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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	+Donald Hoffman For Rain and Good Weather
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Ron Frederick For the Sick
Wednesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	++Bob & Marge Buresh
Thursday	7:30 AM	Richardton	++Paul & Eleanor Hoff
Friday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Gloria Schmidt
Saturday,	7:30 AM	Richardton	++John & Clementine Loran
Sept. 25th	4:00 PM	Richardton	+Ralph Boespflug
	7:00 PM	St. Stephen	+Willie Friedt
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Thomas	+Keith Wolf
Sept.	10:00 AM	Richardton	PARISHES
26th			

Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, September 25th & September 26th

Saturday,	4:00 PM	Lector: Scott Bohn	October Ushers: Ken Haag, Rodney Rebel, Delores
Sept. 25th	Richardton	Baer	
	7:00 PM	Lector: Bridget/Allison Greff	Eucharistic Minister: Sherryl Friedt
	St. Stephen	Thomas	Servers: Jaycea & Lincoln
			October Ushers: Josh Greff & Ray Greff
Sunday,	8:00 AM	Lector: Magdalyn Czech	Servers: T.J. & Landon Meyer
Sept. 26th	St. Thomas		
	10:00 AM	Lector: Jack Wyckoff	October Ushers: Tim & Kathy Meyer, Tom & Judy
	Richardton	Roll	

Collections for September 12, 2021	St. Mary	St. Stephen	St. Thomas
Adults	1184.00	180.00	380.00
Plate	258.00	124.00	25.00
Children			
Total	1442.00	304.00	405.00

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

FALL CHURCH DINNER: HAS BEEN CANCELLED! You should have received a letter from Fr. Thomas explaining the circumstances. We will still have the Raffle on Sunday, Oct. 3 @ 3:00. Thank you for turning in your ticket stubs and money by Wednesday, Sept. 29 so that we can unstaple the stubs and get them mixed up before the drawing. However, someone will be at the Social Center after 10:00 Mass on Oct. 3 to also receive your monies and ticket stubs. There will also be noodles and a few other things for sale at that time.

RAFFLE TICKETS: we do have extra tickets available at the office but please call first to make sure someone is here. Thanks to those who have already sold and turned in the \$\$ and stubs.

THANK YOU SO MUCH: to the "hoodlers" who put in extra time and effort this past week and the previous session to make sure we have our delicious noodles available to sell. And to the organizers Ann Loran and Cathy (Gary) Tormaschy. Also thanks to those who have donated eggs, and flour for the noodles.

THANK YOU: to Amber Waves for designing, fabricating and installing the new fence at the south entrance to the cemetery; it sure looks nice and is a fine addition to our cemetery improvements. Special thanks and prayers also, to the donors who made this possible. God bless everyone.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS MTG: Sept. 19 after Mass.

THANK YOU VERY MUCH: to Mike Greff who has decided to retire from the Parish Council after more than 30 years of faithful service! God Bless You Mike. If anyone is interested in serving on the Council or if you would like to recommend someone, please talk to Fr. Thomas.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

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

RICHARDTON-TAYLOR BLOOD DRIVE: Will be held on Thursday, Sept. 23rd from 1:00 – 7:00 PM at the American Legion in Richardton. Sponsored by: Joe & Joan Hoff. Appointments can be made by contacting Judy Roll @ 974-3438 or online at www.vitalant.org. Sponsor code: Richardton.

ST. PIUS V FALL FESTIVAL: Is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 10th in New Salem. Polka Mass at 10:00 AM CT and dinner from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM CT. Activities include: children's carnival, cake walk, bake sale, Chinese auction and gift shop.

PARISH OF ST. ANN OF HEBRON AND PARISH OF SACRED HEART OF GLEN ULLIN: Welcome parents with children to a Families of Faith gathering at the rectory of Sacred Heart Parish in Glen Ullin on Sunday, Sept. 19th @ 3:00 PM (CDT). Fr. John Paul Gardner will speak on *The Blessed Virgin Mary*. There will be discussion after the presentation followed by a light meal. Please RSVP at 701-509-96-9504 before September 15th.

