

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY AND SAINT ANN

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THE WEEK'S LITURGIES

Mon. Jan 7	No Services
Tue. Jan 8	12:00 p.m. Mass, Stanley <i>Viola, +Adam Buechler</i> 6:00 p.m. Adoration, Berthold 7:00 p.m. Mass, Berthold <i>+Harold Westby</i>
Wed. Jan 9	6:30 a.m. 1 hr. Adoration, Stanley 5:15 p.m. Mass, Stanley <i>Viola, +Adam Buechler</i>
Thu. Jan 10	6:30 a.m. 1 hr. Adoration, Stanley 12:00 p.m. Mass, Stanley <i>Viola, +Adam Buechler</i> 5:15 p.m. Mass, Bethel Home <i>+Clara Ferderer</i>
Fri. Jan 11	7:15 a.m. Mass, Stanley <i>Lester, Angie Gustafson</i> 12:00 p.m. Adoration, Stanley 3:00 p.m. Chaplet & Benediction
Sat. Jan 12	5:00 p.m. Mass, Stanley <i>+Larry Nelson</i>
Sun. Jan 13	8:30 a.m. Mass, Stanley <i>Alice Kramer</i> 11:00 a.m. Mass, Berthold <i>All parishioners</i>

PRAYER REQUESTS

Linda Holte, Doris Bures and Doris Walter.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Merry Christmas, once again, to all of you. Over the last few days I have seen newspapers and heard people say, explicitly, that “the Christmas season is over.” But that’s not true! Christmas lasts until after the Church celebrates the Baptism of the Lord, next Sunday. We’ve got one week left!

While on the topic of Christmas, I want to thank everyone who helped to make our liturgies during the holidays (a word that comes from “holy days”) beautiful: those who provided music, served at the altar in various capacities, decorated our churches, and so on. May God reward your generosity to our communities!

Likewise, I am surprised by your generosity to me, personally. I’ve received many kind notes, cards, and gifts from so many of you. Thank you, very much!

And the holidays continue. Today, we celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord. This is a feast day when we celebrate three important moments in the life of Jesus. The *Catechism* explains this feast as follows:

The Epiphany is the manifestation of Jesus as Messiah of Israel, Son of God, and Savior of the world. The great feast of Epiphany

celebrates the adoration of Jesus by the wise men (magi) from the East, together with his baptism in the Jordan and the wedding feast at Cana in Galilee. In the magi, representatives of the neighboring pagan religions, the Gospel sees the first-fruits of the nations, who welcome the good news of salvation through the Incarnation. The magi's coming to Jerusalem in order to pay homage to the king of the Jews shows that they seek in Israel, in the messianic light of the star of David, the one who will be king of the nations. Their coming means that pagans can discover Jesus and worship him as Son of God and Savior of the world only by turning toward the Jews and receiving from them the messianic promise as contained in the Old Testament. The Epiphany shows that "the full number of the nations" now takes its "place in the family of the patriarchs," and are made "worthy of the heritage of Israel" (CCC 528).

-Fr. Jason Signalness

NEWS AND EVENTS

Amazon.com will donate 0.5% of what you spend on their site to Queen of the Most Holy Rosary when you shop by visiting <http://smile.amazon.com> and selecting "Church of Queen of the Most Holy Rosary" as your charity of choice. St. Ann may soon be eligible for the same offer. Stay tuned.

Baby Shower in honor of Tess Jarmin on January 12th at Queen of The Most Holy Rosary Catholic Church at 11:00am. All are Welcome. Tess is Registered at Target.

Life in the Spirit Weekend: Everyone's invited to a "Life in the Spirit" Weekend Jan. 11-13 at St. Cecilia's Social Center in Harvey, ND. Registration begins at 6 p.m., seminar begins at 7 p.m. Friday and concludes at 3 p.m. Sunday. The seminar serves as an introduction or renewal to a life in the power of the Holy Spirit leading to a new and deeper relationship

with the Lord. The weekend includes Mass, praise and worship, talks and testimony, discussion groups, Eucharistic adoration, healing of hurtful memories, prayer, and more. Father Neil Pfeifer will be the spiritual director for the weekend. **Register by Jan. 8.** Free will offering. For more information and to register, contact Rosalie at raxtman@gondtc.com or call 324-2706 or the parish office at 324-2144. No-cost housing available in St. Cecilia's Social Center or in private homes with prior weekend arrangements. Area hotels include: Cobblestone Inn 635-2222; R&R Motel 324-2271; Artos Motel 324-4602.

Nine Days for Life Novena: From January 14th to 22nd, thousands of Catholics across the country will join in prayer for "9 Days for Life." The prayer campaign, sponsored by the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, leads up to the annual Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. The novena and day of prayer are a time of recollection and reparation in observation of the anniversary of Roe v. Wade—the Supreme Court decision that made abortion legal throughout the United States. The overarching intention of the novena is that all human life will be respected. Each day of the "9 Days for Life" novena highlights a related topic and provides a reflection, educational information, and suggested daily actions. Participants can subscribe to receive the daily prayers at www.9daysforlife.com.

