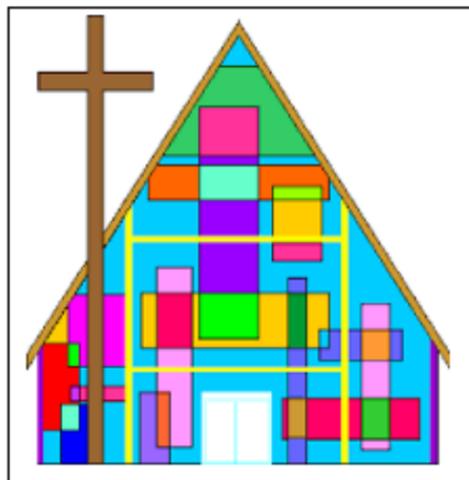


St. Agnes Parish
102 1st St East
Hunter, ND 58048
701-874-2226

Mass Schedule:

1st, 3rd, 5th weeks: 8:30 am Sunday
 2nd, 4th weeks, 11:00 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation: 1st week of month before Mass



Parish Council
DRE: Jessica Schultz, Michelle Thompson
Lay Directors: Conray Griesbach, Ken Hubbard
Council Members: Kristin Olstad, Bryon Mitzel
Christian Women: Sheila Sherritt
Liturgy Committee: Jill Moore

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| Stewardship | 1-21-18 |
| Adult | \$ 960.00 |
| Children | \$ 8.00 |
| Plate | \$ 100.00 |
| initial | \$1.00 |
| Holy Father | \$50.00 |
| Total | \$ 1121.00 |

Liturgy Schedule

| | Sunday, January 28 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Sunday, February 4 5 th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Sunday, February 11 |
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| Lector | Lesly | Ken | Jessica |
| Communion Ministers | Roger/Sheila | Connie/Bryon | Conray/Charlet |
| Servers | Olivia/Hunter | Brandon/Hunter | Jack/Jonah |
| Cross Bearer | Harley | William | Miles |
| Greeters/Offering | John/Marilyn | Steve/Sharon | Leah/Ken |
| Breakfast | Potluck/Parish meeting after mass | Steve/Sharon, Ken/Leah, Dawn | |
| Driver(s) | Todd/KariJo | OLP | Kristen/Matt |
| CCD | Classes meet | Classes meet (Parent reconciliation meeting, 2:30) | Classes meet (Parent 1 st eucharist meeting, 2:30) |

If you have blessed palms that can be used for Ash Wednesday, please bring them to the church sacristy. Thanks!

Upcoming events:

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| December 31-February 4: "Souperbowl soupcan" collection. See poster for details. Let's fill our basket again this year. | February 14: Ash Wednesday, mass, 7:30 |
| January 28: Annual meeting following mass and potluck lunch. | February 21: Church council meeting, 7 pm |
| February 11: Special speaker at mass discussing God's Gift Appeal. | March 7: Lenten Ecumenical service w/soup, at St. A's |
| | March 11: Lenten reconciliation service, meat bingo |

Keep in your prayers: Laurie Hanson, Barb West, John Hocking, Georgine Melander, Morris Melander, Brenda Albert, Duane Dickson, Dave Madsen, Travis Rings, Monica Kingston Roohi.

PARENT SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES

There is some preparation for children in the 2nd grade for First Reconciliation and in the 3rd grade for Confirmation and First Eucharist in the Religious Education classes. As we have only one hour a week parents must be involved in helping to prepare their children for the sacraments. This is a promise each parent made to God when requesting baptism for the child. To assist parents I wish to have a meeting with them. I will provide a handbook and a video from Formed. I plan to try Sundays when we have classes scheduled. For **First Reconciliation** I wish to meet on **February 4 at 2:30 PM**. For **First Eucharist** I wish to meet **February 11 at 2:30 PM**. If any parent cannot meet at the scheduled time, I ask that you arrange a time with me and I will do a private session with you.

Faith is like Wi-Fi. It's invisible, but it has the power to connect you to what you need. Ruth Reid

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Second Sunday of Lent

February 25th, 2018

OLP Stewardship

Feb. 18, 2018

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|------------|--------|
| Adult Env. | 813 |
| Child | 10.31 |
| Plate | 98.02 |
| Flowers | 40.00 |
| Cds | 2.75 |
| Votive | 7.00 |
| Mass Stip | 10.00 |
| Mardi Gras | 840.00 |

