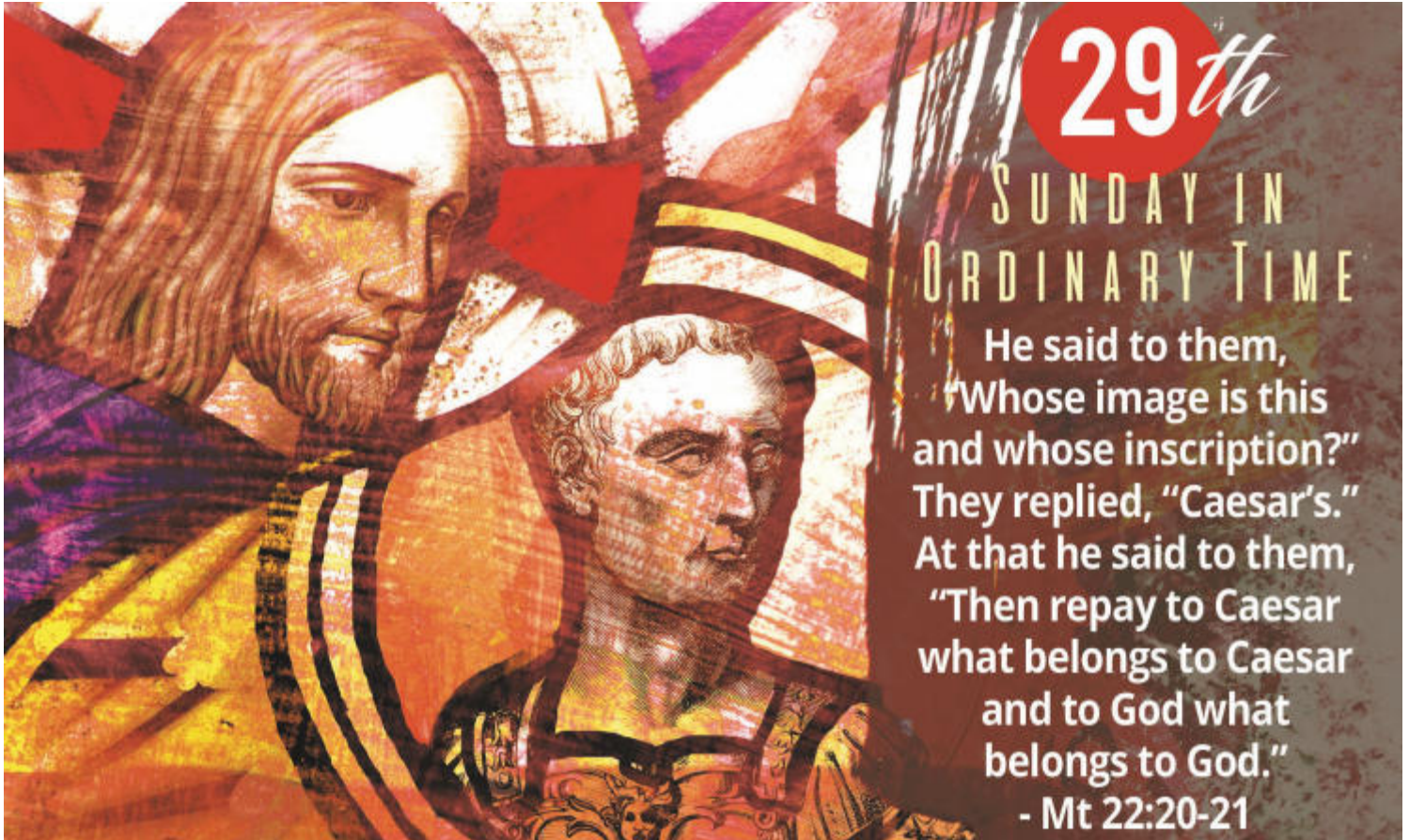


ASCENSION

Catholic Church

- October 18, 2020 -



29th

SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME

He said to them,
"Whose image is this
and whose inscription?"
They replied, "Caesar's."
At that he said to them,
"Then repay to Caesar
what belongs to Caesar
and to God what
belongs to God."

