



THE BASILICA of ST. JAMES

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St. Mathias St. Michael

Windsor

Pingree

St. Margaret's

Buchanan

2nd Sunday of Easter

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THE VOICE

April 19, 2009

Congratulations to our students who have been fully initiated into the Catholic Church by their reception of Confirmation & Eucharist on Saturday, April 18 at the 4:30pm Eucharist. We rejoice with them and their families. Keep them in your thoughts and prayers as they continue their faith journey!

Sarah Azure
Colton Carlson
Connor Clemens
Thomas Dion
Riley Eckroth
Tayler Feldman
Leo Fremgen
Halee Frey
Megan Gaffaney
Chase Gange
Kristen Gee

Melissa Haas
Bailey Heinert
McKenna Hemmer
Tanner Hillerud
John Horgan
Lindsey Mae Job
Hannah Krebs
Christian Kutz
Medora Laber
Mara LeFevre
Levi Longtin

Jordan Montgomery
Bryan Mosolf
Maci Olsen
Jordan Paulson
Wyatt Radenz
Chancellor Reed
Haiden Robbins
Hannah Schiele
Parker Stockert
Dylan Stoppeworth
Julia Yatskis

St. Margaret Mary, Buchanan

Nichole Albrecht
Ashlyn Weis

St. Michael, Pingree

Halle Uehran

Sacred Heart, Sanborn

Hallie Anderson
Matthew Lyter
Macy Willson

Attendance for Holy Week and Easter - St. James Basilica:

<u>Passion Sunday</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2005</u>
	1139	1184	1255	1252	1328
<u>Holy Thursday</u>	406	361	234	180	395
<u>Good Friday</u>	482	406	433	371	440
Hi Acres	25	75	82		
<u>Easter Vigil</u>	355	328	459	423	420
<u>Easter Sunday</u>					
7:00am	140	132	129	171	192
8:30am	405	365	452	532	461
10:30am	<u>540</u>	<u>531</u>	<u>603</u>	<u>615</u>	<u>609</u>
Easter Total:	1440	1356	1643	1741	1682

The church invites you to make your prayer scriptural.

A good way to begin would be to use each week's Sunday Psalm Response at regular daily intervals.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Assisted Hearing Units are available in the Sacristy. Jim Carlascio says they work fantastically.

This Week's Liturgies - April 20-26, 2009

MON 12:10pm † *Maxine Hendrickx* Benefactor
 5:15pm † *Jackie Kainz* by Frances Brewer

TUE 7:00am † *Math Bitz*
 12:10pm (L) *Alida Sjostrom* by Gary & Carole Steidl
 12:15pm **No Eucharist @ North Dakota State Hospital**

WED 10:00am † *Richards Plummer Family* by Kay Richards
@ Ave Maria Village
 12:10pm † *Gerald Farrell* by Rosanne Farrell
 5:15pm (L) *Lori Conzo* by Louise Evenson

THU 7:00am † *Jonathan Thomas Ament* by Brian, DeAnn, Jacob,
 Emily & Abigail Ament
 10:15am(L) *Fr. Al Bitz (In honor of National Catholic Pastors Day)*
 by Sonshine Committee **@ All School Eucharist**
(All are welcome to attend)
 12:10pm † *Robert W. Wright* by Lorraine Wright
 12:40pm **Adoration**
 3:30pm † *Mary Abrahamson* by Bernard & Marilyn Anderson
@ Rock of Ages
 5:00pm **Benediction**

FRI 10:00am † *Arylss Tokach* by Marv Tokach **@ Hi-Acres Manor**
 12:10pm † *Catherine McGuire* by JoAnn Vining
 3:45pm **Eucharist @ Anne Carlsen Center**
 5:15pm † *John Dardis* by Tom & Wanda Dardis

SAT 8:00am † *Larry Grode* by Mary & Gary Fox
 4:30pm † *Vincent Wentz* by Kent & Sue Haas

SUN 8:30am † *Edmund Fettig* by Elizabeth Fettig
 10:30am *Intention for the People of the Basilica and Outlying parishes*
 6:00pm † *Mary Ann Emo* by Deb Emo

