PLEASE PRAY FOR:

(ANY CHANGES, PLEASE CALL THE OFFICE.)

Katherine Salwei, Loretta Lovcik, John Christianson, Betty Novak, Pauline Dusek, Patricia Rodvold, Jane Zidon, Marla Zidon, Dorothy Snell, Heidi Gustafson, Adriane Wellman, Isabelle Copeland, Tracy Letzring, Cindy Hartje, Kelly Morrison, Jody Deibert, Vicki Bleick, Allison Bleick, Dale Hultin, Bob McCartney, Lonnie Guderjahn, Susie Dimsha, Sherry McDonald, Shelbie Goodoien, Oliver Goodoien, Dorothy Scholler, Brent Collins, Merle Larson, Robert O'Toole, Ruth Rieger, Melanie Fischer, Ruth Ivesdahl, Mae Jackson, Carol Smith, Mary Louise, Bernard & Aletha Schommer, Brianna Fernandez, Brett & Rick Letzring, Jane Grazadzieleski, Rick Kilichowski, Gary Olson

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION!

Family Faith Formation continues this week, November 4. Grades 1-8 will dive into Chapter Six! The high school group will meet at St. Patrick this week.

ST PATRICK ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Pray the Rosary: Sun at 8:00 AM. **Adoration with Confessions**: Sat at 8:00 AM. **More Confessions**: Sun 8:00 AM. <u>November Church Cleaners:</u> Jim & Melissa Young; Fred & Mary Thoelke; & Andrea Douville. <u>Collection</u>: Dianne & Melissa (Nov 1); Sherry & Kari (Nov 9). <u>Reader</u> Sherry (November). <u>Sanctuary Lamp</u>: Goodoien Angel Babies (Nov. 1); Casey & Ruth Stumpf Family. <u>Sacristan</u>: Mary T. (Nov 1); Duane (Nov 8). <u>Rosary</u>: volunteer (Nov 1); Mary T (Nov 8).

ST BRIGID ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pray the Rosary: Sundays at 10:00 AM. Adoration with Confessions: Wed and Fri at 11:00 AM; More Confessions: SAT. 4-5:00 PM, MON 5-5:15 PM. Church cleaners: A-F. Collection: Larry & Kay (Nov 1); M-E Kirking & Cathy (Nov 8). Readers (Nov.): Sat.-Richard S.; Sun.-Larry; Sanctuary Lamp: Seth Christianson (Nov 1); Trevor & Karen Christianson (Nov 8)

Mass Intentions!

Monday, Nov 2—5:15 pm, Special Intention

Tuesday, Nov 3—8:00 am, + Cody Humphreys

Wednesday, Nov 4—Noon, + Holy Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, Nov 5—8:00 am, Fr. Jason Lefor

Friday, Nov 6—Noon, Dorothy Scholler

Saturday, Nov 7—9;00 am, Both Parishes; 5:00 pm, + Sam Givand

Sunday, Nov. 8—8:30 am, Pro Populo; 10:30 am, + James Dolan

<u>24-Hours of Adoration to pray for our nation's elections!</u> Our elections on <u>November 3rd</u> are literally a matter of life and death for the children in the womb. Consequently, we are having a <u>24-hour period</u> of **Adoration** at *St. Brigid* on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>November 3rd</u>. Please sign up for at least one hour. The signup sheets will be in the back of the church. May God give us wisdom and courage.

L.O.A.N. Quilt & Basket Auction, Nov 13-15! The format for this year's auction is online bidding. View items at Birchwood Motors, starting Nov 2. Catalog will be posted on Nov 5 at www.ResourceAuction.com. LOAN (Love One Another Now) provides free clothing and school supplies to students in need in Pembina County.

Stewardship (as of 10-25-20)	St Brigid	St Patrick		St Brigid	St Patrick
Adult Envelope	1635.00	495.0	St Patrick's Care Collection Oct 2020		235.00
Plate	62.00		God's Gift Appeal Goal 2020	23,768.00	8,928.00
Weekly Total	1697.00	495.00	God's Gift Appeal Actual	16,063.82	8,450.36
Yearly Actual Total	92,427.48	35,446.59	Percent of Members Participating	47%	73%
Monthly Envelope Building Fund	355.00		Cemetery	3,225.00	5,063.51
St Pat Tuckpointing \$54,955.00					
St Patrick Sidewalk Repair \$11,080.00	Total Cost	66,035.00			
Funds Raised for both Projects		60,618.90	St Bernard Cemetery		235.00
Monthly Envelopes Building Fund		4,040.00	St Anthony Cemetery	920.00	
Balance needed for Sidewalk Repair		1,676.00	St Helen Cemetery	870.00	

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<u>HOW DOES JESUS COMMAND US TO VOTE?</u> (Voting as a disciple of Christ the King)

This week, we cover **Part IV** (and final part) of a 14-question article by *Fr. Stephen Torraco* on behalf of EWTN (last week we covered questions 8-11):

12. What about elected officials who happen to be of the same party affiliation? Are they committing a sin by being in the

same party, even if they don't advocate pro-choice views? Are they guilty by association?

Being of the same political party as those who advocate pro-abortion is indeed a serious evil *IF* I belong to this political party **IN ORDER TO ASSOCIATE MYSELF** with that party's advocacy of pro-abortion policies. However, it can also be true that being of such a political party has as its purpose to change the policies of the party. Of course, if this is the purpose, one would have to consider whether it is reasonable to think the political party's policies can be changed. Assuming that it is reasonable to think so, then it would be morally justifiable to remain in that political party. Remaining in that political party cannot be instrumental in the advancing of pro-abortion policies (especially if I am busily striving to change the party's policies) as can my **VOTING** for candidates or for a political party with a pro-abortion policy.

13. What about voting for a pro-abortion person for something like state treasurer, in which case the candidate would have no say on matters of life in the capacity of her duties, it just happens to be her personal position. This would not be a sin, right?

If someone were running for state treasurer and that candidate made it a point to state publicly that he was in favor of **exterminating** people over the age of 70, would you vote for him? The fact that the candidate has that evil in his mind tells you that there are easily other evils in his mind; and the fact that he would publicly state it is a *danger signal*. If personal character matters in a political candidate, and personal character involves the kind of thoughts a person harbors, then such a candidate who publicly states that he is in favor of the evil of exterminating people over the age of 70 - or children who are unborn - has also **disqualified** himself from receiving a Catholic's vote. I would go further and say that such a candidate, in principle - in the light of the natural law - disqualifies himself from public office.

14. Is it a mortal sin to vote for a pro-abortion candidate?

Except in the case in which a voter is faced with all pro-abortion candidates (in which case, as explained in *question* 8 above, he or she strives to determine which of them would cause the least damage in this regard), a candidate that is pro-abortion **disqualifies** himself from receiving a Catholic's vote. This is because being pro-abortion <u>cannot</u> simply be placed alongside the candidate's other positions on *Medicare* and unemployment, for example; and this is because abortion is **intrinsically evil** and cannot be morally justified for any reason or set of circumstances. To vote for such a candidate even with the knowledge that the candidate is pro-abortion is to become an <u>accomplice</u> in the moral evil of abortion. If the voter also knows this, then the voter sins mortally.

(Pray for our Church and our Country)