

St. Mary's Bulletin

More News....

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New underwear, a bar of soap, toothpaste, these are all basic needs. But there are people in our community that do not have access to these basic items. Help people in our community in need with **Undies Sundays!** This year's challenge is to collect over 28,500 items. No matter the person's story everyone deserves the basics in life; a clean pair of underwear, socks, and toothpaste. Each baby should have the proper fitting diaper and socks, not to mention soap to keep them nice and clean. Enter *Undies Sundays*. During the first three weeks of October boxes will be available for your donations (in the back of the church). We are asking you to donate NEW undergarments, socks, diapers and personal care items (shampoo, shaving cream, feminine hygiene products, soap, etc.). These Sundays include: October 4th, 11th and 18th. These items will then be collected and sorted by volunteers and distributed via United Way partner agencies to area shelters, County Social Services and food banks, who distribute them to their clients.

Sacred Heart School:

- Seeking qualified substitute teachers for short notice employment. Substitutes are needed for daycare, preschool, elementary, and high school classes. If qualified call Carrie Shea at 218-773-1579 or email cshea@sacredheartegf.net.
- Seeking qualified bus drivers to work fieldtrips and athletic events. Drivers would need to be available for day and night runs. Drivers must have a valid Minnesota bus driver's license. Applicants may contact Tom Crummy, Activities Director, Sacred Heart School, 218-773-0230 or email tcrummy@sacredheartegf.net.

Annual Fall Dinner, Sunday, October 11 at 11 AM—2 PM at **St. John the Evangelist Church, Grafton, ND**. Turkey & Ham and all the Trimmings. Adults @ \$12; Children—5 to 12 @ \$5; 4 & Under = Free: "For Take Out Meals" call 701-352-0499. 5 Cash Drawings of \$100. Tickets are \$1 at the door or from a member of St. John's.

"Living Reflections of God's Love" Conference: As the culmination of the Diocese of Fargo's Year of Marriage and Family, "**Living Reflections of God's Love**" a Marriage and Family conference, will be held in Fargo at the Civic Center on Saturday October 24th, from 10:00 am – 9:30 pm. There will be programs for everyone from ages 4 to 104. Bishop Folda, Monsignor Shea, Jeff and Emily Cavins will reflect with parents and adults on the gift of love in marriage and the family; Doug Tooke will address the youth, and Cat Chat and Julia Johnson will have activities for the children. The day will conclude with Holy Mass and a family dance. The event is free of charge, but you must register by October 2nd. For online registration visit www.fargodiocese.org/lrgl, or call Jennie Korsmo at 701-356-7901. Register early as the children's and youth programs are sure to fill up quickly! The deadline is fast approaching, so register your family today. Please include the conference in your prayers. For more information, see the insert in the July edition of *New Earth* or visit www.fargodiocese.org/lrgl.

Youth Journeys is a day-long program for youth, 9 AM to 3:30 PM Saturday, October 24th, ages 6 to 18, who have lost a loved one. Parents/guardians are required to attend a portion of the day, as well. The day is broken down in sections, allowing the youth a chance to explore how the death of their loved one has affected their lives, feelings they have, self-care and embracing memories. The day ends with a service of remembrance. Food and snacks are provided throughout the day. Registration deadline is October 19th. All sessions are free – but pre-registration is required because of space limitations. To register or for questions call 800-237-4629 and ask for the bereavement department. Hospice Red River Valley

Walk with Christ for Life –Respect Life Sunday – Oct. 4: Bishop Folda invites the faithful of the diocese to join him in the annual Eucharistic procession, *Walk with Christ for Life*, on Respect Life Sunday, Oct. 4. The day's events will begin with Holy Mass at Noon, Cathedral of St. Mary, 604 Broadway, Fargo. This will be followed by a prayerful, peaceful procession to the state's only abortion facility. A short prayer service will be held outside the abortion facility, and then those gathered will return to the Cathedral for Benediction. The *Walk* is sponsored by the Diocese of Fargo Respect Life Office. For more information, call Rachelle Sauvageau, (701) 356-7910.

40 Days for Life ND to host a Solemn Assembly on Oct. 18: As we continue with our efforts of prayerful vigil and fasting during these 40 Days of Life ND, the 40 Days for Life ND committee invites all people of good will to join in a concerted time of prayer for the needs of our communities, our nation and our world, as we work to further the culture of life. A Solemn Assembly will be held on **Sun., Oct. 18, 4 p.m. at Calvary United Methodist Church, 4575 45th St. So., Fargo.** Prayer will be lead by clergy and pro-life leaders in our community including Pastor Dave Motta, Fr. Charles LaCroix, Pastor Becky Lee, Pastor Doug Vandermulen and several others. "*Blow the trumpet on Zion, sanctify a fast, call a Solemn Assembly*", Joel 2:15. Prayer volunteers are needed to keep peaceful vigil in front of the state's only abortion facility during the fall 40 Days for Life campaign that runs Sept. 23 - Nov. 1. To **sign-up for your hour of prayer** go to: www.40daysforlifeND.com; in Fargo call 701-356-7979, or contact the Pregnancy Help Center, 701-248-6601 or email: phc@polarcomm.com.

Mass for God's Children set for Nov. 5 in Jamestown: Bishop John Folda will offer a Mass for God's Children on Thurs., Nov. 5, 7 p.m., at St. James Basilica in Jamestown. Oftentimes, families who have experienced an early infant loss do not have the opportunity to grieve their child's death with their faith community. Yet the Church desires to provide a means for mourning and support through the Liturgy of the Mass. Parents and siblings, together with family members and friends are encouraged to attend the *Mass for God's Children* in remembrance of their child(ren). A reception will follow. For more information contact Rachelle, 701-356-7910 or e-mail: rachelle.sauvageau@fargodiocese.org For resources on early infant loss go to: www.fargodiocese.org, click on "Life Issues Series."

Hospice of the Red River Valley is looking for individuals to join our volunteer team! The volunteer program at Hospice of the Red River Valley provides essential support in our day-to-day work. Volunteers can choose how they would like to help provide compassionate end-of-life care to patients and their families through companionship visits, haircuts, running errands, light housekeeping, massage therapy, fixing meals, pet therapy and many other ways. Hospice provides a flexible volunteer schedule. To apply to our volunteer program, download the application at www.hrrv.org/volunteer. For more information, contact Nikki Dukart at 701-740-0370 or ndukart@hrrv.org.

The **Salvation Army** is accepting donations for winter outerwear (coats, snowsuits, snow-pants, boots, hats, mittens etc.) **NOW** and until October 8th. Your donations will help us keep our community warm. Distribution date October 9th at 1600 Univ. Ave. Hours 9AM-2PM. After the 9th of October please donate items at The Salvation Army Thrift Store.

Sunday, October 4th the Grand Forks, Kiwanis Club will be hosting its **37th Annual Pancake Breakfast**, 8 AM to 5 PM at the GF Senior Center, 620 4th Ave S. Tickets can be purchase in advance from a Kiwanis member or at the door for \$5.00. Children under 6 are free.

Mari Sayler, Soprano and Amy Jo Paukert, Piano present **Sing TO THE Spirit**. A recital of Sacred Music at Calvary Lutheran Church, 1405 S 9th St. on Sunday, October 11th at 3:00 PM. FREE ADMISSION.

"If every tiny flower wanted to be a rose, spring would lose its loveliness." St Therese of Lisieux