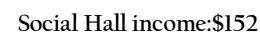




Lent 3B, Mar 3, 2024





## OUR PARISH LENTEN MISSION. TUE-MANTADOR; WED-MOORETON:

Exposition of Bl Sacrament 5:30 pm  
with Stations of the Cross;  
Mass at 6pm; Simple, single dish meal,  
6:30pm While we eat, we'll watch *The Chosen*.



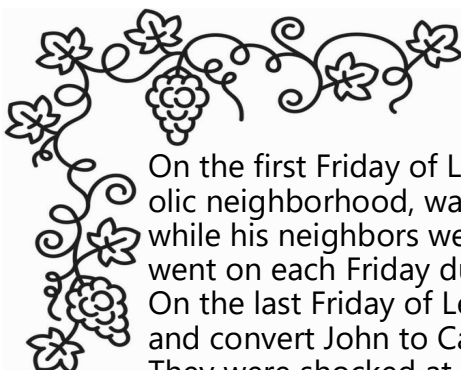
**Episode 2 I Saw You.** A mysterious visitor seeks to meet Jesus, but the disciples are hesitant. Tension builds between Simon and Matthew. Jesus' fame continues to grow. And **Episode 3 Matthew 4:24.** A long, exhausting day turns into night as the disciples help Jesus deal with a large crowd hoping to be healed. Around the campfire, the group tries to get to know each other better, but tensions erupt.

**Episode 4 The Perfect Opportunity.** As Jesus and the disciples head to Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Tabernacles, a new enemy follows them, while a familiar enemy awaits.

Spring is the season when life is renewed. One important way to help renew life is to give blood. Join us at the MOORETON COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE on Wed, March 6 at St. Anthony Church, 4:30pm to 7:15pm. To make an appointment, contact Bailey at 701-361-2142 or online at [donors.vitalant.org](http://donors.vitalant.org) – blood drive code: Mooreton.



## DECLUTTER DURING LENT



On the first Friday of Lent, John Smith, the only Lutheran in the Catholic neighborhood, was outside grilling a big juicy steak on his grill while his neighbors were eating cold tuna salad sandwiches. This went on each Friday during Lent.

On the last Friday of Lent the neighborhood guys got together to try and convert John to Catholicism and stop this terrible temptation. They were shocked at how easy it was to get John to turn.

At the Easter Vigil, the priest sprinkled him with water, saying, "Born a Lutheran, raised a Lutheran, today you're Catholic." The men embraced John, relieved that their biggest Lenten temptation was gone. Next year, Lent rolls around, and at supper time Friday evening, the scent of a juicy ribeye on the grill finds the nose of John's neighbors. What the heck???

They guys gathered and marched over to John's just in time to see the grillmaster John standing over the steak with a bowl of water. The meat sizzled as he sprinkled it. As the smoke rose, the neighbors could hear John in solemn tones, "You were born a cow, you were raised a cow, and now you are a fish."

### Married Couple's Retreat

by Deacon Ben and Jennine Seitz.

**"I Am" - God's Plan  
for Life and Love  
from the Gospel of St. John,  
Franciscan Retreat Center,  
Hankinson, ND, Apr 5-7.**

We're *all* being called to a simpler lifestyle. Stuff is a burden. At no point in History did people own the amount of things that we do today without having help in the home. If you were poor, you had 2 dresses- your regular dress & Sunday dress; if you had tons of clothes, they were cleaned and maintained by servants. This era of "stuff" with no help in the home is uncharted territory. It's why we see so much struggling. What is God calling us to do? How many people say, "We couldn't possibly move again, it's such a hassle." Or "How can I do a service project, my own house is in need of so much attention?" When we're free of our earthly burdens, we're more ready for whatever God wants us to do. Who hears the call that it's time to clean house?

**Church Cleanup**

**Keeping God's House Beautiful, February**

**Sts PP:** \*Marietta Pellman, Denise Hejtmanek, Pam Foertsch

**St A:** Gary & Audrey Anandel, Curt & Sue Berg, Richard & Cindy Spellerberg, \*Todd & Caryn Klosterman, Don & Claire Jo Althoff, Joe & Dawn Storbakken, Vance & Kristi Wagner

# Stuff

### THIS WEEK'S CELEBRATIONS:

David Foertsch. Shirley Schultz, Kennedy Flaa, Grace Wolf, Raina Reiland, Don Althoff



**Robert & Sheree Foertsch,  
Dale & Cindie Althoff**



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

MAR 2-3, TURN IN SEAFOOD ORDER FORMS  
MAR 24, PALM SUNDAY [NOTE: MASS TIMES SWITCHED]  
MAR 30, EASTER VIGIL, MOORETON, 8:00 PM  
MAR 31, EASTER MORNING, MANTADOR, 8:30 AM;  
MOORETON, 10:30 AM.