



THE BASILICA of ST. JAMES

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St. Mathias St. Michael

Windsor

Pingree

St. Margaret's

Buchanan

Epiphany of the Lord

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THE VOICE

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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:
"Lord, every nation on earth will adore you."

A ritual for the home on the feast of the Epiphany - this Sunday

Take a piece of chalk and write

"20 + K + M + B + 10"

(the 3 initials of the 3 kings, Kasper, Mechior, Baltazar.)

And pray these words:

"May all who come to our home this year Rejoice to find Christ living among us:
 and may we seek and serve Christ in everyone we meet. Amen."

**May you be blessed this new year with a
 growing sense of parish community and home as domestic church.**

Christmas Attendance

The Christmas celebrations were great at our parishes. We thank all the ministers of the various liturgies for their wonderful and necessary contribution.

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Christmas Eve 2004	Christmas Eve 2005	Christmas Eve 2006	Christmas Eve 2007	Christmas Eve 2008	Christmas Eve 2009
4:00pm 550	4:00pm 662	4:00pm 636	4:00pm 654	4:00pm 502	4:00pm 514
6:00pm 402	6:00pm 380	6:00pm 263	6:00pm 336	6:00pm 420	6:00pm 361
Midnight 365	Midnight 390	Midnight 262	Midnight 250	Midnight 189	Midnight 152
Christmas Day 9:30am <u>262</u>	Christmas Day 9:30am <u>385</u>	Christmas Day 9:30am <u>285</u>	Christmas Day 9:30am <u>368</u>	Christmas Day 9:30am <u>286</u>	Christmas Day 9:30am <u>118</u>
Total: 1579	Total: 1817	Total: 1446	Total: 1608	Total: 1397	Total: 1145

St. Mathias, Windsor:	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>	St. Michaels, Pingree:	<u>2004</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2009</u>
Christmas Eve 10:00pm	112	118	98	82	50	Christmas Day 9:30am	36	56	30	40	48	49

We praise God for your faith filled response to the celebration of the birth of our Savior.

We welcome the newly baptized: Bristol Jewel Schmidt, daughter of Jonah & Celine. Grandparents are Dwight & Twila Wiest, Gackle, ND and Rodney & Karen Schmidt, Streeter, ND.

Cecilia Marie Romsdal, daughter of Jeffrey & Amie and sister of Easton and Vaughn. Grandparents are Mary & Glen Sieling, Fergus Falls, MN; Clayton & Sue Swanson, Battlelake, MN; Fran Romsdal, Jamestown, ND and Janna Cannon, St. Cloud, MN.

Murray Patrick Listopad, son of Steven & Lori. Grandparents are Ann & Don Gudmunsen, Williston, ND; Francis & Patsy Listopad, Detroit Lakes, MN; Eve & Dave Trugrud, Wahpeton, ND and Char & Doug Spieker, West Fargo, ND.

This Week's Liturgies - January 4 - 10, 2010

MON 12:10pm † Herb Fettig by Phyllis Fettig & Family
TUE 12:10pm † Jake Wagner by Thea Wagner
12:15pm (L) Caroline Bielejeski by Denise Bielejeski
@ North Dakota State Hospital
(SE Corner of La Haug Building)
WED 10:00am † Ed Kulikoff by Lee Bev Manley **@ Ave Maria Village**
12:10pm † Mary Exner by Pat McCommon
THU 12:10pm † Vincent Wentz by Magdalena Wentz
12:40pm Adoration
5:00pm Benediction
3:30pm † Tom Kaiser by Audrey Kaiser **@ Rock of Ages**
7:00 pm Eucharist @ James River Correctional Center
FRI 10:00am † Sebastian Mitzel by Monica Lubbers **@ Hi-Acres Manor**
12:10pm † Amelia & Theodore Endres by Ted & Donna Endres
SAT 8:00am † Linda DuBray by Krebs Family
4:30pm † Barbara & Lorraine Wright by Family
SUN 8:30am † Creighton Kettleson by Diane & Arnie Strand
10:30am † Tom Lytle by St. John's Academy Class 1958
6:00pm (L) Annette Carlson by St. John's Circle

