

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

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## THE WEEK'S LITURGIES

Mon.	Dec. 9	7:15 a.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+Robert Brunelle</i>
Tue.	Dec. 10	12:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+Harold,</i> <i>+Catherine Kostenko</i>
		12:30 p.m.	Adoration, Stanley
		3:00 p.m.	Chaplet & Benediction
Wed.	Dec. 11	6:15 a.m.	1 hr. Adoration, Stanley
		7:15 a.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+Joe Benetti,</i> <i>+Arlen Davis</i>
Thu.	Dec. 12	6:15 a.m.	1 hr. Adoration, Stanley
		12:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+Lionel,</i> <i>+Ella Fladeland</i> <i>Linda Holte</i>
		5:15 p.m.	Mass, Bethel Home
Fri.	Dec. 13	7:15 a.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>Fladeland Family</i>
Sat.	Dec. 14	5:00 p.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+Carol Linster</i>
Sun.	Dec. 15	8:30 a.m.	Mass, Stanley <i>+James Goettle</i>
		11:00 a.m.	Mass, Berthold <i>All Parishioners</i>

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

Jim & Doris Walter, Rebecca Bohrer, Doris Bures, Diane Gustafson, Arlen Rostad, and Linda Holte.

## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

While I was attending seminary in St. Louis a group of us would car pool most Saturday mornings across the river into Illinois, to pray outside of the so-called "Hope Clinic" in Granite City. This "clinic" was providing anything but hope. Instead, it provided abortions. And from the amount of traffic going through their parking lot, apparently a lot of abortions. Everything about the place felt evil. From what happened inside the building, to how the "escorts" would rush women into the front door, to how some of the

## Christmas Mass Schedule

**Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m. St. Ann**  
**Midnight 12:00 a.m. Holy Rosary**  
**At Dawn 10:30 a.m. Holy Rosary**

non-Catholic Christian protestors would unhelpfully scream verses of Scripture at the women going through the doors, to the smiling boyfriends who would walk out with their crying girlfriends after the procedure (their “problem” having been solved), the place felt and looked evil. We seminarians would join a group of Catholics on the north side of the property and would peacefully pray the Rosary, but would not normally interact with the escorts or women coming to the clinic.

But there was one faithful woman who would interact with them. She had devoted her time and resources to purchase a van and outfit it with an ultrasound machine. She would park this van directly in front of the clinic, kindly approach women as they drove into the clinic, and offer them free ultrasounds so they could see their unborn children. Some women took her up on the offer, and many of those women chose to let their children live. It was inspiring, a bit of good in a very dark place!

Fast forward to a few months ago, when I attended a Tri-County Right to Life meeting here in Stanley. I listened to a presentation from a nonprofit group called “Unapologetically Pro-Life.” The organization grew out of McKenzie County’s Right to Life chapter and has been working hard on a project to bring a “Stork Van” to North Dakota. A “stork van” is a vehicle designed for the purpose of providing services to expectant mothers, just like that woman in Illinois had been doing. As of a few weeks ago, McKenzie McCoy, the director of the Unapologetically Pro-Life group, had managed to raise about \$125,000 towards the “Stork Van” for use in North Dakota. They still need something like \$75,000 to purchase the van. The pro-life pregnancy centers in North Dakota, including the Dakota Hope Clinic in Minot (quite different from that “Hope Clinic” in Illinois!) and others across the state have made agreements to staff the van and are excited to be able to make use of it, when it becomes a

reality. With it, they will be able to offer free services around rural North Dakota. On days when abortions are being performed at the Red River Women’s Clinic in Fargo (currently our state’s only abortion clinic), the hope is to have the Stork Van parked nearby to offer women free assistance with any of their needs, including an ultrasound so they can see their unborn child. By the way, as I understand it, the Knights of Columbus have donated the ultrasound machine for the van.

Four out of five women who board a Stork Van choose life for their baby. Because of this, and given my past experience in Illinois, I was excited to get behind Unapologetically Pro-Life and their “Stork Van” project.

I mention all of this because the parish in Stanley, through your donations to the Social Concerns fund, was able to donate \$5,000 towards the Stork Van. Thank you for your generosity! If you want to learn more about the group “Unapologetically ProLife,” search for their name on Facebook. To learn more about Stork Vans, visit “Save the Storks,” the nonprofit group which builds these vehicles for deployment around the country, online at [savethestorks.com](http://savethestorks.com).

-Fr. Jason Signalness



## NEWS AND EVENTS

**Need Confession? Advent Penance Services** are coming. The best way to meet Jesus on his birthday is with a clean heart. In addition to the regularly scheduled times for confession, the following penance services are being offered in the area. Fr. Synek from New Town will be present at the service in Berthold and Fr. Corey Nelson will be present at the service in Stanley. Additional services are as follows:

Holy Rosary, Stanley	Dec. 8	4:30 p.m.
Little Flower, Minot	Dec. 15	3:00 p.m.
St. Ann, Berthold	Dec. 15	4:00 p.m.
St. Thomas, Tioga	Dec. 15	6:30 p.m.
St. Anthony, New Town	Dec. 18	7:00 p.m.
Our Lady of Grace, Minot	Dec. 23	7:00 p.m.

