

**SUNDAY LITURGIES**

SATURDAY, Feb. 13	4:00 PM	+Karen Theusch
SUNDAY, Feb. 14	8:30 AM	+Clifford & +Margaret Estenson
	10:30 AM	OLG Parishioners

**WEEKDAY LITURGIES**

MONDAY, Feb. 15	7:15 AM	+Faustino DeLeon
TUESDAY, Feb. 16	7:00 PM	Living and Deceased
		Members of the Mike and Anna Jundt Family
WEDNESDAY, Feb. 17	9:00 AM	+Jim Iverson
	5:00 PM	+Maynard & Jeanne Sandberg
	7:00 PM	+Ruth Schaeffer
THURSDAY, Feb. 18	7:15 AM	+Theresa Gehl
	9:00 AM	+Lucille Schaefer
FRIDAY, Feb. 19	7:15 AM	+Neil Zimmerman
	9:00 AM	+Beri Martin

**SUNDAY LITURGIES**

SATURDAY, Feb. 20	4:00 PM	+Frances Tank
SUNDAY, Feb. 21	8:30 AM	+Jeffrey Stemen
	10:30 AM	+Jerry Lou Mosbrucker
Spanish Mass	3:00 PM	OLG Parishioners

My good sisters and brothers,

Today is World Marriage Day. Congratulations to all of you living out the vocation of Marriage! You have a very high calling. Jesus enjoyed the benefits of living in a home with loving parents who were committed to each other. God is eager to pour out all the graces you need to live out your commitment.

This Wednesday, which we call Ash Wednesday, marks the beginning of Lent. It is a day of fast and abstinence for us as Catholics. Lent is a season of abundant grace, a time of repentance and drawing nearer to Him who loves us. I encourage you to prepare to make the most of this season to grow in love for the Lord and our brothers and sisters and to deepen your peace of mind and heart.

Love and hugs, Fr. Bruce

**Vocation Views** The Psalmist calls to be glad, rejoice and exult in the Lord. (Psalm 32:11) For many, the day of their marriage is the happiest day of their life; rather, live the challenge to continue to grow deeper in love with your spouse each day of your married life.



**“Be made clean.”**

February 14, 2021

**Liturgical Ministers**

First Sunday of Lent - February 20 & 21, 2021

4:00 PM	8:30 AM	10:30 AM
<b>Altar Servers</b>		
Rachel Markel	Kaylee Bruns	Amanda Kinlaw
Caleb Haverstock	Raiden Diede	Norma Hernandez
	Brinley Kohlstrom	
<b>Commentators</b>		
Michelle Fricke	Leonard Niess	Jay Fisher
<b>Lectors</b>		
Cody Eisenbraun	Roger Wahus	Marlys Fisher
<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>		
Kathy Beeter	Brian Oswald	Jackie Case
Mary Eide	Val Lavik	Jeff Case
Ann Hoffart		Carla Crockett
<b>Usher Captains</b>		
Rochelle Feldner	Steve Foley	Kevin Franks
<b>Ushers/Greeters</b>		
Connie Mehring	Sue Lommen	Joshua Franks
Harrison Foltz	Jon Backes	David Witter
Mary Larson	Karla Backes	Kay Witter
<b>8:05 am Rosary Leader for Feb. 21</b>		Ken Bittner

**No Greater Love** (A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion) **Bible Study** will begin **Tuesday, February 16** in the Our Lady of Grace **dining room** immediately following 7 pm Mass. It will run for 5 weeks. We will watch a video presentation by Dr. Sri and then have a discussion. You will need the *No Greater Love* study workbook, and Dr. Edward Sri's book by the same title. Tables will be spaced for distancing with 2 people per table. Please call the parish office to pre-register. If you have the book from last year's class that was cancelled because of Covid, please indicate that you do not need books. Bev Cushing will be the facilitator.

