

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

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Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church

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THE WEEK'S LITURGIES

Mon.	Mar 18	7:15 a.m.	Comm. Service, Stanley
Tue.	Mar 19	12:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley Michael P. Wall
		6:30 p.m.	Stations of Cross, Berthold
		7:00 p.m.	Mass, Berthold Allan Beehler
Wed.	Mar 20	6:30 a.m.	1 hr. Adoration, Stanley
		5:15 p.m.	Mass, Stanley +Ed Krieger
		6:45 p.m.	Stations of Cross, Stanley
Thu.	Mar 21	6:30 a.m.	1 hr. Adoration, Stanley
		12:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley Byron H.
		5:15 p.m.	Mass, Bethel Home (if open) Bethel Home Residents
Fri.	Mar 22	7:15 a.m.	Mass, Stanley Michael P. Wall
		12:00 p.m.	Adoration, Stanley
		3:00 p.m.	Chaplet & Benediction
Sat.	Mar 23	5:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley +Betty Kudrna Family
Sun.	Mar 24	8:30 a.m.	Mass, Stanley All Parishioners
		11:00 a.m.	Mass, Berthold +Carolyn Brown
		4:00 p.m.	Penance Service, Stanley

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available 4:15 to 4:50 p.m. on Saturdays and 7:45 to 8:20 a.m. on Sundays in Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church. It is available 10:20 to 10:50 a.m. at St. Ann on Sundays. It's also available 15 minutes prior to weekday Masses, or by appointment anytime.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Linda Holte, Doris Bures, Doris Walter, Duane Lalim, Joan Fladeland, Gene Neiss, Allan Beehler.

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

If this were a world in which I somehow had trillions of dollars laying around, I could set out stacks of \$100 dollar bills in the parish hall with a "help yourself" sign. I could make announcements encouraging everyone to take advantage of the opportunity, explain that I really wanted everyone to partake. And I have zero doubt that everyone would help themselves. For their kids' college funds, for healthcare bills, mortgage payments, for whatever. It would be awesome. But, we live in reality. Sorry, no free cash.

But, as St. Peter said to a man begging for money outside the Temple, "*I have neither silver nor gold, but what I do have I give you...*" (Acts 3:6). As a priest, what I can offer you is of greater value than even a stack of gold bars: the forgiveness of your sins.

Yet, one thing that causes me great disappointment as a pastor is to see how you do not make use of Confession, one of the greatest gifts Jesus has given us.

Jesus wants to forgive our sins. He gave us the priesthood and the Sacrament of Reconciliation to dispense that forgiveness. All we need to do is stop by the confessional and receive it. It's free. It's readily available. It takes very little time. It's infinitely valuable. We need it to get to heaven. But we ignore it. Some weekends not a single one of you visits the confessional, and that makes me sad. You're missing out!

All seven of the sacraments bring about the effect they signify. Baptism washes away all sin and brings us into the Church. Confirmation strengthens us to live the Christian life we began in Baptism. The Eucharist brings about communion with Christ. Holy Matrimony and Holy Orders aid men and women in living their vocations to marriage, diaconate, or priesthood faithfully. The Anointing of the Sick strengthens us for a difficult last journey, and may even provide physical healing. My point: by God, all of the sacraments *do something*. Thus, Confession truly does remove the guilt of our sins. Sins confessed in that sacrament will not, ultimately, keep us out of Heaven. Conversely, sins we do not confess in that sacrament *may* keep us out of Heaven. Forever. This is so important for the health of your soul and for your eternal life that the Church made it a rule, one of the five "precepts of the Church," five rules "meant to guarantee to the faithful the *very necessary minimum* in the spirit of prayer and moral effort, in the growth in love of God and neighbor" (CCC 2041). The second precept states that "*You shall confess your sins at least once a year.*" And given how awesome the gift of forgiveness is, and aware of how sinful we all (myself included) are, I would say that once a year is, certainly, the very minimum. I recommend everyone go to Confession at least once a month, unless they are aware of some serious sin. In that case, they should go *immediately*. Walking out of the confessional

feels so good, and it so pleases our Lord. Why stay away? In this Lenten Season, let us all receive God's gift of mercy. We have a few penance services coming up. And confessions are scheduled in our parishes six days a week. If those times still don't work for you, call me and we'll make it work.

-Fr. Jason

NEWS AND EVENTS

Congratulations to Sam Fritel and Breeanna Lumley on the baptism of their son, Colt, last Wednesday! Welcome to the Church, Colt!

Bingo! Everyone is welcome for a day of Bingo to raise funds for our students attending the Steubenville Conference this summer. The students will be serving soup and bars next Saturday, March 23rd after Mass.

Penance Services: A communal penance service will take place at Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church next weekend, Sunday, March 24th, at 4:00 p.m. Fr. Jason and Fr. Corey Nelson (from Tioga) will be available to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A penance service will also be held on Sunday, April 4th, at 4:00 p.m., in St. Ann Church. Fr. Jason and Fr. Teji Thanippilly of Parshall will be present at that service.

Is your marriage a struggle?: *Corazon* is a weekend experience to be held March 29-31 in which couples will be challenged to soften their hearts by looking at what the Sacrament of Marriage is all about, look deeply into their own short-comings and failures and, finally, to offer different tools to help heal past hurts and move forward. No one will ever be turned away because of a lack of funds, however, non-refundable deposit of \$100 to secure registration is requested. Register online at bismarckdiocese.com/corazon. Contact Tara at the diocesan Office of Family Ministry at 204-7209 for more information.