This Week's Readings		
Sun	1st	Acts 4:32-25 (44B)
	2nd	1 John 5:1-6
	Gospel	John 20:19-31
Mon	1st	Acts 4:23-31
	Gospel	John 3:1-8
Tue	1st	Acts :32-37
	Gospel	John 3:7b-15
Wed	1st	Acts 5:17-26
	2nd	John 3:16-21
Thu	1st	Acts 5:27-33
	Gospel	John 3:31-36
Fri	1st	Acts 5:34-42
	Gospel	John 6:1-15
Sat	1st	1 Peter 5:5b-14
	Gospel	Mark 16:15-20
Sun	1st	Acts 3:13-15,17-19 (47B)
	2nd	1 John 2:1-5a
	Gospel	Luke 24:35-48

Reconciliation ½ hour before daily Eucharists Saturdays 3:30pm

Scripture Readings: look on the websites:<http://www.nccbuscc.org/nab/http://www.lectorprep.org>.
 (Good for proclaimers' preparation)

**Attendance for Holy Week and Easter
 St. Michael, Pingree & St. Margaret, Buchanan:**

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<u>Passion Sunday</u>	48	28	51	48
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	67	61	68	80

To show that Lent/Easter is one Season of the Churches Liturgical Calendar, we will continue the 7:00am and 5:15pm Eucharists until the end of the Easter Season/Pentecost, May 31, 2009.

Attendance for Holy Week and Easter - St. Mathias, Windsor:

	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
<u>Passion Sunday</u>	31	43	48	34
<u>Holy Thursday</u>	33	30	17	22
<u>Good Friday</u>	67	53	77	40
<u>Easter Sunday</u>	74	62	52	72

Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage always involves the

entire church. The following couple is making this explicit by inviting all to participate in their celebration:

Jennifer Clarys & Sean Rogers
 Saturday, April 25, 2009
 2:00pm, Basilica

Liturgies at Outlying Parishes

Next Sunday at

St. Mathias, Windsor
 8:30am † *Tom Fredrickson* by
 Sonia & Bob Heinle

Next Sunday at

St. Michael, Pingree
 10:30am † *Gertrude McKenzie*
Lind by Jim & Marie
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Eucharist at outlying parish:

Starting Sunday, May 3, 2009 thru October 31, 2009 the **Eucharist** will be celebrated at **St. Margaret's, Buchanan** and not at St. Michael's.

This week our expressed thanks:

Thankful for the Grace of God.

Bitsofbitz

Water. Water. Floods. Dikes. Sandbags. Fear. Uncertainty. Anguish. Hope. Challenged. Crisis. Adrenalin. Emails. House. Farm. Late Planting. Insurance. Record breaking water in dams. Evacuations.

What a ride so many people have and are going through. Being able to sandbag at least gives one the opportunity to help a little bit. As one of the elder sandbaggers said: "It doesn't feel good to sit at home and be frustrated. Sandbagging allows me to come out and do a little bit for the community." It really does.

I am sure that this is also what the high school and college students are feeling. What a tremendous service they are giving to our communities. It was mostly college students when I was out sandbagging at the Wild Life Research station. It was a whole bunch of Middle School, High School and College kids that were sandbagging when I was at the Civic parking lot. In fact, one of the fillers of sandbags had been doing it all day when I got there. She was still churning out those bags, throwing them out behind her with one hand, so fast that 3 of us couldn't keep up with

tying the bags.

These are formative years for our youngsters. This experience will shape them and thus our community for many years. They will know what it means to do something for the common good. They will know what it means to be unselfish. They will better understand that people are far happier when they look out for the good of others even before they look out for their own good.

It is such things and such attitudes that form community--a community that works together, dreams together, works together, prays together and gives thanks together. There you have it, two of the most important things for a happy life: community and gratefulness.

It is so great to see the whole gamut of generations working together. When this happens, a community develops a much deeper appreciation and understanding between the generations, an abiding respect for each generation, an abiding respect for each person.

Peace be with us through this entire flooding challenge.

Discernment Process for membership on the Basilica Parish Pastoral Council & Committees: This will take place **this Sunday**, April 19, starting at 3:00pm in the Zebedee Center.

FACE fact: The Foundation for Advancement of Christian Education, (FACE) was established in 1976 as St. John's Academy's endowment fund. At the of the 1980 school year, FACE had paid St. John's Academy approximately \$36,500 from endowment fund earnings.

