

**FROM FR. GENE...** As you heard at last weekend's Masses, we are facing a serious threat to our religious liberty with the mandate from the US Department of Health and Human Services in regard to what must be a part of health coverage. As Bishop Kagan has asked, let's commit ourselves to prayer and fasting that wisdom and justice may prevail, and religious liberty may be restored. Also contact our Congressional delegation to support legislation that would reverse the Administration's decision. A copy of Bishop Kagan's letter and contact information for our Congressmen are available at the church doors.

## PARISH EVENTS

### MASS SERVER TRAINING

Sat. Feb. 11, 9 am. Please call or e-mail Deacon Michael, 258-6889 or [michael@stmarysparisfamily.net](mailto:michael@stmarysparisfamily.net) to register.

### CARD PARTY

Sun. Feb 12, 3 pm, MultiPurpose Rooms. Pinochle & Whist \$5 includes soup & sandwiches following the games.



### PALMS

Bring your Palms to the church for burning, place them in the boxes in the Gathering Space.



### BENEFIT SUPPER/ SILENT AUCTION

For parishioner Al Ternes, Sat., Feb. 18 sponsored by Msgr. Feehan KC Council 1604, the St. Mary's Altar Society & St. Mary's choir. The evening will begin at 5:30 following Mass. Silent auction will conclude at 7:30 pm. Al has battled esophageal cancer & undergone chemotherapy as well as surgery. Free will donation will help support Al & Alvina. Fun for everyone.



### BREAKFAST/SILENT AUCTION

For Parishioner Wendelin Holzer & family who just lost their Wife & Mother Kathy. Proceeds will benefit them with the tremendous medical expenses during Kathy's stay in the hospital & did not have medical insurance. Kathy was diagnosed with state 4 lung cancer & spread throughout her body. Free will offering Sun. Feb. 19, 9-1:30, Apple Creek Country Club (3 miles East on Hwy 10). An account has been set up at Dakota Community Bank, 1727 State Street, Bis. 58501, Attn: Kathy Holzer Benefit Fund.



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### Sat. Feb. 4-Sun. Feb. 5

SMCHS Carnival, SMCHS Gym  
7:30 pm Youth Group, Dwelling Place

### Tues. Feb. 7

7 pm Mass

### Wed. Feb. 8

5 pm Faith Formation Sessions  
6-8 pm Festival of Faith, Msgr. Feehan Hall  
6:30 pm Faith Formation Sessions

### Thurs. Feb. 9

Fellowship after Mass  
7 pm Stewardship Committee

### DO YOU WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?

Were you baptized Catholic but have not received First Eucharist and/or Confirmation? Are you already Catholic, but would like a "refresher course?" Is your spouse Catholic and you would like to investigate joining the Catholic faith? If you answered yes, then RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) might be for you! These adult education sessions are currently on Monday evenings, 7 PM. FMI, please contact Diane, St. Mary's Parish, 223-5562 or [dianeh@stmarysparisfamily.net](mailto:dianeh@stmarysparisfamily.net).



**Junior High Youth Group**, Sun., Feb. 12, 12-2:30PM, Dwelling Place. Invite your friends to come!

We hope you had a wonderful time with Justin Fatika at Corpus Christi this past Sunday. WOW! He was amazing!

**High School youth grades 9-12.** During February we meet at Saint Annes in the Coop, 7:30-9 PM. In March we will meet at St. Mary's. We will be talking about the issues that interest you most. If you have an idea for a youth group topic, let Melissa know!