Total \$1821.08

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

| | | | MASS | INTENTION | READINGS | PSALM | GOSPEL |
|------|-------|-------|--------|----------------|-------------|-------|------------|
| 2/26 | MON | OLP | | | DN9:4-10 | 79 | Lk6:36-38 |
| 2/27 | TUES | OLP | 9AM | | IS1:10-20 | 50 | Mt23:1-2 |
| 2/28 | WED | OLP | 9AM | | JER18:18-20 | 31 | Mt20:17-28 |
| 3/1 | THURS | OLP | 9AM | | JER17:5-10 | 1 | Lk16:19-31 |
| 3/2 | FRI | LMH | 930AM | | GN37:3-4 | 105 | Mt21:33-43 |
| 3/3 | SAT | OLP | 5:00 P | +ANGIE GASPERS | Mi7:14-20 | 103 | Lk15:11-32 |
| 3/4 | SUN | OLP | 11AM | +JESSE SCALLON | Ex17:3-7 | 95 | Jn4:5-42 |
| | | ST. A | 830AM | | ROM5:1-8 | | |

| Date | Sacristan | Lector | E. Minister | Server 1&2 | Cross | Ushers | Gifts |
|------|-----------|---------------|------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-----------------------|--------------|
| 2/17 | Teresa | P Sedler | M&P Littlefield | Palmer Family | | L Scallon R Rising | J&D Paintner |
| 2/18 | Jerry | Kate Peterson | S DeLong S Reynolds | Grad Family | | H DeLong B Angen | |
| 2/24 | Pam | B Krivarchka | M Baker L Scallon | | | J&R Flaten | C&E Coles |
| 2/25 | Peg | C Angen | K&C Elliott | G Koshney I Morowski | | Grad Family | |

Our Parishes have subscribed to a new online platform Formed.org. On this platform you can have access to many forms of Catholic information. IT includes eBooks, movies and programs such as Catholicism and Symbolon. To access follow these directions: Go to Formed.org, where it says PARISH CODE enter CPGP7R. Create a personal account with your use name/email and password. Then you can enjoy the Catholic content.

Lay Directors: Deb Sola & Al Koshney; Council Members: Roberta Tangen, Chris Yeargan, Deb Sola, Ray Durkin, David Groven, Tammy Doll, & Dan Keating; Liturgy Rep: Karen Gap
 DRE: Samantha DeLong

Mass Schedule: **Sat: 5pm, Sun: 1st, 3rd, 5th—11am,**
2nd, 4th—830am Sacrament of Reconciliation: **Sat 4:15pm**

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for February

Universal: Say 'No' to Corruption. That those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Stewardship Moments ""Here I am!" he answered." - GENESIS 22:1 It is easy to say, "Here I am, Lord," when we are kneeling in church. But how easy is it to say "Here I am, Lord," when a neighbor needs our help, when we are invited to join a parish ministry, or when we are asked to provide financial support? Often times we are called when it's not convenient for us. Discipleship is not always easy, most of the time it will make us uncomfortable and vulnerable.

MESSAGE FROM MONSIGNOR

FAITH

Perhaps you recall the Biblical proverb that God's ways are not our ways". This is certainly Abraham's experience as expressed in this Sunday's First Reading. Story of Abraham began at Ur in present Iraq. God called him to leave his home and travel to a new land. In that land he would become the father of many nations. The bible stresses that Abraham and his wife Sarah were already beyond normal child-bearing years. Abraham chooses to trust God and makes the move. For many years, they still have no children. Finally, three strangers come to visit Abraham and he offers them gracious hospitality. They promise him that Sarah will have a child by the next year. To Sarah's surprise she has a child whom they name Isaac.

Now we come to today's First Reading. Abraham is happy with his child, but God decides to test his faith. He commands Abraham to sacrifice his only son. This would not only be emotionally devastating, but it must have caused Abraham to wonder about God. How can God fulfill His promise to Abraham if He now asks for the sacrifice of Abraham's only son? He chooses to trust God and brings Isaac to Mount Moriah along with wood for the sacrifice. Just as Abraham is about to follow through on the command, God intervenes and provides a ram for the sacrifice. Then God renews His promise to make Abraham the father of an unimaginable number of descendants.

This story has meaning on a couple of different levels. First it is an example of faith in the mysteries of God. We can never comprehend the workings of the world. It is hard enough for us to begin to understand our own impulses and desires. At times we may have to experience major difficulties in life. We may wonder where God is in those moments. Faith leads us to holding on to God even when what we experience does not make sense to us. Trust that God will somehow enter our life and lead us to a better way.

This story is also a foreshadowing of the greatest mystery of faith. The Father has chosen to give His Son to us. In Jesus God expresses His desire to be one with us. The only way that can fully be accomplished is for Jesus, as God's only-begotten Son, to give up everything for us. Jesus in His human nature experiences the feeling of being abandoned by His Father. In His humanity Jesus had to appear as a failure. He had been announcing the coming of God's kingdom. It appears as if the powers of evil have won.

