PASTORS'S NOTES: Last week we heard how the Lord lifts up the poor, and that we are to use this world's wealth that is passing (dishonest wealth) to make friends with God and the needy in order that "when it fails, you will be welcomed into eternal dwellings" (Luke 16:9). True wealth is friendship with eternal beings, human beings and of course God who was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. We hear from Amos about the complacent who are "stretched comfortably on their couches" and "eat lambs from their flock, and calves from their stall" (Amos 6:40). Remember that, then and now, the majority of people in the world cannot have meat every day. The problem is that they "are not made ill by the collapse of Joseph" (6:b)! Joseph was sold into slavery by his brothers and unfairly landed in prison in Egypt. Amos warned for all time that if you are unconcerned about the poor there will be eternal consequences. In today's gospel Jesus himself warns about indifference to "the poor one" in the story of the Rich Man and Lazarus. One interesting point is that the Rich Man has no name, but the poor one is named by God, "Lazarus," God is a friend of the poor and knows Lazarus by name. We have heard so much lately from Luke's gospel about our use of this world's wealth. Remember the guy who has a big harvest and decides to rest, eat, drink and be merry and God calls him a fool on the very day he is going to die (Luke chapter 12). Now Jesus takes us beyond the veil of death and exposes for us what will happen to those who ignore the poor. If you can find a clearer picture behind the veil of death then Lazarus and Rich man (and Matthew 25:31ff), please let me know. As your pastor I suggest that you budget something for the truly poor. You can start with the special collections the bishop asks for. I say this for your own good because we have seen beyond the veil that is death and the torment that awaits those who ignore the poor. Fr Tim

PERU TRIP: Julie Dolbec will be here on Wednesday, October 1st at 7:00 PM to discuss our upcoming trip with Friends of Chimbote to Peru. The trip will take place the beginning of June, 2026. Please join us if you are interested in learning more about this mission trip. Youth grades 7-12 will attend the presentation during their regular class time. If you'd like more information, please contact Monica @ 701-308-0190

MISSION STATEMENT: "St. Charles Parish exists to invite people into encounters with Jesus Christ and lead them to fullness of life in Him. What we do as a community of disciples; We pray, celebrate, work, learn, and grow."

TEEN LIFE & JR. HIGH:

Wednesday, Oct. 1: Class – 7:00 PM

READINGS AND MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4 (141C) 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Luke 17:5-10

Saturday, Oct. 4th at 5:30 PM – St. Charles

Intention: +Joe Mendoza
Donor: G/M Iverson

Greet/Usher: Jeanie Pahl; R/N Maddock

Proclaimer: Dennis Forward **EEM:** Janice Frojen, Jeanie Pahl

Altar Servers:

Sunday, Oct. 5th at 8:30 AM – St. Charles

Intention: +Bernie Quandt Donor: L/J Andersen

Greet/Usher: Tim & Karen Forward Bob & Judy German

Proclaimers: Krista Dobitz, Robert Thorpe **EEM:** Betty Kelly, Kathy Warren, Erica Thorpe

Altar Servers:

Sunday, Oct. 5th at 11:00 AM – St. Mary's

Intention: For the People

Donor:

Proclaimer: Karen Nelson **EEM:** David & Angie Bergeman **Greet/Usher:** Mark & Jean Bopp

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26th Sunday in Ordinary Time September 27 & 28, 2025

Pastor: Rev Timothy Schroeder; Cell Phone: 701-520-0838 (Masses @ St. Charles Livestreamed on YouTube; link found on our website above)

St. Charles **5:30 PM Saturday** Mass Intention: +Mary Ann Alcorn
St. Charles **8:30 AM Sunday** Mass Intention: +Jim & +Madeline Maddock
St. Mary's **11:00 AM Sunday** Mass Intention: For the People

