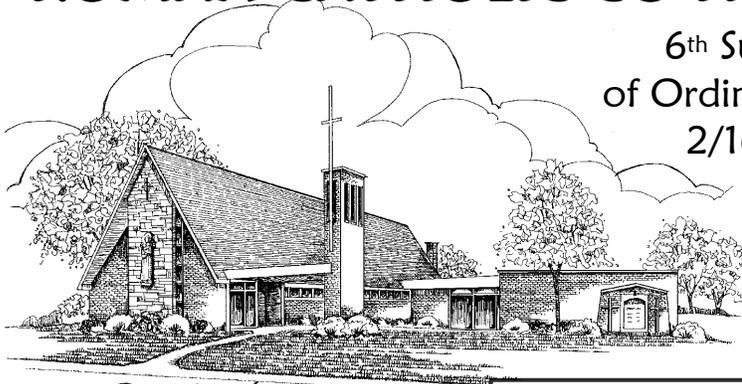


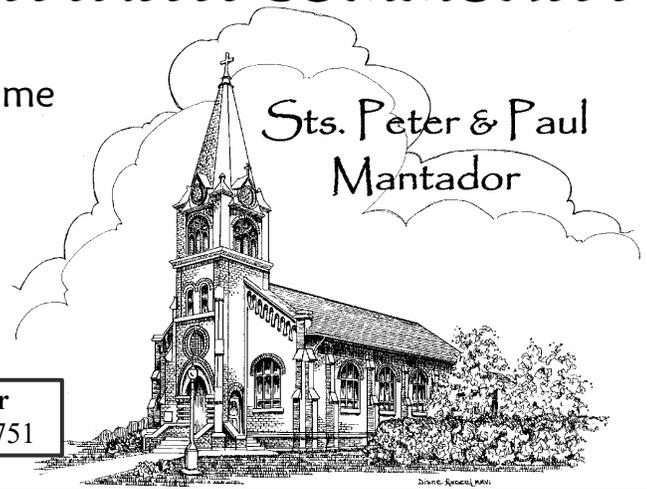
ROMAN CATHOLIC CO-PARISH FAITH COMMUNITY

6th Sunday
of Ordinary Time
2/16/20



St. Anthony
Mooreton

Fr. Kurt Gunwall, Pastor
701-274-8259 or 701-540-8751



Sts. Peter & Paul
Mantador

St Anthony 2/22 5:00 pm

Lector Yvonne Ward
EMHC Alyson Krier, Jane Althoff
Usher Dick Mauch
Servers Paulys

St Anthony 2/23 8:30 am

Lector Diane Birchem
EMHC Arnel Onchuck, Dean Onchuck
Usher Sub needed
Servers Wolfs

Gifts Eric & Kelsey Birchem

Sts Peter & Paul 2/23 10:30 am

Lector Donna Thiel
EMHC Ron Pellman, Barb Severson
Usher Wayne Mauch
Servers Mauchs

Mass Intentions

Mon, 17 No Mass - (m) Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order
Tue, 18 StsPP 8:30 am Special Intention
Wed, 19 St A 5:45 pm Peter Maiden
Thu, 20 Sts PP 5:30 pm Dorothy Schmitz
Fri, 21 St A 9:30 am Pauline Schweitzer - (m) St Peter Damian
Sat, 22 St A 5:00 pm Souls in Purgatory - (F) Chair of St Peter the Apostle
Sun, 23 St A 8:30 am All Parishioners
Sun, 23 Sts PP 10:30 am Paul Krump (†)

Pray for the Sick/Elderly: Leo Althoff, Jerome Birchem, Kate Boll, Wayne Foertsch, Sr Ann Marie Friederichs, Jacinta Goerger, Dennis Iverson, Jim Krump, Dennis Mauch, Diane (Jim) Mauch, Macy Mauch, Alice Pausch, Alice Pellman, Patrick Sawyer, Greg Stephens, Tim Sundby, Wayne Ward, Frances Zajac - Send prayer requests to Fr Gunwall.

Generosity, Gratitude and Trust

In January, Chance & Jeri Pausch began Financial Peace University on Sunday evenings. This national program with the Dave Ramsey Team seeks to help people find peace of heart and mind in the area of finances. There are a few steps, simple truths, and humorous examples to teach and encourage us to put this into practice. There are a few similar models out there. One thing some of them have in common is to begin with three simple categories: Needs- bills for essentials; Wants- treats, break, eat out; Giving- seeing others in greater need than ourselves. The order should be Needs, Giving, Wants but some trusting souls order them - Giving, Needs, Wants. Many share that even when they have no idea how to pay the bills, yet they feel a strong call from God to give to this person or that Need, they find the way to take care of the bills or sometimes they receive a financial break or gift unexpectedly. Does it always work out financially for everyone? Not financially, but a growing trust that God is at work in our daily needs, does grow.

Over the last 12 years, I have offered a few minutes of reflection and questions on the connection of generosity, gratitude and trust in our Christian Faith with other groups that have gone through Financial Peace University in the areas I have served. I also provide a book, Why Enough is Never Enough as a gift to each person/couple. I recently bought another 20 copies of this book and would like to make it available to you. I would even like to sit and discuss the stories, lessons, and goals with those who read it.

I want to share the chapter headings hoping it sparks your interest: 1. How Much is Enough; 2. Making Peace with Money; 3. The Prescription; 4. Giving as a Spiritual Act; 5. Finding the Right God; 6. Learning to Trust; 7. Notes on Conversion; 8. Three Temptations Against Generosity; 9. The Epic Battle: Mercy vs. Envy; 10. Greed and Gratitude; 11. Why Enough is Never Enough. On the backside of the bulletin, there are the normal boxes with quotes, prayers, questions, Scripture to read and memorize, an assignment, stewardship reflection. Much of it is connected to generosity this week.

