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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	++Harry & Catherine Kearnes For Rain and Good Weather
Tuesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Frieda Klein For the Sick
Wednesday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Leona Hoff
Thursday	7:30 AM	Richardton	++Mike & Regina Feller
Friday	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Stella Rummel (First Friday Adoration 8:00 –9:00 AM)
Saturday,	7:30 AM	Richardton	+Zeno Erdle
Nov. 6th	4:00 PM	Richardton	+Ron Frederick
	7:00 PM	St. Thomas	PARISHES
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Stephen	+Living & Deceased Christian Mothers & K of C
Nov. 7th	10:00 AM	Richardton	+Living & Deceased Christian Mothers & K of C

Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, November 6th and Sunday, November 7th

Saturday,	4:00 PM		Lector: Scott Bohn/Emma Goetz	Eucharistic Minister: Scott Bohn
Nov. 6th	Richardton			
	7:00 PM	St. Thomas	Lector: Cliff Weiler	Server: Natalie Meyer
Sunday,	8:00 AM	St. Stephen	Lector: Gary Friedt	Servers: Jaycea & Lincoln Thomas
Nov. 7th	Richardton		Eucharistic Minister: Mike Greff	
	10:00 AM	Richardton	Lector: Pat Dassinger	

Collections for October 24, 2021	St. Mary	St. Stephen	St. Thomas
Adults	2605.00	165.00	230.00
Plate	266.00	54.00	98.00
Children			
Total	2871.00	219.00	328.00

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

CONGRATULATIONS!! By working together and supporting our parish we cleared \$18,000 from the Raffle. The approximate breakdown looks something like this: Raffle \$9900; Noodles, strudels, pickles, etc. \$1250; Donations in lieu of free will offering: \$6600. I can't say thanks enough for all who helped in any way to make this successful. It might be tempting to think that we gain just as much without all the work of a dinner but what we "lose" is the opportunity to work together as a parish, serve one another and our guests and enjoy our friends and neighbors with good food. Looking ahead, we hope to have our Chicken Noodle Soup and Chicken Salad Lunch the Sunday before Ash Wednesday. So mark your calendars for Sunday, February 27!!

FIFTH SUNDAY ROSARY: will be prayed Sunday following the 10:00 Mass. This rosary is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus for the holiness, health and stability of family life. All are invited to stay and pray; if you want to visit please do so outside so as not to disturb those praying.

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS: for our parishioners who have died since Nov. 1, 2020 is next Sunday, November 7th at the 10:00 Mass. Thanks for participating in this nice tradition to remember our beloved dead we have here at St. Mary. This past year we had 13 Funerals plus 6 burials. No, we did not bury anyone alive! Some folks had their funeral Mass in other locations but came "home" to be buried.

REMINDER: K of C and Catholic Daughters Memorial Mass will be Thursday, Nov. 11 @ 7:30 pm in the KC room. Luncheon to follow.

ST. STEPHEN PARISH

K of C MEETING: Monday night. 7:30 Rosary followed by 8:00 meeting and lunch.

BINGO PARTY: next Sunday @ 3:00 pm here at church. Spread the word, invite your friends; includes a great lunch! **If you have hamburger to donate please get it to Jeanette Zent.**

ROLL LIST FOR NOVEMBER 21: Chairman: Caroline Scholz. Bread: Kirsten Friedt. Missi Baranko, Gina Messer, Eva Messer, Patty Thomas, Bridget Greff, Amanda Boerboom.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

ROSARY BEFORE MASS: our Confirmation students will lead the Rosary before Saturday Mass next weekend. Come early and join them in praying.

COFFEE/ROLLS: Sunday, November 14 after Mass...long anticipated especially by our kids!

K of C MEETING: next Sunday, Nov. 14 at 6:30 pm.

CHURCH BREAKFAST: is coming up on Sunday, November 21. Free-will offering. Dine in or curbside. The usual delicious homemade sausage patties and farmer hats, scrambled eggs, homemade chokecherry syrup and the Raffle. Thanks everyone for working together for its success!

RAFFLE TICKETS: I hope the ticket sales are going well. If you need more, I'm sure Tina Meyer has extras. Thanks for your efforts!

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

YOUTH GROUP: meets Wednesday, Nov. 10 @ 6:00 pm at the Social Center. You are welcome to come earlier for supper.

