



As we enter into Holy Week, the readings for Palm Sunday Year A invite us to reflect on the depth of Jesus' sacrifice and the meaning of his triumphal entry into Jerusalem. We see Jesus as a humble and peaceful king, riding on a donkey instead of a horse, surrounded by crowds of people who wave palm branches and shout his praises. This image reminds us



of Jesus' identity as a powerful and beloved leader who comes to save us from sin and death. At the same time, we are also reminded of the cost of Jesus' sacrifice. The Gospel reading from Matthew 26:14 – 27:66 describes the events leading up to Jesus' crucifixion, including his betrayal by Judas Iscariot, his arrest and trial before the high priest, his denial by Peter, and his sentencing by Pilate. We see Jesus' selflessness and obedience, even in the face of intense suffering and humiliation.

The theme of feeling abandoned is also present in the readings. Jesus' cry of "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" in Matthew 27:46 reminds us of the depth of Jesus' suffering and his identification with all those who have ever felt abandoned or alone. Yet even in his darkest hour, Jesus expressed trust in God's ultimate protection and proclaimed God's glory to others.

April 2nd, 2023

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Mass Schedule

Saturday (vigil) 5pm, St. Helena
Sunday 8:30am (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
10:30am (2nd, 4th Sundays)

Tue 7pm

Wed–Fri 8:00am

Confession Schedule

Saturday 3:30-4:30pm
Sunday Before 8:30 am mass (1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)

Tuesday 6:30-6:50pm

Wed–Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass | By appointment, call parish office

Adoration

Wed 5pm-8pm



ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

Mass Schedule

Sunday 10:30am
(1st, 3rd, 5th Sundays)
8:30 am (2nd, 4th Sundays)
Thursday 9:00am

Confession Schedule

Sundays after 10:30 am Mass
By appointment - call parish office

FROM OUR PASTOR : A Tour of Marian Apparitions: Our Lady of Good Help



Our Lady of Good Help's appearances to Adele Brise in 1859 is the only officially approved Marian apparition in the United States. Mary appeared to Adele three times over the course of a year, in the farmlands of what is now Champion, Wisconsin. Our Lady identified herself as the "Queen of Heaven completing the Marion Mysteries that began one year prior by Our Lady of Lourdes, as Mary

revealed herself then to be the "Immaculate Conception." Additionally, Our Lady of Good Help encouraged Adele to dedicate her life to evangelization using the Catechism. The shrine of Our Lady of Good Help was just recently approved by Bishop Ricken (see below) in 2010, and is already a popular pilgrimage site for many Americans.

CNA ARTICLE

With approval from Bishop David L. Ricken of Green Bay, Wisconsin, a chapel in the town of Champion is now the first approved Marian apparition site in the United States. On Dec. 8, 2010 –the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception– the bishop decreed with "moral certainty" that the Virgin Mary had indeed appeared to a young Belgian immigrant woman, Adele Brise, on three occasions in October of 1859. Since 1861, the site of those apparitions has been home to a chapel dedicated to the Virgin Mary under her title "Our Lady of Good Help." Following a two-year investigation of the alleged apparitions, Bishop Ricken proclaimed them "worthy of belief," and confirmed his diocese's official recognition of the popular

shrine.

During each of those three apparitions, a lady in shining white clothes appeared to Adele. The third time, she identified herself as "the Queen of Heaven who prays for the conversion of sinners."

"I wish you to do the same," she told the 28-year-old woman, who had intended to become a nun before coming to America. Adele and her family lived on a small homestead in Wisconsin, which had become a U.S. state only 11 years earlier.

The Virgin Mary also gave her a mission of evangelism and catechesis: "Gather the children in this wild country, and teach them what they should know for salvation ... Go and fear nothing. I will help you."

Adele Brise went on to become a Third Order Franciscan. She traveled throughout the frontier state giving religious instruction to children and adults, striving to fulfill the heavenly mandate. Her work was especially important at a time when Wisconsin severely lacked priests, and simply attending church could involve a strenuous journey.

Near the chapel, her community of Franciscan women also established a school. When a fire ravaged the area near the apparition site in 1871, the chapel and school were the only buildings left standing, along with their convent and a surrounding area of land consecrated to the Virgin Mary.

In 1890, six years before she died, Sister Adele's adopted hometown of Robinsonville renamed itself after the Belgian town of Champion. The Franciscan sister had asked for the change, in honor of a childhood promise she had made to the Virgin Mary to enter a Belgian religious order in that region.

Bishop Ricken told CNA that Sister Adele's own life was among the most convincing testimonies to the validity of the apparition. Rather than calling attention to herself or the apparitions, she had humbly devoted the rest of her life to fulfilling the instructions she had received.

