



## 2019 International Field Mass to be Celebrated by Most Rev. David D. Kagan

Bishop of Bismarck, Nov. 30, 2011 - present

Bishop Kagan was born in Waukegan, Illinois, Nov. 9, 1949, and grew up in Spring Grove. He holds a B.A. in Philosophy from Loras College in Dubuque, Iowa; an S.T.B. in Sacred Theology and an M.A. in Sacred Theology and a Licentiate in Canon Law all from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. Bishop Kagan was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Arthur J. O'Neill in 1975. He served the Diocese of Rockford, Illinois, in several parishes both as associate pastor and pastor. He has served as chaplain for the Maria Linden Independent Senior and Assisted Living Community and for the Poor Clare Colettines in Rockford. He has been director of the Office of Communication and of Vianney Oaks Retirement Home.

Bishop Kagan's diocesan administrative positions included service to the Tribunal as judge, Vice-Officials and as Officialis; service as Chancellor ad interim, promoter of the Third Legislative Synod of the diocese; associate publisher of The Observer; misconduct officer for the diocese; and service as Diocesan Consultor, Moderator of the Curia, and Vicar General.

Bishop Kagan was named a Prelate of Honor of His Holiness and received the title of monsignor in 1994 and was admitted to the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem as a Knight Commander in 1995. July 2011, he was invested in the Ferraiolo of a Prelate to signify his elevation to the title of Protonotary Apostolic Super Numerary of the Supreme Pontiff which is the highest level of honor for a monsignor.

Following his appointment by Pope Benedict XVI, David D. Kagan became the seventh Bishop of Bismarck on November 30, 2011. On July 18, 2012, upon the appointment of then-Bishop of Fargo Samuel Aquila as Archbishop of Denver, Pope Benedict XVI named Bishop Kagan apostolic administrator of the Diocese of Fargo. He served in this role until Monsignor John Folda was ordained and installed as the eighth Bishop of Fargo on June 19, 2013. Bishop Kagan began a three-year term on the Board of Governors at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary in St. Louis, Missouri on January 1, 2014. He served as the Region VIII Coordinator for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, a one-year appointment that began in November 2013 and ended in 2019.



## Sunday - July 14, 2019



As the 2019 President of the International Peace Garden Field Mass Association I invite all families from Manitoba and the United States to attend. The Mass will be held again in the Music Camp auditorium on the Second Sunday, July 14, 2019. The Holy Rosary will be recited in five languages at 11:45 a.m. with the Mass starting at noon. Started in 1960 by Knights from Manitoba and North Dakota it has been known as the greatest meeting of two Countries on an unarmed border to pray for world peace.

In the beginning it was held in a tent, then the dedication of the band shell in 1967 before moving to the auditorium.

Those who had been to the Mass for many years can tell you of a secret. It has rained on the way to and from the outdoor Mass but never during in over 60 years. The Mass conceived in the spirit of Knights of Columbus founder Fr. Michael McGivney, it is one of his greatest miracles. **See you there!**

God Bless,  
Ron Cartwright President  
Anamoose/Drake North Dakota

# Past Presidents

Through the years, the following men, Knights of Columbus from their respective communities, have served as president of the Field Mass Association.

