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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.

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| Monday | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Stella Rummel For Rain and Good Weather |
| Tuesday | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Albert Kostelecky For the Sick |
| Wednesday | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Gaité Gebhardt |
| Thursday | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Charles L. Schmidt |
| Friday | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Joe Hammerschmidt |
| Saturday, Nov. 13th | 7:30 AM | Richardton | +Frank Wehner |
| | 4:00 PM | Richardton | ++Bob & Marge Buresh |
| | 7:00 PM | St. Stephen | ++Fred & Kathryn Thomas |
| Sunday, Nov. 14th | 8:00 AM | St. Thomas | +Margaret Wiegler |
| | 10:00 AM | Richardton | PARISHES |

Mass Schedule and Ministers: Saturday, November 13th and Sunday, November 14th

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| Saturday, Nov. 13th | 4:00 PM Richardton | Lector: Adam Bohn | Eucharistic Minister: Ken Haag |
| | 7:00 PM St. Stephen | Lector: Mike Greff | Eucharistic Minister: Paula Greff Servers: Ava Messer & Will Messer |
| Sunday, Nov. 14th | 8:00 AM St. Thomas | Lector: Jeff Morel | Server: Landon Meyer |
| | 10:00 AM Richardton | Lector: Jack Wyckoff | |

| Collections for October 31, 2021 | St. Mary | St. Stephen | St. Thomas |
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| Adults | 2040.00 | 290.00 | 240.00 |
| Plate | 121.24 | 112.00 | 25.00 |
| Children | | | |
| Total | 2161.24 | 402.00 | 265.00 |

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

ANNUAL MEMORIAL MASS: for our parishioners who have died since Nov. 1, 2020 is this 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: annual 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

BINGO PARTY: Sunday @ 3:00 pm here at church. Spread the word, invite your friends; includes a great lunch!

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

BEGINNING NEXT WEEKEND: We will pray the “Prayer for America” after singing the closing hymn after Mass. Copies will be in the pews (as with the Litany) and the lector will lead us in the prayer. This suggestion comes from the Parish Council.

ST. THOMAS PARISH

ROSARY BEFORE MASS: our Confirmation students will lead the Rosary before Saturday Mass. **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: 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, 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.

RICHARDTON TAYLOR COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE: Will be held on Thursday, November 18th from 1:00 – 7:00 PM at the American Legion in Richardton. Sponsored by: Badlands Trailers. To schedule an appointment contact Judy Roll @ 974-3438 or go online at www.vitalant.org.

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

REAL PRESENCE RADIO NETWORK: Presents Steve Ray as the keynote speaker at the annual fundraising banquet at the Bismarck Event Center, Bismarck, ND on Monday, November 29th. Host a table of 8 or come as a guest. Sponsor this event: \$250, \$500, \$1,000 levels and above. Register online at: RealPresenceRadio.com or call Jessica at 877-795-0122.

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.

FROM THE PASTOR:

Attached to the Bulletin recently 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 to the parish office ASAP. 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.

You probably noticed the All Souls envelope in your packet. You are still welcome to drop it in the collection basket with a donation and/or the names of people you would like remembered at Mass during the month of November. Each day at Mass the envelope is placed on the altar and the people commended to Our Lord silently by me during the Eucharistic Prayer. If you didn't get a chance to visit a cemetery on All Souls Day (Nov. 2) I invite you to do so sometime during the month. While you're there say a Hail Mary, Our Father, Glory Be and Eternal rest grant... for your loved ones and those who have no one to remember them. This is a good Spiritual Act of Mercy.

Don't forget the annual St. Stephen BINGO Party Sunday at 3:00 at the church dining room...includes lunch. Come and have some fun and finish with good food!

Despite our world with COVID, drought, political messes, violence, racial unrest, scandals, etc., etc., etc. we still have much for which to be thankful. While gratitude and giving thanks to God should be a daily thing, plan ahead to make Mass on Thanksgiving day at St. Mary or St. Stephen part of your family celebrations. There's a lot of truth to the saying, "The family that prays together, stays together."

The season of Advent is soon upon us (Sunday, Nov.28). Start thinking of how you might make the season special this year: Confession, attending daily Mass once a week, praying the Rosary or a decade of the rosary as a family after supper, fast from social media or TV between certain hours each day, or fast on Fridays by eating only 1 main meal; come 20 minutes early to Sunday Mass and sit in quiet reflection and take in the beauty of our churches and their windows, read the 5 Minutes with the Word reflections and sit with them and ponder them. Offer the discomforts you may experience from the fastings for a special spiritual need you may desire, or to deepen your relationship with God, etc. When we "give up" something it is always good to replace it with something positive and spiritual.

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. Julius Locnikar, OSB became pastor in 1928 and stabilized parish finances the best he could in the Great Depression. Plate collection and church dues totaled \$9611 in 1928 and down to \$4700 in 1932. Parish debt fluctuated between \$35,000-\$45,000 till 1940.

Finally, A little girl was overheard: "My pastor says you must love your neighbor, even if you hate them!"

Fr. Thomas, OSB

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 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 @ Social Center
- Nov. 11** 7:30 pm Catholic Daughters & KC Memorial Mass @ Social Center
- Nov. 14** St. Thomas Coffee & Rolls after Mass
6:30 pm St. Thomas KC mtg.
- Nov. 18** Richardton Taylor Community Blood Drive @ Legion 1 – 7 pm
- Nov. 21** St. Thomas Breakfast & Raffle
St. Stephen Coffee & Rolls after Mass
- Nov. 24** No Rel. Ed classes
- 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 & MaKayla Tormaschy (Josh/Michelle) @ St. Mary
- Nov. 29** 6-7 pm Confessions @ St. Mary
- Dec. 6** 6-7 pm Confessions @ St. Thomas
KC mtg. @ St. Stephen
- Dec. 7** 7:00 pm Holy Day Mass @ St. Thomas
- Dec. 8** SOLEMNITY: IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF MARY (Holy Day of **Obligation**)
7:30 am Mass @ St. Mary
4:00 Mass with Rel. Ed students @ St. Mary Social Center
7:00 pm Mass @ St. Stephen
- Dec. 12** St. Thomas Coffee/Rolls after Mass
10:00 Children's Mass @ St Mary followed by Rel. Ed Spaghetti Dinner & Christmas program
6:30 pm St. Thomas KC mtg.
- Dec. 13** 6-7 pm Confessions @ St. Stephen
- Dec. 19** St. Stephen Coffee/Rolls after Mass
Confirmation students lead rosary before 10:00 St. Mary Mass
- Dec. 20** 6-7pm Confessions @ St. Mary

