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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.

<b>Monday</b>	7:30 AM	Richardton	++Harry & Catherine Kearnes For Rain and Good Weather
	10:00 AM	St. Thomas	+Dorothy Martin Liturgy of the Word Service
<b>Tuesday</b>	9:30 AM	Richardton	+Stella Rummel For the Sick
	9:30 AM	Richardton	+Bill Kostecky Liturgy of the Word Service
<b>Wednesday</b>	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Donald Hoffman
<b>Thursday</b>	7:30 AM	Richardton	++Bob & Marge Buresh
<b>Friday</b>	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Gaithe Gebhardt
<b>Saturday,</b>	9:30 AM	Richardton	+Eugene Tormaschy Funeral
<b>Oct. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	4:00 PM	Richardton	+ Joe Haag Family
	7:00 PM	St. Thomas	+Craig Kubas
<b>Sunday,</b>	8:00 AM	St. Stephen	++Paul J. & Helen Hauck
<b>Oct. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	10:00 AM	Richardton	PARISHES

**Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>**

<b>Saturday,</b>	4:00 PM	<b>Lector:</b> Scott Bohn/Emma Goetz	<b>Eucharistic Minister:</b> Geri Baer
<b>Oct. 16<sup>th</sup></b>	Richardton		
	7:00 PM	St. Tina Meyer	<b>Server:</b> Natalie Meyer
	Thomas		
<b>Sunday,</b>	8:00 AM	St. <b>Lector:</b> Kayla Zent	<b>Eucharistic Minister:</b> James Thomas
<b>Oct. 17<sup>th</sup></b>	Stephen	Jaycea & Lincoln Thomas	<b>Servers:</b>
	10:00 AM	<b>Lector:</b> Lea Floberg	
	Richardton		

<b>Collections for October 3, 2021</b>	<b>St. Mary</b>	<b>St. Stephen</b>	<b>St. Thomas</b>
Adults	3761.00	445.00	315.00
Plate	129.98	102.00	44.00
Children	1.00		
Total	3891.98	547.00	359.00

**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 William "Bill" Kostecky who died Monday, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>. His Liturgy of the Word Service will be here on Tuesday morning @ 9:30. Since it is NOT a Mass, we will still have 7:30 a.m. Mass both Monday (10:00 Liturgy of the Word @ St. Thomas for Dorothy Martin) and Tuesday.

**OUR SYMPATHY:** to the family of Eugene Tormaschy who died Monday, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>. His Funeral service will be here on Saturday morning @ 9:30 AM. May the angels lead him to paradise and our Savior comfort his family.

**FALL CHURCH DINNER RAFFLE:** preliminary figures look promising. "Thank you every one" for your raffle sales and for your donations. Together we make these parish events successful for the benefit of all. We still have about 4 bags of noodles (wide and narrow) available. Contact the parish office if interested. \$9/bag

**CHRISTIAN MOTHERS:** meeting on Sunday, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup> @ 1:30 PM. Program: Financial Report/Question Box. Lunch: Laura Leingang and Charlotte Hoff. Entertainment: Ann Lorán and Kathy Hueske.

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS:** Have the next meeting on Thursday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> beginning with Rosary at 6:50 PM. Program: Member Drive. Lunch: Marla Hoff, Carrie Ornelas, Val Aluise.

**K of C MEETING:** Thursday night. 7:35 Rosary followed by meeting, drawings and luncheon.

**ST. STEPHEN PARISH**

**THANK YOU VERY MUCH:** to an anonymous donor for giving a financial gift toward new flooring in the church. At this time we are just in the initial stage of looking at options and advice from decorators and flooring specialists.

**BINGO PARTY:** is scheduled for 3:00 pm Sunday, Nov. 7 here at church.

**ROLL LIST FOR Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>:** Chairman: DelRae Reisenauer. Bread: Jayme Thomas. Paul Greff, Lynn Greff, Jordan Zent, Doretta Naumann, Diane Messer.

**ST. THOMAS PARISH**

**OUR SYMPATHY:** to the family of Dorothy Martin. Liturgy of the Word Service for her is Monday @ 10:00 here at St. Thomas. May the angels lead her to paradise and the Good Shepherd comfort her loved ones.

**COFFEE & ROLLS:** has been canceled.

**WE PURCHASED:** some new tables for downstairs and have new table cloths to spruce things up for our Coffee and Rolls. Hopefully, we will also be purchasing new chairs soon.

