

**Sunday, April 12, 2026 Divine Mercy Sunday**

**St. Helena Ministries**

Sun April 19	Sat Vigil	8:30 am
Usher	Volunteer	Richard Reis
Collection		Richard R/ Jeff U
EMHC		Nicole/Richard R
Lector	Volunteer	Richard R
Gift Bearers	Volunteer	Reis Family
Altar Servers	Volunteer	Samuel

**Breakfast Servers**

**First one on the list contact the others**

Apr 19	Mary U, Alicia G, Sonja B
May 3	CYO Ivan C, Rigglin S, Jaeger S

**Weekly Giving**

	April 5	Holy Thursday
Adult	1689.	
Children	2.	
Plate	134.	120
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1825.00</b>	

**Thank you for your generosity!**

**St. Patrick Ministries**

**Sunday April 19 10:30 am**

Lector	Alivia
Gift Carriers	Maddie and Amy
Altar Servers	Allen and Alex

**For the Month of April**

Collection Counters	Christy & Brian
Church Cleaners	Alana and Faye
Altar Society Mtg.	None this month

**St. Helena's Capital Campaign**


Collected	Goal
\$33,395.00	\$200,000

Please send bulletin submissions (by Noon on Thursday) or prayer line request to Fr. Parks or gusaas@drtel.net

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

<b>Mon. Apr 13</b>	<b>Private Mass</b>	+Ann Parks and Family
<b>Tues. Apr 14</b>	<b>Adoration/Confession 6pm</b>	
7:00 pm (St H)		Larry & Gayle Coles Family
<b>Wed. Apr 15</b>	<b>Adoration/Confession 7am</b>	
8:00 am (St H)		+Deacon James Hunt
<b>Thur. Apr 16</b>	<b>Adoration/Confession 7am</b>	
8:00 am (St H)		+Sylvester & Marie Radermacher
9:00 am (St P)		Fran Lux
<b>Fri. Apr 17</b>	<b>Adoration/Confession 7am</b>	
8:00am (St H)		+Eugene Volk
<b>Sat. Apr 18</b>		
5:00pm (St H)		Paul & Priscilla Brandenburger
<b>Sun. Apr 19</b>		
8:30am (St H)		+JoAnn Merkel
10:30am (St P)		All Parishioners

*Lord Jesus Christ, through your victory over sin and death you have overcome all the powers of sin and darkness. Help me to draw near to you and to trust in your life-giving word. Fill me with your Holy Spirit and strengthen my faith in your promises and my hope in the power of your resurrection.*

*In Our Thoughts & Prayers* **Please Pray ...for all who are sick, elderly or alone** 

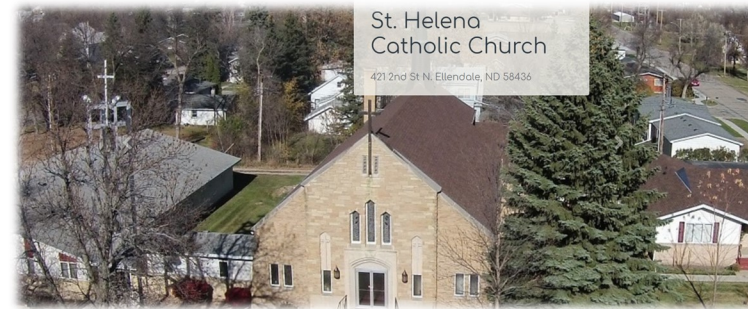
Carla Engelstad, Betty Hahne, Paul & Priscilla Brandenburger, Geri Glynn, Nancy Fischer, Tina Flaherty, Jerry LaFave, Jim Glynn, Doug Davis, Virginia Hagen, Fr. Jeff Eppler, Robert Monette, Mike Demers, Art Linder, Haven Viray, Glen Geffre, Kathy Carlson. If you or someone you know would like to be added to, or removed from this list please call the parish office.