FEAST OF ST. WENCESLAUS FESTIVAL: Will be held on Saturday, October 9th from 4:30 – 7:00 PM at St. Wenceslaus Church in Dickinson. A meal of deep

fried turkey and roast beef will be offered along with Raffle, Bingo, Silent Auction, Mini Midway & Cake Walk.

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 recommended we take up a 2nd collection this weekend for those affected by Hurricane Ida and the floods. I'm sure you have seen pictures all over the news of the unbelievable devastation and agree our help is needed. Thank you in advance for your generosity. *If you missed the opportunity and want to contribute, please drop off your donation at the parish Office before Wednesday, Sept. 22.*

I am pleased to announce that we have a Youth/Young Adult Group started for our post Confirmation young people. The group is under the auspices of the Rel. Ed program and while it is open to non-Catholics, it is Catholic based and with Catholic teachings. Suzy Rummel has graciously agreed to host the group which meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Social Center from 6-7:30 pm. This has been something that has been on my "to do" list since becoming pastor. It is a much needed outreach to keep this age group engaged in the faith and in parish life. Join me in thanking and supporting Suzy in this endeavor and "Thank You" Suzy for your generosity, time and energy.

While we have had a dry summer, the timely rains have helped many of us receive a crop worth harvesting and hay worth baling and healthy prices. Let us remember to whom we owe our thanks and gratitude and make efforts to show and share that gratitude. The Lord of the Harvest sends his rain on the just and the unjust but all must be grateful.

Once again we are aware of many who are sick and struggling around us: parishioners, family and friends. Let's hold them in our prayers and thoughts, the known and unknown. And let's not forget those in the assisted living and nursing homes and those who live with various addictions. Like Simon the Cyrenean who helped Jesus carry his cross, let us help others with their crosses.

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: Fr. Justus Schweitzer, OSB became pastor in 1919 and under his direction the parish board approved construction of a new school building in April of that year and by the end of that year the building was occupied. Contractor for the new school was Nick Ressler of Mandan. In August of 1919 the parish board agreed to "pay the Sisters \$30.00 per month."

Finally, It's not so much the load you carry as how you carry it.

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 19 St. Stephen Coffee/Rolls, Christian Mothers mtg. & Children's Liturgy/Word
- Sept. 19 Families of Faith gathering @ Sacred Heart Parish in Glen Ullin – 3:00 PM CT
- Sept. 23 Richardton Taylor Blood Drive 1:00 – 7:00 PM @ American Legion
- Oct. 3 CANCELLED: St. Mary Fall Chicken Dinner but raffle @ 3:00 pm
- Oct. 4 St. Stephen KC mtg.
- Oct. 9 Feast of Wenceslaus Festival – Dickinson @ 4:30 PM
- Oct. 10 St. Thomas Coffee/Rolls
St. Mary Christian Mothers mtg.
St. Thomas KC mtg.
St. Pius V Fall Festival – New Salem following 10:00 AM CT Polka Mass
- Oct. 14 St. Mary Catholic Daughters mtg. 6:50 Rosary followed by mtg.
St. Mary KC mtg. 7:35 Rosary followed by mtg.
- Oct. 17 St. Stephen Children's Liturgy of the Word, St. Stephen Coffee & Rolls and
Confirmation students lead Rosary before St. Stephen 8:00 Mass
- Oct. 30 Diocesan THIRST Conference in Bismarck
Gladstone KC Coyote Hunt
- Nov. 1 SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS (Not a Holy
Day of Obligation this year because it falls on a Monday.)
St. Stephen KC mtg.
- Nov. 7 10:00 Annual Memorial Mass @ St. Mary
St. Stephen Bingo Party @ 3:00 pm
- Nov. 11 7:30 Catholic Daughters & KC Memorial Mass @ Social Center
- Nov. 14 St. Thomas Coffee & Rolls
St. Thomas KC mtg.
- Nov. 21 St. Thomas Breakfast & Raffle
St. Stephen Coffee & Rolls
- Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day 7:30 Mass @ St. Mary
9:30 Mass @ St. Stephen

