

PASTOR'S NOTES: I spoke last week about what I saw going on in society that was unfair in immigration enforcement. I tried to learn what was happening from many sources including Catholic YouTube presentations and listening to priests and a retired evangelical pastor. I presented my conclusions because I was driven by the scriptures the church was putting before me that week and I felt Jesus was speaking to me. The primary thing I heard Jesus say came from Psalm 146, "I protect Stranges." I am afraid that I presented these things with little preparation for you and we all have developed strong positions that are contrary to each other. I am sorry for the hurt my approach caused a number of you. I feel I need to zoom out and not be so specific. One thing I think we need help on, is the Catholic church's social teaching. On Tuesday night at 7 pm during OCIA I am going to present and talk about this social teaching. Pope Leo XIII is sometimes seen as the pope who really laid the foundation for the church's teaching during the Industrial Revolution. (He also wrote St. Michael's prayer to deliver us from the evil one.) This social teaching comes from Jesus in the Scriptures and the church's Tradition. Now we have a Pope who has lived as a missionary to the poor of Peru, and he chose the name Leo XIV because he wants to follow in this tradition. If you are unable to come, I invite you to consider going the USCCB website to look at a video the bishops have put together to begin this discussion. It is not very long. There are seven themes of Catholic Social Teaching that these videos explore, and each video is between 3-4 minutes. The themes are the following, although they are not presented in the video in this order: Life and Dignity of the Human Person; Call to Family, Community and Participation; Rights and Responsibilities; Option for the Poor and Vulnerable; The Dignity of Work and the Rights of Workers; Solidarity, and Care for God's Creation. The video link is the following <https://youtu.be/G2G8jGOva7Y?si=QsJ-QQUuOTsXJVsb> Fr. Tim

REDEEMED MEN'S RETREAT: Every man needs the opportunity to step away from the noise, busyness, and relentless expectations of daily life and be reminded of his purpose and identity. This 3-day retreat, held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Moorhead; from **March 19-21, 2026**, is that opportunity. Come receive authentic and relatable testimonies from men who found strength, direction, and freedom by surrendering their lives to God.

Come as you are. Leave as who you were created to be.
www.fargodiocese.org/fm-redeemed.

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, Feb. 11: Class

READINGS AND MASSES NEXT WEEKEND

Sirach 15:15-20 (76A)
 1 Corinthians 2:6-10
 Matthew 5:17-37 or 5:20-22a, 27-28, 33-34a, 37

Saturday, Feb. 14th at 5:30 PM – St. Charles

Intention: For the People
Donor:
Greet/Usher: Mitch & Shelly Roney
 Kevin & Michele Rodine

Proclaimer: Dennis Forward
EEM: Janice Frojen, Bernie Boyle
Altar Servers: Adam Bymers

Sunday, Feb., 15th at 8:30 AM – St. Charles

Intention: +Johanna Kvigne
Donor: L/J Thorpe
Greet/Usher: Drew & Lindsey Courtney Family
Proclaimers: Anna Sell, Ryan Schneider
EEM: B Kelly, M Heimbuch, J Thorpe
Altar Servers: Claire & Ana Pioske

Sunday, Feb., 15th at 11:00 AM – St. Mary's

Intention: +Larry Even
Donor: S Nicolai
Proclaimer: Mindie Bopp
EEM: Dave & Angie Bergeman
Greet/Usher: Mark & Jean Bopp

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time February 7 & 8, 2026

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: +Bernie Quandt
 St. Charles **8:30 AM Sunday** Mass Intention: +Carol Thronson
 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. 2/9	6 – 7 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	
Tues. 2/10	5:30 PM	Mass @ St. Charles	+Mary Pritchard – Her Family
	6-7:30 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Wed 2/11	8:30 AM	Mass @ Hospital	+Carson Roney – P/R Roney
	3:00 PM	Mass @ St. Mary's	
	5 – 9 PM	Adoration @ St. Charles	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thurs. 2/12	8:30 AM	Mass @ St. Charles	+John Paul Geffre – N/C Klapperich
	4:30 PM	Mass @ Manor	
Fri., 2/13	10:00 AM	Mass @ 4 Seasons in Forman	+Dennis Miller – S Nicolai
Sat., 2/14	5:00 PM	Confessions @ St. Charles	
	5:30 PM	Vigil Mass @ St. Charles	For the People
Sun., 2/15	8:00 AM	Confessions @ St. Charles	
	8:30 AM	Sun. Mass @ St. Charles	+Johanna Kvigne – L/J Thorpe
	10:45 AM	Confessions @ St. Mary's	
	11:00 AM	Sun. Mass @ St. Mary's	+Larry Even – S Nicolai

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
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)

E-mail: 4steeples@drtel.net

ASH WED. MASS: 5:00 PM @ St. Mary's

VALENTINE LUNCHEON is scheduled for Friday, Feb. 13th, from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM at the St. Mary's Parish Center. Serving: Open-faced sandwiches, salads & desserts. All are welcome!

"THE CHOSEN" MOVIE is scheduled for Friday nights, @ St. Mary's, beginning **Friday, February 6th**.