**God's Gift Appeal 2026 This is the hour for Love**

4-10-26	Collected	Goal
<b>St. Helena</b>	\$5591.88	\$20,685.17
<b>St. Patrick</b>	\$2800.00	\$7,300.00

**Living Our Faith Building Our Future**

<b>St. Helena</b>	\$41,240.00	\$90,554.00
<b>St. Patrick</b>	\$15,500.00	\$30,299.00



St. Helena Catholic Church  
421 2nd St N, Ellendale, ND 58436



St. Patrick's Catholic Church  
North, 207 Monroe St, Fullerton, ND 58441

**St. Helena Catholic Church**  
421 2nd St. N.  
Box 796 Ellendale, ND 58436  
701-349-3297

**St. Helena Mass Schedule**  
Saturday (vigil) 5pm  
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 6:00-6:50pm  
Wed-Fri Before 8:00 am daily Mass  
Or by appointment, call parish office

**Fr. Patrick Parks**  
Cell Phone: 701 261 4816  
Patrick.Parks@fargodiocese.org

**Adoration**  
Wednesday  
5pm-8pm &  
1 hour before  
daily mass  
at St. Helena.  
1 hour before  
mass on 1st  
Friday at St.  
Patrick.

**St. Patrick Catholic Church**  
207 Monroe St N.  
Fullerton, ND 58441  
701-349-3297

**St Patrick 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  
First Friday during adoration.  
By appointment - call parish office  
Website: sthelenascatholicparish.org

**Sunday, April 12, 2026**  
**Divine Mercy Sunday**

**Unless I See - I Will Not Believe**

**Meditation:** Do you know the joy of the resurrection? The Risen Lord Jesus revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them he offered proofs of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God.



**Through the gift of faith we recognize the Risen Lord and receive new life**

When Thomas finally had the courage to rejoin the other apostles, the Lord Jesus made his presence known to him and reassured him that he had indeed overcome death and risen again. When Thomas recognized his Master, he believed and exclaimed that Jesus was truly Lord and truly God! Through the gift of faith we, too, proclaim that Jesus is our personal Lord and our God. He died and rose that we, too, might have new life in him. The Lord offers each of us new life in his Holy Spirit that we may know him personally and walk in this new way of life through the power of his resurrection. Do you believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring you new life, hope, and joy?

# The Feast of Mercy

## A Day of Extraordinary Grace for the Entire World

*"I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy."* Jesus to St. Faustina

In a series of revelations to Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord repeatedly called for the celebration of the Feast of Mercy on the first Sunday after Easter. He promised an ocean of graces to be poured upon the world. Today, we know this feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

*"No soul that has called upon My mercy has ever been disappointed or brought to shame."*



St. Maria Faustina Kowalska  
1905 - 1938

"Ordinarily, only the sacrament of Baptism effects in the soul the 'complete forgiveness of sins and punishment.' Reception of the Eucharist in a state of grace ordinarily remits only venial sin, while strengthening the soul against both venial and mortal sin (Catechism, 1394-1395). But on Mercy Sunday reception of Holy Communion worthily and with trust in God's Mercy pours out upon the soul a complete renewal of baptismal grace." - Rev. Ignacy Rozycki, STD, Former Member of the Holy See's International Theological Commission

*"My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet."*



**How to Receive the Graces of Divine Mercy Sunday**  
Every family needs God's mercy. Lenten prayers, fasting, alms giving, and works of mercy help us prepare well for extraordinary graces on Feast of Mercy.

- Celebrate the Feast on Divine Mercy Sunday
- Repent of all sins and place complete trust in Jesus
- Go to Confession, preferably before that Sunday.
- Receive Holy Communion worthily on that day (or the Vigil celebration.)
- Venerate the Image of Divine Mercy
- Be merciful to others in deed, word, and prayer

*"The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive."*  
Trust the Lord for all of your spiritual and temporal needs. Ask for much and join the multitude that have received hope, healing and answers to many prayers on this special day.