1960	Joe Morinville, Dunseith, ND - Founder
1960-61	John Heilman, Rugby, ND
1961-63	Felix "Rusty" Weisgerber, Shilo, Man.
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1965-66	Felix "Rusty" Weisgerber, Shilo, Man.
1966-67	Jim Gray, Shilo, Man.
1967-68	Carl Kirkeby, Bottineau, ND
1968-69	Jim Dube, Brandon, Man.
1969-70	Francis Gapp, Rolla, ND
1970-71	Paul Hudy, Brandon, Man.
1971-72	John Giesinger, Rugby, ND
1972-73	Wally Milan, Neepawa, Man.
1973-74	Paul Miller, Harvey, ND
1974-75	Lou Vermette, Brandon, Man.
1975-76	Ernie Mattesen, Devils Lake, ND
1976-77	Adolph Foidart, Bruxelles, Man.
1977-78	James Crawford, Minot, ND
1978-79	Jake Lazaruk, Brandon, Man.
1979-80	Archie Grove, Rugby, ND
1980-81	Pat Golding, Brandon, Man.
1981-82	Joe Krzebethowski, Bottineau, ND
1982-83	Ed Emond, Shilo, Man.
1983-84	Donald Hoffman, Leeds, ND
1984-85	Lou Vermette, Brandon, Man.
1985-86	Frank Paulus, Drake, ND
1986-87	Ron Van Achte, Brandon, Man.
1987-88	Wayne Axtman, Everett, Wash.
1988-89	Glen Cuvelier, Dunrea, Man.
1989-90	Guy R. Feland, Minot, ND
1990-91	Walter Kiliwnik, Elphinstone, Man.
1991-92	Frank L. Brossart, Rugby, ND
1992-93	Rudy Bidinosti, Brandon, Man.
1993-94	William Keplin, Belcourt, ND
1994-95	Robert W. MacKalski, Brandon, Man.
1995-96	Leonard J. Niess, Minot, ND
1996-97	Guy B. Paradis, Dunrea, Man.
1997-98	Greg Kraiter, Minot, ND
1998-99	Bill Emery, Shilo, Man.
1999-00	Bill Goodwin, Drake, ND
2000-01	Michael Balitsky, Brandon, Man.
2001-02	Daniel Koenig, Rugby, ND
2002-03	Denis Meilleur, Brandon, Man.
2003-04	Leonard J. Niess, Minot, ND
2004-05	Francois Grenier, Brandon, Man.
2005-07	Greg Kraiter, Minot, ND
2007-08	Francois Grenier, Brandon, Man.
2008-09	Foy Cox, Grand Forks, ND
2009-10	Eric E. Depass, Brandon, Man.
2010-11	Neil Zimmerman, Minot, ND
2011-12	Lawrence Weisgerber, Shilo, Man.
2012-13	Steven Riehl, Bismarck, ND
2013-14	Jim Dyck, Brandon, Man.
2014-16	Randy Malo, Rugby, ND
2016-18	Rick Anderson, Brandon, Man.
2018-20	Ron Cartwright, Anamoose, Drake, ND

# IPGFMA History

The Field Mass, which has attracted in excess of 3,000 people on a warm Sunday afternoon in July, originated in 1960 and has been held on the second Sunday continuously for over 57 years.

After participating in a parish field Mass the Dunseith Knights of Columbus council, together with Harvey and Rugby councils in North Dakota and the Brandon council in Manitoba formed the International Peace Garden Field Mass Association and held their first annual Field Mass in the summer of 1960.

Since the first Field Mass 57 years ago, many other councils and assemblies in Manitoba and North Dakota have joined in sponsoring and participated in the event. The continued purpose of the Field Mass and Family Day is simply to promote continued good relations between the United States and Canada, and to pray for families and peace among all nations.

The Mass is celebrated in the large auditorium at the west end of the Peace Gardens always on the second Sunday of July each year. During the first few years, a tent was used to shelter the altar then plywood. However, in 1964 a plan was devised by the Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus to raise funds for the design and construction of a band shell. Plans for the project were approved, and \$10,000 was raised for construction of an amphitheater. With the combined efforts of both the 3rd and 4th Degree Knights the project was completed in 1967.

Since that time, many other improvements have been made to the area, with most of the funds contributed by the Field Mass Association.

The International Peace Garden Field Mass and Family Day is the only event of its type in the world, where people gather from two great nations to promote good relationships and to pray for peace among all nations.

In 2001 it was decided that the cost of rebuilding the amphitheater was too much for its limited use, so the Mass was moved to the auditorium where there is more parking, shade, a better sound system and quality restrooms.

The annual Field Mass conceived in the spirit of Fr. Michael J. McGivney was held outdoors for over 50 years, and it never rained during the Mass, a miracle in itself.

If you have never celebrated with us, put it on your calendar as part of your next family faith vacation.