**Rosary for World Peace**

Join us in praying the 4 mysteries of the Rosary for World Peace each Saturday at 8:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Grace. Everyone is welcome. (Come any time during the hour and pray as long as you are able.) *“Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace.”* Pope Francis

**Stewardship of Time, Talent and Treasure**

**Did you know...** we received a total of \$24,000 for our food pantry from the “Twice Blessed” program run by the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation? Their willingness to match a portion of the funds received on behalf of our food pantry was very successful! We are very grateful to everyone who contributed to our food pantry during this program. We are also very grateful to the St. Joseph Community Health Foundation for running this program for our food pantry and for many other charitable organizations in the Minot Area.



Adult .....	\$8,222.00
Youth .....	\$41.00
Loose .....	\$727.00
Offering Cards .....	15

Do a quick check of your priorities. Where does God rank in that list? If He's not first, you have some work to do. Putting God first in everything helps us from putting other “gods” (like our pride, ego, money and possessions) before God. Before making a decision, ask yourself, “Am I doing this for the glory of God or for the glory of me?”

**Please submit information for our bulletin by 1:00 pm on Tuesday. Thank you.**

**LIFT THESE PEOPLE TO OUR LORD IN PRAYER”**

To add or remove names from our Prayer list, please call our Parish Office at 839-6834

Mary Ann Avitua	Alice Bachmeier	Susan Becker
Paul Bergren	Louise Berry	Barbara Bost
Agnes Brandt	Becky Briggs	Jeri Ann Carroll
Dalton Deardorf	Evelyn DeGree	Bruce Doolittle
Reuben Dorr	Ava Dufner	Ramona Ehli
Kathy Ell	Betty Fedorchak	Benedict Feist
Kristel Ficek	Wally Fields	Pat Finken
Geri Flaten	Maurice Foley	Kyle Hardy
Marie Harris	Fr. Charles Heidt	Marge Hogoboom
Sofia Huus	Tracey Jackson	Arleen Johnson
Joyce Keyes	Alisha Klabo	Cindy Kramer
Theresa Krebs	Annie Lebrun	Kote Lider
Ron Lucier	Faith Malsom	Josie Mathern
Shirley Murphy	Nancy Murray	Joey Neigel
Harris Olafson	Rodney Olson	Michaela Red Eagle
John S.	Anna Salvey	Roger Sand
Alex Sandoval	Dennis Schaan	Leo Schaeffer
Carla Schilken	Danny Schatz	Jo-Ahn Schmaltz
James Seykora	Tyler Singleton	Kevin Snodgrass
John Stack	Colleen 'Pinky' Stein	Betty Steinberger
Irene Stevenson	Joan Thompson	Kim Walhood
Roger Wendt	Ray & Rita Wendt	Rita Wentz
Lee Wieland	Leeander Ziegler	

And all parishioners, family members and friends suffering because of Covid 19.

For the people and special intentions on our parish prayer chain.

**CHANGES IN COVID RESTRICTIONS**

With lower numbers of Covid cases in the State, Bishop Kagan is allowing some activities within the church to return to normal. You will be able to hear him share this news on a video that will be posted on the diocesan website at bismarckdiocese.com.

As of February 20 and 21, there will no longer be a dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days. After the 10:30 a.m. Mass on February 14, there will no longer be pew restrictions in the church, which means we will be able to seat people in every pew with more than one family in a pew if needed. Holy Water will again be available in the fonts. Eucharistic ministers may assist with giving holy communion and Mass servers will again be assisting. SCRIP sales will be allowed in the gathering space after the Masses. Some allowances will also be made for serving food at the church.

At present, we will continue to have social distancing in the church dining room during weekend Masses for those who are uncomfortable sitting near others in church. The first four rows in the dining room will be reserved for those who wear masks and want to sit only by others who also wear masks.

Pews will continue to be sanitized after each Mass. Use of face coverings during Mass will remain optional.

For our Faith Formation program, we will continue to monitor what is happening in the schools and adjust accordingly.

Some areas that will not yet change include: 1) No sign of peace during Mass; 2) no Offertory procession with the gifts; 3) no distribution of the Precious Blood at Mass; and 4) confessions will remain behind the screen only.

I am very happy to see some return toward normalcy. One goal of our Parish Council was to move in this direction as soon as it was permissible. May God bless you as we readjust to these changes.



