

March 8, 2015



## BULLETIN INSERT

### Good Friday Stations of the Cross at Fargo abortuary: April 3

Bishop John Folda will lead the faithful in Good Friday Stations of the Cross at the Fargo abortuary, 512 1st Ave. North, at 10 a.m. on Good Friday, April 3. Please join us as we commemorate our Lord's Passion and Death and pray for those who promote and have been wounded by the abortion experience. For more information, contact Rachelle at (701) 356-7910.

*"No servant can serve two masters. He will either hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and mammon."* *Where do I put my trust? Whom do I serve?*

**St. Michael's Parish Lenten Mission:** Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup> through Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM. Our Lenten Mission will be offered by Fr. Joshua Waltz, vocations Director for the Diocese of Bismarck. Fr. Waltz is an exceptionally dynamic Priest and Speaker. You will leave the Mission feeling both inspired and challenged to be a better Catholic and a better person knowing God's love, mercy and compassion for you and for us all! The Mission begins with a Potluck Supper following the 5 PM Sunday March 15<sup>th</sup> Mass. (Potluck suggestions: Last Names A-G bring a salad, appetizer, etc.; H-O a Main dish; P-Z a dessert.) Monday evening, March 16<sup>th</sup>, a Penance Service is included in the Mission. On Tuesday, March 17, St. Patrick's Day, the last night of the Mission there will be an Irish Stew Supper served by the Knights of Columbus with proceeds supporting Vocations @ 5:45 PM.

**Rachel's Vineyard Retreat: April 17-19:** If you or someone you know has suffered from the physical, emotional, and spiritual effects of a past abortion, there is hope for healing. Rachel's Vineyard offers a safe, non-judgmental, and confidential weekend retreat for anyone: women, men, grandparents, and siblings who struggle with the feelings of loss that can accompany an abortion experience. The weekend begins on a Friday night and concludes on Sunday afternoon. A Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is scheduled for April 17-19, 2015 in Hankinson. For more information, or to register, please call Ruth at (701) 219-3941 or email her at [ruch@i29.net](mailto:ruch@i29.net) All calls are confidential.

**Memories of St. Pope John XXIII:** He (Pope John XXIII) visited Rome's [Regina Coeli prison](#), where he told the inmates: *"You could not come to me, so I came to you."*

**Stepping On:** Have you, or an older adult you know, fallen recently or have a fear of falling! Get your confidence back by learning how to reduce the risk of falling! **Stepping On** is a fall prevention class for seniors that meets 2 hours each week for 7 weeks and will be held from 1:00 – 2:00 PM on Mondays at Calvary Lutheran Church beginning March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Program cost \$20.00 (Scholarships available.) To register, call 780-8229 (NDSU Extension Service) For more information, call 780-5939.

### *Angels....As explained by Children.....*

\*\* "Angels don't eat, but they drink milk from Holy Cows!!!" *Jack, age 6*

\*\* "When an angel gets mad, he takes a deep breath and counts to ten. And when he lets out his breath again, somewhere there's a tornado." *Reagan, age 10*

**The Grand Forks Teens For Life** will hold a meeting on March 10th at the St. Michael's School at 7:00 PM. The meeting will be located in the Youth Room on the Fourth floor of the school. The South entrance will be open (the side facing M&H). Business meeting will be followed by a short video. Teens For Life is open to people of all denominations. Questions? Call: (701)-775-5832

**New Evangelization Summit in FARGO:** April 24/25, 2015. The New Evangelization Summit is designed to inspire, form and connect Catholics; to help them live out their personal call to evangelize. Featuring: Dr. Scott Hahn, Ken Yasinski, JoEllen Gregus, Dr. Ralph Martin, Fr. Michael Gaitley, Fr. James Mallon, Patrick Coffin and Michael Dopp. Speakers are live in Ottawa and streamed to Shanley HS in Fargo. Cost: \$50/person. For more information and to register: [www.newevangelization.ca](http://www.newevangelization.ca)

**Stewardship Moment:** *“He told those who were selling doves: ‘Get them out of here! Stop turning my Father’s house into a marketplace!’” – John 2:16* Do my expenditures of time, talent, and treasure reflect **my** true priorities? Do I have a marketplace mentality – centered on me? Or do I have a stewardship mentality – centered on others?