THIS WEEK							
Day, Date	Time	Event and Location	Mass Intentions, Donors and Notes				
Mon. 9/29							
	6 – 7 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament				
Tues. 9/30 10:00 AM Keith Bymers Funeral Ma		Keith Bymers Funeral Mass					
	6-7:30 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament				
Wed. 10/1	8:30 AM	NO Mass @ Hospital	Fr. Tim at Presbyterate Days				
	3:00 PM	NO Mass @ St. Mary's	11				
	5 – 9 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament				
Thurs., 10/2	8:30 AM	Mass @ St. Charles	+Robert Hanson – R/J Conner				
	4:30 PM	Mass @ Manor					
Fri., 10/3	10:00 AM	Mass @ 4 Seasons in Forman	+Raye Vculek – Her Family				
Sat., 10/4	5:00 PM	Confessions @ St. Charles					
	5:30 PM	Vigil Mass @ St. Charles	+Joe Mendoza – G/M Iverson				
Sun., 10/5		FALL/WINTER MASS SCHEDULE					
	8:00 AM	Confessions @ St. Charles					
	8:30 AM	Sun. Mass @ St. Charles	+Bernie Quandt – L/J Andersen				
	10:45 AM	Confessions @ St. Mary's					
	11:00 AM	Sun. Mass @ St. Mary's	For the People				

Baptism: Contact Fr. Tim

Confirmation: As scheduled through Faith Formation Program

First Holy Communion: As scheduled through Faith Formation Program

Confession: As noted on schedule above, or anytime by appointment; contact Fr. Tim

Anointing of the Sick: Upon request; contact Fr. Tim **Marriage**: Contact Fr. Tim at least 6 months in advance

Holy Orders: Contact Fr. Tim

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA): Contact Fr. Tim

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Mary's Contacts:

Office Phone: 701-724-3319

Office Hours: Wed. or Fri.; (Fr. Tim: 520-0838)

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95th BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION honoring Lois Breker on Saturday, October 18th. Open House from 2:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Coteau Des Prairie Lodge, Havana, ND. All are invited!

ON MISSION THIS WEEK: Be merciful, like Jesus. Choose to forgive instead of holding a grudge. Give others the benefit of the doubt. Be sensitive to the needs of others. Put others' needs ahead of your wants and needs.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: September 28th

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established..." LUKE 16:25-26

When God created the world He declared that it was good and He gave it to all mankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little, or we may find ourselves on the wrong side of the chasm in the next life.

IF YOU ARE "NEW IN THE PEW": We welcome you to St. Charles! We also invite you to become a registered member. Please introduce yourself to Fr. Tim or one of the ushers and they can give you a registration card and assist you in filling it out.

RETURNING COLLEGE STUDENTS: If you have recently moved back to Oakes after college, we encourage you to fill out a registration form, as an adult member of St. Charles! Member registration cards may be given to Fr. Tim or one of the ushers, or left at the parish office.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES: If you have not seen your Birthday or Anniversary in the following column, and would like it published, please contact Jane by email @ ljand@drtel.net or text @ 210-0032.

BIRTHDAYS AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

Sept. 28 Peter Baasch, Daniel Baasch

Sept. 29 Barb Erlandson Sept. 30 Miles Roney

Oct. 2 Brysen Awender, Matt Handt

Xavier Courtney
Oct. 3 Vivienne Courtney

Oct. 4 Janet Retzlaff

ANNIVERSARIES AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

Sept. 27 Pat & Kathy Roney ('97)

Oct. 1 Terry and Melisa Roehrich ('94)
Tanner & Brianna Zetocha ('16)

Oct. 3 Jeff and Mary Beth Meehl ('98)

ST. CHARLES FINANCES Envelope amount last week \$4,605.00 Other receipts last weekend: Plate..... 182.00 Renewal Project..... 155.00 Rib Feast & Fall Festival..... 500.00 Candles..... 5.00 VBS Shared Expenses w/Grace Lutheran 933.79 Mass Stipends..... 110.00 **RENEWAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:** 1st Campaign Goal: \$750,000 Miracle Goal: \$1,500,000 Pledged & gifted \$1,371,014 182% Families who have contributed: 85%

DESIGNER GENES Walk for Down Syndrome, **NEXT** Saturday, Oct. 4th @ St. Charles. 9:00 AM - Registration; 9:30 AM - Walk begins; Light Breakfast & Brief Program – 10:30 AM. You may register by using the QR code on the poster on the bulletin board.

