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**Saturday**

St Ann's Mass @ 6:30 pm  
Sacred Heart Mass @ 4:00 pm

**Sunday**

St Ann's Mass @ 8:30 am  
Sacred Heart Mass @ 10:30 am



*do all things through Christ who strengthen us.*

**Welcome to St. Ann's Parish!**

**Fr. Gary Benz, Pastor**

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Veterans Day - Nov 11

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OFFICE HOURS: will vary, so be sure to call ahead. Thank

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**Website: [www.stannshebron.com](http://www.stannshebron.com)**

***Nov 28, 2021 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent***

If you are a visitor to St. Ann's, please know that we welcome you and we look Forward to meeting you. If you would like more information on our parish including Activities, Committees, Outreach and membership, please contact our parish office.

**We thank you for worshipping with us today; we hope you will return**

**Faith Formation Classes – Contact Sally Vogle – 701-878-4492**

**Council Members:** Don Wanner- Chairperson Irene Wehri, Bob Tibor, Karen Lewis, Marge Focht

Date & Time Mass/Events	Mass Intentions	E M	Servers	Lector, Ushers
Nov 27 Saturday Mass at 6:30 PM	++Joe & Viola Wanner by Joe & Diane Wanner		Addison, Kinsley	Lector: Irene Wehri Ushers: Kerry & Brenda Richardson Rosary: Chester Brandt Mass at Sacred Heart @ 4:00 PM
Nov 28 Sunday Mass at 8:30 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Remembrance Mass for Deceased	For the Peoples of the Parishes		Elena, Brynlee	Lectors: Ken Duppong Ushers: Joe & Diane Wanner Rosary: Don Wanner Confessions: 8:00 AM Sacred Heart Mass at 10:30 AM
Nov 30 Tuesday Mass @ 9:00 AM	+Al Feist and +Shelly Person by Jason & Claudia Wehri			
Dec 1, Wednesday Mass @ 6:00 PM	++Joe & Margaret Tibor by Dennis and Sarah Tibor			<b>Adoration from 5:00 to 6:00 PM</b>
Dec 3 Friday Mass @ 9:00 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Friday	Special Intention for Mary Gietzen by Christian Mothers			<b>Adoration 9:30-5:30</b>
Dec 4 Saturday Mass at 6:30 PM	+Dennis Sebastian by Ron and JoAnn Schantz		Scarlet, Felix	Lector: Karen Lewis Usher: Shaun & Karen Lewis Rosary: Volunteer Mass at Sacred Heart @ 4:00 PM
Dec 5 Sunday Mass at 8:30 AM 2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent	+Eleanor Wehri by Christian Mothers		Elena, Simon, Brynlee	Lector: Kirk Peterson Usher: Levi & Vanessa Hoff Rosary: Ken Duppong Confessions: 8:00 AM Sacred Heart Mass at 10:30 AM

**If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, including Altar Servers, PLEASE FIND SOMEONE TO FILL IN FOR YOU.**

**You might consider trading with someone.**

**The parish bulletin is online on our website <http://www.stannshebron.com> & on our myParish App\**

**Stewardship of  
Treasure**

**Adults \$ 890.00  
Loose: \$94.25  
Kids: \$ 7.80  
Fall Collection 1843.00  
All Saints: \$50.00**

Thank you for your continued support of St. Ann's Parish



**Please pray for the following individuals who are in need of God's**

**grace.** Father Jeff Zwack, Fr. Wayne

Sattler, Carol Sebastian, Katie Kautzman, Marie Hauser, Mallory Mims (Granddaughter to Ardelle Tibor) Cody Jacobsen, Ross Kuntz, Fr. Charlie Heidt, William Kelley, Shelley

Sailer, Mary Cooper, Nick Halter, Lexi Gietzen, (Daughter to Peter and Cindy Gietzen) Celestine Bagley (niece of Kathy Schwartz), Ahn Gietzen, Jack Hauser, Lowell Duppong, Rebecca Wanner, Mary Ann Duppong, Mike Hellman, Joan Kersten, Jennifer Norenberg

**Please help us keep this list of the sick updated. If there is a name that needs to be removed, please call the parish office.**

**Pray for All Military Members and their families and Seminarians**  
**Our parish has an Email Prayer Chain Ministry. If you would like to be on the e-mail prayer chain or submit a prayer request of any kind, please email:**

