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Mass Schedule Please note: Reconciliation Saturday 7:00 – 7:15 AM, Saturday 3:30 – 3:45 PM, Missions, 20 minutes before Mass, or call the office for appointment.

Table with 4 columns: Day, Time, Location, and Priest/Minister. Rows include Monday through Sunday, with specific times and names like Linda Haag, Charles L. Schmidt, etc.

Mass Schedule and Ministers Saturday, November 14th & Sunday, November 15th

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Lector. Rows for Saturday, Nov 14th and Sunday, Nov 15th, listing lectors like Ben Bohn, Jeff Morel, Mike Greff, and Jack Wyckoff.

Table with 4 columns: Collections for November 1, 2020, St. Mary, St. Stephen, and St. Thomas. Rows for Adults, Plate, Children, and Total.

Welcome!

Thank you for joining us today in worship; we hope you will return often. If you are new to our faith community and want to join our parish, please call our office at 974-3569.

ST. MARY PARISH

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! Your wonderful generosity and buying/selling of raffle tickets just blew me away me last week when I was handed a check for \$17,000 from our Oct. 4 Raffle!!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: meeting Thursday, Nov. 12th. Agenda: Meeting at 6:30 PM. Memorial Mass with K of C at 7:30 PM.

KNIGHTS of COLUMBUS: meeting Thursday, Nov. 12 will include Mass for all the deceased members. Meet in the KC room @ 7:30 pm.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

RAFFLE: Thanks to your efforts the Raffle brought in \$2,390.00. Winners: \$200 Duane Zent; \$100 Dale Meier; \$100 Sarah Kautzman; \$50 Lucy Schorsch; \$50 Del Rae Reisenauer; \$250 Mary Ann Harrington.

THANKS: to a parishioner who generously donated a new mic for the lectern...a nice upgrade.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: meeting Sunday 7:00 pm @ the KC Hall.

RAFFLE TICKETS: be sure to pick up and buy/sell the raffle tickets. Thanks Tina Meyer and all those who organize this event to benefit our parish.

ST. THOMAS BREAKFAST/RAFFLE: will be held on Sunday, Nov. 15. There will be CURB-SIDE SERVICE ONLY from 8:00-12:30 for a free will donation.

ALL THREE PARISHES

THANKSGIVING TURKEYS DEADLINE NOV. 10: St. Mary KC's will be making deep fried turkeys available for your Thanksgiving meal!!

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stmaryrichardton.com. The weekly bulletin is included on the website and is normally posted on Mondays.

PLEASE BE ADVISED: the office hours remain reduced these days, so be sure to call ahead if you need to see Pam or Fr. Thomas.

MASSES: *“the dispensation from the obligation to attend and participate at Mass on Sunday and Holy Days remains in effect until further notice for all who may be hesitant or afraid at this time to be in larger gatherings.... If you or anyone in your household is sick in any way or is one of the more vulnerable groups of persons at a higher risk of contracting the COVID-19, please stay at home until such time as you or that person is able to return to Church for Mass.”* Further, “what we understand as ‘social distancing’ must be strictly kept by all priests, deacons and lay faithful at all times in all liturgical and sacramental settings.”

Family households may sit together in 1 pew and all other persons must maintain social distancing; from front to back, in every Church every other pew is to be left empty.

Only the Precious Body will be distributed and may be received either in the hand or on the tongue.

Only ordained clergy are to distribute Holy Communion; no Eucharistic Ministers. Social distancing is to be maintained as you come forward to receive Holy Communion.

Lectors are to be used. Only 1 server is allowed and servers under 18 yrs of age must have written permission from parents to serve.

No Sign of Peace.

No Offertory procession but a basket will be used for people to drop their offerings when they come or leave Mass.

Weddings and Funerals are permitted but maintaining social distancing. Vigil Services and Visitation are allowed in the funeral homes only; no funeral luncheons in parish facilities.

PLEASE PRAY: for those who are *seriously ill, terminally ill or in immediate concern:* Tillie Hauck, Susan Cook, Willie Friedt, Cindy Wolla, Margaret Wiegler, Mary Ann Hoff, Chuck Hoff, Joan Zimmerman, Leo Stein, Katie Thomas Kautzman, Troy Hoff, Larry Kostecky, Judy Hecker, Ray Stein and all those living with various cancers, those dealing with CO-VID19 in any way and those responding to the needs in our communities brought about by the virus.

