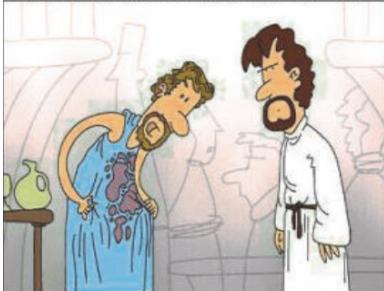


Week of Prayer
for
**Christian
Unity**

We pray that there will be one faith, one baptism, one Eucharist, & one LORD of us all, & division will cease. As Christ intended from the beginning.

January 18-25

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(See John 2:1-11) 10-05-2012
IS THERE ANY CHANCE YOU COULD TURN JUST A LITTLE BIT OF THAT WINE BACK INTO WATER?

**GOD FORMED US
SIN DEFORMED US
JESUS CAN
TRANSFORM US**

Jesus Is About the Business of Saving Souls

In today's gospel, our blessed Mother, Mary, has a dilemma. She can allow the bridegroom to suffer great embarrassment when the wine runs out or she can talk to Jesus and do something about it. At first, it appears that Jesus doesn't want to get involved. But then He transforms the water into wine and the reception is saved. We are often faced with dilemmas. What do we say to a friend who confides she is pregnant and doesn't want to be? How do we respond when we see someone being treated unfairly because of race or gender? What do we do when we hear of someone who doesn't have enough to eat or a place to live? Our first inclination may be to not get involved, to just "let nature take its course". But as Christians, that is not the right choice. Each of us has been endowed with unique gifts from God. It is our duty to use these gifts to serve others and to benefit the community in which we live. But it can be difficult to do this on our own. Like our blessed Mother, Mary, in today's gospel, we need to go to Jesus and ask Him to do a transformation. He can help us put aside our hesitancy to get involved and our fear of advocating for those who may need our support. If we only ask, Jesus can transform us from bystanders to active participants in doing the will of God.



"-God is looking for you, even if you do not seek Him.
-God loves you, even if you forget Him.
-God sees beauty in you, even if you think you have squandered all your talents in vain." - Pope Francis

Bishop Folda will be hosting an Operation Andrew Dinner on Sat., Feb. 2nd from 6 PM to 8 PM at the St. Philip Neri Rectory.

All men 16 years of age & older who are open to the possibility of the priesthood are invited to attend this evening meal & social. If you are interested, please notify Fr. Pfeifer

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church



2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

"There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there, Jesus and his disciples were also invited to the wedding. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." - Jn. 2:1-3

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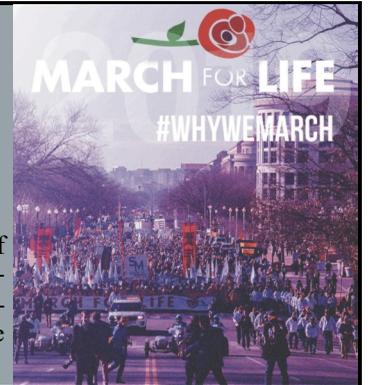
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#Respect Life Sunday

We invite you to join in prayer:
Sunday, Jan. 20th at 3 PM
Holy Hour of Prayer & Eucharistic Adoration for the UNBORN in the church
With the Divine Mercy Chaplet
We have all been wounded by this evil of abortion, whether it be a co-worker, a neighbor, a friend, a relative, or even a grandchild. Millions of lives & classrooms have been destroyed by this bloodshed.



Confessions: 1/2 hr before every Mass, 1 hour before Saturday Mass, OR by appointment.

Weddings: Contact Fr. Pfeifer at least 6 months prior.

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Pfeifer before Godparents are chosen.

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If you or a loved one are hospitalized, please let Father know if you want a visit or to be anointed.

**January 20, 2019
2nd Sunday of OT**

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| Mon., Jan. 21.....7 PM +Geraldine Kuntz by Michael & Yvonne Kuntz |
| Tues. Jan. 22.....7 PM +Joe G. Gross by Mary Ann Gross & Family |
| Wed., Jan. 23..... 8 AM +Joe & +Elizabeth Braun by Tony & Barb Braun |
| Thu., Jan. 24.....8 AM +Kenny Fettig by Nick & Kelly Breidenbach Family |
| Fri., Jan. 25.....8 AM +Peter J. Horner by Rose Horner & Family |
| Sat., Jan. 26.....5 PM +Peter & +Barbara Kuntz by Frances Becker & Family |
| Sun., Jan. 27.....10 AM Our Parishioners |
| Sun., Jan. 27 Care Center 8:45 AM +Agnes Holmes by Wilma Gross Helper: Lila Wirt |

Prayer Chain: In need of prayers? Contact Janet at 754-2295
41 members of our parish are available & willing to pray for you & your intention

 **Rosary 25 minutes before all weekend & daily masses.**

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 5:30 AM Thursday until midnight Friday.

