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Saint Boniface

Roman Catholic Church 300 East Street, Grenora, ND 58845

HOLY MASS - SANTA MISA

St. Joseph

Saturday ···· 5:00 p.m. Sunday ···· 9:00 a.m.

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month Spanish Mass ···· 2:00 p.m.

Monday ···· 7:00 p.m. Tuesday-Friday ··· 7:00 a.m. Saturday ··· 8:00 a.m.

CHI St. Alexius Medical Center Wednesday—11:30 a.m.

Bethel Lutheran Nursing Home Thursday—10:00 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Sunday—11:00 a.m.

St. Boniface Sunday—10:00 a.m.

RECONCILIATION

St. Joseph

Tuesday-Friday··· 6:30-6:50 a.m. Saturday··· 3:30-4:45 p.m. ··· 7:30-8:30 p.m. Sunday··· 8:00-8:45 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Before Sunday Mass

St. Boniface Before Sunday Mass

OTHER SACRAMENTS

Please call the parish office at (701)572-6731.

If after hours, please call the rectory at (701)572-0236.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

St. Joseph

Monday... 3:00-10:00 p.m. Tues.-Wed.... 12:00-10:00 p.m. Thursday... 12:00-9:00 p.m. Friday... 12:00-4:00 p.m.

St. John the Baptist

Monthly, the 3rd Sunday after Mass

St. Boniface

Monthly, the 3rd Sunday after Mass

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!!!

Welcome to our parish!! You can register on our website or stop by the parish office. We are delighted you are here!!!

3rd Sunday of Advent

Who and what you choose to worship will determine everything.

It will determine the joy and misery in your life;

it will determine what animates the moments of each day;

it will determine the worth of your life in a very final and absolute way.

Christmas is an invitation...

... to rearrange our priorities.

... to reflect upon who and what we are worshipping.
... to place Him at the center of everything we do each day.

O Come Let Us Adore Him

Christmas Mass Schedule St. Joseph's Catholic Church | Williston

- -4:00 PM Christmas Eve, Monday December 24, 2018
- −7:00 PM Spanish Christmas Eve Mass
- -12:00 AM Midnight Mass
- -9:00 AM Christmas Day, Tuesday December 25, 2018

St. John the Baptist Catholic Church | Trenton

- -4:00 PM Christmas Eve, Monday December 24, 2018
- -11:00 AM Christmas Day, Tuesday December 25, 2018

St. Boniface Catholic Church | Grenora

- —No Mass Christmas Eve, Monday December 24, 2018
- -10:00 AM Christmas Day, Tuesday December 25, 2018



From the Pastor's Desk

Today is called "Gaudete" Sunday because today's Mass begins with the opening antiphon, "Gaudete in Domino semper" ("Rejoice in the Lord always"). Today we light the rose candle of the Advent wreath, and the priest may wear rose vestments to express our communal joy in the coming of Jesus, as our Savior. We rejoice because a) we are celebrating the day of Christ's birth, b) we recognize his daily presence in our midst and c) we wait for his return in glory. The theme of today's readings is the command "Rejoice!" We are to do so mainly by realizing the presence of Jesus in our midst and by receiving him into our lives through our repentance, our renewal of life and our doing of God's will.

-Peace, Fr. Russell Kovash

Daily Mass Intentions		
Monday Dec 17	7:00 PM Heartley K. Rider by Family	
Tuesday Dec 18	7:00 AM † Katie Keogh by Frank Keogh	
Wednesday Dec 19	7:00 AM Paul Monson by Greg & Jan Monson 11:30 AM Hospital Corey Paryzek by Wendy Paryzek	
Thursday Dec 20	7:00 AM Shirley Grosz by Bruce & Sheila Johnson 10:00 AM Bethel † Kermit Heen by Heen Family	
Friday Dec 21	7:00 AM Katie Keogh by Kathleen & Peg Hagan 9:00 AM School † Jacob Dosch by Mitch & Sandra Fearing Family	
Saturday Dec 22	8:00 AM † Bernadyne White by Kelly & Marcy Everson 5:00 PM Scarlett Keck by Priscilla Keck	
Sunday Dec 23	9:00 AM For the Parishioners 10:00 AM St. Boniface Dillan Wade by Tom & Corrie Enander 11:00 AM St. John Lacey Cote by Family 2:00 PM Spanish Fr. Jim French	



