

St. Agnes Parish
102 1st St East
Hunter, ND 58048
701-874-2226

Mass Schedule:
 Odd Months: 8:30 am Sunday
 Even months: 10:30 am Sunday



Parish Council:
DRE: Michelle Thompson
Lay Directors: Conray Griesbach,
 Ken Hubbard
Council Members: Kristin Olstad,
 Bryon Mitzel
Christian Women:
 Sheila Sherritt
Liturgy Committee:
 Jill Moore

Stewardship	12-22-2019
Adult	\$315.00
Children	
Plate	48.00
Total	\$363.00

Liturgy Schedule

	December 29 Feast of the Holy Family	December 31 Solemnity of Mary, 4 pm	January 5 Epiphany of the Lord
Lector	Ken	Please let Lois know if you can help with this Mass.	Sharon
Communion (sacristans)	Margaret/Jill		Lesly/Connie
Servers	Olivia/Jonah		Brandon/Sam
Cross Bearer	Grant		Micah
Greeters/Offering	Conray/Charlet		Lesly/Dan
Breakfast			Steve/Sharon, Conray/Charlet, Tracy/Randy
CCD Schedule	Classes do not meet	Classes do not meet	Classes meet

Keep in your prayers: This week’s prayer list: Deloris Springer, Bob Ihry, Kent Lorenz (Kathleen’s son-in-law). Please let Lois know you would like to include anyone on our prayer list.

Please check the information on items for the Gladys Ray/Veterans Drop In Center and St. Gianna’s Home or check with Jill if you have any questions.

Thank you to those who donated to our poinsettia fund:
 the Melander family in memory of Morris Melander
 Jill and Roger Moore in memory of Robert Moore and Ray Fuglestad

We will need help with the Vigil Mass for the Solemnity of Mary on December 31st, 4 pm. If you are willing to serve in any way please let Lois know as soon as possible. Thanks!



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

DECEMBER 29, 2019

Our Lady of Peace

846 5th St SE
 Mayville, ND 58257
 701-788-3234
Mass:
 5:00 PM Saturday,
 8:30 AM Sunday

Sunday Mass Times change next weekend!

Father Robert Smith 701-850-9708 robert.smith@fargodiocese.org Rectory & Parish Office: Sue Reiser—Secretary E-Mail: catholic@gra.midco.net Phone: 701-788-3234 Website: Olp-stagnes.org Reconciliation Schedule: OLP-Saturday 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM St. Agnes-before 8:30 Sunday Mass DRE– Samantha DeLong (701) 436-6143	Mass Schedule OLP Daily Mass: Tues-Thurs 9:00 AM Fri-9:30AM at Luther Memorial Home First Saturday Mass-9:00 AM Weekend Masses OLP - 5:00 PM Saturday 8:30 AM Sunday even months 10:30 AM Sunday odd months
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**Bulletin Deadline -
 Wednesdays @12:00 PM**

Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for December:
The Future of the Very Young
 That every country take the measures necessary to prioritize the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

Stewardship Moments: December 29, 2019 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
“Wives, be subordinate to your husbands...Husbands, love your wives...Children, obey your parents in everything...Fathers, do not provoke your children...” COLOSSIANS 3:18-21

Pope Francis said that families, through their life of prayer and love, become “schools of true human growth.” Being credible witnesses of Christian love, especially that of family members, exerts the most positive influence on our children. We are all children of God, let us pray and love each other as God, Our Father, does for us.

Excerpts From Pope Francis’ Christmas Homily

The grace of God has appeared

In his homily during the Mass, Pope Francis focused on the theme of God’s grace: “bringing salvation to all” and shining “on our world this night”.

The Pope described this grace as “divine love, the love that changes lives, renews history, liberates from evil, fills hearts with peace and joy”. This love is revealed to us as Jesus, he explained: “In Jesus, the Most High made Himself tiny, so that we might love Him”.

In a world where “everything seems to be about giving in order to get, God comes down freely. His love is non-negotiable”, said the Pope.

The gift of grace at Christmas

“Christmas reminds us that God continues to love us all, even the worst of us”, continued Pope Francis, because we are precious in His eyes. His love is unconditional; it does not depend on us. “How often do we think that God is good if we are good and punishes us if we are bad”, said the Pope. “Yet that is not how He is... His love does not change. It is not fickle; it is faithful. It is patient”.

“Grace is a synonym of beauty”, continued Pope Francis, and in the beauty of God’s love, “we also discover our own beauty, for we are beloved of God”. In His eyes we are beautiful, “not for what we do but for what we are”.

Accepting the gift of grace

Pope Francis continued his reflections inviting us to “contemplate the Child and let ourselves be caught up in His tender love”. At Christmas, the question is: “Do I allow myself to be loved by God? Do I abandon myself to His love that comes to save me?”

Accepting this gift of grace means “being ready to give thanks in return”, continued Pope Francis. “Today is the right day to draw near to the tabernacle, the crèche, the manger, and to say thank you. Let us receive the gift that is Jesus, in order then to become gift like Jesus. To become gift is to give meaning to life. And it is the best way to change the world”.