**[joanconlon59@yahoo.com](mailto:joanconlon59@yahoo.com) Or call the parish office**

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Nov 28 Sunday Remembrance Mass for Deceased	<b>Mass @ 8:30 AM</b>	Confessions@ 8:00 AM 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent Sacred Heart Mass @ 10:30 AM <b>Young Adults/Families group will meet at the rectory in Glen Ullin at 2:30 PM</b>
Nov 29 Monday		
Nov 30 Tuesday	<b>Mass @ 9:00 AM</b>	<b>St Andrew, Pray for Us!</b>
Dec 1 Wednesday	<b>Mass @ 6:00 PM</b>	CCD Classes Adoration 5:00 to 6:00 PM
Dec 2 Thursday		
Dec 3 Friday	<b>Mass @ 9:00 AM</b>	<b>Eucharistic Adoration 9:30 to 5:30 First Friday</b> St. Francis Xavier, Pray for Us
Dec 4 Saturday	<b>Mass @ 6:30 PM</b>	Confessions @ 6:00 PM Sacred Heart Mass @ 4:00 PM
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**Thank you to all that that donated towards the Food Pantry this year.**

The North Dakota K of C is having a Perpetual Rosary for vocations. Our KC council days are Dec 12 and 13<sup>th</sup>. **Everyone mark your calendars and pray a rosary those days for those intentions.**

**Father Jeff Zwack address:**

St. Anne's Church 1321 Braman Ave  
Bismarck, ND 58501

**Hope for the Holidays" Giving Tree**

**Gifts need to be returned by Sunday, Dec 5**

Thank you for sharing Christ's love with those in need

**The Knights of Columbus invite you to breakfast**

Dec. 5 after the 8:30 AM. Mass. The cost is a free will offering. KC members are asked to donate rolls and/or muffins. KC members are needed to set up on Saturday after the 6:30 PM Mass and prepare food Sunday morning

**UPCOMING**

**Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mother**

Holy Day of Obligation

St. Ann's, Hebron

Wednesday, Dec 8 @ 6:30 PM

**Dec 24 - Christmas Eve (Friday)**

4:00 PM at Sacred Heart

6:30 PM Mass at St. Ann's (No Adoration at St. Ann's)

Midnight Mass at St. Joseph

**Dec 25 - Christmas (Saturday)**

8:30 AM St. Ann's

10:30 AM Mass at Sacred Heart

No Night Masses

Dec 26 - (Sunday)

8:30 AM St. Ann's

10:30 AM @ Sacred Heart

**Dec 31 - New Year's Eve (Friday)**

9 AM Mass at St. Ann's (NO Adoration at St. Ann's)

4:00 PM at Sacred Heart

**Jan 1 – New Year's Day (Saturday)**

10:00 AM Mass at St. Ann's

NO Mass at Sacred Heart

No night Masses

**Jan 2 - (Sunday)**

8:30 AM St. Ann's

10:30 AM @ Sacred Heart

**NEW Hard Covered St. Michael Hymnal**

If you would like to donate for one or more in memory of your loved ones, there will be a sign-up sheet in the back of church.

A label will be put in the books of your loved ones and of whom donated the book. The cost will be \$18.00 a book.

God Bless you for your donations.

**The St. Ann's Christian Mothers are having their annual Christmas**

**Raffle. Please pick up a book or more of**

**tickets in the back of church. The raffle will**

**be held Dec 16, 2021 Once again we are**

**asking for prize donations of new items. You**

**may leave your donation on the table in the**

**gathering space of the Church. Please turn in your tickets prior to**

**Dec 16. Drop them into the collection basket marked Christmas**

**raffle or turn them into the parish office.**



***“The jar of flour did not go empty, nor the jug of oil go dry.”***

In the first reading for this Sunday, we read of one of the most desperate situations recorded in the Old Testament. Because of the wickedness of Israel, God inflicted the land with a severe drought and famine soon followed. In fact, when the prophet Elijah encountered the widow of Zarephath, she was preparing the last meal for her son and herself; after that, they would surely die, because their primary food stuffs of olive oil and flour would then be depleted. Death by starvation was imminent. It thus seems so callous that Elijah, a man of God, demanded that she make him a bit of bread, hastening the starvation of the widow and her son. Amazingly, in obedience to the prophet of God, she obeyed and lo and behold, her jar of flour and her jug of oil miraculously did not go empty. The lesson for all people of faith: sometimes God takes us to the brink to test our faith. Will we give up on Him when life becomes difficult? Faith is not true faith until all of our hope is in God alone. Be open to the painful ordeals of life; they make us rest in the loving arms of God, the best place to be.