**In sympathy** we remember **Leona Funk**. We pray for her family and friends who grieve her loss. May the fullness of life be hers.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



**Baptisms** It is with joy that we welcome and celebrate **Brantley Wayne Smith**, son of Andrew and Amy, as a newly baptized member of our parish family. Congratulations!

The **Annual Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Fish Fry** will be held at The Columbian (KC Club) on Friday, March 12th from 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Cost is \$12 for adults and 11 and under are \$6. Serving fish, potatoes, vegetable, coleslaw, dinner roll and dessert. Everyone welcome! Take-out and Drive-up Orders available.

#### **Knights of Columbus Council 9906 Raffle Winners**

Thank you to all who supported Knights of Columbus Council 9906 with our raffle. The Feb 7 winners are: \$100 Grocery gift card: Becky Fred; \$50 Gas gift cards: Kevin Massine and Dale Deibert; \$50 Restaurant gift cards: EuGene Klein and Eric Esterby. Congratulations Winners!

### Faith Formation and Youth

*Please contact Tanya at the parish, or email [education1@olgminot.org](mailto:education1@olgminot.org), or text 701-219-3194 with questions. Thanks!*

Our next **Confirmation** class is at 1:30-4:30 P.M. on Sunday, March 7.

Upcoming **confessions** for Faith Formation students include:

**Sunday gr. K-5 students:** February 21 - grades 3 & 4; March 7 – grade 2

**Wednesday gr. K-5 students:** February 3 - grades 4 & 5; March 3 – grade 3; March 17 – grade 2

**Middle School students:** March 3 – all grade 8; March 17 – all grade 6; April 7 – all grade 7

Our **seventh grade** Faith Formation students will have two performances of the Living Stations of the Cross at Our Lady of Grace. The first performance is Wednesday, February 24, at 7:00 P.M. (for 7<sup>th</sup> grade parents and the grade 6 and 8 students.) The second performance, which will be open to the public, is on **Palm Sunday, March 28, at 7:00 P.M.** Please mark your calendars.



There are **NO CLASSES** February 14 due to the school vacation weekend. There are **NO CLASSES** February 17, Ash Wednesday. Please attend Ash Wednesday Mass.

We will have **Mass in Class** during the February 24 4:00 and 5:30 P.M. Faith Formation classes. Our grades 4-5 students will lead some of the ministries. Family members are invited to attend the Masses.

#### **Faith Formation/Youth Calendar**

2/14: **NO CLASSES** (school vacation weekend)

2/17: **NO CLASSES** (please attend Ash Wednesday Mass)

2/21: 9:20AM **gr. K-5 classes** w/ gr. 3-4 confessions; 10:30AM Preschool

2/24: 4:00 & 5:30PM **gr. K-5 classes** w/ Mass in Class (family members are invited); 7:00PM **gr. 6-8 class w/ Living Stations of the Cross performance**

### Bishop Ryan Catholic School

**Lot-O-Dough Calendar Winners:** for Feb. 1 - 7, 2021.

**\$25 winners:** Amanda Kopp, Kyle Jundt, Don Keller, Toni Johnson, Joe & Alane Ferrara, Nathan Schneider, Pat Butz, Jeff & Janice Meyer, Rochelle Foltz, all from Minot, Gabriel Fettig Jr from New Town, **\$100 winner:** Becky Fred from Surrey, **\$200 winner:** Erica Brewer from Velva. Congratulations to all the winners!

**Calling All New Lions!** Registration for all students, preschool through high school, is now open at Bishop Ryan Catholic School! If you've ever considered Catholic education for your family, now is a great time to learn what makes Bishop Ryan so special. We have limited availability in our preschool program for children who are bathroom-trained and three-years-old by July 31, 2021, and we're currently welcoming all students in grades K-12. For more information or schedule a tour, please call Jaimie at (701) 838-3355 or email [jbrunner@brhs.com](mailto:jbrunner@brhs.com).

#### **Are you called to be part of Catholic Education?**

Bishop Ryan Catholic School is currently hiring for a part-time Academic Dean to serve as registrar, testing coordinator, and coordinator of college preparatory programming and student academic data management. Applications being welcomed now, with interviews to be conducted beginning the week of February 15th. For a full job description, visit [bishopryan.com/employment](http://bishopryan.com/employment), and to apply, please submit a letter and résumé to the attention of Fr. Jady N Nelson at [president@brhs.com](mailto:president@brhs.com) or Bishop Ryan Catholic School; 316 11th Ave NW; Minot, ND 58703.