HEROS OF HOPE EVENING; sponsored by the Stronger Together Foundation, will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 30th, at Drop Tine Lodge in Oakes. All cancer survivors and caregivers are welcome to attend this special evening of speakers, music, and fellowship! Please RSVP to Vickie Kelly @ 710-0152.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

WEDNESDAY CLASS TIME is 5:00 - 6:00 PM

THIS WEEK, Oct. 8: Class – Grades PK-6 NEXT WEEK, Oct 15: NO Class – Grades PK-6

COLLECTION FOR GAZA: October 4th & 5th

Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions. The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that "Gaza is starving". Please consider a donation that will be used by our international Catholic organizations Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA) and Catholic Relief Services (CRS) that are working to provide food, shelter, and care.

WITNESS TO YOUR CATHOLIC FAITH! It's not too

late to attend! Adults who want to learn about the Catholic faith, or who are considering becoming Catholic, are invited to participate in our weekly classes for adults at 7:00 PM in the St. Francis room. Share this invitation! Call Fr. Tim @ 520-0838 to sign up.

LIVING ROSARY: For 31 days, pray a decade a day of the living rosary. Pray the decade on your own, at your convenience, anytime, anyplace! Starts October 1st. Sign up to participate by calling Cindy at 701–710–0021 before September 26.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: Sept. 24th - Nov.2nd.

40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life campaign with a vision to access God's power through prayer, fasting and peaceful vigil to end abortion. The campaign missions to bring together the body of Christ in a spirit of unity during a focused 40 days of peaceful activism with the purpose of repentance, to seek God's favor to turn hearts and minds from a culture of death to a culture of life.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE DIAPER SHOWER:

Sept 24-Nov 2; you may drop off diapers in the Narthex. This Supports the Women's Health clinic in Fargo. Thank you in advance!

WHITE CROSS PROJECT: White crosses are placed on the lawn in front of St. Charles to raise awareness of abortion. We continue to strive to save more lives. Supporting life until natural death.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH EXPOSITION

Stop in to visit Jesus at any of these times.

Committed adorers will be present as listed;

Monday: 6:00-7:00 PM; Tuesday: 6:00-7:30 PM;

Wednesday: 5:00-9:00 PM

CATHOLIC CHARITIES WEEKEND is THIS weekend! Please join us in your parish, or online to celebrate Catholic Charities Sunday! Thanks to your generous support, Catholic Charities assists thousands of individuals, couples & families all across ND through these services: Adult Adopting Special Kids; Counseling Services for individuals, couples & families; Guardianship Services – Vulnerable; ND Post Adopt Network; Pregnancy, Parenting & Adoption Services. A video is available at www.CatholicCharitiesND.org and on Facebook. Questions? Call 701-289-2549 or Email info@catholiccharitiesnd.org.

The next SEARCH Retreat is coming up fast!

SEARCH for Christian Maturity is a peer-to-peer ministry, allowing youth (ages 16 and 17) along with young adults (ages 18 and older) to minister to youth and young adults. SEARCH is a way to help you on your journey to discover God, yourself, and a Christian community. This is a time to experience a loving, supportive community of young people who want to learn and experience a closer relationship with God and with others. The next SEARCH weekend is Oct. 31-Nov. 2 @ Maryvale. Think, talk, question & wonder about the joys and struggles of faith in everyday life.

See more information, view dates and sign up at: https://fargodiocese.net/search4cm

THE INTERNATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE of OUR LADY OF FATIMA Tour of Peace 2025, will be in the Diocese of Fargo from October 1-13; with the closest location to us, being at St. Helena's Catholic church, in Ellendale on the weekend of October 11 & 12. Check the diocesan website for other locations.

ST. ARNOLD'S CHILI & PIE SUPPER is scheduled for Wednesday, Oct. 8th from 5:00-7:00 PM in Milnor. Family dining in social hall or take out meals available!