

SUNDAY, MARCH 9, 2025 –FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
SAINT MARY’S CATHOLIC CHURCH – PASTOR: Father Shane Campbell

Each year on the first Sunday of Lent we hear how Jesus was tempted by the devil three times during his forty days in the desert. Each time, Jesus resisted the devil, finding strength in God’s word. As we embark on these forty days of Lent, we will encounter temptation as well. Our temptations will vary, but each will sound attractive in its own way. This Lent, let us keep in mind Jesus` responses to the devil in the desert and pray for the strength we need to resist temptation and to repent of the times we fail to do so.

Mass Etiquette- Please come to Mass early enough to not disrupt. Leave late enough not to insult.
Worship reverently enough not to distract. And dress proudly enough not to offend.

Monday, March 10	No Services
Tuesday, March 11	5:30 PM at St. Bernard’s – Novena and Mass
Wednesday, March 12	7:00 AM at St. Bernard’s –+George and +Rose Andreas by the family
Thursday, March 13	4:30 PM at St. Mary’s – Adoration 5:30 PM at St. Mary’s – Stations/Mass - +Charles V. and +Agnes Dvorak by Leonard/Sandy Meduna
Friday, March 14	7:00 AM at St. Bernard’s –+Joseph A. Armbrust by Stephanie Klym
Saturday, March 15	4:00 PM at St. Bernard’s –+Roger Hewson by Maggie Hewson and family
Sunday, March 16	8:30 AM at St. Bernard’s – Parishes 10:30 AM at St. Mary’s –+Jerry Perdaems Sr. by the family

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St. Mary’s: Sunday – Before Mass
St. Bernard’s: Saturday / Sunday – Before Mass

<u>Ministers for Sunday, March 16th</u>	
<u>Commentator/Reader</u> Shelly Jacobson	<u>Servers</u> Ryker / Ella Kuylen
<u>Ushers</u> Gordy Krance / Gene Praus	<u>Rosary Leader</u> Kathy Kuylen
<u>Gift Bearers</u> –Perdaems family	

If you are not able to be at your appointed Mass, please find a replacement.

If you come to our parish on a regular basis, consider becoming a member. Call the parish office at 677-5886.

Thought for the week – “If you listen with your heart, you will hear, you will understand...Until you know deep inside that Jesus thirsts for you, you can’t begin to know who he wants to be for you. Or who He wants you to be for Him.” Mother Theresa

Please Remember in Your Prayers the sick, especially: **Jim Binstock, Allan Eberts, Ron Obritsch, Myrna Monson, Tom Metz and Mary Peters** and for all our parishioners who are homebound, in assisted living or in nursing homes. *Prayers will remain on the list for four weeks. If you would like to add, request, or update list, please call the parish office at 677-5886.*

Dickinson Catholic Adults invite you to join them for their next gathering, Friday, **March 14th**, at **6:30 pm**, at 618 Palm Beach Road, Dickinson. Monsignor Richter will be continuing his series about prayer.

Belfield Fish Fry – Friday, **March 14th**, from **5:30 – 7:00 pm**, at the St. Bernard’s Parish Center. Everyone is welcome!

2025 African Mission Appeal – **Thank you** for generously supporting our Mission Team with your prayers and gifts to the African Mission Appeal last weekend. Your gifts will help Fr. David Morman, along with our new short-term missionaries, minister to our brothers and sisters in Kisii, Kenya, East Africa. If you were unable to give a gift last weekend, please do so today. Make your gift payable to the “African Mission Appeal” and place it in the collection basket or mail it to the rectory.

Remember your loved ones, at Mass, as we celebrate the anniversary of their death:
March 10: MaryAnn Praus **2008**, Delores Beaudoin **2008**
March 15: Donna Splichal **2005**
March 16: Frank Huschka **1955**

Today’s first reading describes the offering of first fruits the people of Israel were to present to the Lord in thanksgiving for their deliverance from Egypt and the gift of the promised land. Is my offering at today’s Mass an appropriate response to the many blessings the Lord has given me?

Stewardship Thought: We are all stewards – managers of the many gifts God has bestowed upon us. Our challenge as Christians is to make good use of those gifts.

<u>Sunday, March 2nd:</u>	
Adults: \$	1,521.00
<u>Loose:</u>	85.29
Total: \$	1,606.29
African Mission Appeal:	1,785.00

