fit for everyone! We've got all the local businesses to choose from plus we even have Amazon & Target gift cards on hand for immediate purchase. Thank you for supporting this great fundraiser to help raise money for St. Joseph's Church and School!

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