**Get ready to SKI!** The Tri-Parish Youth Ministry will be taking two groups on ski trips to Bottineau ND, High School grades 9-12, Feb. 18-20 Junior High grades 6-8 March 9-11. Cost for food, lodging, skiing & travel: \$200. Registration is due in the parish office by Fri. Feb. 10 for the High School Trip & Mar. 24 for the Junior High Trip with a deposit of \$75 to reserve your spot. There are only 20 spots available for each trip & registrations are taken on a first come, first served basis. All youth will receive the registration packets at their faith formation classes & at youth group. Please contact Melissa if you are interested in [chaperoning](mailto:chaperoning@stmarysparisfamily.net), 989-0196 or [triparish.youthministry@gmail.com](mailto:triparish.youthministry@gmail.com)

# LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Mon.	02/06	- 9:00	Communion Service
Tues.	02/07	- 7:00 pm	✙ Lisa Burdolski
Wed.	02/08	- 9:00	St. Jude's Mission Group
Thurs.	02/09	- 9:00	✙ Victoria & John Hinds
Fri.	02/10	- 9:00	✙ Rose & Bill Huschka
Sat.	02/11	- 4:30 pm	✙ Ben Ziegler
Sun.	02/12	- 9:00	✙ Lee Jueth
		- 11:00	✙ Paul Small
		- 6:30 pm	St. Mary's Parishioners

### WITH SYMPATHY



**John Jensen** husband of Jacque and father of Christine (Nathan) Lofberg & **Louis Linares, Jr.**, father of Sylvia (Gaylord) Carpenter. Pray for family & friends who grieve their loss. May the fullness of life be theirs.

### MARRIAGE MOMENTS

"They brought to [Jesus] all who were ill." (Mk 1:32) How do you like to be treated when you are ill? Do you want to be left alone or fussed over? What about your spouse? Don't assume that what you like is what your beloved would like. Ask.

### PARENTING POINTERS

Parents naturally want their children to be successful in life and love. "When raising children focus on enduring values and character - the success that counts will fall into place." (Raising Kids Who Will Make a Difference) Wealth and good looks are nice but can be false friends. Go for integrity and compassion.



...Empowering women from the inside out. An outreach ministry of the Sisters of St. Benedict, St. Paul's Monastery. [www.stpaulsmonastery.org](http://www.stpaulsmonastery.org). Invites you to...▶give yourself time to slow down ▶get in touch

with your 'sacred self' ▶experience a warm & welcoming environment ▶meet other women to share & support each other in the joys & challenges of life. Welcome Gathering & Information for women of all ages & stages of spiritual growth. Feb. 6, 6-8 p.m., South Multipurpose Room. 8-Weeks begins Feb. 20-April 9, 6-8 p.m. FMI call Alison Black, 426-3637 or Shelly Vecchia, 222-8244.

# WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP REPORT

### TIME & TALENT CARDS

Parish Service	.....	3
Community Service	.....	1
Prayer Hours	.....	3
Electronic Giving	.....	2

### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Have you ever taken a moment to figure out how much time, on the average, you spend a week volunteering in your church or in your community?

### 1083 HOUSEHOLDS

Adult Envelopes (226)	.....	\$ 7,633
Youth Envelopes(98)	.....	\$ 103
Plate Collection	.....	\$ 1,222
Total Received Jan. 29	.....	\$ 8,958

**Youth Envelope Winner: Kadence Rambur**

### DAILY SCRIPTURE READINGS

#### Monday, Feb. 6

1 Kgs. 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56

#### Tuesday, Feb. 7

1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13

#### Wednesday, Feb. 8

1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23

#### Thursday, Feb. 9

1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30

#### Friday, Feb. 10

1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37

#### Saturday, Feb. 11

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10

#### Sunday, Feb. 12

LV 13:1-2, 44-46/1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

### NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASS SERIES

A series of classes for the sympto-thermal method of Natural Family Planning will be held the following Sundays, 1:30pm, Spirit of Life Catholic Church, Mandan: Feb. 19, March 18 & April 22. FMI 471-1549. Register at [www.ccli.org](http://www.ccli.org)

### BACEF FOUNDATION SUNDAY

Thank you for your contributions totaling \$59,987. Your financial support to Catholic Education is very important to build for the future. We are hoping to reach our goal of \$75,000 and with your help we will. Mail contributions to BACEF, 418 E Rosser, Suite 220, Bis. 58501 or deposit in the collection basket.

# COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Family Eucharistic Adoration** Bring your family & your prayer intentions before Jesus in Eucharistic Adoration every First Monday of the month, Christ the King Church, 7 PM. Everyone is welcome; this is a kid-friendly hour of prayer & meditation.

**Catholic Daughters** meeting Tues. Feb, 7 PM at Cathedral. Speaker will be from Catholic Charities. Guests are welcome.

**Ultreya** Tues. Feb. 7, 7 pm, at St. Anne's Church Basement. FMI; call Kathy 527-3221

**Put Life First** Tues., Feb. 14... FirstChoice Clinic is privileged to be a part of this 1 DAY online fundraising event presented by Dakota Medical Foundation hosted by Impact Give Back. **No internet access?** Come to FirstChoice Clinic – West's Open Houses in Bismarck, Feb. 14, 9-5 p.m. Our staff will assist you with your donation. Save & change lives...go to [www.impactgiveback.org](http://www.impactgiveback.org).

**“A Morning of Reflection: The Eucharist, the Source & Summit of our Faith”.** The Catholic Daughters of Mandan invite all women to our annual retreat. Mark your calendar for Feb. 18 & plan to attend, St. Joseph Parish, Mandan. FMI call Mary Ann, 663-8911 or [maryann@eckroth.com](mailto:maryann@eckroth.com).

## ARE YOU MAKING PLANS FOR THE FUTURE?

There are many ways to plan for the future through your will or trust. A good plan will help you care for your loved ones after you are gone, plan for your own care or even make a gift to the church. If you would like to include a gift to St. Mary's in your planning, contact Steve, 223-5562 or call, click or email the Diocese Office of Planned Giving at 877-405-7435; 701-222-3035; [mkiedrowski@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:mkiedrowski@bismarckdiocese.com), [www.dobgift.org](http://www.dobgift.org).

# FROM THE DIOCESE

## WORD OF LIFE MESSAGE

Our society, which all too often questions the inestimable value of life, every life, needs you [young people with disabilities]: in a decisive way you help build the civilization of love. What is more, you play a leading role in that civilization. As sons and daughters of the Church, you offer the Lord your lives, with all their ups and downs, cooperating with him and somehow becoming “part of the treasury of compassion so greatly needed by the human race” (*Spe Salvi*, 40). ~ Pope Benedict XVI, Remarks at the San José Foundation for Disabled Youth, Madrid, August 20, 2011

**Director of Religious Education Job Opening** - Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. **Qualifications:** Practicing Catholic in good standing with a MA in religious education or related field or BA with the willingness to pursue a master's degree. **Responsibilities:** Supervision & implementation of the parish religious education program for students in grades Preschool-12, along with direct responsibility for creating & implementing the adult faith formation program. FMI go to: [www.cathedralparish.com](http://www.cathedralparish.com). **Salary/Benefits:** Competitive Work period Aug.15-June 15. **Apply:** Send a resume, personal info., education & professional training, work history & three references & cover letter describing your personal philosophy on the importance of catechesis in the life of the parish to: Cathedral Search Committee, 519 Raymond St, Bism. 58501 or [cathchrch@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:cathchrch@bismarckdiocese.com). **Deadline: February 29.**

# VOCATION VIEWS

God has done great things for you. Spread the good news. Consider a church vocation. (Mark 1:40-45)

## Ministers Schedule Feb. 11/12

**SATURDAY: 4:30 PM**  
**USHERS:** GROUP 4  
**READERS:** JENNIFER SABO  
 LEE BEAUCLAIR  
**SERVERS:** NOAH SABO  
 TATUM BUTZ  
**GIFTS:** DENNIS & MARY BARTSCH  
 FAMILY  
**EUCH:** B1. DAN/TARA BROOKE  
 B2. PENNY GOEBEL  
 B3. DEACON MICHAEL  
 C1. KARLA BUTZ  
 C2. DARNELL ECKERT  
 C3. ELAINE KUCERA  
 C4. BONNIE STEINER  
**MUSIC:** DIANE, CHUCK & MARY CAY  
**WORD:** STEPH M & JAMIE F