Pope Francis @ @Pontifex · Dec 9

Advent is a time to recognize the emptiness needs to be filled in our lives, a time to smooth the rough edges of pride, and to make room for Jesus who comes. #Advent

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Liturgical Ministers						
5:00 p.m. December 22		9:00 a.m. December 23				
Greeters						
Dottie Smith, Rita Schwan		Brandi Mehlhoff, Dwight & Paula Richter				
Lectors						
Debbie Richter		Kathy Kalil				
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion						
Liz Conlin, James Goebel, Cheryl Johnson, Cyndy Riegle, Carol Shackelford		Laurie Evans, Ken Goebel, Kathy Kalil, DorisAnn Lindvig, Judy Thompson, PJ Thompson				
Altar Servers						
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Ushers						
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Scrip Sellers						
Rita & Dan	Rita & Dan Bodin		Beth Huck & Julie Lysne			
Money Counters Connie Glueckert, Justin Maddison, Alice Streifel, Sarah	Marife & Ale	ex Casarez	Food Pantry (Dec) Darrel & Kathy Ahmann			
Financial Stewardship Through December 10, 2018						

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Adult Collection	\$12,004.84			
Children's Offering	\$105.02			
EFT Offering	\$0.00			
Online Offering	\$0.00			
	\$12,109.86			
Budgeted Amount	\$12,581.00			
Year-to-Date Total	\$234,764.02			
Year-to-Date Budget	\$264,201.00			
St. John the Baptist	\$711.00			
St. Boniface	\$260.00			

Quotation

of the week

From the book, "Remain In Me" by Deacon James Keating

"Because of our fallen nature, it is always easier for us to sink into a life of distraction as we attempt to avoid painful self-knowledge."

<u>COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS</u> There will be Coffee and doughnuts following the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday the 23rd of December! Everyone is invited to attend.

With the tax year coming to a close, do you wish to make a charitable contribution to one of our parishes or to our school?

Please see Fr. Kovash for the many options available!!!

LORD, WHAT GOOD CAN I DO FOR ALL THE GOOD YOU 'VE DONE FOR ME?

NO ADORATION There will not be Adoration on December 19th due to St Joseph School Christmas program. Also, no Adoration December 24th or 25th, nor on December 31st and January 1st for the Harstad Christmas and Solemnity of Mary holy days.

IN OUR PRAYERS

The Sick:

Jacki Keck, Dorothy Johnson, Jim Leinen, Pat Luther, Mike Linghor, Bob Kirby, Casey Benning, Court & Laurlynn Browning, Alicia Martin, Dawson Barman

The Deceased:

Baby Isabelle Owan, Ronald Oster, Shirley Korenchen, Mary Ann Koch, Luz M. Cerezo, Shirley Haga, Rodney "Mike" Harstad

Individuals on the sick & deceased prayer list will only be listed for six weeks. Please call the parish office 572-6731 or email dre@stjparish.com if you would like names to be placed back on for another six weeks. Please also keep in mind that St. Joseph's Parish has a prayer chain for individuals who are in need of prayer.

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS:

Sun 3rd Sunday of Advent

Mon Wed 10:00 am Women's Bible Study—P.L.C. 5:45 am Morning Men's Group —O'Neill Hall

1:00 pm Quilters Group—P.L.C.

6:00 -7:00 pm No PK-6th Grade Faith Formation —School

7:00 -8:00 pm No 7th Grade— School 7:15 -8:30 pm No 8th Grade— School/P.L.C.

7:15 -8:30 pm No Youth Group — School Gym/School Library

Thurs 6:20-8:00 pm RCIA- Adult Faith Formation —O'Neill Hall 8:00 pm Evening Men's Bible Study —P.L.C.

Sat 10:30 am Faith Formation in Spanish—P.L.C.

ADORERS NEEDED FOR ADORATION

As parishioners have stepped forward to fill some Adoration hours, the hours we welcome an additional adorer are:

- Mondays 5-6pm or 8-9pm
- Thursdays 4-5pm or 6-7pm

Teams work especially well as you can cover for each other for vacations, illness etc. but please be mindful that someone ALWAYS needs to be present when Adoration is taking place.

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC CHURCH? NO PROBLEM!

