Masses, Intentions, Daily Readings & Meetings to Remember: The family and friends of the listed Intentions are urged to attend Mass and receive Holy Communion on that day; this is a reason the Intentions are published.

—The **Rosary** is prayed ½ hour prior to Daily & Weekend Masses.

Sunday December 13

Zep 3:14-18a/ Phil 4:4-7 5:4-7/ Lk 3:10-18

8:30 AM *+Our Parish Family*

10:30 AM *+Living & Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus*

Monday December 14

Nm 24:2-7,15-17a/ Mt21:23-27

8:00 AM *Communion Service*

Tuesday December 15

Zep 3:1-2,9-13/ Mt 21:28-32

8:00 AM *+ Fidelis Tischmak*

8:30 AM Eucharistic Adoration until 6:00 PM

Wednesday December 16

Is 45:6b-8, 18, 21b-25/ Lk 7:18b-23

8:00 AM *+Albert Kranda*

Thursday December 17

Gn 49: 2, 8-10/ Mt 1: 1-17

9:00 AM *+Dick Tokach, + Viola Tokach*

10:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration until 1:00 PM

Friday December 18

Jer 23: 5-8/ Mt 1:18-25

8:00 AM *+ Dean Leingang*

Saturday December 19

Jgs 13:2-7,24-25a/ Lk 1:5/25

3:00 PM *Confessions*

4:00 PM *+ Katherine Reisnauer*
+ James Dornheim
+ Darlene Nauman
+ Anton Miller

Sunday December 20

Mi 5:1-4a/ Heb 10:5-10/ Lk 1:39-45

8:30 AM *+Our Parish Family*

10:30 AM *+ Nick & +Clara Mosbrucker*

Please Remember in Prayer

All Military members & their families, Benjamin Wanner & All seminarians. Ray Hoffman, Tiffany Bartole, Pat Vandal, Ella Kitzen, Flint Ternes, Wally Siegel, Bernice Rolshoven, Ellis Shipp, Gene Hatzenbehler, Paulette Henke, Tony Paul, LaDonna Schoengarth, Brenda Heid, Lyle S., Ann Doll, Russell Benidsh, Peter Hellman, Dorothy Cook, Diane Braun, Randy Davis, Susan Morrison, Elissa Ackermann, Pat & Joe Klein, Aria Schaner, Myron Kopp, Maggie Schafer, Rosie Porsborg, Ed Schaner, Chuck Zachmeier, Bill Kuntz, Markus Franck, Michelle Duppong, Ray Reidinger, Frances Geiger, Steve Braus, Bev Geiser, James Geiger, Jim Fleck, Veronica Beckler, Albert & Betty Kostelecky, Lane Staiger, Margie Duppong, Lillie Randa, Kaylyn Bauer, Tom Froelich, Leota Burns, DeLores Frohnauer, Tillie Kopp, Robert Geiger, Stephena Wuitschick, Kurt Wetzel, Dorismae Johnson, Myrna Anderson, Ludmilla Ferderer, Shirley Manifold, Donna Olson, Alice Olzweski, Timothy Wuitschick, Mary Masseth, Hilda & Steven Bachmeier, Grace Johnson, Loretta Olson, Della McFall

If you have changes to the prayer list, please call the parish office at 663-9563 to update the list! Thank you!!

PTO Monday Night Football Pool Winners

12/7: Willie Kist

The Weekly Article from

FATHER SHANE CAMPBELL

This weekend we are celebrating the Third Sunday of Advent and it is referred to as Gaudete Sunday, the 'pink candle' Sunday, the Sunday we light the pink candle on the Advent wreath. Gaudete comes from the Latin verb gaudere (to rejoice). It is a command ordering us to rejoice! In these days of penance and preparation leading up to the feast of our Savior's birth, it reminds us of the joy that is to come, and serves, amid this season of penance, as a kind of 'break' when we recall the hope we have because of the coming of Jesus.

In Advent, we not only celebrate the first coming of our Lord, but eagerly prepare for His Second Coming as well, when the restoration of all things takes place. Too often many of us shudder at the thought of our Lord's coming in glory, as if it were a frightening event. But for Christians it will be our great deliverance. The earliest Christians cried 'Maranatha! Come Lord Jesus!' expecting Jesus to come at any moment. So should we—we should long for His return with our souls ready. It is indeed something to celebrate—and prepare for. Advent turns our hearts and minds to this reality.

Should the business of our lives and of the world get us down we need to look at the Advent wreath with its candles burning, a new one each week in the spiral they create, going down as we light the pink one this week which fills us with joy that we are getting closer and closer to the coming of the Lord. We can place ourselves on the hillsides with the shepherds with patient anticipation. And then we can meditate on being in that stable with the child Jesus, Who is our hope. We can let our burdens drop away at the foot of the manger. We can receive Him into our hearts and know that this Child is our victory.

Happy Gaudete Sunday,
Fr. Campbell

Don't Forget to Buy Your SCRIPS for all your HOLIDAY SHOPPING!!

SCRIPS are available after all weekend Masses as well as at the Parish and School Offices. For large orders, please call ahead and we can make sure you get what you need for all of your holiday shopping! Thank you for using SCRIPS!!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN IN YOUR BEAT THE WINTER BLUES RAFFLE TICKETS!!

2015 End of the Year Giving

Contributions to the Church of St. Joseph to go on your 2015 taxes must be to the parish office or postmarked no later than December 31st. If you have any question, please contact the parish office at 663-9562.
Thank you for your generosity this year and in the future.