- Mt 22:20-21

PARISH OFFICE

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OFFICE HOURS

Hours: Mon.-Thurs. 8:30 am-4:00 pm
Friday 8:30 am-12:00 Noon

EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00, 9:30, & 11:00 am
Tue.-Fri. 8:00 am

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tues.-Fri. 7:30-7:50 am
Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm

PASTORAL STAFF

Rev. Msgr. Jim Braaten	Pastor
Doyle Schulz	Deacon
John Paul Martin	Deacon
Beth Kathol	Business Mgr.
Blane Schriock	Faith Formation
Julie Ternes	Music & Liturgy
Jan Sitter	Bookkeeper
Julie Luger	Secretary
Rita Ritter	Secretary
Bob Urlacher	Maintenance

NEWCOMERS

Contact the Parish Office or go online to register. Welcome to the parish!

OUR MISSION

As a people of God, of Ascension Catholic Parish, we are united by Baptism and committed to meeting the needs of our faith community. In union with the whole Church, we will build the Kingdom of God by proclaiming the Good News, worshipping God, creating community, and promoting social justice.

BAPTISMS

Contact the parish office three months in advance to schedule.

WEDDINGS

Call the Pastor nine months prior to the wedding date to make arrangements.

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FAITH FORMATION

NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES—OCTOBER 21ST

On Wednesday, October 21st, there will be no Faith Formation classes for any of the session times, due to teacher's convention. May all of our students and catechists enjoy an evening of rest and activities at home. Classes will resume on Wednesday, October 28th, for all sessions.

YOUTH GROUP ACTIVITIES

We are currently planning Youth Group activities here at the parish. Ascension's Youth Ministry aims to mold our young people into active participants of the parish community and empower them to live as disciples of Jesus Christ, making a difference in this world. Youth Group nights for high-school students grades 9-12 and middle-school students grades 6-8 will be starting sometime in mid-November. Youth Group nights here at the parish may include, but are not limited to:

- community with other Catholic young people and some of our catechists
- games . . . lots of games!
- prizes for competitive games and activities
- movie nights
- food and drinks
- short talks on topics of the Faith
- and so much more!

We most especially want to hear from our youth and their families about what they would like to see in our Youth Ministry programs. Please contact Blane Schriock at 258-5692 or bschriock@ascensionbismarck.org with your questions, ideas, and suggestions.

MINI RETREAT WITH FR. SATTLER

Fr. Sattler will be leading a mini retreat on his new book "And You Will Find Rest" on Tuesday, November 10th at St. Anne's. The event will begin at 6:30 pm, with Fr. Sattler talking about what God does in prayer and what St. John of the Cross and St. Teresa of Avila teach on this topic. No registration is needed.

GOD'S SHARE NEWS

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we approach the end of our 63rd Annual God's Share Appeal, I write to thank you for your wonderful generosity to the Diocese of Bismarck.

"All good giving and every perfect gift is from above" James 1:17 is the theme for this year's appeal. God has blessed each person with so many talents and gifts. Supporting the God's Share Appeal, represents your love of God and your heart-felt answer as a Christian steward – in supporting Christ's work here in western North Dakota.

The God's Share Appeal allows you to join thousands of Catholics in the Diocese of Bismarck to support the important programs and services that assist every parish in our diocese. May the Lord reward you abundantly.

If you have not yet made your gift to this year's appeal, I encourage you to do so soon. Your participation is very important, and I do need your support. Please remember that when giving back to God in thanksgiving for all the blessings we have received, no gift is too large or too small.

I also want to thank you for your personal prayer intention cards. I remember all of your prayer requests each day when I come before our Lord in prayer.