LENTEN CORNER FOR BOTH ST. MARY'S & ST. CHARLES:

Lenten daily meditation prayer books & the Lenten schedule are available for each family in the Narthex. Please take yours home today!

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

5:00 PM @ St. Mary's; 7:00 PM @ St. Charles

SAVE THE DATE! The Sedar Meal is scheduled for **Wed., March 25th** @ St. Charles. **ALL St. Charles & St. Mary's parishioners** are encouraged to attend!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Fifty-five people are needed from BOTH St. Mary's & St. Charles, to stand in as "beads" to form a **Living Human Rosary** for one of our upcoming Lenten Programs @ St. Charles. The Living Human Rosary program will be on **Wed., Mar. 18th (Note date change)**. Sign-up on the sheet that is posted in the narthex. All ages 7 & up are welcome! Each person will light a candle and announce a personal prayer intention.

BIRTHDAYS AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

Feb. 10 Gabrielle Pioske

Feb. 11 Tracie Zetocha

Feb. 14 Matt Schaefer

ANNIVERSARIES AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

ST. CHARLES FINANCES

Envelope amount last week **\$2,170.00**

Other receipts last weekend:

Plate.....	60.00
Forman.....	510.00
Peter's Pence.....	600.00
Peru Trip Deposits.....	4,500.00
Mass Stipends.....	260.00
1 st Sunday Brunch.....	269.00

RENEWAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

GOAL RECEIVED!! \$1,506,665.04 Thank you!!

THE GOD'S GIFT APPEAL provides more than 50% of the annual funding for more than 40 different ministries that provide services throughout the diocese. This appeal is an opportunity for each Catholic household to help further the mission of the Church. **Kickoff weekend: Feb. 7-9**

KC SWEETHEART SUPPER is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 17th @ 6:00 PM at the Social Center**. All KC's and their sweethearts are invited to attend! If attending, please RSVP to Tom Geffre @ 710-0292, by **February 15th**.

SIT FOR SIX MINUTES sometime this week to learn about the Spiritual Works of Mercy by watching this video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LNqxp4j4L7c>

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! could you (or you and your spouse, or you and your family) lead the Rosary before Mass on ONE of the Sundays of Lent? Of course you could! Call Cindy at 701-710-0021 by February 18 to volunteer.

YOUR TIME & TALENTS ARE NEEDED, WANTED and WELCOME! Copies of St. Charles 2026 Time and Talents Survey are available in the Narthex! Each youth and adult member is asked to complete a survey. Check any/all items on the survey that you are curious about, or would like to CONTINUE or BEGIN doing as a way to contribute to the vitality of St. Charles Parish.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

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

SUNDAY, Feb. 8: Grades 4, 5 & 6 Sing @ Mass

THIS WEEK, Feb. 11: Class; Lent Project

NEXT WEEK, Feb. 18: NO Class (Ash Wednesday Mass @ 7:00 PM)

HOLY WEEK & EASTER CHOIR: All are invited to sing for Holy Week & Easter Masses! Practice begins THIS SUNDAY after Mass.

MASS & A MOVIE! Episodes from Season 5 of "The Chosen" will be shown in the St. Francis Room after the 5:30 PM Mass on Saturday nights, starting **THIS Sat., February 7th**. Pizza & Pop will be available for all who attend!

MISSION TRIP TO CHIMBOTE: We will be holding a Dakota Dirt coffee fundraiser for those who will be going to Chimbote in June! **It will run from Feb. 8 – Feb 22**. A list of those going on the mission trip is posted on the bulletin board.

FAMILY CORNER of the one-page weekly **"AWAKEN" newsletter** has a question of the week for you and your family, a very short family prayer, and a QR Code to scan for parent resources! Copies are available on the cabinet countertop in the narthex. Take one for your family to use!

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: Thank you for your generous support to the Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions join those from our brothers & sisters world-wide to help Pope Leo XIV in his ministry to the Universal Church.

WALKING WITH MOMS IN NEED MINISTRY: Our parish is looking for someone to work with St. John's, Wahpeton, "Walking With Moms in Need Ministry" to gather and collect baby items from our area for Catholic Charities ND, southeast North Dakota's "Bundle Up Your Baby Bump" event planned for Sept. 2026. If interested in this ministry, please contact Fr. Tim for more information.

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;

ADORATION: After the 5:30 Mass on Tuesday, Feb 10, the church sanctuary will be softly lit to create a warm and God-centered environment, inviting YOU to Adoration. Come spend some time with Jesus; come pray before the tabernacle.

PRAYING A HOLY HOUR (or even a Holy Half Hour) is honestly one of THE BEST ways to spend 30-60 minutes of "your" time. It is a life-changing spiritual discipline. YES, it often requires sacrifice, BUT the fruits are bountiful, especially in cultivating your personal relationship with Jesus Christ." TRY IT sometime *this week, and see for yourself!*

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: February 8th
"Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." MATTHEW 5:16
The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. Good stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.

STRONGER TOGETHER FOUNDATION Established in 2025, serves Dickey & LaMoure County, with the mission to ensure no cancer patient fights alone by providing financial assistance to ease the burdens of treatment, care & daily needs. Pamphlets, explaining how you can help, are available in the narthex.