Stewardship of Treasure
Adults: \$2,568.75
Children: \$170.27

Parish Announcements

St. Philip Neri extends condolences to **Yikalo Breidenbach** on the death of his biological mother, **Birhan Kidanu**, who passed away this week in Ethiopia. There will be a memorial service on Mon., Jan. 21st at 11 AM in the church. May her soul & the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Day of Prayer & Fasting

This Tuesday, Jan. 22nd is the 46th anniversary of the court case *Roe vs. Wade* that legalized abortion in America. The United States Bishops have asked that we **pray & fast** on Tuesday for the sanctity & respect of human life from conception until natural death.



K of C Right to Life Bingo

January 20th at 7pm in the social hall.



Week of Prayer for Christian Unity – Jan. 18 to 25

Prayer is the key that unlocks all doors – be prayer warriors during this week of Christian Unity. When Christ began the Church there was one church, and today in America there are over 40,000 different denominations that call themselves Christians. Our prayers are needed to heal these fractures and divisions in the Body of Christ

Need Holy Communion brought to you at home? If you are unable to attend Mass because you no longer are able to drive, or have had or will be having surgery? We would be happy to bring Holy Communion to you at your home. Contact Deacon Gary at 754-2579.

Milestone Wedding Anniversaries in 2019

Are you having a special wedding anniversary this year? We will once again have a special Mass & meal to honor our married couples who are celebrating 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, 65, 70 & 75 years of marriage on Sunday, October 20th. As a parish, we wish to publicly acknowledge your commitment to one another through your marriage vows and celebrate with you and your immediate family. If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries, please call the office or fill out this form and drop it in the collection basket. We will send out a personal invitation when it gets closer to the event.

Milestone Anniversary Celebration Sunday, October 20, 2019 at 10 AM
Please fill in & return this to the parish office or drop it in the collection.

First & Last Name: _____

Email address: _____

Date of Marriage: _____ **Years of marriage** _____

Mark your Calendars & get your tickets today:

St. Philip Neri Wine & Dine & Games

Saturday, February 9th - 6 PM to 8 PM in the Social Hall

Menu: Steak & Shrimp, Garden Salad, Baked Potato, Cole-slaw, Cheesecake, Champagne at 6 PM & a glass of wine with each course of the meal starting at 6:30 PM!

Your meal will be served to you! 96 tickets available at \$40 a plate. Pick up your ticket after mass or in the office. **Advanced tickets only! Come and win prizes all night long!**



Blessings to all in this New Year! - Are you taking an assessment of your current faith life? Remember to focus on the progress you have made, not only on things you believe are yet to be done. Holiness does not mean perfection, it means being set apart for God. Do you try to carve out time for prayer & adoration? You are setting yourself apart from other tasks, even important tasks that you could be doing. Many thanks & blessings to those who are currently committed to Eucharistic Adoration throughout the year. All committed adorers either pray during their hour(s) or find a substitute to take their place. There are still many substitutes needed for the winter months.

Great Adventure Bible Timeline next class: Mon., January 21st after the 7 PM Mass in the social hall. Read: Luke 19:28-24,53

2018 Contribution Statements have been sent out this past week. If you did not receive one in the mail, or if you have questions, please call the office at 754-2860 & speak to Emily who works on Tues., Thurs., & Fri. Thank you for your generosity to our parish & our mission.

Peter's Pence Collection will be taken up this weekend. This special collection is taken up by all parishes in our diocese. It enables the Holy Father, Pope Francis, to respond with emergency financial assistance in aid of the most needy throughout the world. This can include those who are suffering as a result of war, oppression, & natural disasters. Please be generous.

Will and Estate Planning – Tues., Jan. 29 - For all those who are planning to create a will or simply update the one you already have, this seminar may be for you. Steve Schons, Director of Stewardship and Development for the Diocese of Fargo, will be on-hand to provide some helpful tips. He will cover the key elements of a will, explanation of terminology, & a booklet to get you started with organization. The meeting will be in the Social Hall at 7:30 p.m.

Please do your family & loved one's a favor! Take the time to make a will, or review & update your current will. Many families are divided at the time of death, & you can save them the heartache & pain. Please remember a gift to your parish or the parish endowment fund in your will & estate planning.

 **St. Philip Neri Catholic Church**

Saturday, January 26th

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Phyllis Johnson |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Liz Moch |
| <u>Lectors</u> | McKenzie Haas, Paul Haegele |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Chuck & Sue Wald; Jeff Schneider Family |
| <u>Servers</u> | Carter Haas, Darissa Becker, Hunter Grenz |
| <u>EMHC</u> | Helen Braun, Paul Haegele, Jenny Weigel |

Sunday, January 27th

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| <u>Sacristan</u> | Janet Dewald |
| <u>Rosary</u> | Connie Weigel |
| <u>Lectors</u> | Brooks Becker, Anita Fettig |
| <u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u> | Mitch Leier Family; Randy Weigel Family |
| <u>Servers</u> | Blaise Bitz, Peyton Grunefelder, Jada Schwartz, Jazlyn Weigel, Brandi Weigel |
| <u>EMHC</u> | Mary Schwartz, Amber Fettig, Char Young |