“Return to Joy” Parish Mission: The Church of St. Anthony in New Town is hosting a parish mission titled “Return to Joy” on April 7-9 from 6:30-8 p.m. each evening. The mission will feature guest Shelly Preszler speaking on the themes of joy, divine mercy, and more. For more information, call 701-627-4423 or Bobbi at 701-720-3998.



Right to Life Banquet: ND Right to Life will be holding an educational/fundraising banquet at the Grand Hotel, 1505 N Broadway, in Minot on Monday April 8th, beginning at 6 p.m.

with a social, with 7 p.m. dinner, concluding with a presentation. Brandon Buell is the featured speaker. He is a pro-life father and author. He will present a moving story about the struggles their family has faced with a son born with an extreme and incurable neurological disorder. He shares that his son is special and that all lives have purpose. If you would like to attend, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary Church has sponsored a table for eight guests. If you would like to attend, let Fr. Jason know as soon as possible. The event is free to attend, though an appeal for donations will be made at the end of the event.

A Simple Lenten Retreat for Men will be held on Saturday, April 13 beginning with 8 a.m. Mass at the Church of Saint Anne in Bismarck. Presenters are Msgr. Tom Richter and Fr. Wayne Sattler. Adoration and Stations of the Cross are also planned. The event will conclude by 2:30 p.m. Breakfast and lunch are included in the \$25 fee. Preregistration is preferred. Either send a check made out to “A Simple Lenten Retreat” to John Berger, 714 Crescent Lane, Bismarck, ND 58501, or email jberger5@midco.net and pay at the retreat. Registration begins at 7:15 a.m.

Diocesan Job Opening: The Diocese of Bismarck is seeking a well-qualified and highly motivated individual to fill the position of **Director of Catechesis and Youth**. The ideal candidate loves the Catholic Church and its ministries, enjoys working with people, is a self-starter, and is goal orientated. The position will provide leadership and serve as a liaison to parishes in the design and implementation of catechesis and youth/young adult ministry in the diocese. Coordinate and support catechetical and youth/young adult events and programming that will nurture the faith and discipleship of young people across the diocese. A Bachelor’s degree or its equivalent in theology, pastoral ministry or related field is required. Competitive salary and benefits package provided. Application deadline is April 1. A detailed job description can be found at bismarckdiocese.com under the “Job Openings” tab. Please submit cover letter, resume, three references and diocesan application for employment to Denise Jordan, djordan@bismarckdiocese.com or PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502.

Bring in old palm branches: Please bring old, blessed palm branches to the churches and leave them in the designated places.



Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions and *lectio divina* take place at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday mornings each week in Holy Rosary Church, Stanley. Everyone is welcome to participate.

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://carmeloftheholymface.com>.

Prayer for an End to Infanticide

The U.S. Senate recently failed to pass the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act—legislation that would prohibit infanticide by ensuring that a child born alive following an attempted abortion would receive the same degree of care to preserve her or his life and health as would be given to any other child born alive at the same gestational age. Thankfully, both of North Dakota's senators supported this bill. Please join us in prayer for an end to infanticide:

"Jesus, Lord of Life, transform the hearts of all elected leaders to recognize that infanticide is wrong and must not be tolerated. Open hearts and minds to recognize and defend the precious gift of every human life."

EASTER FLOWER OFFERINGS FOR QUEEN OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

+Eugene Eisenzimmer, +Anthony Giesen,
+The Eisenzimmer family, All deceased
Relatives and friends, +Gordan Wilhelmi,
+Kyle Wilhelmi, +Darrel & Don Hammack,
+Flora & Gene Hammack, +Joe & Marie
Wilhelmi, +Virgil Wilhelmi, +Dave Dusek,
+Larry & Audrey Dusek, +Dennis Wentz,
+Rosie Wentz, +Arlin Wentz, +Carl Arndt,
+Marie Arndt, +Wendelin Walter, +Margaret
Walter, +Gloria Worley, +Don & +Betty
Kudrna, +Fred and +Esther Hynek, +Mary M.
Holte, +Wallace M Holte, +Allan Wahl and
+Mildred Wahl.



SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, March 23rd:

Ushers: Carissa Bieri
Chance Bieri
EMHCs: Barb Meiers
Angela Schepp
Lector: Angela Schepp
Servers: Cassidy Bohrer
McKenzie Bohrer
Rosary: Steve Martens
Gifts: Ushers
Greeter: Brandi Larson

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary, March 24th:

Ushers: Ben Hynek
Cassidy Fladeland
EMHCs: Carol Hynek
Danielle Fladeland
Lector: Sally Holland
Gifts: Hynek Family
Servers: Colten Fladeland
Matthew Bacor
Greeters: Sally Holland
Rosary: Sally Holland

Saint Ann, Sunday, March 25th:

Ushers: Tyler Mollerud
Jacob Hanson
EMHCs: Troy & Tracey Ross
Lector: Curt Hall
Gifts: David & Gloria Kinney
Servers: Emily & Wyatt Hanson
Greeters: Bruce & Netty DeBilt

LAST WEEK'S GIVING

Queen of the Most Holy Rosary

	<i>Last Week</i>	<i>Needed</i>
Adult Collection.....	\$2050....	\$1684
Loose Collection.....	\$327.....	\$118
Maintenance Fund.....	\$200....	\$200
Social Concerns	\$170.....	\$136
Total	\$2747....	\$2138

Church of Saint Ann

	<i>Last Week</i>	<i>Needed</i>
Total	\$1094.....	\$540