With the God's Gift Appeal, I really want to encourage each member of our parish to examine, reflect upon, and make intentional decisions about generosity for the Appeal, the regular parish support, the handful of other charities we collect during the year, and the rest of our livelihood. As is common across the country, the poorer often give a greater percentage, the richer often give the greatest amounts, and the middle class do not give as much. In terms of religion, the averages show Catholics as less generous than Jews and other Christians, yet above the non-religious or non-practicing. Those are just averages. The real question for each of us is, "Where is my heart, mind and attitude?" Generosity grows when gratitude grows; all related to my trust in God's providence - his care for me.

News of the Week:

God's Gift Appeal
Sun, 16th, StA 6:30pm Financial Peace Univ
Tue, 18th, StA 7pm Bible Basics study
Wed, 19th, StA 6:15pm RE supper
Thu, 20th, StsPP 3pm Building Cmmt mtg
Fri, 21st, StA 6am Men's group
Sat, 22nd, StsPP 9am Church Lights project

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Questions of the Week

With whom do I need to reconcile?
How can the Holy Spirit guide me
in doing what is right?

Quote of the Week

“Never measure your generosity
by what you give, but rather by
what you have left.”
- Archbishop Fulton Sheen

Verse of the Week: “You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.” (2 Corinthians 9:11)

Assignment: Check your generosity - How many times in the last six months have I interrupted my plans to help someone who asked me? Have I offered help that wasn't asked for? In the last six months, have I helped the church, school, or community with my talents or abilities. Do I give, even \$20, every month to a charity, church, or person in need?

Pick up the **updated Circle lists & parish cleaning list** in the back of St Anthony Church. Families who have joined in the last 18 months are included. ☺

“**Bible Basics for Catholics**” begins at St Anthony Tue, Feb 18, at 7:00 pm. Dig into God's Word and deepen your faith. Join us when you can. Look for the dates / reading at

www.mooretonmantadorcatholic.org/events/bb4c

End of Life Issues from a Catholic Perspective (follow-up) - We hosted a workshop at St Anthony's on Dec 2 addressing many issues relating to the End of Life from a Catholic Perspective. At that time, I told the participants and a few others who could not attend that I would follow up with personal visits to cover material they missed or to answer other questions. We will begin those visits now. Please contact me to set a day and time to meet. We will also call parishioners beginning with those 75 and older. Topics include: Catholic Health Care Directives, Funeral planning, End of Life issues - Moral & Ethical, Basic financial ideas for wills, trusts, and charitable giving.

You will receive an invitation to support **God's Gift Appeal** from Bishop Folda next week. Check your mailbox and watch for his letter. Join me in prayer that this year's appeal is successful. God's Gift Appeal supports 47 programs and ministries, many of which also support our parishes.

Stewardship Moment: "For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 5:20)

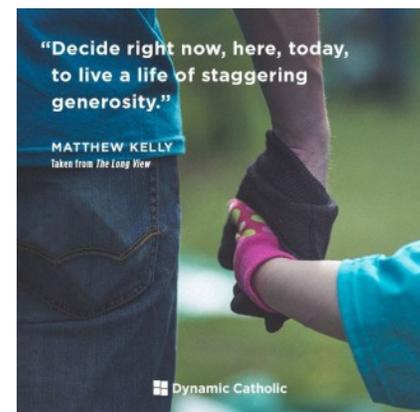
The scribes and Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear - it's the love that you have in your heart that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules out of obligation, not love, does not put you on the path to heaven. Attending Mass on Sunday and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of a modern day Pharisee.

Community Announcements

Fun at the Rink under the Lights (Mooreton Park Board & St Anthony Hall) Sat., Feb 29, 6:00-8:00 pm - Mac&Cheese, Hot chocolate and treats will be provided. Bring skates or come in your boots for fun on the ice rink east of the church.



MOORETON PARK BOARD & ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH PRESENTS
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Is God calling you to the Secular Franciscans? I had the wrong date/time in last week's bulletin...

The rule and life of the Secular Franciscan is to observe the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ by following Saint Francis of Assisi, who made Christ the inspiration and the center of his life with God and people. Secular Franciscans are therefore called to go forth as witnesses and instruments of Christ and His Church among all people. Their primary sphere of activity and influence is in the ordinary events of daily life: in their families, communities, workplaces, and parishes. If this spirituality appeals to you, come to an informational meeting on Sun., March 1, 1-3 pm at Holy Cross Catholic Church in West Fargo. Contact Geraldine Cariveau (701) 235-9192 or Bradley Steen at (701) 219-3424.

the Catechism (CCC) helps us read Scripture with the mind of Christ.

7th Sunday - Ordinary Time - Paragraph #s (not pages)

1933, 2303: love of neighbor incompatible with hatred of enemies

2262-2267: prohibition to harm others apart from self-defense

2842-2845: prayer for and pardon of enemies

2012-2016: the heavenly Father's perfection calls all to holiness

1265: we become temples of the Holy Spirit in baptism

2684: saints are temples of the Holy Spirit

Feb Cleaners: Sts PP: *Sue Mauch, Tammi Althoff, Jeanne Lugert, Liane Mauch, Barb Severson / **St A:** *Cindy Spellerberg, Audrey Anandel, Claire Jo Althoff, Sue Berg, Caryn Klosterman, Dawn Storbakken, Kristi Wagner



This week's celebrations: Xavior Mauch, Erwin Lugert, Nettie Mauch, Andrea Heuer.