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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	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Rosemary Stetzler For Rain and Good Weather
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Richardton	+Ray Stein Funeral For the Sick
Wednesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Deceased Members of Frank Schulz Family
Thursday	9:00 AM	Richardton	+Stella Rummel
Friday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Mary Hammerschmidt
Saturday,	7:30 AM	Richardton	+++MaryAnn, Randall & Jason Hoff
Sept. 11th	4:00 PM	Richardton	+Gaithe Gebhardt
	7:00 PM	St. Stephen	+Jane Jahner
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Thomas	+Keith Wolf
Sept. 12th	10:00 AM	Richardton	PARISHES

Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, September 11th & September 12th

Saturday,	4:00 PM	Lector: Adam Bohn	
Sept. 11th	Richardton		
	7:00 PM	Lector: Kayla Zent	
	St. Stephen	Eucharistic Minister: Brian Scholz	Servers: Gabby Messer & Will Messer
Sunday,	8:00 AM	Lector: Tina Meyer	Servers: T. J. & Landon Meyer
Sept. 12th	Thomas		
	10:00 AM	Lector: Joy Kitzan	
	Richardton		

Collections for August 29, 2021	St. Mary	St. Stephen	St. Thomas
Adults	1210.00	290.00	185.00
Plate	192.01	190.00	75.00
Children	2.00		
Total	1404.01	480.00	260.00

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 Stein who died Tuesday evening. His funeral is Tuesday at **9:00 am** (note the time change from the usual 9:30) to accommodate his burial at the Mandan Vets Cemetery. May the angels lead him to paradise and the good Shepherd console Mae and the family.

HELP! we are still in need of a 3rd grade teacher 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.

NOODLE VOLUNTEERS: needed on Thursday Sept. 16 @ 8:30 am in the KC Room. Lunch will be provided.

RAFFLE TICKETS: are available for pick up in the back of church. 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! **When you receive or pick up your tickets be sure to read the enclosed letter for valuable information.**

FALL CHURCH DINNER: is our biggest and annual parish event. The committee is getting chairpersons for the various tasks and we are so grateful to those of you who have eagerly said "Yes" to chairing something. The chairpersons will need helpers so if you are asked please also say "Yes" and if you have not been asked, please call the office to volunteer your services. (We always seem to be shorthanded for the cleanup part!) This "main event" for our parish needs all of us to make it successful. It not only builds our sense of parish and working together as the Body of Christ, it also shows the face of St. Mary to our guests, visitors and to each other. A parish that can work together must also pray together so it can be Christ to all. We have a long, strong tradition of a good, delicious and fun Dinner/Raffle. Thank you for working together, your witness, work and service in the past and for carrying the "Church Dinner torch" passed on to us for over 100 years!

ATTENTION CHRISTIAN MOTHERS!: Please check the raffle tickets you received to make certain the 1st prize (\$100) is printed correctly. A mistake was made on some of them. Contact the office (974-3569) if you have questions. Thank you!

BEETS, BEETS, BEETS, are needed for pickling for the church dinner. Drop them off at the home of Bobbi Fandrich (214 5th St. N) or at the office. We will also need potatoes, carrots, flour, apples, sugar. Thanks!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS: Next scheduled meeting is Thursday, September 9. Rosary @ 6:50 and meeting to follow. Program: Game Night & discussion about speaker for Festival of Tables. Lunch: Karen Zent, Jessi Olson, Casey Hoff.

K OF C MEETING: 7:35 Rosary followed by 8:00 mtg. and luncheon and prize drawing.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

K of C MEETING: Monday, Sept. 6. 7:30 Rosary followed by meeting @ 8:00.

ROLL LIST FOR SEPTEMBER 19TH: Chairman: Kayla Zent. Bread: Lucy Messer. Jeannette Zent, Sherryl Friedt, Niki Mitchell, Stephanie Messer, Melissa Friedt.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

KC HALL: Thanks to Jerry Haich and others for all the work being done on the KC Hall in recent weeks. I'm sure it will have quite the transformation.