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)

This Week's Readings

Sun	1st	Is. 60:1-6 (20ABC)
	2nd	Eph. 3:2-3a,5-6
	Gospel	Mt. 2:1-12
Mon	1st	1Jn 3:22-4:6
	Gospel	Mt. 4:12-17,23-25
Tue	1st	1Jn 4:7-10
	Gospel	Mark 6:34-44
Wed	1st	1Jn 4:11-18
	Gospel	Mark 6:45-52
Thu	1st	1Jn 5:19-5:4
	Gospel	Luke 5:14-22a
Fri	1st	1Jn 5:5-13
	Gospel	Luke 5:12-16
Sat	1st	1 John 5:14-21
	Gospel	John 3:22-30
Sun	1st	Is. 40:1-5,9-11 (21c)
	2nd	Titus 2:11-14;3:4-7
	Gospel	Lk. 3:15-15,21-22

Bible Study for Men:

Every Thursday morning, Parish Center, 7am-7:45am.

Liturgies at Outlying Parishes

8:30am Next Sunday at:

St. Mathias, Windsor
(L) John & Anne Bieljeski
by Denise Bielejeski

10:30am Next Sunday at:

St. Michael's, Pingree
Deceased members of the
McCleery Family
by Geary McCleery

Parish Council meeting this Sunday, January 3rd...for St. Margaret & St. Michael's parishes following 10:30am Eucharist at the Café, Pingree.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast - Sunday, January 10, 2010
Knights of Columbus Hall
Serving after the 8:30 and 10:30am Eucharists

St. James Basilica is now on Facebook. Become a Fan.

This week our expressed thanks are:
my health, family, friends and new job.

A Creighton Model Introductory Session is scheduled for **Sat. January 9th** at **9:00 AM** at the **Zebedee Center**. This program is open to married or engaged couples or single women wanting to learn more about their health and fertility. Engaged couples should begin this training 3-6 months prior to their wedding. Call Leann Ripplinger, 952-1750, to register. Class size is limited so call now!

Assisted Hearing Units are available
in the Sacristy of St. James.

Youth celebrating Baptismal Anniversaries this week

Nicholas Blaskowski
Brandon Nordstrom

Taylor Orr
Sawyer Wanzek

Next Baptism Preparation Session will be held on **Monday, January 4, 2010** at **7:00pm** at the **Zebedee Center**. Please call 252-0478 to register.

**In every loving family, God loves.
In every suffering family, God suffers.
In every laughing family, God laughs.
In every family which seeks,
God lets himself be discovered.
Come! We will build
the Church as a family,
forming the people of God.**

(from song by Juan Carlos Garrigos Perez for the Vatican –sponsored fifth World Meeting of Families, held in Valencia, Spain, in July 2006)

Pope Paul VI said: “The family, like the Church, ought to be a place where the Gospel is transmitted and from which the Gospel radiates. In a family that is conscious of this mission, all the members evangelize and are evangelized.”

Fr. Al M. Bitz

Fr. Bitz will be gone until January 21, 2010.

Thank you for all your Christmas remembrances, cards, and gifts.

Sister Michaeleen

Fr. John McGinnis

Fr. Joe Barrett

Fr. Al Bitz and Staff

A Very Special Thank You...tree donated by Jerome & Gretchen Barnick (from Country Gardens)
For your donations for flowers and greenery that made our church look so lovely this Christmas season.
Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

In Honor of:

Raymond Schwehr

by:

Elizabeth Schwehr

In Memory of:

George Schwehr

Eldon & Francis Greenwood, Donald Falk

Ralph & Kora Kortendick

Elizabeth Schwehr

Patrick Greenwood

Mary & Dennis Gainsforth

Our recently completed Combined Collection resulted in the following totals:

World Missions:	\$1,277.76	Black and Indian Missions:	\$1,029.00
Retirement for Religious:	\$728.62	Holy Father:	\$943.56
Home Missions:	\$839.06	Total:	\$4,818.00

Thank you for your generosity in helping extend the Church to others.