**Lot-O-Dough Calendars:** are available for purchase for \$25 each. Drawings are held January thru June with over \$15,000 given away in drawings. Calendars are available at Bishop Ryan and in your parish office during office hours.

**SCRIP:** Use Scrip gift cards as gifts and to pay for your purchases. Scrip is available in the parish office and at Bishop Ryan. Using Scrip gift cards helps support Bishop Ryan Catholic School and families for their tuition.

**Next Week's Gospel: Mark 1:12-15**  
First Sunday of Lent – February 21, 2021

### Gospel Reflection

Can you imagine a movie scene illustrating the first part of today's Gospel passage? Jesus is out in the desert, where he is put to the test, or tempted, by Satan. But he is also surrounded by wild beasts and angel attendants. It must have been an interesting forty days Jesus spent preparing to proclaim the good news. "The kingdom of God is at hand," he announced in Galilee, and he called people to get ready for God's reign by reforming their lives.

Lent can be like a new day dawning--just like the one Noah and his family experienced when the flood was over. It is a time for a fresh beginning and a renewal of our covenant to live as God's people.

### Discussion Questions for Gospel

Jesus stayed in the desert for forty days, praying and preparing himself for his mission. God has a mission for each one of us. What can you do to learn what God's mission for you is? What might help you prepare yourself for that mission? What kind of "fitness training" might you do during Lent to grow stronger in resisting temptation as did Jesus in the desert?

## Area Happenings

### Part-time Cook Opening at Emmaus Place

The Diocese of Bismarck has an opening for a part-time cook (18 hours) to work two weekdays per week at the Emmaus Place, a priest retirement facility in Bismarck. Job duties include grocery shopping, preparing and serving meals for the residents and clean-up. Must possess a valid driver's license. Prior cooking knowledge and experience is desirable. Please submit a cover letter, resume, three references and an application for employment (found at [www.bismarckdiocese.com](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com)), to Denise Jordan at [djordan@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:djordan@bismarckdiocese.com) or PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502.

**Society of St. Vincent de Paul** In the Gospel today Jesus, moved with pity, touched the leper and healed him. Let us pray today for the grace to be generous with our gifts to help those who are suffering.

**By your gift to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul you indeed put your faith into action as you bring healing to the poor, hungry and weeping. 833-1269**

### This Week in our Parish

<b>Saturday, Feb. 13</b>	Men's Book Study	7:30 - 9:00 AM	Dining Room
	<i>Rosary</i>	8:30 AM	Main Church
	CGS Catechist and Aide Meeting	8:30 AM	St. Gianna's Room
<b>Sunday, Feb. 14</b>	No Faith Formation		
	<i>World Marriage Sunday – Blessing of Marriages at all Masses</i>		
<b>Monday, Feb. 15</b>	<b>Parish Office Closed</b>		
	<i>Santo Rosario - Spanish Rosary</i>	5:30 PM	Main Church
	NFP Class	6:30 - 8:00 PM	Classroom 5
	10:30 Choir Practice	7:00 PM	Main Church
<b>Tuesday, Feb. 16</b>	Meeting	6:00 - 7:00 PM	Classroom 5
<b>Wednesday, Feb. 17</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday</b> - Mass at 9:00 a.m., 5:00 p.m., & 7:00 p.m.		
<b>Thursday, Feb. 18</b>	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	9:30 AM - 12:00 AM	Main Church
	Women's Ultreya Group	7:00 PM	Classroom 5
	Choir Practice	7:00 PM	SS's Anne and Joachim
<b>Friday, Feb. 19</b>	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>	12:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Main Church
	Stations of the Cross	5:30 PM	Main Church
	<i>Adoración Eucarística</i>	7:00 PM	Main Church
<b>Saturday, Feb. 20</b>	<i>Rosary</i>	8:30 AM	Main Church
<b>Sunday, Feb. 21</b>	Faith Formation Gr. K-5	9:20 - 10:20 AM	Classrooms/Main Church/DR
	Faith Formation Preschool	10:30 - 11:30 AM	Classrooms/Main Church/DR
	<i>Misa Española (Spanish Mass)</i>	3:00 PM	Main Church

**Weekend and Daily Mass times are listed inside the front cover of the bulletin.**

**Rosary** - Saturday at 3:35 PM, Sunday at 8:05 AM, Monday - Wednesday and Friday at 3:00 PM

**Rosary** also prayed before daily Masses.

The Breaking Bread missalettes and our bulletins are provided by Thompson Larson Funeral Home. Thank you!