MercySundayMomentum.org



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## From the Diary of St Faustina

Today I head the words: **In the Old Covenant I sent prophets wielding thunderbolts to My People. Today I am sending you with My mercy to the people of the whole world. I do not want to punish aching mankind, but I desire to heal it, pressing it to My Merciful Heart. I use punishment when they themselves force Me to do so; My hand is reluctant to take hold of the sword of justice. Before the Day of Justice I am sending the Day of Mercy (*Diary, 1588*).**

Lord said to me, ... **Tell My priests that hardened sinners will repent on hearing their words when they speak about My unfathomable mercy, about the compassion I have for them in My Heart. To priests who proclaim and extol My mercy, I will give wondrous power; I will anoint their words and touch the hearts of those to whom they will speak (*Diary, 1521*).**

[Jesus said,] **I am offering people a vessel with which they are to keep coming for graces to the fountain of mercy. That vessel is this image with the signature: "Jesus, I trust in You" (*Diary, 327*).**

**"I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish. I also promise victory over [its] enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. I Myself will defend it as My own glory."**

[Jesus said,] **Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion (*Diary, 1146*).**

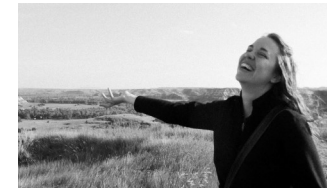
**Tuesday** Adoration & Confession before Mass with Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary for World Peace after mass.  
**Wednesday** Adoration 5:00—8:00 CCD 6:30—7:30  
**Wed—Fri** Adoration & Confessions starting at 7:00 AM, Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary after mass.

**Discipleship Week** is a dynamic Catholic high school camp designed to help students deepen their spiritual lives and encounter Christ in a personal way. Throughout the week, participants explore practical ways to grow in prayer, strengthen their relationship with God, and recognize how Christ walks with them in their daily lives.

This year's theme centers on the **Road to Emmaus**, inviting students to reflect on the Gospel story where Jesus meets His disciples on their journey, opens the Scriptures to them, and reveals Himself in the breaking of the bread. Through talks, small groups, the sacraments, and community life, teens will learn to see their own faith journey in this story—discovering how Jesus accompanies them, even when they may not immediately recognize His presence.

By the end of the week, students will be equipped and inspired to continue their walk with Christ as intentional disciples, ready to listen, respond, and share His love with others. June 7-10, 2026 at Red Willow Bible Camp, Binford ND More Info: [www.fargodiocese.org/d-week](http://www.fargodiocese.org/d-week)

If you missed the showing of the documentary film about Servant of God Michelle Duppong, here's your chance to catch it.



The documentary is available free of charge on the EWTN 'On Demand' website (<https://ondemand.ewtn.com/>). No sign-up or membership required.

Michelle grew up on a farm at Haymarsh, ND, went to NDSU and then served as a Focus Ministry for a few years before working for the Bismarck Diocese. She could become the first canonized saint from North Dakota.

**To Report a Favor**  
Please report any special favors granted to [duppongcause@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:duppongcause@bismarckdiocese.com)

**A Beginning Experience** weekend program for widowed, separated, and divorced, will take place June 26-28 at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson, starting Friday at 6:30 pm and ending Sunday at 4 pm. "Let go of the pain and get ready to live again. Real results, real hope." For more information and an application, contact Bonnie (Fargo) at 701-318-0949, or leave a message on our hotline at 701-277-8784. [www.beginningexperience-easternnorthdakota.org](http://www.beginningexperience-easternnorthdakota.org)

On Tuesday, April 14th, St. John's in Wahpeton will host a presentation by the parents of Servant of God Michelle Duppong. We'd like to invite all the parishioners to attend.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC CHURCH  
WAHPETON, ND

**IS HOSTING**

*Ken & Mary Ann Duppong*

PARENTS OF  
SERVANT OF GOD  
MICHELLE CHRISTINE DUPPONG

**TUESDAY APRIL 14, 2026**

**Adoration & Rosary 4:15**  
**Mass 5:30**  
**Supper & Social 6:00**  
FREE WILL DONATION FOR MICHELLE'S CAUSE  
**Presentation 7:00**

Michelle's books and materials will be available. Books are \$20. Check or cash only.

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