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### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

All Masses cancelled until  
further notice.  
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# 4th SUNDAY OF LENT March 22, 2020

## MASS TIME

Weekend Schedule (See Header)

### WEEKDAY SCHEDULE

March 23~27

No Mass Sunday-Saturday

Sunday Mass will be live streamed to our  
St. Anthony Facebook page  
at 11:00am on Sundays.

Daily Mass will be recorded or live streamed  
to our St. Anthony Facebook page.  
Time to be announced.



### FROM THE BISHIOP

Until further notice, Bishop Kagan has made the difficult decision to cancel all daily and Sunday Masses in the Diocese of Bismarck in addition to all public celebrations of sacraments and devotions and all groups and parish activities until this health crisis is behind us and it is once again safe for us to gather for public worship.

**DISPENSATION:** The Catholic faithful within the territory of the Diocese of Bismarck are dispensed from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. The Bishop's full statement can be read at: <https://bismarckdiocese.com/news/important-message-from-bishop-kagan>

### ON LINE GIVING

Please consider on line giving during this time when we cannot be present at church.

You can help us during the COVID-19 Pandemic. During this challenging time, we depend on online donations to continue our ministry. Use On line Giving from your computer, smartphone or tablet to set up a recurring donation or make a one-time gift. Our parish's online giving system lets you make your one-time, weekly, or monthly donation using your debit card, credit card or bank account. It's easy to allocate different amounts for different collections, and view complete and accurate financial records anytime. If you would like to use On Line Giving to donate to the church please go to our website and click on the donate button [www.saintanthonypadua.commsgiving](http://www.saintanthonypadua.commsgiving)

**STAY IN TOUCH:** Please watch our Website: [www.saintanthonypadua.com](http://www.saintanthonypadua.com) or our Facebook Page [Facebook.com/](https://www.facebook.com/stanthonynd/) for updates on any cancellations or postponements as this will change on a day to day basis as we receive directives from the Diocese of Bismarck. The health and safety of our parishioners and employees is our top priority as we try to be available for the spiritual needs of our community.

**BULLETIN:** We will post an updated bulletin every week on the St. Anthony website and Facebook page.

**LIVESTREAMING:** We will be livestreaming our Sunday Mass at 11:00am. We are offering 2 different options to watch our 11:00 a.m. Mass. Facebook Live, or a direct link from our webpage. You can go to our website at: [www.saintanthonypadua.com](http://www.saintanthonypadua.com)

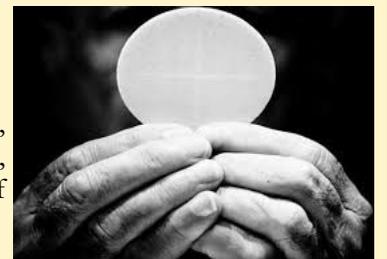
**OPERATION RICE BOWL:** Maria Ana and her brothers receive one meal a day at school, so that they can focus on achieving their dreams. How was education important for your future? How can we ensure that all young people have a chance to be educated. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) for more. Please consider giving online.



**SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:** The Church encourages those who are unable to receive the Eucharist to make an act of spiritual communion, when we unite ourselves to God through prayer, especially while watching the Mass or making a visit to our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. It is a beautiful way to express to God our desire to be united with Him when we are unable to complete that union in the reception of Holy Communion.

### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



**PRAY TO SAINT ROCH:** Saint Roch was the only son of a wealthy nobleman in France, who seems to have been governor of the town of Montpellier. In answer to the persevering prayers of the parents, this child was granted to them. His future career was indicated by a birthmark in the form of a red cross that was deeply marked on his breast. Saint Roch or Rocco (lived c. 1348 – 15/16 August 1376/79 (traditionally c. 1295 – 16 August 1327) was a Catholic saint, a confessor whose death is commemorated on 16 August and 9 September in Italy; he is specially invoked against the plague. He may also be called Rock in English. [www.catholic.org/saints/saint](http://www.catholic.org/saints/saint)

**LAETARE – REJOICE SUNDAY!** The fourth, or middle Sunday of Lent, "Laetare" or "Rejoice" is intended to encourage us on our journey through the season of penance. It symbolizes the joys of this life, restrained rejoicing mingled with a certain amount of sadness. The contrast between Laetare and the other Sundays is emphasized by the rose-colored vestments.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS:** A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from the distractions of daily life for couples in good marriages. Give your marriage this gift. The next available weekends in this area are April 24~26 in Hutchinson, Minn. and Nov. 13~15 in Medora. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, visit [ndwwme.org](http://ndwwme.org) or contact Rob and Angie at 701~347~1998