## WHAT'S HAPPENING DURING LENT?

**Ash Wednesday Masses** (February 17), with distribution of ashes, are at 9:00 am, 5:00 pm and 7:00 pm.



**Lenten Regulations:** The two days of Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence for Catholics who have reached the age of reason. Fasting is not required after the age of 59, but another form of penance should be substituted. Fasting means eating only the equivalent of two full meals instead of three and no snacking during the day. Abstinence means abstaining from all meats and meat products.

**Daily Mass:** There is no better Lenten exercise than to attend daily Mass. Our parish has Mass every weekday: Monday-7:15 am; Tuesday-7:00 pm; Wednesday, 9:00 am; Thursday and Friday-7:15 am and 9:00 am.

**Lenten Reading:** Please help yourself to the Lenten issue of The Word Among Us with Lenten daily reflections. The Living Faith Booklets can be useful as well.

**Stations of the Cross:** We will have the stations conducted in our church every Friday during Lent at 5:30 pm. The Living Stations will take place at 7:00 pm on Sunday, March 28. All are welcome!

## Quart and Loaf at Little Flower

Our annual "Soups Around the World" has been changed to "Quart and Loaf" this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. This year's event will take place on **February 21<sup>st</sup> from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.** Order a quart of homemade knoephla soup and a loaf of freshly baked bread all for \$12. Order ahead by calling our parish office at 838-1520



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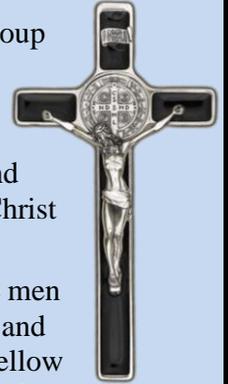
anytime during normal office hours or email Jill at [littleflowerminot@gmail.com](mailto:littleflowerminot@gmail.com). Curbside delivery will be available the day of pick up by calling 838-1520 when you arrive at the main entrance to the church.

## Club Request

We received a request to see if anyone would be willing to donate a set of men's right-handed golf clubs to a veteran who is working with a local support organization to rebuild his life, faith, and health. If you have a set to donate, please call the parish office and speak to Sharon.

## Men of the Cross

The Men of the Cross ministry is a group of men united with the goal of growing in prayer, discipleship and desire to bring Christ to our secular times. We wear the crucifix to remind us that we are sinners and that Christ suffered and died for us.



Our primary objective is to encourage men to be comfortable in their prayer life, and we wear the cross in unity with our fellow Catholic men in prayer and evangelization.

Some men have expressed concern that, by wearing the cross, they will be accused of putting on a show. We believe that is the evil one working.

The simplicity of the crucifix resonates with men. We are making a mistake as Christians not to identify ourselves. However, it is not uncommon to see a man wearing a team jersey for a sports team, and no one gives it a second thought. Is it not just as important to show that we are on team Christian and wear our team symbol? We need to do a better job evangelizing in that way.

We encourage **Men of The Cross** to join us for a special holy hour during Lent to get us started in a habit of prayer for the needs of the church, the unity of our country, and the strength of our married couples and families.

The weekly holy hour is Thursdays 4-5PM at Our Lady of Grace parish.

For more information about Men of the Cross, contact one of the following:

Dennis Benson at 701-721-2502

[dbenson@srt.com](mailto:dbenson@srt.com)

Jim Bierschbach at 701-240-3072

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Jeff Case at 701-340-7525

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## WE ARE CALLED

Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on how hunger and malnutrition affect our human family, and on the need to take action to end this global injustice. Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