**Holy Rosary Christmas Choir Practices** will be held on Wednesday, December 11th, at 6:00 p.m. and following the Sunday Masses on December 15th and 22nd. Please consider offering your vocal talents to praise Jesus Christ on his birthday! For more information, contact Betty Leith at 701-629-6773.

**Support aging religious:** This weekend is the annual Retirement Fund for Religious collection. Please find an envelope on the table in the parish hall and, if you feel called to do so, return your donation with next weekend's collection. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests served for little or no pay. Today, religious communities often do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please be generous.

**Adult Faith Formation:** Adult Classes continue this week on Wednesday night. Fr. Jason's talk will be at 5:45 p.m. and Jerry Nichols' group will meet at 7:00 p.m.

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Event, Dec. 12:** Corpus Christi Church in Bismarck and the local Spanish community invite everyone to celebrate the Feast of our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, Dec. 12 at 5:30 p.m. at Corpus Christi Church. After Mass, authentic Mexican food will be served in the cafeteria. The menu includes: pozole, tamales, rice, beans, buñuelos and champurrado. There is no cost for the meal. Contact the office at 255-4600 to RSVP.

**Corazon weekend Dec. 13-15:** The diocese has developed a program for struggling marriages called *Corazon* (Spanish for heart). *Corazon* is a weekend experience to be held Dec. 13-15 in which couples will be challenged to soften their hearts by considering what the sacrament of marriage is all about, look deeply into their own shortcomings and failures and, finally, to offer different tools to help heal past hurts and move forward. No one will 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](http://bismarckdiocese.com/corazon). Contact Tara at the diocesan Office of Family Ministry at 204-7209 for more information.

**2020 Calendars:** Next year's calendars have arrived. They include beautiful artwork depicting Catholic life in the 20th century. Get your copy at either parish.

**Director of Family Ministry Job Opening:** The Diocese of Bismarck is seeking a full-time Director of Family Ministry. Responsibilities of this position include the support of marriage preparation and marriage and family ministry, administer diocesan social justice activities by fostering an awareness of and education for priests/parishes for referral within the diocese to social services or other agencies. A bachelor's degree in human services is required. Additional certificates of completion of training in marriage assessment instruments,

natural family planning, building strong families, and marriage institute trainings are preferred. An understanding of the Church's position on marriage and the family programs is required. The ideal candidate loves the Catholic Church and its ministries, enjoys working with people, is a self-starter and is goal orientated. Competitive salary and benefits package provided. Application deadline is December 31. A detailed job description can be found at [www.bismarckdiocese.com](http://www.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](mailto:djordan@bismarckdiocese.com) or PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502.

**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.

**The Mountrail County Food Panty** is open every Monday, except holidays, from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. for anyone who might need a little help with the grocery bill. The pantry is located in the Memorial Building on the corner of 2nd Ave SE and 1st St SE in Stanley.

## LAST WEEK'S GIVING

### *Queen of the Most Holy Rosary*

*Last Week Needed*

Adult Collection .....	\$1245	.....	\$2793
Loose Collection .....	\$47	.....	\$260
Maintenance Fund .....	\$147	.....	\$175
Social Concerns .....	\$595	.....	\$171
Total .....	\$2034	.....	\$3399

### *Church of Saint Ann*

*Last Week Needed*

Total .....	\$740	.....	\$706
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## SCHEDULE OF MINISTERS

### *Holy Rosary, Saturday, Dec. 14th, 5:00 p.m.:*

Ushers: Dave & Brett Leith  
 EMHCs: Brenda Jarmin  
 Angela Schepp  
 Lector: Angela Schepp  
 Servers: Penny Wolter  
 Trent Leith  
 Gifts: Leith Family  
 Greeter: Angela Schepp  
 Rosary: Dave Leith

### *Holy Rosary, Sunday, Dec 15th, 8:30 a.m.:*

Ushers: Wyatt Goettle  
 Steve Martens  
 EMHCs: Justin Goettle  
 Lynette Vachal  
 Lector: Justin Goettle  
 Servers: Ethyn Schindler  
 Landon Goettle  
 Gifts: Goettle Family  
 Greeter: Jessen Family  
 Rosary: Steve Martens

### *Collection Counters, Mon. Dec 9th @ 9 a.m.:*

Denise Hanson & Jared Gustafson

### *Saint Ann, Sunday, Dec 15th, 11:00 a.m.:*

Ushers: Josh Brown  
 Shane Lemer  
 EMHCs: David & Gloria Kinney  
 Lector: Dennis Hanna  
 Gifts: Brad & Annie Lebrun  
 Servers: Olivia Lebrun  
 Sadie Lemer  
 Greeters: Shane & Mandy Lemer