**OPEN POSITION OF TRIBUNAL AUDITOR:** The Bismarck Diocese has an opening for the position of Tribunal Auditor. Under the direction of the judicial vicar, the auditor assists judges with the adjudication of petitions for invalidity of marriage (annulments). Tasks include; conducting initial interviews with clients, providing assistance generating formal petitions, collecting and collating evidence through interviews or questionnaires, and tracking and management of cases. A high degree of confidentiality and interpersonal skills are necessary. This full-time staff position within the staff of the Bishop of Bismarck includes medical, retirement, vacation, and sick leave. Inquiries welcome (call Denise at 701~204~7212). Application deadline ~ Friday, March 20. Detailed job description under "Job Openings" tab at [www.bismarckdiocese.com](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com). Please submit cover letter, resume, three references and diocesan application for employment to Denise Jordan, PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502; [djordan@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:djordan@bismarckdiocese.com).

**SEMINARIANS:** Let us pray for Diocese of Bismarck seminarians during this time of transition: Rev. Mr. Mark Aune, Rev. Mr. Christian Smith, Greg Hilzendeger, Ben Franchuk, Jacob Degele, Nick Vetter, Paul Gardner, Logan Obrigewitch, Grant Dvorak, Jake Magnuson, Ben Wanner, Josh Hill, Dustin Johns, Steven Vetter, John Windsor, Ryan Martire, Konnor Peterson, Isaiah Fischer, Eric Artz, Colton Steiner, and Isaiah Jilek.

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS:** There is special happiness in returning to God, through gifts to Church and charity, a grateful portion of the time, talents, and treasure God has given to us. Doing so is called stewardship.



**STEWARDSHIP SUMMARY:** What temptations lure us from the path of discipleship? Possessions? Pride? Power? Oh Lord, create for us a clean heart and renew a steadfast spirit within us! Catholic education must continue to be available to young people. Help provide that opportunity by making a bequest in your Will for religious education at St. Anthony.

**VOCATION VIEWS:** The Lord looks into the heart. What does He see? How will your new life make a difference? Consider ministry in the Church. (John 11:1-45)

**SAVE THE DATE AND LET'S GOLF:** The 31st Annual Bishop Ryan Foundation Golf Scramble will be held Monday, June 22nd at the Vardon Golf Club. Pencil the date in for a fun day on the links, and stay tuned for more registration information coming soon!

**MARRIAGE MOMENTS:** "Sex is about the quality of your entire love life, not just the alignment of your bodies." (Dr. Kevin Leman) Pick one non-physical way to show your beloved your love today.

**PARENTING POINTERS:** "Lazarus has died." (John 1:4) Death is often hard to talk about with children. We don't want to scare them, yet pets, grandparents, and eventually all of us will die. Perhaps this week, remember together a death. Focus on the joy the person or pet brought and what you can learn from their life.

#### **SUNDAY'S READINGS**

**First Reading** — As the prophet Samuel anointed David with oil, the spirit of the LORD rushed upon David (1 Samuel 16:1b, 6~7, 10~13a).

**Psalms** — **The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).**

**Second Reading** — You who were once darkness are now light in the Lord (Ephesians 5:8~14).

**Gospel** — The man who had been blind from birth proclaimed: The one called Jesus made clay with his saliva, anointed my eyes with it, and told me to wash (John 9:1~41 [1, 6~9, 13~17, 34~38]).

[usccb.org/bible/readings](http://usccb.org/bible/readings)

**LENTEN QUOTE:** "Whose prayer can you be the answer to today?" ~Matthew Kelly

**MEMORARE:** Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence, I fly unto you, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To you do I come, before you I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in your mercy, hear and answer me. Amen.

**EASTER FLOWERS:** All are welcome to donate flowers, plants or a monetary donation. If you'd like your donation to be made in *memory of* or in *honor of* a loved one, Please make sure we have your information if you wish to have your name published in the bulletin. Thank you!

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

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#### **HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE**

February 1-12, 2021 Tour Leader Fr. David Richter Deadline to register has been extended to April 1st, 2020 Traveling with the Catholics of the Holy Land \$3,550. 00 per person; first payment due by April 1st, 2020. A Catholic religious pilgrimage including daily Mass, scripture readings, meditation and the rosary. Some of the places we'll visit: Cana, Nazareth, Mary's Well, Mt. Tabor, Church of the Transfiguration, Baptism site on the River Jordan, Jerusalem, Churches of the Visitation & Nativity, Bethlehem, Mt. of Olives, Garden of Gethsemane, Stations of the Cross on Via Dolorosa, Church of the Holy Sepulcher, Mass at the Room of the Last Supper, and many more. Please call the office, 839-7076, and talk with Father or Darcie.

