

ST. ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 8th,
2026

THIRD
SUNDAY OF
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Prayers for the Sick

Please help us keep the list of the sick updated. If you would like to be on the email prayer chain or want to submit a prayer request of any kind please email joanconlon59@yahoo.com:

Blake Kuntz
 Jenny Funk
 Ann Kitzan
 Shane Focht
 Natalie Sutto
 Torin Hedley
 Jamie Kouba
 Daryl Wanner
 Gail Walls
 LuAnn Woeste
 Ashley Braem
 David Berger
 Ardie Krueger
 Heather Woroneicki
 Mitch Moszer
 Ardelle Tibor
 Jim Tibor

Mass Intentions

Mar 7 th	6:30 PM	+Brad Schwartz by Eugene & Marge Focht
Mar 8 th	8:30 AM	+Annette Sardelli by David & Kathy Sardelli
Mar 10 th	9:00 AM	+ Alma Conlon by Leonard & Irene Wehri
Mar 13 th	9:00 AM	+ Ernie Schantz
Mar 14 th	6:30 PM	For the Special Intentions of Kerry & Brenda Richardson
Mar 15 th	8:30 AM	+Anh Gietzen

Ministers

March 7TH - Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: David Wanner
 Ushers: David & Cheryl Wanner
 Servers: Cambri, Brynlee & Cade
 Rosary: Volunteer

March 8TH - Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: Kirk Peterson
 Ushers: Lee & Sara Reinbold
 Servers: Kinsley & Kennedy
 Rosary: Volunteer

March 10TH - Tuesday- 9:00 AM

March 11TH -Wednesday- Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM

March 13TH - Friday- Mass at 9:00 AM;
 Adoration 9:30 AM to 5:30 PM

March 14th- Saturday- 6:30 PM:

Lector: Kevin Staiger
 Ushers: Kevin & Toni Staiger
 Servers: Isla & Olvia
 Rosary: Volunteer

March 15TH - Sunday- 8:30 AM:

Lector: Kathy Sardelli
 Ushers: Dave & Kathy Sardelli
 Servers: Simon & Ambrose
 Rosary: Volunteer

**** Confessions 30 minutes before Mass****

First, third and fifth Wednesdays
there will be Eucharistic Adoration
from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM
followed by Mass

Mass Schedule - Central Time

Masses at St. Ann's

Saturday 6:30 PM

Sunday 8:30 AM

Tuesday 9:00 AM

Friday 9:00 AM

Masses at Sacred Heart:

Saturday 9:00 AM & 4:00 PM

Sunday 10:30 AM

Thursday 9:00 AM

Parish Office Hours are 10 AM TO 1PM

Tuesdays and Fridays

The Church is open from

7:30 AM TO 7:30 PM Everyday

ST. ANNS IS AN EMERGENCY STORM SHELTER
FOR THOSE IN NEED DOORS WILL REMAIN OPEN
DURING STORMS

Daily Readings

March 8: *Exodus 17:3-7*

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

John 4:5-42

March 9: *2 Kings 5:1-15b*

Psalm 42:2-3; 43:3-4

Luke 4:24-30

March 10: *Daniel 3:25, 34-43*

Psalm 25:4-9

Matthew 18:21-35

March 11: *Deuteronomy 4:1, 5-9*

Psalm 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20

Matthew 5:17-19

March 12: *Jeremiah 7:23-28*

Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9

Luke 11:14-23

March 13: *Hosea 14:2-10*

Psalm 81:6-11, 14, 17

Mark 12:28-34

March 14: *Hosea 6:1-6*

Psalm 51:3-4, 18-21

Luke 18:9-14

Upcoming Events

*Bible Study- Monday nights at 7:00 PM

*Soup Drive Thru- The youth of St. Anns was able to raise \$1407 from the soup fundraiser! Thank you to everyone that helped donate food and time and for everyone that came out to support!

*African Mission Appeal: envelopes available in the gathering space.

*Rice bowls are available in the gathering space

*Easter Flowers- envelopes to donate to the flower fund are available in the gathering space. If you would like to donate in the name of a loved one, please write their name on the envelope. Thank you!

You can hand in envelope to the office or during the collection at Mass.

*Stations of the Cross Schedule for St. Anns:

Every Wednesday at 6:30 PM

We are still in a need of a volunteer to launder the altar servers' cassocks surplices and albs. Help us to avoid a \$600 dry cleaning bill. Please contact Eve or Father if you are willing to help! Thank you!

Stewardship of Treasure

Adult: \$1289

Boise: \$125

Thank you for your donations!