**SUNDAY: 9 AM**  
**USHERS:** GROUP 5  
**READERS:** JED STEINER  
 STEFFANIE FIX  
**SERVERS:** JACK ZANDER  
 SETH FIX  
**GIFTS:** KIM ENERSON  
 VIANNA DORSCHER  
**EUCH:** B1. LES MASON  
 B2. SARA GEBHARDT  
 B3. DEACON TERRY  
 C1. BOB ABERLE  
 C2. GAIL MASON  
 C3. MANDY SLAG  
 C4. LARRY/THERESA HERMAN  
**MUSIC:** JANNA & HAYLEY  
**WORD:** ALLI G & ABBY G

**SUNDAY: 11 AM**  
**USHERS:** GROUP 6  
**READERS:** ANGELA ROLLER  
 CHANTELE KELLER  
**SERVERS:** ANNA HORNER  
 JOSHUA BRILZ  
 THERESA MARX  
 FAMILY  
**EUCH:** B1. WANDA AGNEW  
 B2. MARGARET ELKIN  
 B3. DEACON TERRY  
 C1. THERESA MARX  
 C2. GREG/STEPH ZENKER  
 C3. MARY VANDAL  
 C4. COLLEEN CARLSON  
**MUSIC:** YOUTH  
**WORD:** SHEILA G, LEON & SANDY

**SUNDAY: 6:30 PM**  
**USHERS:** GROUP 15  
**READER:** JENNIFER DEFOREST  
**SERVERS:** DAVID JOHS  
 KENDRA SCHLOSSER  
**GIFTS:** SKIP & SHELLY VECCHIA  
 FAMILY  
**EUCH:** B1. DEACON MICHAEL  
 C1. GEORGIA COUTURE  
 C2. CHAD PORSBORG  
**MUSIC:** BRENDA, MICHAEL &  
 BARB



## FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

<b>Stacey &amp; James Braunagel</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>Michael &amp; Kelly Rixen</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>Barry &amp; JoAnn Brilz</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>Corinne &amp; Wayne Schell</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Brian &amp; Bernadette Dauenhauer</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>Laura &amp; Craig Schlafman</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Duane &amp; Donna Hartzel</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>Ken &amp; Ginny Schwartz</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Ron &amp; Patricia Dvorak</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>John &amp; Ileen Schwengler</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Gail &amp; David Heil</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>Mitchell &amp; Julie Volk</b>	<b>22</b>
<b>Mark &amp; Marietta Herman</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Katie &amp; John Vranicar</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Pius &amp; Janice Klein</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>James &amp; Mary Ann Watts</b>	<b>18</b>
<b>Robert &amp; Maureen Koeller</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>Ed &amp; Joy Wesolowski</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Curtis &amp; Peggy Lafountain</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>William &amp; Alice Zieman</b>	<b>47</b>

### AID INC.

Is a non-profit organization serving both Morton & Burleigh counties since 1983. Their goal is to provide temporary, emergency assistance to help families and individuals stay in their homes and become self-sufficient. Financial assistance can include past due rent, utilities and a variety of other needs such as transportation funding for employment or medical needs, educational fees, etc.

Aid depends on the support of the community financially and couldn't continue its mission without the help of many volunteers. Their thrift shop, Brighten's, depends on hundreds of volunteers who help with food drives, sorting merchandise, pricing cleaning, organizing, cashiering, rug & and quilt making, phone work, mailings and more tasks. St. Mary's provides monthly financial support to Aid, Inc.

If I can be of any assistance or answer any questions, please contact Patti, 663-2122.

### THANK YOU FROM ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE CHURCH

On behalf of the parish family of St. John the Apostle Church, please accept this long overdue thank you for the gift cards that were sent to assist our disaster relief fund in 2011. I assure you it has been put to good use and was very helpful to people of our parish in need.

However, the generous support and concern of people from St. Mary's and all parts of the country has instilled the hope and encouragement to members of our parish family. Your sensitivity and thoughtfulness has touched the hearts of many. Please know it is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Dave Zimmer and  
the people of St. John's