Join Fr. Kovash for the following Topics at RCIA on Thursday evenings from 6:20-8:00 PM in O'Neill Hall.

*Dec 20 - Sacrament of Marriage

*Dec 27- No Class

Everyone is welcome to attend Class!

PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR NEW CANDLE

STAND!! If you wish to light a candle and say a prayer for a loved one in need, or any intention, please visit our new candle stand in the southwest corner of the church by Our Lady of Guadalupe image. The suggested donation is \$1.00 per candle. Also, please do not light or bring any other candles into the church. Thank you!

VOLUNTEER WITH ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Are

you interested in helping individuals and families in need? Please contact Tony Fisher 580-0826 if you would like to help with our parish's new ministry to serve the poor. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic lay organization that meets regularly to grow in friendship with God and each other. Springing from this spirituality, we see the face of Christ in those we serve in person-to-person encounters as we follow what Jesus taught us when he said, "Whatever you do to the least of my brothers and sisters you do to me."

[He] rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

In this article we profess that Jesus rose from the dead. Jesus was unquestionably dead on the cross. His Apostles, however, report that they saw him alive after death. THEY KNEW THAT HE WAS DEAD AND ON THE THIRD DAY THEY SAW HIM ALIVE WITH THEIR OWN TWO EYES. Think about this. What if you saw somebody die and then in a few days saw him alive again? This is what happened with Jesus! On top of that, he said that this would happen! He had previously told his disciples that he would be handed over, suffer death, and rise on the third day. For this reason, the Church proclaims during the Easter Season: Resurrexit sicut dixit (He has risen as he said). Furthermore, this was to fulfill the Scriptures. For example, it says in Psalm 16, "You will not suffer your holy one to see corruption." After three days a dead body begins to decay. But, in fulfillment of the Scriptures, Jesus rose on the third day.

Why is the Resurrection so important? First of all, it confirms everything Jesus said and did (including his claim to be divine). It also means salvation for us. As St. Paul says, "If Christ is not risen your faith is vain." WITHOUT CHRIST'S CROSS AND RESURRECTION, WE CANNOT BE SAVED. But, indeed, he is risen, as his disciples testify.

How do we know that Jesus' disciples didn't just make this up? In fact, St. Matthew tells us that there was a rumor going around that they had stolen Jesus' body from his tomb in order to make it look like he had risen. This claim is absurd, however. Why would the apostles make up such a fantastic story? Before they saw Jesus risen, they had locked themselves up in a room out of fear. After they saw him, they were willing to die for him. Why would they be willing to die for him, unless they knew that what he had said was true?

My brothers and sisters in Christ, let us always remember that it is only through Jesus that we are saved and he demands that we love, worship, and serve him.

In Christ,

Fr. Greg Luger

MEN'S RETREAT THIS SPRING

Lenton Retreat for men in the Spring of 2019! Date to be determined. St. Joseph's will be holding a men's retreat that everyone in the community is invited to attend. More details to come.

UPCOMING EVENTS THAT WILL HELP YOU GROW IN YOUR FAITH!!!

Men's & Women's Cursillo Retreat in Dickinson

What is a Cursillo Retreat? It is a 3-day retreat called a short course in Christianity for those that are baptized in the Catholic Faith.

The next <u>Men's Cursillo retreat</u> will be in Dickinson, from February 28-March 3, 2019.

To register call or email the following:

kosteleckyfarm@ndsupernet.com, 701-290-0499

The next <u>Women's Cursillo retreat</u> will be in Dickinson,

from March 14-17, 2018.

To register please call or email the following: jmolheiser@yahoo.com, 701-281-4748

For more information about Cursillo & registration online check out the following link: bismarckdiocese.com/documents/2017/9/RegistrationForm.pdf

<u>PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED</u> Monday Christmas Eve and Tuesday Christmas Day for the holiday. See you Wednesday morning!

NO FAITH FORMATION There will be no Faith Formation December 19th & 26th at St. Joseph's Parish in Williston or St. John the Baptist in Trenton because of Christmas break.

POSADA CHRISTMAS PARTY Monday

December 23rd St. Joseph will have a Posada following the 2:00 PM Spanish Mass in the school gym. Everyone is invited to attend. Posada is Spanish for "lodging", or "accommodation". It is a Mexican tradition celebrating the anticipation of Jesus to be born. It involves singing specifically about the pregnancy of Mary carrying Baby Jesus, and their journey with Joseph to Bethlehem. The festivity will include a small reception.