Sincerely in Christ,

Most Reverend David D. Kagan
Bishop of Bismarck•

Continued thanks to the generosity of Ascension parishioners. To date we have pledges totaling \$92,006.55, which represents 71.98% of our parish goal. This represents about 31.06% of our parish families. **Every year our parish exceeds our goal; help us keep that track record running!** If you have not had the opportunity, please return a pledge envelope with your response. Together with your support we can accomplish many beautiful works of faith, hope, and charity.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: OCTOBER 24TH & 25TH: THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	5:00 pm	8:00am	9:30am	11:00am
Hospitality	Joletta Kern** Sandra Holzer LaRae Nelson Conni Schafer	Louis Rose** Lori Engleson Judy Ness Greg Power	Shirley Schaffner** Andy Schaffner Tim Kaiser Joan Kaiser	Beth Kathol** Bill Bryan Pam Bryan Blaise Kathol
Lector	Sahlenia Braun	Wanda Rose	Chuck Wolfgram	Meghan Salyers
Altar Server	Jenny Celley	Milla Weigel	Cooper Weidner	Jenna Waliser
Video/Audio Operator	Brenda Muscha	Lauren Weigel	Mike Luger	VOLUNTEER

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PARISH NEWS

THE BANQUET

Thank you to Ascension parishioners Judy Ness, Bonnie Sanders, Bob and Carol Lenertz, Cathy Hruby, Ann Ellefson, Eric Loh, Carri Wilson, and Lisa Stieg, as well as Confirmation students Elizabeth Ellefson, Nicholas Steig, and James Wilson, who helped prepare and serve the Banquet meal at Trinity Lutheran Church on October 10th.



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Join us or online at www.CatholicCharitiesND.org to celebrate Catholic Charities Sunday on October 24-25. This year there has been an increased need for our charity care and other services, and so we especially need your support! Watch our video to learn how we are adapting to reach those in need during the pandemic and increasing outreach by adding a new guardianship program for the elderly and mental health issues, starting telehealth for our counseling services, and expanding our AASK program and adding ND Post-Adopt services! You can help by letting others know about these exciting changes, and assisting your neighbors in need with a generous donation! Learn more, watch the new video, and give securely online at www.CatholicCharitiesND.org or Facebook. Together let's celebrate "US" – United and Strong!

IT'S IN THE BAG – A SOLUTION TO HUNGER

Tote bags are available in the foyer with our parish name on them. Please take a bag, place food items in it, and return to the church. Items should include non-perishable food. Paper products are also welcomed. Approximately, once a month, on a rotating basis, items are delivered to Ministry on the Margins and the Food Pantry at Spirit of Life.

STEWARDSHIP PRAYER FOR OCTOBER

We stand before you, Holy Spirit,
conscious of our sinfulness,
but aware that we gather in your name.

Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts.
Give us light and strength to know your will,
to make it our own, and to live it in our lives.
Guide us by your wisdom, support us by your power,
for you are God, sharing the glory of Father and Son.

You desire justice for all:
enable us to uphold the rights of others;
do not allow us to be misled by ignorance;
or corrupted by fear or favor.

Unite us to yourself in the bond of love
and keep us faithful to all that is true.

As we gather in your name may we temper justice
with love, so that all our decisions may be pleasing to you,
and earn the reward promised to good and
faithful servants.

You live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God,
forever and ever.

Amen

COMMUNITY NEWS

JOB OPPORTUNITY

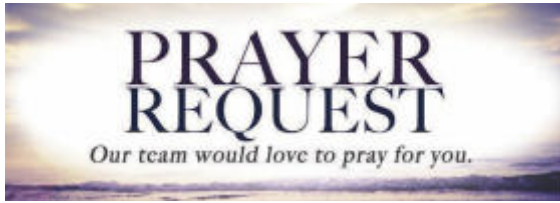
St. Joseph Catholic Montessori School in Mandan seeks an assistant to our food coordinator. The position is for up to four hours per day, five days a week. This is an hourly, part time position that pays \$14/hour. The assistant will help the coordinator to organize meals for breakfast and lunch, as well as cleanup. We exist to help children to become prepared to live faithfully in this world and ultimately for friendship with God in the next. Candidates will need to demonstrate support for our Catholic mission and identity. Saint Joseph Catholic Montessori School is a parish school operated by the parish of Saint Joseph Catholic Church. If interested, please send cover letter and resume to school@sjsjmandan.org or call 701.663.9563 for an application.