At the end of the 2010 school year, FACE will have paid St. John's Academy over \$1.4 million from endowment fund earnings. Thank you to FACE's supporters for this wonderful history of giving!

Couples preparing for Marriage

Couple-to-Couple League Natural Family Planning Sessions at St. Catherine 's Church, 540 3rd Ave NE, Valley City, ND.

Spring sessions: Mondays 7:00-9:00pm
April 20, May 18, June 8.

Fall sessions: Sundays 2:00-4:00pm
September 20, October 11, November 15.

To register contact Eric & Suzie Lahlum at (701) 669-2258 or email elahlum@hotmail.com.

A Creighton Model FertilityCare Introductory Session- is scheduled for Sat, April 25th, 10:00 AM at the St. John's Academy Zebedee Center in Jamestown. All married or engaged couples or single women who want to learn more about their reproductive health are encouraged to sign up! This is a very effective, easy to learn program that helps you understand and appreciate gift of your fertility and plan your family in a natural, morally acceptable way. Class size is limited, so call early to register! Engaged couples should begin this training 3-6 months prior to their wedding. Contact Leann Ripplinger, 952-1750 for info or to register.

Our sympathy and remember in prayer the families of those who died recently, Dorothy Kamletz, wife of Lloyd Kamletz and former housekeeper for Fr. Bitz at St. Anthony's in Fargo.

In your prayers please remember our sick: (new names are in parentheses and italics) To make things more personal, we include names for two weeks. Behind each name is the neighborhood or outlying parish with which they are connected. Thus we ask the neighborhood or outlying parish to continue praying for them. If you don't remember your neighborhood you can check the map at the church west entrance.

Cliff Kropp (NE-R Fried Neighborhood)
Leaders: Donn and Velma Yatskis

In your prayers please remember our friends and relatives who are deployed in Iraq and overseas: (*new names are in parentheses and Italics*)

Jeffery Andersen	Fr. Jack Herron	Leah Nasset
Kevin Andersen	Nick Kluck	Mark Sad
Adrienne Astrup	Jake McClean	

(If you know of new people, please let us know).

Youth celebrating Baptismal Anniversaries this week

Matthias (Matt) Anderson	Chance Grenz	Chance Reed
Billie Buchanan	Jared Hallwachs	Devyn Schauer
Brady Buchanan	Lexy Hastings	Alexa Schmierer
Mary Daly	David Kropp	
Mark Fowler	Skylar Munson	

Baptism Preparation and Scheduling: Please contact Shirley at the Faith Formation Office for times and dates of Preparation Sessions and to schedule a date for an upcoming Baptism.

(It is best to do this before the baby is born) Call 252-0478 or e-mail us at: faithformation@csicable.net

Next session is Monday, May 4, 2009 7pm, Shirley's Office, Zebedee Center.

This Week Around the Parish

Sun.	3:00pm Discernment process	Zebedee Center
Mon.	Priest Education Days	Carrington
Mon.	8:00pm Rosary & Devotion	Basilica
Tue.	Priest Education Days	Carrington
Tue.	7:00pm Adult Bible Study, Shirley's Office	Zebedee Center
Tue.	8:00pm Rosary & Devotion	Basilica
Wed.	4:45pm Rosary & Devotion, Holy Spirit Room	Parish Center
Wed.	6:30pm Faith Formation K-6	Zebedee Center
Wed.	6:30pm "The Edge Middle School" Youth Ministry Room,	Zebedee Center
Wed.	7:00pm Basilica Choir Rehearsal,	Basilica
Wed.	7:45pm "The Edge High School", Youth Ministry Room,	Zebedee Center
Thu.	8:00am-8:00pm, bring items for Tabernacle Spring Rummage Sale	Parish Center
Thu.	8:00pm Rosary/Devotion, Holy Spirit Room,	Parish Center
Fri.	8:00am-8:00pm Tabernacle Spring Rummage Sale	Parish Center
Fri.	6:00pm Wedding Rehearsal: Jennifer Clarys & Sean Rogers	Basilica
Fri.	8:00pm Rosary/Devotion, Holy Spirit Room	Parish Center
Sat.	8:00-11:00am Tabernacle Spring Rummage Sale	Parish Center
Sat.	2:00pm Wedding: Jennifer Clarys & Sean Rogers	Basilica

Did you know...1st Mass for St. James was celebrated in a boxcar on April 24, 1878.

