

PASTORS'S NOTES: "By your perseverance you will secure your lives." Jesus has a warning about the end times in Luke Chapter 21. We are getting closer to the end of Luke and as in all the gospels, warnings about the end times occur. This coincides with the end of the church year as well. The prophet Malachi uses an image of the evil doers being like stubble, and fire will come and burn them up, "But for you who fear my name, there will arise the sun of justice with its healing rays." (3:20a) Sometimes people get caught up in predicting the end of the world. They think that they have the secret code. Jesus himself says that not even he knew the day or the hour of the end of the world (Matthew 24:36, Mark 13:32-36). Although Jesus is fully God, he is also fully human and thus gave up being "all knowing" for a time in his humanness. The truth that Jesus has two fully distinct natures, human and divine, is called the hypostatic union. If Jesus himself says that he does not know about the end, we should avoid trying to predict the end of the world. I think the more important reality is that we know we are all going to die and that will be the end of our earthly journey. Now is the time when we can make just decisions that affect our eternity. The psalm says that the Lord comes to rule the earth with justice. God is concerned with justice. Sometimes God's justice is difficult to understand. Why do some people receive so much in the way of intelligence and health? Why are some people born in a time of peace or a part of the world that gives them such a better chance to be prosperous. Jesus tells parables about a king giving different sums to his servants and he expects them to use what they have been given for the king, not just for themselves. Grow rich in what matters to God and not for yourself (see the "rich fool" Luke 12:13-21). To use what we have been given for God and God's concerns is called stewardship, and it is God's justice. We are permitted to be part of making the world fairer. The final judgment scenes in Matthew 25 and Luke 16 (Lazarus and the Rich man) are all about how we treat the lowly. We have nothing to say about the end of the world, but what we say and do will have a huge impact on our end when we are judged. Fr Tim

PERU TRIP: The trip will take place the beginning of June, 2026. 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, Nov. 19: Class – 7:00 PM

READINGS AND MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

2 Samuel 5:1-3 (162C)
Colossians 1:12-20
Luke 23:35-43

Saturday, Nov. 22nd at 5:30 PM – St. Charles

Intention: +Larry Heier
Donor: C Heier
Greet/Usher: Volunteers
Proclaimer: Vickie Kelly
EEM: Bernie Boyle & John Scherr
Altar Servers: Beau Thorpe, Quinn Heimbuch

Sunday, Nov. 23rd at 8:30 AM – St. Charles

Intention: For the People
Donor:
Greet/Usher: Greg & Krista Dobitz Family
Proclaimers: Mev Homan, Anna Sell
EEM: Betty Kelly, Kathy Warren, Erica Thorpe
Altar Servers: Claire & Ana Pioske

Sunday, Nov. 23rd at 11:00 AM – St. Mary's

Intention: Shelly & Carl Anderson
Donor: For their Anniversary
Proclaimer: Kevin Throener
EEM: Mark & Jean Bopp
Greet/Usher: Bev Walstead & Karen Nelson

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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 15 & 16, 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: +Robert Hanson
St. Mary's **8:30 AM Sunday** Mass Intention: +James Mahrer
St. Charles **10:30 AM Sunday** Mass Intention: For the People

THIS WEEK			
Day, Date	Time	Event and Location	Mass Intentions, Donors and Notes
Mon. 11/17	11:00 AM 6 – 7 PM	Mass @ St. Mary's Adoration @ St. Charles	+Roger Walstead – B Wlstead Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Tues. 11/18	5:30 PM 6-7:30 PM	Mass @ St. Charles Adoration @ St. Charles	+Mary Ann Alcorn – A/R Gramlow Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed. 11/19	8:30 AM 3:00 PM 5 – 9 PM	Mass @ Hospital Mass @ St. Mary's Adoration @ St. Charles	+John Paul Geffre – N/C Klapperich Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thurs. 11/20	8:30 AM 4:30 PM	Mass @ St. Charles Mass @ Manor	All KC's – Knights of Columbus
Fri., 11/21	10:00 AM	Mass @ 4 Seasons in Forman	+Betty Even – L Even
Sat., 11/22	5:00 PM 5:30 PM	Confessions @ St. Charles Vigil Mass @ St. Charles	+Larry Heir – C Heier
Sun., 11/23	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 10:45 AM 11:00 AM	Confessions @ St. Charles Sun. Mass @ St. Charles Confessions @ St. Mary's Sun. Mass @ St. Mary's	For the People Shelly & Carl Anderson – Their Anniversary

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
Holy Orders: Contact Fr. Tim
Oder 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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WANTED to buy, or someone to donate, a used pull-behind lawn sweeper for St. Mary's church & cemetery.

MASS TIME CHANGE: Due to the St. Charles Fall Dinner Sun., Nov. 16th, Masses will be as follows:
8:30 AM @ St. Mary's; 10:30 AM St. Charles.

ST. CHARLES FALL DINNER: Sunday, Nov. 16th, 11:00 AM until gone.

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STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: November 16th
"...Rather, we wanted to present ourselves as a model for you, so that you might imitate us."
2 THESSALONIANS 3:9

Most people who live a grateful and generous lifestyle don't go around bragging about it. But through their words and actions, others do take notice. They notice because of the joy and peace that results and others desire this in their own life. Know that the way you live your life may be the only interaction others may have with our Catholic faith.