Right to Life Mass: On the anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision, the public is invited to a Right to Life rosary procession and Mass on Tuesday, Jan. 22, in Bismarck. The 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will lead a rosary procession from the doors of CHI St. Alexius to St. Mary's Church beginning at 6:30 p.m. Bishop Kagan will celebrate Mass at St. Mary's Church at 7 p.m. Refreshments will be served following Mass.

CELEBRATE and ENRICH your marriage.

The Diocese of Bismarck will again host the CANA Dinner. This year we will celebrate in two different cities. You are welcome to join us in Bismarck on February 9, at the Ramkota, or in Dickinson on February 16, at Lady J's. The event begins at 5 p.m. local time in each location. The event includes a marriage blessing, dinner, a marriage enrichment presentation, concluding with a dance. The cost per couple is \$50. Registration is mandatory, please go to bismarckdiocese.com/cana to register for the event. Questions? Call Tara Brooke at the Diocese of Bismarck.

The Carmelites Nuns will pray for your intentions! You may mail your prayer requests to the following address: Carmelite Monastery, 2051 91st St SE, Hague, ND 58542. Or, you may leave your intentions on their prayer line at 1-701-336-7907. Visit them online at <http://carmeloftheface.com>.

What are “permanent deacons?” Deacons are men ordained by a bishop for service in the Church. Deacons are true members of the clergy, having received the first level of the Sacrament of Holy Orders. There are two types of deacons: “transitional” and “permanent.” Transitional deacons are men studying for the priesthood. For them, the diaconate (the order of deacons) is a step on the way to the priesthood. Permanent deacons, however, do not go on to the priesthood. They are permanently deacons. Most permanent deacons are married and have other, full-time jobs. In their parishes, though, they assist at Eucharistic liturgies, perform baptisms, witness marriages, preside at funeral rites, give benediction during eucharistic adoration, and teach the faith, among other tasks. They provide valuable assistance to their pastors and parishes. Faithful Catholic men ages 30-55, married or not, may apply for the diaconate program in our diocese. The program involves



Epiphany Home Blessing

Using the blessed chalk (now available in our churches) write 20 + C + M + B + 19 on the lintel of your front door (front porch or other convenient location) while saying:

The three Wise Men, Caspar, Melchior, and Balthazar, followed the star of God's Son who became human two thousand and eighteen years ago. May Christ bless our home and remain with us throughout the new year. Amen.

Then offer the following prayer:

Visit, O blessed Lord, this home with the gladness of your presence. Bless all who live or visit here with the gift of your love; and grant that we may manifest your love to each other and to all whose lives we touch. May we grow in grace and in the knowledge and love of you; guide, comfort, and strengthen us in peace, O Jesus Christ, now and for ever. Amen.

“Chalking the door” is a way to celebrate and physically mark the occasion of the Epiphany and God's blessing of our lives and home. With time the chalk will fade. It is a reminder to let the meaning of the written symbols sink into the depths of our heart and be manifest in our words and actions.

five years of academic and spiritual formation prior to ordination. Wives of men in the program also attend the classes. If men are even a little bit curious, they are encouraged to talk to their pastor or David Fleck, the director of the Office of the Diaconate in the Diocese of Bismarck. His contact info, along with more information about the permanent diaconate, can be found at <https://www.bismarckdiocese.com/diaconate>.

Know anyone who...? If you know someone in our parishes that you think would be well-suited to the priesthood, the permanent diaconate, or religious life (as a brother or sister), a simple way to encourage them is to say "I think you would make a good priest (or deacon, religious sister, etc.)." These simple words have aided countless men and women as in discerning their vocation. It wouldn't hurt, too, to mention your thoughts to your pastor.

Stanley Roofing Update: To date, \$58,805.38 has been donated to defray the cost of the recently replaced church and rectory roofing. Thank you! Our goal is \$116,370.

Berthold Roofing Update: To date, \$22,700 has been pledged or donated toward an upcoming roofing project.



SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Jan 12th:

Ushers: Ray Schepp
Gary Martens
EMHCs: Lynnette Vachal
Angela Schepp
Lector: **Need Someone**
Servers: Trent Leith
Danae Vachal
Rosary: Dave Leith
Gifts: Schepp Family
Greeter: **Need Someone**

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, Jan 13th:

Ushers: Mortenson
Family
EMHCs: Kristi Mortensen
Danielle Fladeland
Lector: Sally Holland
Gifts: Mortenson Family
Servers: Jack Mortensen
Seraphina Beehler
Greeters: Sally Holland
Rosary: Sally Holland

Saint Ann, Sunday, Jan 13th:

Ushers: Shane Lemer
Jacob Hanna
EMHCs: Curt & Leann Hall
Lector: Curt Hall
Gifts: Ron & Melissa Fritel
Servers: Aubrey & Sadie Lemer
Greeters: Becky Jungeman

LAST WEEK'S GIVING REPORTS

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

Adult Collection.....\$1750.00
Loose Collection.....\$155.00
Maintenance Fund.....\$200.00
Social Concerns\$275.00

Church of St. Ann\$311.00