“. . . Don't forget that the FAMILY that *Prays together remains together*"

Pope Francis

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PRAYER LINE

Call the Parish Office at 223-3606 or Pauline Mueller at 226-9471. The Prayer Line is a group of parishioners who pray for requested intentions. The names of those requests are not made public. Names of people listed in the bulletin have given permission to use their names.

Marjorie Bitz Richelle Knudson
Dennis Barnhardt Lorie Hopfauf Viola Bitz

SEMINARIAN JOSEPH SCHON

Please keep Ascension Catholic Church parishioner Joseph Schon in your prayers, as he pursues his Seminarian education at the Catholic University of America. Joe would enjoy hearing from you. His address is the following:



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DISTRIBUTION OF POOR FUND DONATIONS

Your generous monthly contributions to our Poor Fund (blue envelope) resulted in the following distributions in the second quarter (July, August, September) of 2020.

- Adult Abused Resource Center.....\$720.00
 - AID, Inc.....\$1,440.00
 - Community Action.....\$1,440.00
 - Meals on Wheels.....\$360.00
 - Ministry on the Margins.....\$1,440.00
 - Society of St. Vincent DePaul.....\$1,080.00
 - Welcome House..... \$720.00
- TOTAL.....\$7,200.00**

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

WEEK	COLLECTIONS	BUDGET
October 11, 2020	\$10,067.50	\$14,343.00
Fiscal Year to Date	\$181,317.73	\$215,145.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 8:00 am	October 19 Communion Service
Tuesday, 8:00 am	October 20 †Pius Kelsch & Alex Kelsch by Pius Kelsch
Wednesday, 8:00 am	October 21 Kathy Boese by Robert Wagner
Thursday, 8:00 am	October 22 †Pat Carpentier by Steve & Rita Ritter
Friday, 8:00 am	October 23 †Lorraine Hilzendeger by Family
Saturday, 5:00 pm	October 24 †Louis & †Shelley Schlosser by Janice Schlosser
Sunday, 8:00 am	October 25 †Marilyn Bosch by Roy Bosch
9:30 am	†John Vetter by Joe & Berna Vetter
11:00 am	People of the Parish

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, 8:30 am	October 19 Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday, 7:00 pm 12:00 Noon	October 21 <i>Six Weeks with The Bible</i> Finance Council meeting NO Faith Formation Sessions
Thursday, 8:30 am	October 22 <i>Six Weeks with The Bible</i>

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Happy Fall from the Social Concerns Committee!

For our Fall Project, we are sponsoring a BLANKET DRIVE.

FOR WHO: Dakota Children's Advocacy Center.

They are in need of fleece blankets for kids age 3-18.

The blankets are given to children as a source of comfort during treatment.

WHAT: Please bring a new hand-tied fleece or purchased blanket to the church foyer and place in the bin.

WHEN: The weekends of Oct 24/25th or Oct 31/Nov 1.

****If you are unable to complete the blanket but still want to participate, we are accepting donations of new fleece, 1½ yards.**

Questions: Please contact Tina 701-226-1458, Heather 701-391-6124 or church office 223-3606.

What is the Dakota Children's Advocacy Center?

The purpose of Children's Advocacy Centers (CACs) is to coordinate the response of agencies like law enforcement, child protective services, prosecutors' offices, advocates, mental health and medical professionals when there has been an allegation of abuse against a child. CACs help ensure that when a child discloses abuse, they are not re-victimized by the very systems designed to protect them. CACs help coordinate care and investigation from first report to conviction and beyond, while keeping the child at the center of everything the team does.

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