We believe in the Resurrection that Jesus did win. He did not have to be replaced with a sacrificial animal. He is the sacrifice that makes it possible for us to experience the kingdom of God. This is our hope that Jesus continues to give Himself to us through the great sacrifice of the Eucharist. In this holy meal we bring our weak and failing humanity to God. Despite our distractions, our lack of faith, Jesus gives Himself completely to us, body and blood.

The stories of Abraham and the mystery of the Eucharist does not promise us freedom from the sufferings and challenges of life. But they do offer us hope that God continues to walk with us and one day all will be made whole in Him.

LENT FEBRUARY 14 TO APRIL 1, 2018

We once again are approaching the season of Lent. On the Fargo Diocese web site you will find information about Lenten regulations and other information. The address is:

<http://www.fargodiocese.org/LentResources>

In the coming weeks, we will be trying out a program for automatically scheduling the liturgical ministers. Please bear with us while we get the bugs worked out. If you have any questions or issues with your schedule, please feel free to contact Mercedes.

There was a note found in the parking lot to 'Pay Tank Lease' along with two sets of numbers. If you think this is your paper, please let me know and I can get it to you.

Thank you!

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

As a form of devotion for the season of Lent, we will try to offer the opportunity for adoration on Saturday afternoons. The ideal is that a person would commit to an hour for each week of Lent. In cases where that may be too long, we are providing half hour increments. For the Blessed Sacrament to be exposed during this time, it is necessary that at least two people would be present in the church. As more people sign up for a slot, the more flexibility would be available. It is also necessary that this be continuous. We can shorten or lengthen the number of hours available. We cannot have one group at noon and the next group at 3 PM. So as you sign up try to stay close to another's time slot.

Lenten Action for Dreamers: Congressional Call-In Campaign Please participate in the Call-in Day to Congress on Monday, February 26, 2018! Your advocacy is critical to help the nearly 1.8 million Dreamers, young people who were brought into the United States by their parents as children. They may face deportation as soon as March 6, unless Congress reaches a bi-partisan deal to protect them.

Please follow these easy steps to help:

1. Please call 855-589-5698 to reach the Capitol switchboard, and press 1 to connect to your Senators. Once you are connected to each Senator's office, please ask the person on the phone to deliver this simple message: "I urge you to support a bipartisan, common-sense, and humane solution for Dreamers: * Protect Dreamers from deportation and provide them with a path to citizenship. * Reject proposals that undermine family immigration or protections for unaccompanied children. * As a Catholic, I know that families are not "chains," but a blessing to be protected. * Act now to protect Dreamers, our immigrant brothers and sisters."

2. Please call 855-589-5698 a second time to reach the Capitol switchboard again, and press 2 to connect to your Representative. Once you are connected to the Representative's office, please ask the person on the phone to deliver the same message as above.

After completing your call, please go to <http://www.justiceforimmigrants.org> to learn more about Dreamers and find other ways to voice your support.

United States Conference of Catholic Bishops

Robert and Emily Cost and their son Caleb will be leaving the parish to move to Ohio. We will be holding a farewell blessing February 25th at the 8:30am Mass. They train service dogs and we have enjoyed seeing the dogs they have brought to church in the past.

Please join us in celebrating them at Mass and join us for brunch afterwards.

Our parish goal is \$18,545 for God's Gift Appeal this year. Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card, it is important for all of us to support our diocesan church.

Join our faith community—and nearly 14,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a life-changing Lenten journey of encounter with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl in the front of the church this weekend.

During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter our neighbor.



Redeemed 2018

Bishop John Folda invites all the faithful of the Diocese of Fargo to join him on Saturday, April 7, 2018 at the Scheel's Arena and Shanley High School for the REDEEMED 2018 Conference. The theme of this conference is "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name: you are mine." Isaiah 43:1. Adults and youth will gather at Scheels Arena to hear dynamic speakers such as Dr. Edward Sri, Dr. Greg and Lisa Popcak, and Nic Davidson (Youth program) as they inspire and equip us in vibrantly and joyfully living out our faith. Internationally renowned *Cat.Chat for Kids* and Magician Jeffrey Salvesson will host the children's program at Shanley High School. The day will also feature Mass with Bishop Folda, opportunities for confessions and a Family Dance by the Front Fenders. Early registration is only \$25 – Adults, \$15 ages 15-17 with a family maximum of \$100 – with early registration by March 18. For more information or to register, visit: www.fargodiocese.org/redeemed or call the Office of Marriage and Family Life at (701)356-7900.

Holy Family Catholic Parish will sponsor their 26th Annual Spaghetti Dinner on Sunday, March 11th from noon– 6:00pm in the Holy Family Social Hall at 1018 18th Ave. S, Grand Forks.

Free will offering. ALL proceeds will be donated to help those less fortunate.



There are parish council minutes available, please take one!