RAFFLE TICKETS: Thanks to all who donated to the ticket prizes, solicited prizes, all who sell the tickets. Your efforts are much appreciated for the good of the parish. God Bless You!

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, Gary Goetz, Luke Olson, William Kostelecky, Lenny Hueske, Jacque Kitzan, Joan Meyer, Eugene Tormaschy, Gerald & Darlene Frederick, and all those living with various cancers, those dealing with CO-VID19 in any way and our residents in nursing and assisted living homes.

BIBLE STUDY: PSALMS – THE SCHOOL OF PRAYER: Discover how these sacred hymns become our heartfelt response to God's loving and wondrous deeds for us. Bible Study will be held every Wednesday @ 1:00 PM starting on September 8th. If interested please contact Colleen Hutchinson @ 974-3982 or Marilyn Lacher @ 974-3982 by August 30th.

ST. CLEMENT ORATORY OF HAYMARSH: Will be celebrating the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Tuesday, Sept. 14th at 6:30 PM (CST). All are welcome!

ST. HILDEGARD CHURCH, MENOKEN FALL DINNER: Will be held on Sunday, Sept. 12 from 11:00 – 3:00 PM CT. Raffle drawings at 4:00 PM CT.

PRAISE, PASTORS, PAINTINGS, AND POLKA! Please pray with us at the Bandshell in Dickinson, Sunday, Sept. 12th @ 2:00 PM as Fr. Dennis Schafer and Pastor Ron Hodson pray to end Covid 19, and bless special canvas paintings by St. Ben's residents. Polka music by Cliff Walter and popsicles for the family will be provided.

THAT MAN IS YOU! St. Joseph's Church of Dickinson is hosting That Man Is You! on Friday mornings, 6:00 AM to begin this 13 week semester on Friday September 10, 2021. No cost. All men are welcome. For more information contact Deacon Bob: 701-290-1849.

REAL PRESENCE RADIO: Please tune in and support the 16th Annual Awaken Fall Drive held Sept. 15 – 17 from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CT. RPR is 100% listener supported and your generosity has helped reach a listening area of 2.5 million people!

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:

Thank you for your support of the Catholic Home Mission Collection this weekend. If you forgot your envelope, there are extras at each of the churches and you may drop it in next week's collection or at the Office.

I am attending the annual Fall Clergy Conference in Medora this week, except for Ray Stein's Funeral. The topic this year deals with addiction to pornography—very timely issue.

We've 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 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 1893 there were 40 Catholic families in Richardton. By 1899 the number had grown to 80 families and by 1908 there were 160 families—doubled in 10 years! In 1933 there were over 250 families and in the early 1980's parish population peaked at over 400 families. Today we estimate just under 200 households.

Finally, remember...you may be older today than you have ever been before, but you are younger than you will ever be again!

Let's keep our students, teachers, staff and administrators in prayer as school and Rel. Ed classes begin. May each fulfill their role to the best of their ability and work together for success. (And bus drivers too!!) God Bless your Labor Day holiday marking the end of summer. Be safe and sensible.

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 6 **Labor Day**
St. Stephen KC 7:30 Rosary followed by meeting @ 8:00
- Sept. 6-9 **Fr. Thomas at Fall Clergy Conference, Medora**
- Sept. 7 **9:00 funeral of Ray Stein @ St. Mary**
- Sept. 8 **Rel. Ed classes resume**
- Sept. 8 **1:00 PM Bible Study begins @ St. Mary**
- Sept. 9 **St. Mary KC mtg. & Catholic Daughters mtg.**
- Sept. 12 **St. Thomas Coffee/Rolls**
10:00 Baptism Brysen James Miller (James/Kristy) @ St. Mary
St. Thomas KC mtg.
- Sept. 12 **St. Hildegard Fall Church Dinner in Menoken from 11:00-3:00 CT**
- Sept. 12 **Bandshell Service in Dickinson @ 2:00 PM**
- Sept. 14 **Haymarsh Mass – Feast of Exaltation of the Holy Cross @ 6:30 PM CST**
- Sept. 19 **St. Stephen Coffee/Rolls**
- Oct. 3 **St. Mary Fall Chicken Dinner**