Tabernacle News:

Tabernacle Semi-Annual Spring Rummage Sale: April 23-24-25, 2009. Items will be accepted on Thursday April 23 from 8am-8pm. We are asking for good clean rummage, **no hardcover books**.

ITEMS NOT ACCEPTED: Computers and Microwaves.

NO ITEMS ACCEPTED AFTER 8PM ON THE 23rd. The sale begins Friday, April 24 from 8am-8pm and Saturday April 25 from 8-11am.

A Very Special Thank You...For your donations for flowers and greenery that made our church look so elegant this Easter season. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

In Memory of:

Richard Sandness by Betty Sandness
Paul & Frances Schwartz by Irene Berg

Redlin and Becker Family Members by Frank and Jeannette Redlin
Laura Hoggarth Fossum by Ameta Schlecht

Mother's Day Gift Idea:

Mother's Meditation Rosary Booklet, rosary included for \$6.00. This is a fundraising effort for the Catholic Institute of Apologetics (CIA) for the month of April. You can purchase them at the parish office or by contacting Abbey at 701-527-0041.

Development office at St. James Basilica and St. John's Academy

"And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it". (Matthew 16:18) The Catholic Church has existed for over 2000 years. Christ has given us our faith foundation. He truly is our strength.

Let us embrace the life of Christ by reaching out to each other and furthering the mission of Christ. May your stewardship actions broaden that mission. Consider leaving a portion of your blessings to the St. James Basilica or St. John's Academy (FACE) endowments or designating a gift in your estate plans.

If you've already designated a gift in your will, please let us know. We'd love to thank you! Please call Peggy in the development office at 701-252-2434 or email development@csicable.net.

OUTSIDE THE PARISH

The Gift and Virtue of Being a Donor: In 2008, Jamestown had four tissue donors. The gifts from these donations will impact over 200 people, providing them with new health and life through bone, skin, connective tissue, heart valve, eye and vein donations. April is National Donate Life Month. LifeSource has developed a blog with donation facts and figures, sample articles, and resources for healthcare and community professionals. Check it out at www.mydonationresource.org.

The best way to become a Donor is to put it on your driver's license.

For your Enjoyment... a Piano Concert will be given by Dave Schnackenberg on Sunday, April 26, 3:00pm at First United Methodist Church, 115 3rd St. SE (next to Alfred Dickey Library). Everyone welcome, free will offering, lunch served following the concert.

Carrie Abbott (www.thelegacyinstitute.com) is coming to Fargo, May 18th, Cardinal Muench Seminary, Fargo. Carrie has spoken internationally to thousands of people about discovering the Truth about sexual freedom. She will give a one day workshop for parents, married, pre-married, singles, youth ministers, educators and all interested individuals. You DON'T want to miss this! To register call FirstChoice Clinic, 710-237-5902 or go to www.teamfirstchoiceclinic.com.

Are you a nurse, physician or health care professional wanting to learn more about the Christian perspective on sexual health and intimacy in marriage? If so, FirstChoice Clinic is sponsoring a workshop: A Return to Wholeness, May 18-21 at Cardinal Muench Seminary, Fargo. You may attend part of the conference or all 4 days. Registered nurses and physicians can qualify to become certified Marquette Model Natural Family Planning instructors. For more information or to register call FirstChoice Clinic, 701-237-5902 or go to www.teamfirstchoiceclinic.com.

"Like the Israelites who wandered the desert for forty years, we have lost our way since the separation of life and love permeated our culture forty years ago. Respecting the connection designed by God is the roadmap that will guide us. And as the last forty years has shown us, the health and dignity of women depends on it." Dr. Lynn Kerr, MD Professor of USCF, Fresno Internal Medicine Residency Program.

Celebrating Mothers Brunch, Fundraiser for the Perry Center Maternity Home. Saturday, May 9, 2009, 9:30am-1:30pm at the Best Western Doublewood Inn, Fargo. International Speaker, Miriam Heppner, mother of 17. Visit www.perrycenter.org for ticket information.