FACE Fact: The Foundation for the Advancement of Christian Education (FACE) has received memorials for: Peter A. Ozbolt, Robert Donegan and Patrick Duff. FACE thanks family and friends for these memorials. May God Bless these people.

Bible Study in Plain English Sessions will resume January 4. For more information, contact Shirley at the Faith Formation Office. 252-0478 faithformation@csicable.net.

Our sympathy and remember in prayer the families of those who died recently, *Joan Bitz*, sister-in-law of Fr. Al Bitz; *Irvin Schauer*, husband of Pamilla; *Yvonne Schulte*, wife of Jim; *Carol Ann Ziemba*, sister of Jim (Betty) Polasky.

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.

Dave Barnick (SW Buffalo Neighborhood)
Leader: Cheryl Lende

Rachel Fox (NE Jamestown College Neighborhood)
Leader: Michelle Polries

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
Ryan Carroll
Rob Falk
Scott Gainsforth
Tyrel Gion
Caron Isakson
Fr. Jack Herron

Nick Kluck
Joseph Nasset
Leah Nasset
Christopher Olsen
Michael Pommerer
Philip Pommerer
Daniel Shealy

Mark Sjostrom
Abby Tews
Jerod Tufte
Blaine Williams

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

The Year of Priests

Pray for the following priests (January 3-9, 2010)

January 3

Fr. Thaines Arulandu
Edgeley - Nortonville



January 4

Fr. Jack Cosentino
Retired



January 5

Fr. Mathew Pamplaniyil



January 6

Fr. Damien Schill
VA Chaplain, MN



January 7

Fr. Vincent Tuchscherer
Retired



January 8

Fr. Raymond Courtright
Fargo - St. Anthony



January 9

Fr. Bernard Schneider
Manvel - GF
Altru Chaplain



A Prayer for Priests

Lord Jesus, you have chosen your priests from among us and sent them out to proclaim your word and act in your name. For so great a gift to your Church, we give you praise and thanksgiving. We ask you to fill them with the fire of your love, that their ministry may reveal your presence in the Church. Since they are earthen vessels, we pray that your power shine out through their weakness.

In their afflictions let them never be crushed; in their doubts never despair; in temptation never be destroyed; in persecution never abandoned. Inspire them through prayer

to live each day, that mystery of your dying and rising. In times of weakness send them your Spirit and help them to praise your heavenly Father and pray for the poor sinners.

By the same Holy Spirit, put your word on their lips and your love in their hearts, to bring good news to the poor and healing to the broken-hearted. And may the gift of Mary, your mother, to the disciple whom you loved, be your gift to every priest. Grant that she who formed you in her human image may form them in your Divine image, by the power of your Spirit to the glory of God the Father.

Amen

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251-2040**

Our business of the week. Please support them and all who advertise in our bulletin.

**Bulletin can be found on
Basilica Website:
www.stjamesbasilica.org**

A Parent Meeting for Confirmation is scheduled for Wednesday, January 6 at 6:30 in the Zebedee Center. This meeting is for parents whose children are preparing to receive the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist this spring. Child-care will not be provided. Please bring the folders you have been working on with your child. See you there!

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all the children who were in the Gospel Re-enactments on Christmas Eve. Your participation helped to make the Nativity of our Lord come to life for all those attending. May you continue to offer your time and talents as good stewards throughout your lives. God bless you always!

Meals on Wheels is in need of drivers for delivering meals. St. James Basilica is in charge of the weekends in January. Please prayerfully consider giving of yourself to help others in this way. It only takes about 45-60 minutes of your day and is a great family activity. Contact Peggy at 252-0478 or faithformation@csicable.net if you are willing to assist with this service in our community.

