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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.

Monday	9:30 AM	Richardton	+Ray Sigl Funeral For Rain and Good Weather
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Harold Goelzer For the Sick
Wednesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+++MaryAnn, Randall & Jason Hoff
Thursday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Gloria Schmidt
Friday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Stella Rummel
Saturday,	7:30 AM	Richardton	++James & Bertha Gallagher
August 14th	4:00 PM	Richardton	No Mass
	7:00 PM	St. Thomas	+Living & Deceased Christian Mothers & K of C
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Stephen	++Paul J. & Helen Hauck
August	10:00 AM	Richardton	PARISHES
15th			

Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, August 14th & Sunday, August 15th

Saturday,	4:00 PM		Lector: Scott Bohn
August 14th	Richardton		
	7:00 PM	St. Thomas	Lector: Tina Meyer
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Stephen	Lector: Michaela Mitchell Eucharistic Minister: Mike Greff
August 15th	10:00 AM	Richardton	Lector: Mark Rummel

Collections for July 31st, 2021	St. Mary	St. Stephen	St. Thomas
Adults	2036.00	620.00	355.00
Plate	354.00	191.00	26.00
Children			
Total	2390.00	811.00	381.00

WELCOME!

Thank you for joining us. We hope you will return often. If you are new to the faith or community and want to join the parish, contact the parish office at 701-974-3569.

ST. MARY PARISH

OUR SYMPATHY: to the family of Ray Sigl who died last week. His funeral will be here Monday @ 9:30. May the angels lead him to paradise and the Good Shepherd comfort his loved ones.

125th CELEBRATION: is next Sunday, August 15. *We will have 10:00 Mass in church followed by a potluck dinner at the Social Center; there will be NO 4:00 pm Saturday Mass on Aug. 14.* The monks will also be joining us for Mass *so there will be NO 8:30 Mass.* Parishioners are asked to bring a salad for the potluck; everything else will be supplied. A "Spirit Talk" at the cemetery (weather permitting) will feature 2 "spirits" from the parish's past. It should be interesting... We hope to have a continuous power point playing during the meal with all kinds of interesting photos, and perhaps we will have some historic items on display.

HELP! we are in need of 1st and 3rd grade teachers for Rel. Ed. Please call Michelle 701 290 6995 or Josh 701 290 8061 for more information or to volunteer. Teaching our faith is a great way to learn our faith and the students are eager learners so don't be afraid to give it a try. Thanks.

RELIGIOUS ED: Just a reminder that registration forms will be sent out in the near future to families of students attending Religious Education in the fall.

RAFFLE TICKETS: are being printed and will be ready soon. Thanks to everyone who donates toward the prizes. The ticket looks very good with over \$5000 in cash to be given away plus other prizes and gift certificates for a total of 32 prizes! Thank you, thank you, thank you everyone! We have been able to meet our goal of selling 10,000 tickets in recent years so let's work together for that same goal this year!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Would like to extend an invitation to attend the Blessed Michael McGivney Prayer Service on Friday, August 13, 2021 at St. Mary Church at 6:00 PM. The service is a celebration of the beatification of Blessed Michael McGivney, the founder of the Knights of Columbus, and to invoke his intercession. Please pray with the Knights and be inspired by the life and legacy of their founder.

ATTENTION CHRISTIAN MOTHERS: Please bring donated items to the annual bake sale scheduled for August 14th during the Opryland Days at the Richardton Senior Center prior to 10:00 AM. Contact Gladys Goetz @ 974-3755 with questions.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

THANKS: for accommodating by having "basement church" on these hot and humid days. I appreciate too, the help with putting everything back upstairs on those occasions.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

THANK YOU SO MUCH: for the many kindnesses shown me and the family at the time of Janie's death. From food, to cards, to kind words and other expressions of sympathy—everything means so much. God Bless you all! Ed Goldade

KFYR: recently did a news story on our church improvements. I understand it was very nicely done and the pictures of the windows and painting also very nice.

DON'T FORGET: PARISH/KC PICNIC on Sunday, August 8. **10:00 Mass at Church** followed by picnic in the park. The suggestion was made that parishioners A-L bring a salad and M-Z bring dessert. I'm looking forward to all the good eats you good cooks provide!