St. John's Academy News:

Exciting New Program

Saint John's Academy is proud to announce an exciting new pre-kindergarten program starting the fall of 2009. This program will be accredited by the state of North Dakota and taught by a teacher with a B.S. degree in elementary education and a minor in early childhood education. This program will meet 5 days a week, half-days, to create the consistency of a school routine and help children adjust to the school community. This program is for all children who will enter kindergarten in the fall of 2010. Please call Saint John's Academy at 252-3397 for more information or email alyssa.enger@sendit.nodak.edu or pamela.hansen@sendit.nodak.edu

Grade 5 Math Bowl: SJA fifth graders were excited to attend the second Math Bowl at Jamestown College on April 7. Congratulations to Bailee Graves, Ben Hanson, and Christian Zubernis who were the top three scorers for our school. Our students competed against other fifth graders from each of the elementary schools in Jamestown. All our fifth graders participated and were involved with math stations presented by JC students. It was a fun, learning experience.

Keep ND Clean Poster Contest:

Congratulations Hunter Braunberger!! First place in the state competition...two years in a row! Hunter's poster was judged as the first place winner in the sixth grade category for this year's contest. He will attend an awards ceremony at Washburn, ND, on Friday, April 24th.

Faith Formation News:

Question of the Week - 2nd Sunday of Easter - Week of April 19, 2009

Acts 4: 32-35, 1 John 5: 1-6, John 20: 19-31

Do not persist in your unbelief, but believe!

Question for Children: How can you believe in Jesus whom you have never seen?

Question for Youth: Jesus' words of greeting were "Peace be with you," followed by the invitation to forgive sins. How does forgiveness bring peace to you? How does it change the world?

Question for Adults: What strengthens your faith? Why do you believe in Jesus?

Activity of the Week

In today's Gospel, Jesus breathes new life into the disciples. Find the Risen Christ in the world around you. Go for a short walk every day this week. Take note of everything that breathes. and/or Jesus asks us to forgive others. How do you practice forgiveness in your family? Is there anyone you need to forgive?

The Parish Mission Night that was scheduled for **April 22** has been **cancelled**. We will hold our regular Faith Formation Sessions that evening.

Parent Seminar - Youth Seminar - Children's Seminar

St. James as part of the Diocese of Fargo's safe environment program is continuing to implement the diocesan safety curriculum. On **April 29** beginning at **6:30 pm** at the **Zebedee Center** seminars will be offered for parents and children.

The purpose of this curriculum is to help parents and children recognize and avoid situations that could be potentially dangerous. **The Parent Seminar** is for parents of students in Faith Formation, St. John's Academy and Youth Ministry. **The Youth Seminar** is for students in grades 7-12. **The Children's Seminar** is for children in Faith Formation grades 2-6.

The Child Lures material is being taught in the class-

rooms at St. John's Academy. For more information contact the Faith Formation Office at 252-0478. faithformation@csicable.net

Thank you for taking part in the Lenten journey with Catholic Relief Services' OPERATION RICE BOWL -

So far, we have raised \$1542.34. 75% of this money will be sent to Catholic Relief Services. 25% will remain in our parish to help those in need in our own community. If you have not returned your Rice Bowls, they may be brought to the parish office or to the Faith Formation Office.

Our Operation Rice Bowl journey has ended but working towards global solidarity doesn't have to. Let us continue to pray for all those who work for justice and for those who benefit from the programs of Catholic Relief Services, and continue to learn how to stay connected with our global family through Catholic Relief Services. Take some time to visit www.crs.org.

BIBLE STUDY UPDATE

Young Adult/College bible study will resume today, April 19 at 7:00 pm (following 6:00 pm Eucharist) in the Holy Spirit Room of the Parish Center. Free food is provided. For more information contact Haley Ogden (hogden@jc.edu), Jocelyn Settelmeyer (jsettelm@jc.edu), or Shirley Wallace (swallace@jc.edu) or call the Faith Formation Office at 252-0478.