St. Joseph School PTO
2016 Super Bowl Football Pool

Tickets will be available at the school and parish offices and after all weekend Masses at the SCRIP table. Tickets are $25 each. There will be a chance to win a cash prize after every quarter and then 10 random winners will receive $50 SCRIPS from MVP.

Thank you for your support!

2016 Steubenville Youth Conference Sign-up!

The Steubenville conference is open to all youth currently in 8th-12th grade. Conference will be held the last weekend in July at the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul, MN. For questions, additional information or to sign-up, please contact Shawna Helbling at 701-663-9562(w) or 701-527-2060 (c) or e-mail: shelbling@stjosephmandan.com Registration forms are due back by December 18th.

Art & Environment Help Needed

The Art & Environment Committee is looking for volunteers to help decorate the church for Christmas. We will be decorating Sunday, December 20th starting at noon. We greatly appreciated you help! Thank you so much! Have a Blessed Christmas!

Upcoming Classes for Natural Family Planning

The BILLINGS OVULATION METHOD of NFP
Couples who would like to take individual instruction for the Billings Ovulation Method may contact Shawna Helbling at 701-527-2060 or smhelbling@gmail.com. Individual instruction will be starting in January 2016.

The SYMPTO-THERMAL METHOD of NFP
A sympto-thermal NFP class series will be offered at Spirit of Life. The dates for the class will be February 16th, March 15th, and April 12th at 6:30 pm. You can register online at ccli.org. Contact Tammy Martian at 701-471-1549 if you have any questions. See more information about the Couple to Couple League and the instructors at http://bismarckdiocese.com/stm.

Christmas Memorial Garden

Please return all Christmas memorials to the parish office by ***Sunday, December 20th.*** *We want to ensure that all memorials will be included in the bulletin. Feel free to use your envelope from your packet or cut out this box and place it in an envelope with your donation.*

Name(s) for memorial: _____

Your Name: _____

Christmas Masses will be:
Thursday, December 24 at 4pm & 10pm
Friday , December 25 at 10:30am

Neighborhood *Happenings*

Dec 13: The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a breakfast at the Christ the King Parish Life Center on Sunday, December 13th, serving from 9.00 AM until 11:30 AM. The breakfast will include sausage, scrambled eggs, hash brown wedges, pancakes, ice cream, fruit, juice, milk, and coffee for a free will offering. Christ the King is located at 505 10th Ave NW in Mandan. Everyone is welcome!

Parish Reconciliation Mandan/Bismarck

Mandan parishes

Thursday, Dec 17, 7:00 pm, Christ the King
Sun, Dec 20, 4:00 pm, St. Joseph Church
Mon, Dec 21, 7:00 PM, Spirit of Life

Reconciliation is also available at St. Joseph's 3:00 pm Saturdays & ½ hour before daily Masses.
Daily Mass Schedule:
Tue, Wed, and Fri 8:00 am; Thur 9:00 am

Bismarck Parishes

Fri, Dec 18, 7:00 pm, St. Mary's
Sun, Dec 20, 3:00 pm, St. Anne's Church
Mon, Dec 21, 7:00 pm, Corpus Christi
Tues, Dec 22, 7:00 pm, Ascension Church
Wed, Dec 23, 7:00 pm, Cathedral of the Holy Spirit

The Annulment Process ~ The Diocese of Bismarck

ANNULMENTS (Declarations of Nullity): The Tribunal of the Diocese of Bismarck assists Bishop David D. Kagan D.D., P.A., J.C.L., in his ministry to serve the people of our diocese. An interview is recommended in order to begin the process. The purpose of the meeting would be to get a general overview of the basis for an annulment and to obtain the paperwork necessary to get the process started. If you have any questions or wish to schedule an appointment, please call the Tribunal Office at 701-204-7203 or toll free at 1-877-405-7435.

Check out the NEW MATERIALS in the Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosk in the Gathering Space!

There are variety of audio CD's, books, and pamphlets on various subjects. They make great gifts or Catholic educational tools. There is something for everyone! We ask that you please leave the suggested donation in the box attached to the kiosk. Thank you for your support

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Liturgy Assignments for Next Week —

DEC 19 4:00 PM	Linda Serrano Mary Winbauer Dan & Marge Feist	Nancy Dorrheim	Larry & Connie Schafer	Team 1	Connor Seefeld	Leslie	Michele, Val
DEC 20 8:30 AM	Denny & Janet Hildebrand Tim & Bonnie Leingang	Janice Schwartzbauer	Denny & Janet Hildebrand	Team 4	Jaci & Zach Engelhardt	Lacey	Priscilla, Jan, Linda, Michele
DEC 20 10:30 AM	Donna Miller, Paul Moch, Michele Renner, Don Sauviac Henry & Cindy Schroeder	Melissa Karabensh	Randy & Laura Mildenberger	Team 5	Bianca Malaterre Carson Masseth	Alice	Donna, Trish, Mary, Missy

Contributions — *Thank you for your gift of* treasure*!*

	Adult	*Children*	*Plate*	*Thursday*	*Automatic Withdrawal*	*Total*
Weekend of December 5 & 6	$ 11,023	$ 20	$ 651	$ 53	$ 2,510	$ 14,257
Weekend of December 12 & 13	$	$	$	$	$ N/A	$
Weekend of December 19 & 20	$	$	$	$	$	$
December 24 & 25 Christmas	$	$	$	$	$ N/A	$
Weekend of December 26 & 27	$	$	$	$	$ N/A	$
DECEMBER TOTALS	**$ 11,023**	**$ 20**	**$ 651**	**$ 53**	**$ 2,510**	**$ 14,257**