ALL THREE PARISHES

PLEASE PRAY: for those who are *seriously ill, terminally ill or in immediate concern:* Ted Goelzer, Susan Cook, Chuck Hoff, Katie Thomas Kautzman, Leo Stein, Larry & Cindy Kostelecky, Ray Stein, Gary Goetz, Luke Olson, William Kostelecky, Eugene Renner, Lenny Hueske, Jacque Kitzan, Joan Meyer and all those living with various cancers, those dealing with CO-VID19 in any way and our residents in nursing and assisted living homes.

FOR SALE: "A History in Records" containing all the Baptisms, Marriages and Burials for Sts. Mary, Stephen, Thomas and Philip parishes since 1896. \$20.00 Call the office or see Fr. Thomas.

PRAYER CHAIN: Has been revised and we tried to make certain to get a copy to all our prayer people. If you did not receive one, let us know. If you are not on the list and would like to be, give us a call so we can get you on a group and provide you with a list. Thanks to all who have agreed to be a part of the prayer chain. Any questions, please contact Arlene Myran @ 974-3484 or Joan Hoff @ 974-3507.

FOR THOSE OF YOU TRAVELING: this summer please make the effort to attend Mass and give thanks for the beauties of God's creation, safe travels and God's blessings to us.

RAIN: We are so grateful for the moisture God has given us thus far. I think it prudent to continue our Monday Mass to thank God for the moisture received and for his continued blessing of moisture, good weather and protection from storms.

CORAZON: Is a weekend experience for married couples in crisis that is scheduled for August 20-22. For more information contact the diocese @ 701-204-7205 or sign up at <http://bismarckdiocese.com/corazon>.

OFFICE HOURS: remain flexible, so be sure to call ahead if you need to see Pam or Fr. Thomas.

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

FROM THE PASTOR:

Bishop Kagan has written a Pastoral Letter which I am making available to you at the church entrances. It deals with Catholic teaching and practice as it pertains to us. It is in 5 shorter sections and I suggest you read it section by section, not all at once. Bishop Kagan will be offering some explanations of his Pastoral Letter in upcoming editions of the diocesan newspaper, *Dakota Catholic Action*.

Our area has been blessed with timely rains and we remain ever grateful to our Lord for this gift. Others are suffering from lack of moisture, too much moisture, fires, storms, etc.; let us not forget about them and their needs. We continue to bring our thanks and intentions before God regarding rain, protection from storms, wind, and hail each Monday morning at daily Mass. Thanks to those who are able to attend and join in prayer. Each Tuesday morning we also continue to remember those with cancer and other serious illnesses.

2021 marks the 125th anniversary of St. Mary Parish. I want to include some interesting historical tidbits for you to enjoy this year in the new "**FROM THE ARCHIVES**" section of the Bulletin. Sts. Stephen and Thomas celebrated 120 years in 2020 so I will also try to periodically include things from their past as well. I hope you find it interesting.

FROM THE ARCHIVES: In the Parish Council minutes between 1912-28 the pastor was very frequently asking for volunteers to help repair the school building (built in 1904!). It wasn't long after the school was built that it needed various bracing to hold it together. The same was true for building the church: "in-kind" contributions like hauling rocks and other man power for building the church were often solicited.

Finally, a Bulletin Bloop: A bean supper will be held before the Parish Mission. Music to follow.

Keep cool, hydrated and safe. Blessings on the haymakers.

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS

Aug. 13 6:00 pm KC Prayer Service @ St. Mary

Aug. 14 NO 4:00 ST. MARY MASS

**Aug. 15 SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF MARY INTO HEAVEN
NO 8:30 MASS**

St. Mary 125th Anniversary Mass @ 10:00 followed by Potluck

Hazel Kay Krebs (Kyle/Jamie) Baptism @ 10:00 St. Mary

Happy Feast Day Assumption Abbey!

August 16 Feast of St. Stephen, King of Hungary; Happy Feast Day St. Stephen Parish!

Sept. 6 Labor Day

St. Stephen KC mtg?

Sept. 6-9 Fall Clergy Conference, Medora

Sept. 8 Rel. Ed classes resume

Sept. 9 St. Mary KC mtg.

Sept. 12 St. Thomas KC mtg.

Sept. 19 St. Stephen Coffee/Rolls?

Oct. 3 St. Mary Fall Chicken Dinner