The last day to order SCRIP before the holidays is December 15th & 16th!!!























































From the Principal's Desk

December 16, 2018

By Mrs. Julie Quamme

Blessed Advent!

Advent is a period of preparation that extends the four Sundays before Christmas. Children love to anticipate activities such as filling the empty manager with hay for small sacrifices, lighting a Mary candle as a daily reminder on the dinner table, or decorating a Jesse tree with old sacrament ornaments. These are all ways to help children prepare for Christmas and the coming of Christ the King.

This school year we will be choosing a virtue each month to practice and focus on. December's virtue is **patience**. Patience comes from the words peace and science and is the ability to suffer or endure something evenly. Patience is an exercise of faith, love, and humility that makes us grow.

This week Grade 1 will be leading Advent services on Monday morning (Dec. 17th) in the church at 8:30. Last week Advent services were on Facebook Live. The plan is for this again on Monday morning.

Winter is here! Please remind your child to bring their "Fab 5" (coat, hat, gloves, snow pants, and snow boots) each and every day!

Mark your calendars! Our **Christmas Concert**, "A Journey Through The Nativity Story", will be held Wednesday, December 19th at 7:00 PM in the church. Plan to come listen to our talented students perform. Cookies will be served in the gymnasium after the program.

All parents are asked to bring 1 dozen cookies to school by Wednesday, Dec. 19th. These will be served after the Christmas program on Wednesday evening!

We are looking for parent volunteers to pop popcorn on Friday, December 21st in the morning. This is for the students to enjoy when we watch a Christmas movie in the afternoon. Please call Julie (572-6384) in the office to volunteer. A total of four parents are needed.

Before and after school pick-up has been going well this year! As a reminder, please <u>refrain from parking in the handicap spots</u>. These spots are made available to ensure equal and ample accessibility options for those with disabilities. Although you may only be parked there for a quick minute while picking up or dropping of your child, you may be taking a parking space for someone in need.

If you are dropping your child off in the morning before 8:10, please have them come in the gym door (door #5). This door opens at 7:45. Children can eat breakfast or sit and play games until the bell rings. We ask that you do not take your child to the classroom or to their lockers until 8:10. The teachers are using this time to prepare for the school day.

On Friday mornings, all families are invited to join us for Children's Mass at 9:00. **Moms in Prayer** is held each Friday at 8:20 in O'Neill Hall. Moms in Prayer is led by Priscilla Keck and Kristal Schmit. All moms who have children enrolled at St. Joseph's are invited to attend.

There is still some World's Finest Chocolate available for sale. Please call the school (572-6384) or stop by to get your chocolate fix!

Mardi Gras is right around the corner! St. Joseph's School will be hosting 4 baskets for the Silent Auction. The theme for the baskets are as follows; Mickey Mouse's 90 Birthday, Arts and Crafts, Family Game Night, and Paw Patrol. With the holiday sales it may be advantageous to begin thinking about and purchasing items for the baskets now. Please hold your items at home until January! Unfortunately we do not have extra storage space.

The school playground has added two "Jesus Buddy" benches for our students to be able to use during recess time. Thank you, Kathy and Duane Binde, for purchasing the benches for our students. They absolutely love using them! This spring the benches will be painted and will add a bright addition to our playground.

Friday, December 21st is the last day of school for December. School resumes on Wednesday, January 2. The St. Joseph's School staff and students want to wish you all a very Merry Christmas! We want to also thank you for the love and support you give to our school and students each and every day!



December 16 - Third Sunday of Advent: In today's Gospel John the Baptist says, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do likewise..." We all have been blessed with so

much! Let us give thanks to God, and from the gratitude will flow generosity to our neighbor. Join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so you can demonstrate with generosity how grateful you are. Tony Fisher, our Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conference President (701-404-9986).

SCRIP Business of the Week: T & I AGNES THEATRES

Everyone loves going to the movies, so it's the perfect gift for all ages! They show movies every day with lots of different matinee and evening hours to pick from. What a great way to spend the Christmas break while staying warm indoors. Don't forget the yummy buttered popcorn, candy, nachos, & pop. It's locally owned with two locations on Main St. and you can go online at T&J Agnes Theatre for movies

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