

**ST. ROSE OF LIMA PARISH - HILLSBORO  
ST. WILLIAM OF NORWICH PARISH - ARGUSVILLE**

Phone 701-636-4541

**LAY MINISTER – DECEMBER 31-JANUARY 1, 4-5, 2019 - HILLSBORO**

<u>ALTAR SERVERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>		<u>USHER</u>
<b>TUESDAY - - 7:00 PM</b>				
Kaden Pastian Austin Cotton	Dave Mueller	Dave Mueller Leo Paintner	Jim Murphy	Bill Cotton Greg Cotton
<b>WEDNESDAY - - 8:30 AM</b>				
Morgan Ptacek McKenzie Ptacek	Howard Cotton	Howard Cotton Marlene Eblen	Carmen Henn	Hank Geray Paul Geray
<b>SATURDAY - - 5:00 PM</b>				
Bryce Miller Nicholas Wright	Ken Cotton	Ken Cotton Cece Cotton		Jen Johnson Jeanna Mueller
<b>SUNDAY - - 8:30 AM</b>				
Alex Cotton Paige Cotton	Rich Gehrke	Rich Gehrke Joe Hastings	Paula Suda	Bill Cotton Greg Cotton

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Place</u>	<u>Intention</u>
30 – Monday	8:30 am	Hillsboro	†Rev. Leo Kinney
31 - Tuesday	5:00 pm	Argusville	†Lawrence & Verna Dimmer
	7:00 pm	Hillsboro	†Allura Sortland
1 – Wednesday	8:30 am	Hillsboro	†Families separated by US/ Mexico border
	10:00 am	Argusville	†Ed Fritel
2 - Thursday	8:30 am	Hillsboro	†Faithful Departed
3 - Friday	9:30 am	HMC Chapel	†Delores Lemm
4 – Saturday	5:00 pm	Hillsboro	†Lawrence Werven
5 - Sunday	8:30 am	Hillsboro	†Barb Mueller
	10:00 am	Argusville	†Parishioners

**CONFESSIONS:** Weekdays: By appointment: call Fr. Casey at 701-636-4541  
Jan. 4 - - 15 minutes beginning at 4:30 pm at St. Rose  
Jan. 5 - - 15 minutes beginning after 10:00 am Mass at St. Rose

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**EVENTS:** WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1 - - NO Faith Formation Classes – K-12

<b>SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	Sunday offering for Oct. 27-28 25 adults and 12 students	\$1411.00	2018 average \$1926.10 2019 average \$1951.44
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**PRAY FOR  
OUR SICK  
AND  
HOMEBOUND**

Barb Taszarek, Richard Jambor, Karen Vettel, Bonnie Ackerman, Bill Artz, Jodi Anderson, Lily Schmaltz, Jim Beitz, Frank Witte, Joe Pulskamp, Delores Vettel, Mark Zaharia, Francis Kritzberger, Susan Johnson, Amy Artz, Edna Reindeau, Deb Eblen, Penne Feickert and Jerry Olsen.

**NEW  
PARISHIONERS**

St. Rose would like to welcome any new parishioners to our parish. If you are new or if you have been here awhile and would like to register, please contact Liz Kritzberger, parish secretary or Carmen Henn, DRE.

**ALTAR  
SOCIETY**

St. Rose Altar Society holiday gathering and short meeting will be held on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> after the 8:30 am Mass. Discussion of election of officers and group leaders for the February meeting. Knights of Columbus will be serving the ladies pancakes and sausage after Mass. All ladies of the parish welcome. Please bring 4 quarters for the Nursing Home bingo gifts and a gift for bingo prizes. Thank you.

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**MASS  
INTENTIONS**

We are becoming low on Mass Intentions. If you would like to have a Mass said for a loved one or a special intention, please put them in the collection basket or send them to the parish office. Please make checks out to: "St. Rose of Lima". Stipend for a Mass is \$10.00. There are envelopes on the tables in the back of the church to use also.

**SERVICE OF  
LOVE  
AND  
REMEMBRANCE**

Boulger Funeral Home invites you to a service of love and remembrance on Tuesday, January 7 at 5:30 pm at Boulger Funeral Home, 123 10<sup>th</sup> St. S, Fargo. This service offers inspiration and hope as we reflect on and remember our deceased loved ones. This service will focus on the comfort and promise of God's love. Refreshments will be served from 4:30-5:30pm.