Search Weekend-January 15-17, 2010 (For those 16 and older). Search weekends are located at Maryvale Convent, Valley City. Search is a peer-to-peer ministry, allowing youth to minister to youth. Young people will share bits and pieces of themselves; their joys and struggles in everyday life. They will share how Christ fits into their busy schedules and why it is important to have Christ as a part of your life. The weekend begins at 5:30 p.m. on Friday and concludes around 4:30 p.m. on Sunday. There is time for prayer, Eucharist, fellowship, and fun. For more information or to pick up an application, please contact the Faith Formation office at 252-0478 or e-mail faithformation@csicable.net.

Question of the Week: Solemnity of the Epiphany - Week of January 3, 2010

Reading I: Sirach 24: 1-4, 8-12, Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18, John 1:1-18 - *Jesus is identified as Lord before he is born.*

Question for Children: How does the Blessed Virgin Mary help you to follow Jesus?

Question for Youth: When have you experienced the presence of the Holy Spirit?

Question for Adults: What role does Mary play in your own spirituality? If you were Elizabeth, how would you greet her at your doorway, if she were to arrive there?

This Week Around the Parish

Mon.	Fr. Bitz Gone through January 21, 2010	
Mon.	School Resumes	
Mon.	11:30am St. Michael/St. Margaret Dinner Council Meeting	Pingree Cafe
Mon.	12:45pm Brown Bag Bible Study, Holy Spirit Room	Basilica
Mon.	7:00pm Baptism Preparation Session, Shirley's Office	Zebedee Center
Wed.	6:30pm Confirmation Parent Meeting,	Zebedee Center
Wed.	6:30pm K-6 Faith Formation	Zebedee Center
Wed.	6:30-7:45pm Middle School,	Zebedee Center
Wed.	7:00pm RCIA Inquiry Sessions	Zebedee Center
Wed.	7:00pm Basilica Choir Rehearsal,	Basilica
Wed.	7:45-9:00pm High School,	Zebedee Center
Thu.	7:00am Men's Bible Study,	Parish Center
Thu.	1:30pm Parish Staff Meeting, Conference Room	Zebedee Center
Thu.	7:00pm Youth Choir Rehearsal,	Basilica
Sat.	9:00am Creighton Model Introductory Session,	Zebedee Center
Sat.	Blessing of Confirmation/Eucharist students at all weekend Eucharists	

OUTSIDE THE PARISH:

Are You Divorced or Widowed? Did you know that there is a program specifically for you, sponsored by the Catholic Church? "Beginning Experience" is open to people of other Churches, but it is sponsored by our Church, and the diocese of Fargo. "Level One" of B.E. (Beginning Experience) meets one night a week for 10 weeks, and focuses on the grieving process. Confidentiality is stressed at all times.

Beginning Experience of Jamestown will be offering the ten-week course starting **Thursday, January 7th, 2010** at **Trinity Lutheran Church**, 523 4th Ave SE. Registration is at 7pm and classes begin at 7:30. For more information contact: Jay Wagner 252-0525, Diana Elliot 646-6477 or Doug Schmid 984-2686.

Mothers and Mothers-to-be: La Leche League

Planning to breastfeed? Then you'll want the information

and encouragement that La Leche League provides. Leaders are experienced breastfeeding mothers, accredited by La Leche League International. Whether you are pregnant or already nursing LLL has something for you-tips and techniques shared by mothers who have enjoyed a successful breastfeeding relationship.

Services available include monthly information meetings, lending library, and phone/email help for breastfeeding problems or questions. All mothers-to-be, mothers and babies are welcome.

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 5th, at 6:30pm**. Meetings are held the first Tuesday of every month at the James River Family YMCA. For information contact Lindsey at (701)320-3889 or lindscramer@yahoo.com.