The gift of our lives

Jesus did not change history with a flood of words, continued the Pope, “but by the gift of His life. He did not wait until we were good before He loved us”. In the same way, we should not wait “for our neighbours to be good before we do good to them, for the Church to be perfect before we love her, for others to respect us before we serve them”. “Let us begin with ourselves”, said the Pope. “This is what it means freely to accept the gift of grace”.



OLP Religious Education Schedule

December 2019

29th-NO SUNDAY SCHOOL OR CCD

January 2020

1st-NO CCD

5th-Sunday School

8th-CCD

12th-Sunday School

15th-CCD

19th-NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

22bd –CCD

26th-Sunday School

Holy Hour Sundays: 4:00-5:00 PM

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament,
Rosary, Silent Meditation, Divine Mercy
Chaplet.**

**January 1st is a solemnity honoring Mary
the Mother of God and a Holy Day of
Obligation. It is also the World Day of
Prayer for Peace.**

**OLP Stewardship
December 22, 2019**

Adult Envelopes	\$1139.00
Children’s Envelopes	
Plate	
Votive Candles	24.00
Total - \$1163.00	

The flowers decorating our church were donated by: Jillian & Thomas Gembler-Gauderman, Greg & Allison Krieger, Mary & Tom Stocking in memory of Owen Keith Spies, Rosemary Groen in memory of Rosina Hoffarth, Otto Hoofarth, and Howard Groven, Lee & Luanne Scallon in memory of Jesse Scallon, and Rosina Kerlin in memory of all Kerlin and DiBrito deceased family members. Thank you for your donations!

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Date	Sacristan	Lector	E. Minister	Server 1 & 2	Cross	Ushers	Gifts
12/28	Pam Sedler	Cheryl Angen	Shannon Reynolds Marion Baker	Volunteers	Kylie Carpenter	Lee Scallon Mike Reynolds	Engler Family
12/29	Jerry Agnes	Peg Littlefield	Marsha Reiter Renee Sobolik	Volunteers	Dante Agnes	Ray Durkin Jim Morowski	DeLong Family
1/01	New Year’s Mass The sign-up sheet for these ministries is on the table in the gathering space.						
1/4	Pam Sedler	Jillian Gauderman	Sue Reiser Shannon Reynolds	Kade Palmer Isaiah Palmer	Maggie Palmer	Dee & Chris Engler	Kritzberger Family
1/5	Peg Littlefield	Dennis Carpenter	Jerry & Teresa Agnes	Linus Carlson Samuel Bussian	Derek Carpenter	Brad Angen Hardy DeLong	Chris & Sparkle Yeargan

DATE	DAY	CHURCH	MASS	INTENTION
12/28	SATURDAY	OLP	5:00 PM	DONOR INTENTION
12/29	SUNDAY	OLP ST. AGNES	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	PRO POPULO FATHER’S INTENTION
12/30	MONDAY	OLP	No MASS	
12/31	TUES	OLP	9:00 AM	DONOR INTENTION
12/31	TUES	ST AGNES	4:00 PM	SOLEMNITY OF MARY VIGIL-DONOR INT.
1/01	WED	OLP	10:00 AM	SOLEMNITY OF MARY PRO POPULO
1/02	THURS	OLP	9:00 AM	DONOR INTENTION
1/03	FRIDAY	LMH	9:30 AM	DONOR INTENTION
1/04	SATURDAY	OLP	9:00 AM	FIRST SATURDAY DONOR INTENTION
1/04	SATURDAY	OLP	5:00 PM	DONOR INTENTION
1/05	SUNDAY	ST AGNES OLP	8:30 AM 10:30 AM	PRO POPULO DONOR INTENTION

Vitalant Blood Drive: With the help of DeeDee, Deb, Stacie, Sue, Mary and Pam, we had a very successful Blood Drive. *Vitalant collected our goal of units plus another 25%! Thank you* from those who will receive this blood and myself for your work.

Marion Baker, Coordinator

Divorced, Separated, Widowed! Consider Beginning Experience (BE) – a Peer Group offering hope and support by listening, accompanying and healing. BE has a pre-Weekend weekly support program called “Coping with Life Alone”. We would like to get this program established in Grand Forks. We have scheduled an information meeting on Monday, January 20, 2020 at 7:00 PM in the basement of St. Michael Catholic Church, 524 5 Ave N. At this meeting we hope to learn if there is sufficient interest to establish this program in Grand Forks. We would also invite recent graduates of the BE weekend who may be interested in assisting the program by facilitating or other volunteer work. Beginning Experience though its origin is from the Catholic Church has from the start been open to persons of any faith. For more information on BE see the Web sites: “beginningexperience.org” or www.beginningexperience-easternnd.org. You can text me, Monsignor Daniel Pilon at 701-361-2051 or email daniel.pilon@fargodiocese.org.