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**SUNDAY - - 10:00 AM**

Tucker Chadduck & Keelan Monson

Loralie Fritel

William and Chris Walski

<b>EVENTS:</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY, JAN. 1 - - NO Religious Ed. Classes</b>
<b>PRAY FOR OUR SICK</b>	Gary Anderson, Roger Hoffart, Paulette Kraiter, John Graf, James Wolsky, Pete Lindstrom, Jeff McKinnon, Lenny Myers, Joy Olson, and Chione Gould.
<b>ROLLS AND COFFEE</b>	The <b>Trisha Chadduck &amp; Brett Paul</b> families will be responsible for serving coffee and rolls on Sunday, <b>January 5, 2019.</b>
<b>THANK YOU</b>	Thank you to all who have so generously made donations for our Christmas flowers: Larry and Frances Goldade in memory of Thomas & Goldade families Mary and David Sahl in memory of Emily Wulfekuhle, James Wulfekuhle, Kasey Wulfekuhle and Dan & Helen Sahl. Pat and Karen Schreiner in memory of Mark Schreiner & Phil Huck Tim and Julie Keckler in memory of Bill & Mable Keckler and Harold & Jeanel Brorson. Lacey Steinberger in memory of Mark Eblen Barb and Eric Olerud in memory of Gale Burley George Voigt in memory of Msgr. Vetterl Nick and Kelsey Elliott in memory of Avery James Elliott Laura Larson in memory of Lawrence & Verna Dimmer Tom and Loralie Fritel in memory of Tim Fritel.

## **POPE AT MASS: THE LORD’S GRATUITOUSNESS MAKES THE DESERT BLOOM**

Celebrating Mass at the Casa Santa Marta chapel in the Vatican, Pope Francis reflected on God’s gratuitousness, saying the desert will bloom like the barren mothers of Samson and John the Baptist.

Evoking the prophecy of Isaiah, the Pope dwelt on the blooming of the desert, reminding Christians that God is capable of changing everything, gratuitously. God saves us for free, but we sin when we desire to save ourselves.

### **WITH GOD NOTHING IS IMPOSSIBLE**

Pope Francis reflected on the day’s readings, which “puts us in front of two deserts”, or two barren women, namely Elizabeth, the mother of St. John the Baptist in the Gospel and the mother of Samson in the Old Testament.

Speaking about Elizabeth, the Pope said, reminds us of the story of Abraham and Sarah. “Sterility is a desert”, he explained, because “a sterile woman ends up there, without descendants”. Both Sarah and Elizabeth are “women of faith” and trust in the lord. Both conceive and give birth.

The Pope pointed out that both conceive because God is capable of changing everything, even the laws of nature. He is capable of making way for His Word.

## **GOD'S GRATUITOUSNESS**

“God’s gifts are gratuitous,” the Pope said, adding, the lives of the two women are the expression of God’s gratuitousness.

According to Pope Francis, John the Baptist and Samson are “God’s gratuitousness’, rather, they are the symbols, so to speak, “of the gratuitousness of our salvation”, because “no one can save himself”. It is only the Lord who is capable of saving us from our miseries and brutality. And if one does not entrust himself to the gratuitousness of the Lord’s salvation, he will not be saved. For this, one must have faith, which is also a gift from God.

## **WE ARE ALL STERILE**

Pope Francis stressed the meaning of grace, urging all, in the words of St. Augustine, to open their hearts to God’s gratuitousness.

If one says he is a Catholic, goes to Sunday Mass, is a member of an association and so on, nothing can save him unless he “believes in the gratuitousness of God’s gift”. Because everything is grace, all are called to adore the Lord and thank Him for it.

## **SIN IS DESIRE TO REDEEM ONESELF**

Among the famous men born of the two barren women of the readings, Pope Francis drew attention to Samson, a strong man and fighter, who saved the people from the Philistines, but who perhaps did not care for the gratuitousness of the gift received from God. He made a mistake and fall into the hands of a woman who sold him to the Philistines. However, he recovered. The Pope recalled Samson to remind Christians that we are all sinners and that sin is not safeguarding this gratuitousness of God.

The Pope said, we too can slip down like Samson and believe ourselves to be redeemers of ourselves. This, he stressed, is sin, which is the desire to redeem ourselves.

“In these day”, the Pope concluded, “we praise the Lord for the gratuitousness of salvation, for the gratuitousness of life, for everything He gives us for free. Everything is grace”.