**KC MEETING:** Sunday evening, Oct. 10 @ 6:30 pm.

**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:* Bonnie Hecker, Ted Goelzer, Chuck Hoff, Katie Thomas Kautzman, Leo Stein, Cindy Kostecky, Gary Goetz, Gladys Goetz, Luke Olson, Lenny Hueske, Jacque Kitzan, Joan Meyer, 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.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES COLLECTION:** was last weekend. An envelope was attached to the Bulletin. Put your donation inside, put a stamp on the envelope and drop in the mail. **Do not put it in the Collection Basket;** this collection does not pass through the parish. Catholic Charities of ND does tremendous work with Catholic adoptions, family & birth planning, family counseling, etc.

**GOOD PLAINS FOOD BANK:** Will be at the St. Mary Social Center parking lot on Wed., October 20<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 – 1:30 PM. This will be a drive through distribution. Anyone in need of food assistance from any community is welcome.

**STS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH FALL FUNDRAISER:** Will be serving breakfast from 9:30 – 12:30 at the Catholic Workman Hall in New Hradec on Sunday, October 17<sup>th</sup>. Bingo @ 11:00 with Raffle to follow.

**ST. MARY PARISH NEW ENGLAND FALL FESTIVAL:** Will be hosting 3 Bingo nights following the 5:00 PM Mass on Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, and Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> at the St. Mary Cafeteria. A free will supper will be served all three nights. Silent auction items and raffle tickets will be available. A Dueling Pianos event will be held on Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 PM at the Memorial Hall. For more information call the office at 579-4312.

**DICKINSON CATHOLIC ADULTS:** is geared toward adults (21 – 50) from the Dickinson area who are seeking community and to deepen their faith. The next event will be on Friday, October 15<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM at 618 Palm Beach Road, Dickinson. The topic is the Virtue of love.

**THE BEGINNING EXPERIENCE:** is offering a ten-week session called “Coping with Life Alone” for those who have lost a love relationship through death, divorce or separation. The Dickinson session will begin on Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>. Contact Cindy @ 690-9003 for more information.

**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:**

Special thanks to the ladies and men of all our parishes who help with the funeral luncheons. This is a wonderful service and corporal work of mercy to our fellow parishioners and their guests. By serving them, we serve Christ. We also offer comfort to the mourning, feed the hungry and pray for the dead by this activity. I have not encountered a family who has not been grateful, appreciative and indebted for the delicious food, hard work and efforts in their time of grief and need. So thank you for your willingness to continue this spiritual and corporal work when so many parishes “farm it out.” I am proud that we can still provide homemade salads and desserts. If you are currently not serving on a funeral circle or are willing to bring a salad or dessert on occasion please call Bobbie Fandrich to volunteer 974-4237 or 290-1246 Thanks.

Thank you for your generous support for those affected by Hurricane Ida and the floods: St. Mary \$603.31, St. Stephen \$233.00 and St. Thomas \$156.00.

Plan ahead to attend the annual Diocesan THIRST Eucharistic Conference held on Saturday, Oct. 30. See the centerfold of the current DCA for details. Excellent speakers are featured and all events are free.

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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

I will be traveling to West Point, NE for a little vacation and family time Oct. 11-19. You will be remembered in prayer and thought.

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.

A great way to help your parish is to remember it in your will—either with a percentage or specific dollar amount. For St. Mary these options are available: St. Mary Parish, St. Mary Parish Endowment, St. Mary Parish Cemetery or Renewing God’s House Together (a fund for maintenance of the church building). St. Stephen has these options: St. Stephen Parish, St. Stephen Parish Endowment, St. Stephen Cemetery. St. Thomas would have these options: St. Thomas Parish, St. Thomas Parish Endowment, St. Thomas Cemetery. It’s never too early to get your affairs and estate in order. Thank you for remembering your parish in your plans.

2021 marks the 125<sup>th</sup> 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:** By the 1920’s the annual St. Mary Church Fair had become a tradition, bringing in a profit of \$2,606 in 1923. The Parish Board minutes briefly approve of the annual event saying, “it is needed.”

Finally, remember: the rabbit foot did not work for the rabbit.

Fr. Thomas, OSB

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- Oct. 10** St. Mary Christian Mothers mtg. 1:30 pm  
St. Thomas KC mtg. 6:30 pm
- Oct. 11** 10:00 Liturgy of the Word for Dorothy Martin @ St. Thomas
- Oct. 12** 9:30 Liturgy of the Word service for Bill Kostelecky @ St. Mary
- 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  
Sts. Peter & Paul Fall Fundraiser @ New Hradec – Breakfast 8:30 – 12:30
- Oct. 20** Great Plains Food Bank, Social Center parking lot 12:30 – 1:30 PM
- Oct. 30** Diocesan THIRST Conference in Bismarck  
Gladstone KC Coyote Hunt
- Oct. 31** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary following 10:00 St. Mary Mary
- 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