To be Continued

See Holy Week Schedule below

- 4/2— Turn in Pregnancy Center Baby bottles— thank you!

Altar Society Announcements

St Helena's is seeking donations for the 2023 Fall Raffle. Please turn in donations to Joyce G, Bernie T, or Michele T by March 31st so raffle permit can be obtained. Thank you in advance for your consideration and donation

St. Helena's Altar Society will meet on Sunday, April 2nd following the 8:30 am Mass. All ladies of St. Helena's Parish are invited to attend.

Seder Meal will be held this year on Wednesday, April 5 beginning at 6pm in St. Helena's Parish Center with the program and then followed with a potluck meal. At the seder, foods of symbolic significance commemorating the Hebrews' liberation are eaten, and prayers along with traditional recitations are performed. We ask that you please sign up by Friday, March 31st so the event can be planned and symbolic foods prepared. A sign up sheet can be found in the entryway of St. Helena's Church. All members of St. Helena's and St. Patrick's are invited to attend.

Holy Week Schedule

Tuesday, April 4

11 am Chrism Mass, St. Mary's Cathedral, Fargo
7-8:30 pm Confessions St. Helena

Wednesday, April 5

9:30—10:30 Confessions at St Patrick's
11 am-Noon Confessions at St Helena
Seder Meal and Potluck 6pm

Thursday, April 6

9– 10 AM Confessions
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
followed by Confessions

Friday, April 7

3 pm The Passion and Death of the Lord
7-8:00 pm Confessions

Saturday, April 8

9 pm Easter Vigil of the Lord's Resurrection St Helena

Sunday, April 9

8:30 am Mass at St Patrick's 10:30 am Mass at St. Helena



Camp Summit || Middle School camp

“BE NOT AFRAID. Do not be satisfied with mediocrity. Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.”
- St. Pope John Paul II

St. Pope John Paul II calls us “be not afraid” when it comes to living out our faith as disciples. With all the chaos in the world, we must respond to the invitation by this holy Saint to share the gospel courageously with those around us. Camp Summit is for all youth entering grades 7, 8, & 9 who have the desire to deepen their relationship with Jesus and to share it with others they encounter. Throughout camp, youth will engage in prayer, worship, fellowship, leadership formation, play, and fun. This five-day experience is designed to encourage and equip the youth for discipleship to their family, friends, and communities.

Location: Red Willow Bible Camp
1651 Jacob Rd. Binfond, ND

Dates: Sunday, July 9 - Thursday, July 13, 2023

Cost: Register on or before February 24: \$300.00

After February 24: \$350.00
(Family Rates Available)

REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 16th, 2022

If you are in need of financial assistance to help offset the costs of camp, the Diocese of Fargo has a scholarship program that assists families in need.

I ST HELENA MINISTRY SCHEDULE

April 6 Holy Thursday 7:00pm

Usher	Ivan Widhalm
Lector	Mary Johnson
Altar Servers	Ivan C, Carly K, Levi R, Kali N,

April 7 Good Friday 3:00pm

Usher	Mark Thielges
Lector	Richard Reis, Bernie Thielges
Altar Servers	Isaiah C, Drew T, Devin W

April 8 Holy Saturday 9:00pm

Usher	Matt Thorpe
Lector	Michele Thorpe, Darell Wall
Altar Servers	Anna T, Mackenzie T, Madeline T, Courtney D

April 9 Easter Sunday 10:30am

Usher	Austin Flynn
Lector	Jeff Ulmer
Collection	Dave Eberle
Altar Servers	Levi R, Samuel R

I WEEKLY GIVING

Sunday Mar 26

Adult	1453.00
Children	8.00
Plate	106.00
Total	1567.00

Thank you for your generosity!

I ST. PATRICK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sunday Apr 9 (8:30am)

Lector	Ruby
Gift Carriers	Alex Lacina, Vincent Glynn
Altar Servers	Madie, Alivia, Allen

For the Month of April

Breakfast Server	Corrine and Megan
Collection Counters	Brian and Christy
Church Cleaners	Christy and Jim Glynn Fam
Altar Society Meeting	To Be Announced

WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS

Tue. Apr 4 **Chrism Mass Fargo**

11:00 am Aloys and Angela Mastel

Wed. Apr 5

8:00 am +Nathen Boespflug

Thur. Apr 6 **Holy Thursday**

7pm (St H) Louis Reis

Fri. Apr 7 **Good Friday**

8:00 am **Passion of our Lord**

Sat. Apr 8 **Holy Saturday**

9:00pm (St H) Marvin Achen

Sun. Apr 9 **Easter Sunday**

8:30am (St. P) +Susan Lacina

10:30am (St H) All Parishioners

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If you or someone you know would like to be added to, or removed from this list please call the parish office.





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