God Makes All Things New

Spring is a time of rebirth. Seeds that have been dormant through the winter are sprouting. In the animal world, babies are being born. Today's readings are all about new creations.

In the first reading, the apostles report that God worked through them to welcome Gentiles into the Christian community. Their old exclusivity was abandoned for something new and more powerful. The second reading speaks of how God offers us a new heaven and new earth for all eternity. The frailties and challenges of our human existence will no longer exist. We will dwell with God in a glorious new way. There will be no limitations to our joy.

The gospel also describes a new creation: a different, better way of living. Jesus gives us a new commandment to "love one another". With these words, He empowers us to change this world for the better. We can become active participants in God's plan for us as we move from selfish to selfless. God will work through us to spread His message to others. He gives us the opportunity to be part of a new, more powerful way of life.

Points to Ponder

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another." (John 13:34)

Jesus' commandment to love another is a challenge. What will you do this week to deepen the love you have for those around you in life?

The world is full of examples of people who don't love others. What are the results of hate that you see in the world? How would the world be different if we followed Jesus' commandment?

PRAYER FOR GRADUATES

Heavenly Father,
Surround those who are graduating with your grace.
Bless them with hope so that they move into the future with eager and open hearts.
Help them to put the knowledge, skills, and insights gained through their education to use for the good of all humankind.
Inspire them to believe in the goodness of life even when faced with challenges and difficulties.
As they commence with their lives, may they grow ever more grateful and wise.
All of this we ask in the name of Jesus, your beloved Son. Amen.

2nd ANNUAL Rural Life Celebration:

Please join Bishop Folda on Sunday, June 23, 2019 at Hiladore and Pauline Osowski's Farm near Grafton for a meal at 12:30 PM, followed by the blessing of the land, animals, and farm machinery at 1:30 PM. Mass will be celebrated at 2 PM, and entertainment will follow. For directions to the farm and for more information visit www.fargodiocese.org/rural-life. Please RSVP for the meal by June 17th to Tamara at: (701) 356-7950. Remember to bring a lawn chair or blanket to sit on. You may also bring a container of soil from your fields or garden to be blessed. This event is **FREE**.

Traveling this summer?
Check out masstimes.org.
Don't forget to include the Lord in your vacation destination

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church

5th SUNDAY of Easter

When in your life have you needed to make a conscious decision to act out of love? What helped you make this decision?

We celebrate with our **Confirmation/First Communion students** who are now fully initiated into our parish community. Join us after Mass on Sun. morning for cake & coffee. May God's blessings abound in their lives as they witness to Christ, the Lord. A special thank you to Fr. Pfeifer & Dcn. Allen for preparing us!

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, May 25th
Napoleon - 4 PM Confessions; 5 PM Mass
Wishek - 7 PM Confessions; 7:30 PM Mass

Sunday, May 26th
Zeeland - 7:30 AM Confessions; 8 AM Mass
Care Center - 8:45 AM Communion Service led by the deacons for the residents, *does not fulfill Sunday obligation for those who can & are able to make it to Mass*
Napoleon - 10 AM Mass
***Sunday morning Confessions in Napoleon may or may not happen depending upon travel time.

Class of 2019 would like to thank all who helped and assisted with our Baccalaureate Mass and brunch last weekend. To Fr. Pfeifer, the deacons, the musicians, the Junior Class parents and students who served the meal, & to Caitlin Becker for speaking.

WORSHIP

Weekday Masses:
Mon & Tues: 7 PM
Wed, Thur & Fri: 8 AM
First Sat: 9 AM

WEEKEND MASSES:
Sat 5 PM (Oct – Apr)
Sat 8 PM (May – Sept)
Sun 8:45 Care Center
Sun 10 AM

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SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation: 1/2 hr before every Mass, 1 hour before Saturday Evening Mass, OR by appointment.
Marriage: Contact Fr. Pfeifer at least 6 months prior to wedding date.
Baptism: Contact Fr. Pfeifer before the child is born.

Anointing of the Sick: If you or a loved one is hospitalized, or before surgery contact Fr. for a visit.

May 19, 2019
Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mon., May 20.....7 PM
+Joe G. Gross by Mary Ann Gross & Family

Tues., May 21.....7 PM
+Alois Vetter by Irene Kuhn

Wed., May 22.....8 AM
+Bernhard & +Katie Weigel (Death 5/22) by The Family

Thu., May 23.....8 AM
+Mathew Neumiller by Paul & Shauna Bitz Family

Fri., May 24.....8 AM
+Veronica Schmidt by Willie & Donna Bitz

Fri., May 24…Care Center 9 AM
+Cindy Doll by Jim & Ruby Hilzendeger

Helper: Lorraine Reis

Sat., May 25.....5 PM
+Andy (Birth & Wedd Anni) & +Agnes Gross by Janet Dewald & Family

Sun., May 26.....10 AM
Our Living & Deceased Parishioners

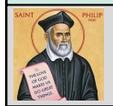
Sun., May 26.....Care Center 8:45 AM
Communion Service; Does not fulfill Sunday Mass obligation

Prayer Chain: For prayers? Contact Janet at 754-2295
41 members of our parish are available to pray for you!