Acts of the Apostles - begins on Monday, April 20 at 12:45-2:00 pm (Parish Center) and on **Tuesday, April 21 at 7:00 pm** (Zebedee Center). This six week study of the Acts of the Apostles will be using the book Acts: The Good News of the Holy Spirit by Kevin Perrotta. If you are interested in joining one of these groups, or starting another group, contact Shirley at the Faith Formation Office 252-0478. faithformation@csicable.net. Books are available through the Faith Formation Office.

THE BIG RAFFLE

St. James Basilica of Jamestown – St John's Academy

Raffle - Sunday, May 10, 2009

Drawing at 11:45 am—St. James Basilica Parish Center

622 1st Ave South Jamestown, ND 58401

Win \$10,000 Merchandise Certificate

toward purchase of merchandise from participating merchants.

Cash may be requested as an alternative to the \$10,000.00 merchandise prize.

12 other Cash Prizes: 1 - \$1,000; 1 - \$500; 10 - \$100

Need not be present to win. Office of Attorney General License No. G-0472

Winner is responsible for all applicable taxes. Must be redeemed by May 1, 2010.

Purchase of this ticket is not a charitable donation.

(Only 325 tickets sold).

\$100.00 per ticket

MERCHANTS WHERE PRIZE COULD BE REDEEMED (NOT LIMITED TO)

Agasco	Haroldson Office Supply	MDU	Roughrider Signs & Designs
Agri-Cover Inc.	Harty Insurance	Music Corner	Scherbenske & Sons
ARC-Treasureland	Heinrich & Co	Mycogen Seeds	Excavation
Arneson, Inc.	Herr Electronics	Neill Construction	Schumacher Construction
Butler Machinery	Hillerud Construction	Officeland	Smitty's Carpet Shop
C.H. Carpenter Lumber	Hugo's	Orr Auctioneers, Inc.	The Press Room
Cenex	Jamestown Sun	Orriginals	Titan Machinery
Central Business Systems	Jamestown Implement	Ottertail Power Co.	Two Rivers Broadcasting
Central Sales	Jamestown True Value	Photo-Frame Gallery	Two Rivers Printing
Conlin's Furniture	Jerry's Electrical Repair	Pioneer Plumbing	Vining Oil & Gas
Country Gardens Floral	Jerry's Furniture	ProBuild	Walsh Masonry
County Market	Jerry's Tree Service	R M Stoudt	Don Wilhelm, Inc.
Dauer's Trophies & Sportswear	Kmart	Redlin-Johnson, Inc.	
Frank's Electric	Lifestyle Appliance	Rental Store	
Grabinger's Marine	Lindberg Brothers	Rich McGruder Construction	
Greenwood Plumbing	Lloyd's Motors	Richardson Electric	
	Mayer Truck line, Inc.	Roger's Electric	

If you want a ticket you can call us at 252-0119 or email Bonnie at <parish@csicable.net>

This one big raffle takes the place of 9 smaller fund raisers that were being done in the parish by various groups. The money we make on this will then be distributed to those various groups. By doing this we have cut in half the number of fund raisers in the parish. We have also scheduled the remaining fundraisers so we don't overlap. Hopefully we can spend more of our time doing works of service and ministry.

St. John's Academy
\$10,762.00

Calvary Cemetery
\$2,700.00

St. James Tabernacle
\$3,594.00

St. James Basilica
\$1,700.00
125th Anniversary

Thank you to the 332 households who have already taken their picture for the pictorial directory. Thank you to the **10** households who signed up for pictures this month that brings the total to 53 households for May.

We still need **959** households to have their pictures taken to have everyone from our 4 parishes represented.

Please give this prayerful consideration. You are not required to buy any pictures but will receive a free 8x10 and a pictorial directory.

Photography Dates:

May 12-15 (Tue. –Fri.) from 3:00—9:30pm

May 16 (Saturday) from 10:00am—5:00pm

May 27-29 (Tue. –Fri.) from 3:00—9:30pm

May 30 (Saturday) from 10:00am—5:00pm

You can sign up one of two ways:

- On line at: www.signup.olanmills.com
- Call the Parish Office (252-0119)

Disaster Assistance

For Homeowners, renters and business owners affected by the recent storms and flooding

Apply by Phone:

1-800-621-FEMA (3362)

Apply on line at FEMA.gov

(TT 1-800-462-7585 for the hearing-and speech-impaired)

Even if you don't feel you will need assistance - you do not have to accept assistance.