JAMESTOWN STATE HOSPITAL CHRISTMAS GIFT PROGRAM: St. Charles & St. Mary's parishes will again participate! **Items will be collected from Nov. 3rd until Wed., Dec. 3rd.** The guidelines are as follows: Bring unwrapped gifts of new items that you yourself would enjoy receiving for Christmas, and place them in the boxes of the entryways at St. Charles and St. Mary's. Lists of suggested items can be found by the drop off boxes.

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:

Nov. 17 Virginia Gramlow
Nov. 18 Casyn Finley
Nov. 19 Cora Heier, Dominik Peterkovic
Nov. 22 Joan Orner

ANNIVERSARIES AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

No Anniversaries this Week

ST. CHARLES FINANCES

Envelope amount last week	\$1,482.00
<u>Other receipts last weekend:</u>	
Plate.....	399.00
Renewal Project.....	1,000.00
Black & Indian Collection.....	80.00
Parish Society.....	600.00
World Mission Collection.....	20.00
Military Collection.....	49.00
Candles.....	10.00
Mass Stipends.....	130.00
Energy.....	20.00

RENEWAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

1 st Campaign Goal:	\$750,000	
Miracle Goal:	\$1,500,000	
Pledged & gifted	\$1,377,295	183%
Families who have contributed:		85%

ADVENT DAILY REFLECTION BOOKLETS & 2026 CALENDARS are available for families of St. Charles & St. Mary's in the entryways. Please pick yours up!

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS: All are invited to remember special people in your lives this Christmas season by making a donation for poinsettias at St. Charles. You May donate in memory of loved ones, in honor of someone, or as a special intention. Fill out an envelope (available in the Narthex) and drop in the collection basket.

ON MISSION THIS WEEK: Invite someone to join you at Mass next weekend. (Maybe someone who hasn't been coming to Mass regularly.)

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

THIS WEEK, Nov. 19: Class – Grades PK-6
NEXT WEEK, Nov. 26: NO Class – Grades PK-6

GIFTS FROM THE HARVEST: By making a donation from the harvest, farmers are able to take advantage of some tax benefits that are more generous than a straight cash donation. The Fargo diocese has developed a flyer that helps explain the process and benefits. Copies are available in the Narthex

141st ANNUAL BLACK & INDIAN COLLECTION:

THIS WEEK Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African & Native American, and Alaska Native Communities from coast to coast. Schools, Parish Religious Ed programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! **Please give generously in your provided envelopes.**

MILITARY COLLECTION: Our parishes are taking up the Collection for the Archdiocese for the Military Services, USA (AMS), this weekend. (Taken every 3 years). The collection provides pastoral care to Catholic men & women serving in the US Armed Forces, enrolled at a US Military Academy, being treated as a patient at any of the 153 US Department of Veterans Affairs Medical Centers, or who work for the federal Government beyond US borders. The AMS does not receive any funding from the government or military, and has no parishes from which to receive a weekly assessment. To learn more go to www.milarch.org/nationalcollection envelopes are available in the narthex.

WISDOM FROM WOMEN IN SCRIPTURE: This Catholic Women's Retreat, hosted by WINE (Women in the New Evangelization) will be held at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in **Aberdeen on Saturday, January 10**, with an optional evening social on Friday, January 9. Includes Mass, Inspirational Talks, Opportunity for Confession, Fabulous Lunch, Adoration, Fellowship, Shopping, Chocolate & more! Details and Registration available online at catholicvineyard.com/event/wisdom-from-women-in-scripture-retreat/

EUCCHARISTIC 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**

OCIA CANDIDATES: As a parish family, we will embrace our OCIA candidates Judy Hagen, Jennifer Knutson and Natalie Thompson during the Rite of Welcome at Mass on Sunday, December 7. This will be the first public step of their journey of exploring the Catholic faith. All are invited to greet and visit with them and their sponsors at the First Sunday of the Month Brunch Mass on December 7.

CATHOLIC MAN NIGHT: Please consider joining other husbands, fathers, grandfathers, and sons as we pray, eat, and enjoy a faith filled talk. **Thursday, Nov. 20th @ St. Aloysius Church in Lisbon.** 6:00 PM Adoration & Confession; 7:00 PM Supper; 7:30 PM Guest Speaker Bishop John Folda.

OAKES FOOD PANTRY: Dakota Workers 4-H Club is gathering food donations for the Oakes Food Pantry. You can drop off donations throughout the month of November. A box will be located in the narthex.

DIAPER SHOWER THANK YOU: Your generosity is amazing as we sent roughly 2,212 Diapers, plus 272 wipes to the Women's Care Center in Fargo. Thank you for the prayers and donations. God is SO Good!

INVITE SOMEONE! Who do you miss seeing at Mass & social activities at St. Charles? Go ahead....reach out and invite them to the things that are happening here in November. Pre-printed invitations and mailing envelopes are available on the bulletin board table in the narthex. Take one to give or deliver to someone you'd like to invite!

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Larry Heier who passed away on October 30th, and who's funeral Mass was held at St. Charles on November 8th. May he enjoy eternal peace with the Lord in Heaven.