ST. MARY PARISH NEW ENGLAND FALL FESTIVAL: Will be hosting Bingo nights following the 5:00 PM Mass on Oct. 30th, and Nov. 6th 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 12th at 8:00 PM at the Memorial Hall. For more information call the office at 579-4312.

ST. JOSEPH CHURCH DICKINSON GERMAN NIGHT: Is scheduled for Saturday, November 6th from 4:30 – 7:30 PM. Free-will offering will be accepted. Silent Auction, Bake Sale & Wine/Beer Pull.

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY: will meet @ 2:00 on Wed., Nov. 3 at the American Legion Hall. Lunch: Nikki Mitchell; Door Prize: Adeline Erdle.

DICKINSON CATHOLIC ADULTS: Is intended for adults 21-50 who are seeking community and to deepen their faith. The next event will be on Friday, November 12th @ 6:30PM at 618 Palm Beach Rd. Free childcare will be provided at the Parish Life Center at Queen of Peace. For more information email: dickinsoncatholicadults@gmail.com.

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:

Attached to the Bulletin last weekend was the envelope for the annual WORLD MISSION SUNDAY COLLECTION. If you forgot, there are extra envelopes in the back of the churches. Please return it next weekend in the collection basket. This important collection helps the Catholic Church spread the Gospel in foreign lands and is a way for each of us to help spread the Good News; thank you for your generosity.

Sunday evening is “All Hallows Eve,” or as we know it, “Halloween.” Please be aware that this is not a celebration of ghosts, goblins and ghouls. Rather it is the Vigil (night before) of the Solemnity of All Saints Day, a day we set aside to celebrate eternal life. We remember and celebrate those who have died and are sharing in Eternal Life with God. So this includes the officially canonized saints and those loved ones who also share in eternal life but are not officially canonized, in short people known and unknown to us. November 2 is All Souls Day in which we remember and pray for those who have died and are “on their way” to heaven through purgatory. Purgatory is not a “mini hell” but a time of purgation and purifying of those things that prevent us from enjoying the perfection of heaven. The goal of purgatory is heaven. The teaching on purgatory is that of God’s mercy and expresses God’s desire for us to be with him in heaven.

In celebrating these 2 days our thoughts are led to our own death/mortality, the end times, our judgment, heaven and hell. And really our focus should be, since we’re all going to die and be judged, how do I or *should* I live my life?

It is a good practice to visit a cemetery on All Souls Day, Nov. 2 and offer prayers for the dead, especially those who have no one to pray for them and to think of our own death in light of our life.

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: A full 4 yr. high school course became available at St. Mary’s School in 1926. Peter Klein was the 1st parishioner to complete all high school requirements and graduated in 1928. The high school closed in 1969-70.

Finally, One Sunday I was in church with my twin 5-year-olds, Shelby and Ally. Shelby was giggly and was told to keep quiet by her sister. “Why? Who’s going to stop me?” Shelby challenged. That’s when Ally pointed to the back of the church and said, “See those 2 men standing by the door? They’re the hushers.”

Welcome to November!

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct. 30 New England St. Mary Fall Festival @ 5:00 MPM
- Oct. 31 5th Sunday Rosary following 10:00 St. 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. 2 ALL SOULS 7:30 am Mass @ St. Mary
- Nov. 3 American Legion Auxiliary Meeting @ 2:00 PM
- Nov. 6 Confirmation kids lead Rosary @ St. Thomas before 7 pm Mass
St. Joseph Church (Dickinson) German Night from 4:30 – 7:30 PM
Turn clocks back 1 hr. tonight!
- Nov. 7 10:00 Annual Memorial Mass @ St. Mary
St. Stephen Bingo Party @ 3:00 PM
- Nov. 10 Youth Group @ 6:00 pm
- Nov. 11 7:30 pm 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
- Nov. 28 1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT
10:00 Baptism of MaKenna & MaKaylaTormaschy (Josh/Michelle) @ St. Mary
- Nov. 29 6-7 pm Confessions @ St. Mary
- Dec. 8 SOLEMNITY: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY (Holy Day of Obligation)
7:00 pm Mass on Dec. 7 @ St. Thomas
7:30 am Mass on Dec. 8 @ St. Mary
4:00 Mass on Dec. 8 with Rel. Ed students @ St. Mary Social Center
7:00 pm Mass on Dec. 8 @ St. Mary