**Difficult moral issues, “*Is missing Mass on Sundays and holy days really a mortal sin?*”**

It may be the case that a person is in an irregular marriage (such as being divorced and remarried without an annulment or being civilly married) or has an unrepented mortal sin on his or her soul. Such circumstances prevent people from receiving Holy Communion at the Holy Mass. But, in spite of this, one should still fulfill the obligation of worship on Sundays and holy days. In such cases, though a person participates in the Holy Mass incompletely, God is still being worshipped and honored. Such incomplete participation remains beneficial to the participant, for even in their state, such persons can still enjoy the benefits of faith and hope, and so live in fellowship with Jesus Christ and His holy Church. It may not be the fullness of Holy Communion, but this spiritual Communion keeps the flame of faith alive in their hearts. Though not on par with the graces of Holy Communion, the graces of a spiritual Communion can lead souls to repentance and to attend to whatever is keeping them from reception of Holy Communion. The hunger or desire to receive the Lord at the Holy Mass has led to many beautiful conversions and reconciliations with our Lord and His holy Church.

There may be valid reasons for missing Mass on Sundays: sickness; adverse travel or weather conditions; caring for a sick family member; or being forced by an employer to work during all of the hours when the Holy Mass is offered in one’s parish. God understands that the person was not able to participate in the Holy Mass with such variables present and therefore no sin is incurred. Yet, if possible, the person unable to attend Mass should still keep holy the Sabbath. One may listen to the Holy Mass on Catholic radio; watch the Holy Mass on the Catholic network, EWTN; pray all of the mysteries of the Holy Rosary; prayerfully read the Scripture readings for the Holy Mass; or take part in an hour of spiritual reading. Though there are times when one cannot be present at a church on the Sabbath, one should still be present to the Lord and honor Him on the day of His Resurrection. These pious works, though not taking the place of the Holy Mass, still please the Lord and He will bless those who offer them unto Him.

When the warmer weather of next spring returns (it’s *only* six months away), please continue to honor the Lord by faithfully worshipping every Sunday at the Holy Mass. At times, it can be a great sacrifice of one’s time and effort to do so, but considering the immense sufferings Jesus endured to grant us the Holy Eucharist, the sacrifice of Mount Calvary, our sacrifices seem quite meager. In gratitude for the pouring forth of Christ’s Body and Blood at Golgotha, we feel blessed to be present at Sunday Mass when this sacred gift enters into our hearts and minds at the reception of Holy Communion.

**A great evening of faith, food, and fun**

Thank you to those women of the Women of Sacred Heart who provided a great Halloween celebration last Sunday for our kids. The Trunk or Treat was amazing, with great decorations, hilarious costumes, and of course, lots of tasty candy. Inside, the games were a hit, as were the hot drinks, popcorn balls, and the beautifully decorated Halloween cookies. Everyone who came had a great time and they are looking forward to a repeat of this awesome event next year. I hope this will come to pass, because it was a great investment in our

kids and it built a lot of community spirit. There was only one glitch, when I was not in costume, but people kept asking if I was dressed up as Frankenstein. I just pretended that I didn’t hear them, but it still got under my skin!

**Please help us make the raffle a great success**

Due to the unpredictable nature of weather in March, such as blizzards, ice storms, etc. it was decided to move the Sacred Heart Parish Dinner to the fall, at a date to be yet determined. But we still hope to have the raffle this spring, with the goal of combining the raffle and the church dinner together in the fall in 2023. For now, we will focus on the March raffle and we need your help to gather prizes to place on the raffle tickets and your assistance in selling these tickets as well. This fundraising event is so important for paying off the debt of our parish center, which is still at \$135,000. Every year, we have to pay \$20,000 towards this debt, which makes our parish budget very tight. So, if you can donate a raffle prize, please contact one of the following raffle committee members before **November 19<sup>th</sup>**: Robert Geck, Walter Emter, and Bruce Morman. If you wish to donate a cash gift, please make your cheques out to Sacred Heart Parish. Due to the limited space on the raffle tickets, we may not be able to list your name by your donated prize, but we will list them in the parish bulletin. Thank you for helping make our Sacred Heart Parish raffle a great success. I may donate an all-expenses paid vacation for a weekend getaway down south for the winter: they say Bowman is lovely in January.

**Mark your calendars for a great Thanksgiving tradition**

Please join us at Sacred Heart Parish Center on **Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m.**, for Turkey BINGO, a fundraising event for youth activities throughout the year. That night, there will be twenty-five turkeys given away in rounds of BINGO and some rounds will also include other elements of the Thanksgiving meal, such as pies and bottles of wine. If you wish to donate a pie towards this event, please contact Fr. Gary at 701-509-9504. Bars, cookies, and refreshments will be served throughout the evening. I look forward to seeing you there. To settle some confusion, *Turkey BINGO* may not be used interchangeably with *Fr.*

*Gary BINGO*. I am highly offended by this confusion!

**Saint Ann’s fall fundraiser**

A reminder to please pick up your *Fall Collection* letter in the gathering space of Saint Ann’s Church. This annual appeal assists us in meeting our budgetary needs throughout the fiscal year. Thank you for your generosity towards this important effort in the life of our parish.