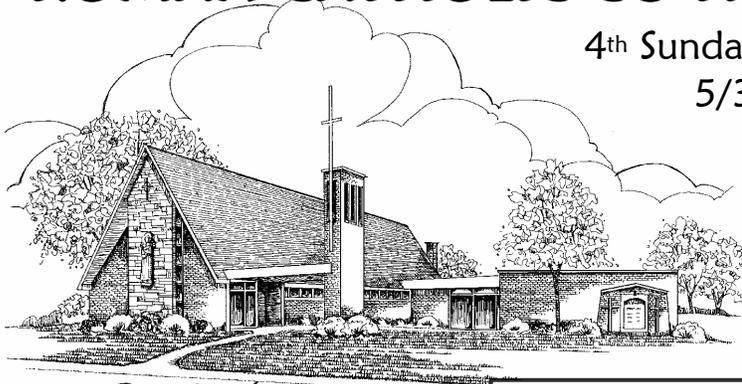


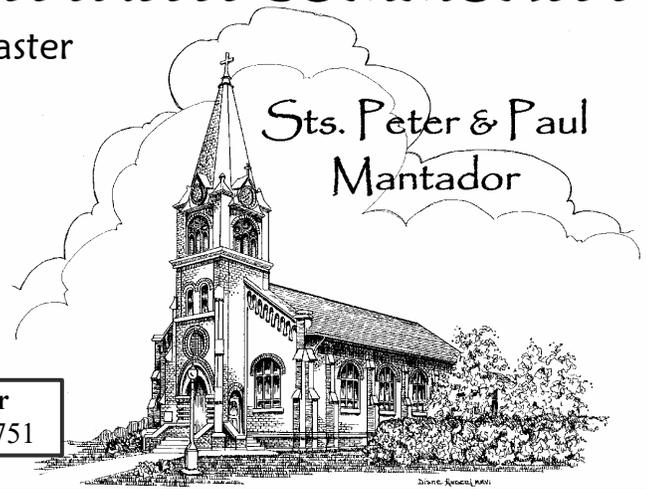
ROMAN CATHOLIC CO-PARISH FAITH COMMUNITY

4th Sunday of Easter
5/3/20



St. Anthony
Mooreton

Fr. Kurt Gunwall, Pastor
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Sts. Peter & Paul
Mantador

St Anthony 5/9 5:00 pm

Lector Yvonne Ward

Usher Joe Erbes

Servers Wolfs

Sts Peter & Paul 5/10 8:30 am

Lector Kari Foertsch

Usher Ron Pellman

Servers Foertschs

St Anthony 5/10 10:30 am

Lector Arnel Onchuck

Usher Dale Althoff

Servers A&D Onchuck

Mass Intentions - Changes in bold

Mon, 4 StA 9:30 am Special Intention

Tue, 5 StsPP 8:30 am Kendra Franck

Wed, 6 StA 5:45 pm Seth & Bridget Zilverberg

Thu, 7 StsPP 8:30 am Dan Scheett - National Day of Prayer

Fri, 8 StA 9:30 am Leo Althoff (†)

Sat, 9 StA 5:00 pm Perpetua Fischer

Sun, 10 StsPP 8:30 am Christian Mothers (Mother's Day)

Sun, 10 StA 10:30 All parishioners [this Mass will be livestreamed on Youtube]

Pray for the Sick/Elderly: With all that has been going on, this is a good time to make sure our prayer list is up-to-date. **So please send the names of parishioners, family, or close friends** in need of prayers to Fr Gunwall.

What is the new normal ?

God is still God! Creator, Savior, all-knowing, all-powerful, rich in mercy, just in punishment. Jesus Christ has never left us. God Incarnate walks with us and remains with us in his Holy Spirit. This Jesus, whom we proclaim, is risen from the grave and will die no more. He has conquered sin and death. So do not be afraid! As I mentioned recently, I may fear suffering before I die, however I do not fear death. A Christian, a disciple of Jesus, desires to be with God in this life and eternally. "I love my life" and enjoy what I have received from God, but I try not to rank his gifts before God himself. St Paul said it this way, "To live is Christ, to die is gain."

So has anything changed for us, for all Christians, because of COVID-19? I hope we will be more attentive to prudent precautions when visiting the sick, weak, and elderly. I hope we all felt the loss of celebrating the Eucharist together and our times together. I hope that many who used to skip the Eucharist (God's Word, teaching, worship, and receiving Jesus' Body and Blood), have found a renewed hunger and will now join us every week they are here.

So what is our parishes' new normal? Some shared that the online Zoom topic nights allow them to join in the discussions that they usually missed. So we will continue to stream them even when we can gather face to face. I will continue calling households during the year. (Public confession on this - *it is an internal battle for me to stop working on duties, planning, and tasks in order to pick up the phone and make calls - for two reasons: 1) the tasks have to get done, 2) I want to give my attention to the person with whom I speak and not keep working on things.* Pray for me to hold to this goal.)