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

Stewardship of Treasure
Adults: $2,273.93
Children: $141.22

Olive Wood Products – this weekend we welcome the Catholic Families from Bethlehem who are asking us to purchase their products & support their families in the Holy Land. Browse the front entrance of the church after Mass. These make great gift ideas.



St. Philip Neri Feast Day Sunday May 26th
We will have a chili feed after the 10 AM Mass.
Come join in the party!

The next **Young Adults Gathering** will be on Friday, June 7th at the Randy & Cindy Weigel home (1890 Highway 34 Kintyre, ND 58549). It will begin with social at 7:15 p.m., a speaker at 8:00 p.m., & further social time afterwards. Our guest speaker will be Reed Ruggles. Free daycare will be offered, please RSVP to 754-2925 prior to June 6th. For more information, contact Sheldon & Angie Gerhardt at 754-2925 or Fr. Neil Pfeifer at 754-2860.

K of C Meeting Tuesday May 28th @ 8 PM **note change of day

All Parishioners of St. Philip Neri are invited to the ordination Mass.

This Summer we will again have among us a Seminarian Intern. Deacon Riley Durkin who is from Inkster, ND has finished his 3rd year of Theology at St. Paul Seminary in St. Paul, MN this spring. Deacon Riley will be with our parishes, under the direction of Fr. Pfeifer, for eight weeks beginning June 3rd.

Rogation Days May 27th - 29th. 6:35 PM Rosary, 7 PM Mass

Monday, May 27th
Blessing of soil after Mass & Litany of the Saints. Bring some of your soil to be blessed and spread in every field, or over your land, garden, or pasture.

Tuesday, May 28th
Blessing of seeds after Mass & Litany of St. Isadore, Patron Saint of Farmers. Bring some of your seeds to be blessed & use them to plant your fields & gardens.

Wednesday, May 29th
After Mass there will be a *Litany of the Saints & a Eucharistic Procession* around the block as we pray for: **1.** Protection against winds, storms & hail. **2.** Adequate moisture **3.** A bountiful harvest.

Call Father if you want your farm blessed

Two Summer Opportunities for students to grow spiritually

1. The Young Disciples will be here again this year on June 24th – 28th. This camp is for who have completed grades K through 6 or are going into grades 1 to 7 and it will be run by the Diocese of Fargo. Each day of camp will include daily Mass, large group rosary, prayer times, classroom activities, large group activities, skits, music, & games. The cost is **FREE**, but you must pack your own lunches. The camp runs daily from Monday through Friday from 9 AM to 3 PM with daily Mass at 2:15 PM. Please bring and invite your friends even if they are not Catholic, they are welcome to join us!

2. Trinity Youth Camp. TYC is for Catholic Youth entering grades 4–8. "Who Do You Say That I am?" is our theme & we invite you to join us as we explore how our words & actions can show others who Christ is today. Register now for a great Catholic camping experience at one of 3 locations! More info and registration can be found on our NEW website: trinityyouthcampnd.com.

Dates and Locations for 2019:
June 19-23 Red Willow, Binford, ND
July 10-14 Pelican Lake, Bottineau, ND
July 17-21 Camp of the Cross, Garrison, ND
July 24-28 Pelican Lake, Bottineau, ND

Mother-Daughter Days with the Franciscan Sisters of Dillingen. Join the Sisters on retreat June 27, 28, 29 at the St. Francis Retreat Center, 102 6th St. SE, Hankinson. This is an opportunity for mothers and their daughters to spend cherished time together, grow in their faith, and have some fun. Register before June 20 by email: ndfranciscan@yahoo.com or text 701-208-1245.

We want to thank **Jamison Fettig** for completing the criteria for our senior graduate altar server scholarship. Jamison has served the Lord's altar faithfully, and we are grateful for his service.

Altar server training sessions on Tues. May 21st after the 7 PM Mass, & on Sun., June 2nd after the 10 AM Mass. Anyone wanting to learn how to serve the altar, come to one of these trainings.

Adult Children of Alcoholics/ Dysfunctional Families (ACA), a 12 step recovery group. Meetings are weekly on Thursdays at 8 pm in the St. Michael room. Open to all interested in learning and healing.

Please join our new **Women's Intercessory Prayer Group** starting on Wed. May 29th after the 8 AM Mass, 8:30-9:30 AM in the St. Michael Room. Gather to pray, encourage, and worship with others.

Roof Update!!
A few parishioners have been wondering where we are at with our roof status. Right now, we are still collecting bids. Until we find a reasonable bid, we will hold tight on our end of things.

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Saturday, May 25th

Sacristan	Dawn Becker
Rosary	Liz Moch
Lectors	McKenzie Haas Sue Wald
Ushers/ Gift Bearers	C. Christofferson Family; John & Sally Johs
Servers	Darissa Becker Charmaine Haas Hunter Haas
EMHC	Jess Grenz Rick Regner Jenny Weigel

Sunday, May 26th

Sacristan	Anita Fettig
Rosary	Danny Schmidt
Lectors	Tom Gross Nick Breidenbach
Ushers/ Gift Bearers	J. & C. Schwartzenberger; Randy Weigel Family
Servers	Carter Bitz Riley Dewald Peyton Grunefelder Elodie Kuhn Jackson Piatz
EMHC	Stephanie M. Becker Jim Fettig Bridget Piatz

Annulments - Questions about divorce & remarriage? Contact Fr. Pfeifer

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