Please have the following information available when you call:

Address & 2 phone numbers where we can reach you	Address of damaged property
Social Security number	Brief description of the damages
Current mailing address	Insurance information, if available
Date damage occurred	Estimate of family gross income

If you are eligible for disaster assistance, you may have the assistance check deposited directly into your bank account. Provide this information **ONLY** when **YOU** call the number above, or an authorized FEMA representative, who will have your case number, calls you back.

Government disaster assistance covers basic needs only and will not normally compensate you for your entire loss. If you have insurance, the Government may help pay for basic needs not covered under your insurance policy. Some disaster aid does not have to be paid back, while other forms of help may come as loans.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, sex, religion, national origin, age, disability or economic status. If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA at 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585).

U.S. Small Business Administration Loans: Not Just For Businesses.

Disaster loans from the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) are available to homeowners, renters and businesses in the counties declared following this declared disaster.

- Home Disaster Loans. Loans to homeowners or renters to repair or replace disaster damages to real estate or personal property owned by the victim. Renters are eligible for their personal property losses.
- Business Physical Disaster Loans. Loans to businesses to repair or replace disaster damages to property owned by the business, including real estate, machinery and equipment, inventory and supplies. Non-farm businesses of any size are eligible. Non-profit organizations such as charities, churches, private universities, etc. are also eligible.
- Economic Injury Disaster Loans (EIDL). Loans for working capital to small businesses and small agricultural cooperatives to assist them through the disaster recovery period. EIDL assistance is available only to applicants with no Credit Available Elsewhere - if the business and its owners cannot provide for their own recovery from non-government sources.

Don't delay, If you received an application package after tele-registering with FEMA, complete and return the application. Failure to do so may prevent you from getting other forms of assistance, including grants. SBA disaster loans are the primary source of federal assistance for long-term recovery needs.



PRESS RELEASE: DISASTER RELIEF FUND APPEAL FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

April 15, 2009

JAMESTOWN, ND, April 15, 2009 – Help people affected by disasters like the current floods and winter storms by donating to the American Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund.

On those rare occasions when donations exceed Red Cross expenses for a specific disaster, contributions are used to prepare for and serve victims of other disasters.

Your contribution enables the Red Cross to provide shelter, food, counseling and other assistance to victims of disasters.

Donations can be sent to Buffalo Valley Red Cross, 300 2nd Ave NE, Suite 213, PO Box 944 Jamestown, ND 58402. For volunteer opportunities please call the chapter at 252-3550.

Be proactive and prepare the following items to take with you should the time come:

- any medicines or other medical supplies needed by members of the family
- feeding formulas for infants or special food for those with specific dietary requirements
- a pillow, blanket or other comfort item for each member of the family
- a change of clothing
- a few non-perishable snacks and water
- flashlights, a battery-powered radio, and extra batteries for both
- books and simple toys for your children
- important documents such as picture i.d. and insurance papers
- emergency arrangements for your pets: if you need a shelter for your pets call Prairie Paws Rescue 269-2206 or 320-4553. Have a copy of immunization records for the rescue team.

Listen to area radio and television stations or a NOAA Weather Radio for evacuation announcements that apply to your area. If you are told to evacuate, be ready to act immediately. If you come upon a flooded road while driving, turn around and go another way. Make every attempt to evacuate during daylight hours. Remember: listen to local authorities and do what they ask you to do.

If you are asked to evacuate, and can make one call before you leave home, call someone you love and tell them you are safe. Then, ask them to register you on Safe and Well.

Register on the Red Cross Safe and Well Website at www.redcross.org.

- The Safe and Well Website allows those directly affected by a disaster to let their loved ones know of their well-being.
- For those that do not have internet access, call 1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767) to register yourself and our family. Follow the prompts for disaster information.
- Concerned family members who know the person's phone number (home, cell or work) or a complete home address can search for the messages posted by those who self-register.

Catholic Charities North Dakota is a member of North Dakota Voluntary Organizations active in Disaster (VOAD). Catholic charities North Dakota's counseling Services will be glad to assist any individuals struggling with any issues. They are able to get up to 3 free counseling sessions for flood related concerns. Call 701-235-4457.

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