ALL SOULS DAY ENVELOPES: can be dropped in the collection. Feel free to list people you want remembered at Masses during November. The envelopes will be placed on the altar at all Masses. Sorry I forgot to mention this last weekend.

RICHARDTON-TAYLOR COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE: Is scheduled for Thursday, Nov. 19th from 1:45 – 6:00 PM at the American Legion in Richardton. For appointments please contact Judy Roll @ 701-974-3438 or online at vitalant.org Sponsor Code: Richardton. Sponsored by: Perry Zillich. Please wear a mask/face covering.

REL. ED: Our Rel. Ed Confirmation students will be leading the Rosary before certain Masses in Nov. and Dec. Check here in the Bulletin for the times and locations and thanks Missi Baranko (teacher) for organizing this service to our parishioners

“A HISTORY IN RECORDS”: is available for purchase. It’s a history of the Baptismal, Marriage and Death registers of Sts. Mary, Stephen, Thomas and Philipp parishes from their founding. It is over 100 pages in length and available for \$20 at the office or after weekend Masses. Books are available by mail for \$23.00; make checks payable to: St. Mary Parish.

CORAZON WEEKEND: for couples in marriage crisis will be Dec. 11-13, 2020. For more information or to register visit: bismarckdiocese.com/Corazon or call Amanda @ 701 204 7205.

FROM THE PASTOR:

Thanks to all who came to the All Souls Day Mass on Monday (and all our faithful daily Masses attendees). Traditionally, we especially remember the dead all during November so feel free to write on the All Souls Day envelope the names of people you want remembered at all the Masses. Just drop it in the collection or you can write the names on a piece of paper and drop in the collection.

On Wednesday, Nov. 11 especially remember and pray for all of our veterans and those who currently serve in the Armed Forces. We are very grateful for their service, sacrifices and courage in protecting our country and preserving our freedoms and rights. May we always respect and value what we enjoy as U.S. citizens and wisely exercise our privileges.

Don’t forget the St. Thomas annual Breakfast and Raffle next Sunday. Serving CURBSIDE ONLY from 8:00 – 12:30. Homemade sausage patties, farmer hats, chokecherry syrup, and egg bake. Yum yum...

Also remember the Thanksgiving Masses at Sts. Mary and Stephen (see below).

It is never too early to think about one’s death and what happens to our material blessings. Each of us has been blessed throughout our lives. Please remember your parish or cemeteries or parish endowments in your estate planning. A percentage of your estate, or life insurance policies, stocks, bonds, land, etc. are just a few ideas. Consult legal counsel for the best option for you and perhaps enjoy some tax benefits too. Thanks to others who planned accordingly, each of the parishes has benefited from these types of gifts. Thank you and God bless you!

All pastors received a letter from Bishop Kagan recently reiterating the need for COVID-19 caution. He especially reminded us that there is to be no viewing of the body or gathering of family in churches before or after a funeral Mass. *Bishop Kagan has also written that we are not to have Reconciliation Services. However, private reception of the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession can continue as we are currently doing and by appointment. At this point I will also plan to be in the St. Mary confessional on Monday nights from 6-7 pm during Advent: Nov. 30 and Dec. 14 and 21.*

If you are uncertain about what to do with your church envelope you can put it in another envelope and put it in the mail (332 2nd St. North Richardton, ND 58652), or drop it by the office. “Thanks so much” to those of you who are already doing this; it helps us a lot.

Finally, One of the side benefits of forgetting names and faces: you keep meeting new people every day!

Give thanks to the Lord for his gifts and mercy!

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- Nov. 7** Confirmation Rosary @ 4:00 St. Mary Mass
St. Joseph German Night – Dickinson from 4:30 – 7:00 PM
- Nov. 8** St. Thomas K of C meeting @ 7:00 pm
- Nov. 11** No Rel. Ed classes
- Nov. 12** Catholic Daughters & K of C Meetings and Memorial Mass
- Nov. 15** St. Thomas Curbside Breakfast & Raffle @ KC Hall 8:00-12:30
St. Stephen Children’s Liturgy of the Word
- Nov. 19** Richardton-Taylor Community Blood Drive @ American Legion 1:45-6:00
- Nov. 22** Feast of Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
- Nov. 25** No Rel Ed. Classes