“Whoever drinks the water I give shall never thirst.” Survivors of the Titanic related that even as the ship was filling with water and beginning to sink, some of the wealthy passengers were still trying to gather money, jewels, and other valuables. Their lives were hanging in the balance and death was imminent, but they were still trying to gather to themselves the material objects of this world. Until the very end, they thirsted for happiness in created goods. Perhaps we fall into the same unfortunate reality. We need to take this to prayer and remember the advice of Jesus, that we will always thirst unless we drink the living water of grace He offers, which alone can quench our thirst. Saint Augustine said it best, “Our hearts were made for you, O Lord, and they will not rest until they rest in you.”

Difficult Scripture Passages

“If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife, and children, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple. In the same way, everyone who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple” (Luke 14:26.33).

In Saint Matthew's Gospel, Jesus tells His followers that His yoke is easy and His burden is light (cf. Matthew 12:30). But this yoke seems to be neither easy nor light in the Gospel of Saint Luke, especially in the above passage, where Christian discipleship is portrayed as very demanding, a total abandonment of family and possessions. This is confusing, because both Jews and Christians believe that family and material blessings are gracious gifts from our loving Father in Heaven. This call to renunciation is puzzling in yet another regard. Jesus Himself, as well as His disciples, seems to have fallen short of His own command. Jesus called for total renunciation, yet He and His disciples readily accepted material benefits, such as food and lodging, from His followers (cf. Luke 9:4, 19:5) during His public ministry. Furthermore, in the post-resurrection appearance in the Gospel of Saint John (John 21: 2-7), the disciples were still in possession of their fishing boats and nets. Didn't they leave everything to follow Jesus? How do we make sense of such a contradiction? We do so through a proper understanding of *renunciation*.

The renunciation required for Christian discipleship is not to be equated with destitution, nor disregard for family obligations, but rather a willingness to abandon everything which stands in the way of one's commitment to follow Jesus. In the words of Jesus, “No servant can serve two masters” (Luke 16: 13). Authentic Christian renunciation demands an end to reliance upon our own abilities, powers, and ambitions. We must instead trust in God's providence and His direction for our life. If we do not, we are bound to become frustrated and worried (cf. Luke 12: 22-23). Jesus implored us to let go of all worries and concerns and placed them in our Father's loving hands. But there is another aspect of renunciation, a willingness to be of service to others, particularly the poor. A tender concern for the poor knows no limitations because treasure lost on earth is treasure gained in heaven (cf. Luke 12: 33). These two components of Christian renunciation may pose a difficult challenge for life in the world but those who respond to the challenge are promised a lasting reward in the eternal life of Heaven.

Padre's Picks, The Finale: I will be hosting my third and final movie night at Sacred Heart rectory on **Friday, March 13th, at 7:00 PM.** The movie we will be watching is ***For Greater Glory***, the true story of the Mexican civil war, which took place in the 1920s and 1930s, when the anti-clerical government of Mexico began a great persecution of the Church. The rebels, known as Christeros, fought for the Faith and for their persecuted countrymen. Though the odds were against them, God was on their side and the Christeros prevailed . . . the persecution of the Church came to an end. I look forward to watching this powerful movie, a reminder that we must always be vigilant in defense of the Faith, because no nation should presume that a persecution could not arise within their national boundaries. *Viva Christo Rey!*

Help Wanted: We will be removing the carpet in the basement of the rectory of Sacred Heart Parish on **Saturday, March 14th at 10:00 AM.** If you are able on that morning to help remove the carpet and carry it out from the basement, know that I would be most grateful. If anyone wants the orange carpet from the 1970s, along with the collection of Bee Gees and ABBA albums, know that you are most welcome to take them that day.

Thank You for Your Efforts: Thank you to JoAnn Opp and Linda Duppong for setting up and serving the fellowship after the first presentation of our parish mission last Friday at Sacred Heart Parish. Thank you as well to Eve Mollman for setting up and serving for the fellowship after the second presentation of our parish mission last Saturday at Saint Ann's Parish. Thank you for your efforts in bringing people together, especially to welcome and visit with our mission

presenter, Dr. David Fleischaker. It was a bit disappointing how few people showed up at these fellowships to welcome him but thank you to those who kindly made the effort to do so. As Saint Benedict reminds us, we are to welcome all people as if we were welcoming Christ.

Faith Opportunities for Our Young People: If any young parishioner of high school age wishes to attend a SEARCH weekend offered by the Diocese of Bismarck or attend the Cor Christi Institute at the University of Mary, know that our parishes will pay for any fees associated with these opportunities to grow in faith. If you have any questions, please contact the director of religious education in your given parish.

On the Lighter Side, Unanswered Prayer: A child of five years of age noticed that the priest always paused and bowed his head for a moment before beginning his homily. One day she asked the priest why he did this. "Well, my dear child," he began, pleased that she was so observant, "I am asking the Lord to help me preach a good homily." The little girl responded, "Then how come He does not do it?"

A Christian Point to Ponder: *Where there is no love, put love, and you will find love.*