**Valley Memorial Homes 11th Annual “Down in the Valley”** on Sunday, March 15th @ 2 PM, hosted by Sharon Lutheran Church (1720 20th St. S), music (early arrivers will be treated to special music) and gardening tips by Joe Bergeson, Bergeson Nursery, Fertile, MN. Joe Bergeson will share, “Secrets to Growing Beautiful Gardens”. Refreshments served and a free will offering for Valley memorial Homes Chaplaincy Ministry.

**Widow/Widower Support Group:** To help with grief and to help make changes and adjustments in their lives. The group is spiritually centered, interdenominational, led by clergy and lay leaders. It is open to anyone in the area, and for any age, who has experienced the death of a spouse. There is no fee. You may attend as many of the sessions as possible. Sessions begin Monday, March 16 for 8 weeks from 7 – 9 PM at Calvary Lutheran church (1405 S 9<sup>th</sup> St). Registration is not required. For information call Phyllis at 701-775-7444.

**St. Michael’s Lenten Fish Fry** on Friday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 PM. Serving: Alaskan Walleye, Baked Potatoes, Homemade Baked Beans, Homemade Cole Slaw, Rolls, Dessert, Coffee. Cost: Adults: \$11.00, Children (7-12) \$5.00, Children 6 and under Free. Everyone Welcome!

**Women’ Retreat** titled “The Transforming Touch” Friday, March 20th at Maryvale (11550 River road, Valley City, ND) beginning at 7 PM and concludes by 12:30 PM Sunday, March 22nd. It includes times of individual and group prayer, group discussion and other activities to help participants ponder the person of Jesus. The suggested donation for this retreat is \$86, however any donation within one’s means is acceptable. Registration due by Friday, March 13th by contacting Sr. Dorothy Bunce; call 701-845-2864 or e-mail: [dorothy.bunce@fargodiocese.org](mailto:dorothy.bunce@fargodiocese.org).

**St. Joseph’s Social Care has started the 2015 March Campaign.** This is one of our biggest fundraisers of the year & one that strictly benefits the Food Pantry! St. Joseph’s partners with the Feinstein Foundation, a national organization dedicated to fighting hunger & through this partnership, donations raised are partially matched by this larger effort. **This is where YOU come in...** The Food Pantry helps many area neighbors in need each month with supplemental food resources & this is only possible with donations of food or money from local donors. While food is certainly ALWAYS appreciated – and some of you have found very fun ways to host food drives for St. Joseph’s – financial donations may sometimes go a little farther. We are able to purchase food at \$0.16/lb from our area food bank, making your funds stretch a bit more than your local grocer. If you are unable to donate \$’s, but would still like to help, items we run out of most are: canned/dried fruit, tomato items, pasta, personal hygiene or daily use products, larger size infant/adult diapers & salty snacks. The Feinstein Challenge runs until April 10, so donations received prior to this date will be eligible to be counted towards our grand total. St. Joseph’s also accepts donations online through shopping AmazonSmile or on Paypal – just search for “St. Joseph’s Social Care and Thrift Store,” (NOTE: You do NOT need a Paypal account to donate, they are simply an easy way for us to receive online support). Please contact St. Joseph’s at (701)795-8614 or [StJosephsSocialCare@gmail.com](mailto:StJosephsSocialCare@gmail.com) for more information on donating, or if you may be interested in volunteering at the food pantry.

**WHY GOD MADE MOMS.....Answers given by 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade School children!**

1. She’s the only one who knows where the scotch tape is.
2. Mostly to clean the house.
3. To help us out of there we we were getting born.