We will welcome Jasper Keller, a seminarian from Fargo. He arrives May 18 and departs at the end of July. There is a sign-up for "A Meal with a Seminarian" (and tag-along priest). You can invite us in or join us at the rectory for lunch, dinner, or snacks and bonfire. See a brief bio and vocation video at www.fargodiocese.org/keller

This May, meditate on the Life of Jesus (& Mary) using the mysteries of the Rosary. Commit to pray a decade (or more) each day. Pope Francis offers two additional prayers to include at the end of the rosary this month. One is on the back of the bulletin.

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News of the Week:

Masses begin Monday, May 4

Holy Hour & Confessions before every Mass (except Sunday 10:30)

Sun, 3 - World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Tue, 5 - 7 pm Zoom - *What difference does God or religion make?*

8 pm StA - Confessions available

Wed, 8 - 7 pm online 6-12 grade Youth

Thu, 7 - Begin St Isidore the farmer Novena National Day of Prayer

7 pm - Zoom - Open Forum on any topic

8:15 pm StsPP - Confessions available

Sun, 10 - Mother's Day

Questions of the Week
How is the Good Shepherd calling me? For what do I need to seek forgiveness so I can be reunited with the flock?

Verse of the Week: The verse from the front page and below in the Stewardship Moment - it came up a lot this week. {*Luke 24:32*}

Assignment: *Commit to daily pray a decade of the Rosary, watch an*

episode of "The Chosen" on YouTube (or read Luke 2) this week - Get to know Jesus, his mother Mary, and his disciples.

Masses resume in the Diocese of Fargo - we thank Bishop Folda for allowing us to gather together now that North Dakota has relaxed the COVID guidelines. Please read the letter from Bishop for our Masses so that we follow the State and Diocese's guidelines. I will list a few items here as I sent in the text and email.

- 1) There is no obligation to attend Mass physically if you are sick or are still isolating because of underlying health issues that make you more susceptible to COVID-19.
- 2) Masks must be worn during Mass except when you receive communion. If you have not participated in Mass on TV or computer, you need to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before receiving Communion (just like skipping Mass at anytime). Confession times are posted on the front page.
- 3) Communion can only be received in the hand (at this time).
- 4) There will be no congregational singing (harder to sing through a mask).
- 5) We can easily fit 60 with social distancing in each church. (If we fill St Anthony's, we will use the hall for some overflow.)

Thank you to those who take care of the plants and clean the House of God for us - Even a lightly used building gets dusty. We thank you for your help in cleaning our churches each month. I encourage you to take 15-30 minutes to rest with Jesus while you are there. He is waiting for you.

Give to **Catholic Home Missions Appeal** this week - Over 40% of dioceses in the United States are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral work needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the US. Please be generous. Find more info at www.usccb.org/home-missions

Evening Q&A online forums - These 30 minute forums begin at 7:00 pm on a main topic but will be open to other questions and topics as you bring them up. 

- Tuesday, May 5, **What difference does God or religion make?** (Also listen to May 3 homily.)
- Thursday, May 7, **Open Q&A** - any topics or questions. Ask ahead or online.

Contact me if you want to talk or need any help. - Fr. Kurt Gunwall

Are you in need? - Are finances overstretched? Donors have offered to help - whether you need a gift or prefer a short loan, contact Fr. Gunwall for personal, confidential assistance.

Stewardship Moment: *"And Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ...'"* (Acts 2:38)

The word "repent" means to turn from sin, to change our actions. Change that is permanent comes from within. It requires prayer, discipline and perseverance. Change is also hard. We have to recognize that we are broken and need help. The good news - we are not alone in our journey. Ask Jesus daily for guidance and patiently listen for his response.

Would you like assistance to complete the **U.S. Census**? Claire Althoff has offered her assistance over the phone and with her computer. Call her at 701-640-2927.

Rosary Prayer with Pope Francis
O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith. "Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.
We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.

the Catechism (CCC) helps us read Scripture with the mind of Christ.
I would like to know if you have ever used the Catechism notes usually found here? I want to encourage everyone to read and know our faith more deeply and so have run them for over a year. However, I will discontinue them if they are not being used. I can make them available to anyone who wants them or post them on our website month by month. Please contact me if you want to use this resource.

May - Sts PP: *Laura Lugert, Marilyn Lingen, Memory Mauch, Shirley Schultz / **St A:** *Celeste Whitebear, Cindy Braun, Rhonda Erbes, Renee Griffith, Bethany Mauch, DeeAnn Mauch, Kassie Pauly

HAPPY Birthday This week's celebrations: Dawn Storbakken, Renata Fobb, Ralph Althoff, Patty Lingen, Carter Lingen, DeeAnn Lingen. Don & Claire Althoff. 