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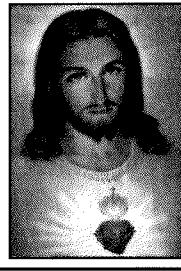
February 15, 2026
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Affair of the Heart: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jesus tells us in the Gospel this week that He has come not to abolish but to "fulfill" the Law of Moses and the teachings of the prophets.

His Gospel reveals the deeper meaning and purpose of the Ten Commandments and the moral Law of the Old Testament. But His Gospel also transcends the Law. He demands a morality far greater than that accomplished by the most pious of Jews, the scribes and Pharisees.



Outward observance of the Law is not enough. It is not enough that we do not murder, commit adultery, divorce, or lie.

The law of the New Covenant is a law that God writes on the heart. The heart is the seat of our motivations, the place from which our words and actions proceed.

Jesus this week calls us to train our hearts, to master our passions and emotions. And Jesus demands the full obedience of our hearts. He calls us to love God with all our hearts and to do His will from the heart.

God never demands more than what we are capable of doing. That is the message of this week's First Reading. It is up to us to choose life over death, to choose the waters of eternal life over the fires of ungodliness and sin.

By His life, death, and Resurrection, Jesus has shown us that it is possible to keep His commandments. In Baptism, He has given us His Spirit, that His Law might be fulfilled in us.

The wisdom of the Gospel surpasses all the wisdom of this age that is passing away, St. Paul tells us in the Epistle. The revelation of this wisdom fulfills God's plan from before all ages. Let us trust in this wisdom and live by His kingdom law.

As we do in this week's Psalm, let us pray that we grow in being better able to live His Gospel and to seek the Father with all our heart.

<https://stpaulcenter.com/posts/affair-of-the-heart-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-sixth-sunday-in-ordinary-time>

MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | Feb. 14 | 5:00 pm (Minto) | + Louise Schanilec by Jim Schanilec family. | |
| Sunday | Feb. 15 | 8:30 am (Minto) | For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. | Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time |
| | | 10:30 am (Warsaw) | + Hilary, Evelyn, Roger, & Wyatt Feltman by Maurice & Mary Beth Feltman. | |
| Monday | Feb. 16 | ————— | No Monday morning Masses in Minto. | |
| Tuesday | Feb. 17 | 7:30 am (Warsaw) | + Ervin Grabanski by Sally Grabanski. | <i>The Seven Holy Founders of the Servite Order</i> |
| Ash Wednesday | Feb. 18 | 7:30 am (Minto) | + Jay Duray and Terry Langowski by wives, sister, daughters/spouses, and grandchildren. | Ash Wednesday—The Holy Season of Lent |
| | | 7:00 pm (Warsaw) | + Wendell Sands by Jared & Robbyne Sands and family. | Begins—A Day of Fast and Abstinence |
| Thursday | Feb. 19 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Frank W. Vavrosky by Harold & Joan Mondry. | |
| Friday | Feb. 20 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Diane Slominski by Lucas Mondry. | Abstinence—all the Fridays of Lent |
| | | 5:15 pm (Warsaw) | —Stations of the Cross— | |
| | | 7:00 pm (Minto) | —Stations of the Cross— | |
| Saturday | Feb. 21 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Kevin Cutsail by Terry Dymowski. | <i>St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i> |
| | | 5:00 pm (Minto) | + Maurice & Sophie Korynta by Harold & Mary Mach. | |
| Sunday | Feb. 22 | 8:30 am (Minto) | For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. | First Sunday of Lent |
| | | 10:30 am (Warsaw) | + Douglas Steven Slominski by George Wosick. | |
| Monday | Feb. 23 | 6:30 pm (Minto) | + Mary Stoltman. | <i>St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr</i> |

CONFESIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call.
Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

WEEKLY OFFERING February 8, 2026: **Minto** = \$3,162. **Warsaw** = \$1,716.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: **Saturday, February 21:** **Altar Servers:** Kole & Jakob Kittelson. **Lector:** Jan Altendorf.

Sunday, February 22: **Altar Servers:** Jack & Bennett Kennedy. **Lector:** Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: **Sun., Feb. 15:** **Altar Servers:** Blake, Brayden, & Bennett Lizakowski, John Paul Kerian. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

Sunday, February 22: **Altar Servers:** Nolan, Braxton, Leo Nolan. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES, FEBRUARY 18: 7:30am at Sacred Heart, Minto, and 7:00pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be held on the Fridays of Lent at each parish. 5:15pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw, and 7:00pm at Sacred Heart, Minto.

MONDAY EVENING MASSES DURING LENT 6:30pm at Sacred Heart Church, Minto.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: God's Gift Appeal materials will be mailed to registered households soon. The goal in Minto is \$31,436 and the goal in Warsaw is \$25,674. You may mail your God's Gift envelope directly to the Diocese of Fargo or put it in the collection basket in the next few weeks. Commitment Weekend is February 21 & 22.

OPERATION RICE BOWL: Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. CRS Rice Bowls have been set out in back of our churches. Please take a Rice Bowl and help our sisters and brothers impacted by the injustice of global hunger by filling it with your spare change during the 40 days of Lent. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

2026 MASSES: Please limit Mass requests for the second half of 2026 to one or two Masses per family. Masses above the limit will be forwarded to the Diocese of Fargo to be offered by diocesan priests who are in need of Masses.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR LENT have been set out in our parishes. Please take a copy.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES will be on Wed., **Feb. 25**. Both the girls and the boys will **meet at Sacred Heart Church in Minto** to help with the annual cleaning of the church starting with a **meal at 6:15pm**. Remember to sign up for a chance to win a \$20. gift card to Northdale's. The drawing will be on May 6. Two gift card will be given away. No class on **Ash Wednesday, Feb. 18**. All students are encouraged to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for grades K-8 on Wed., **March 4, 6:30-7:45pm** in Minto. We will start classes in the church with Stations of the Cross **promptly** at 6:30pm. Parents are encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross with their children. **Ash Wednesday is Feb. 18**. All students are encouraged to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE: Please return your baby bottle to the church as soon as possible. Thank you for your commitment to life.

LENT IS MORE THAN A COUNTDOWN TO EASTER. Take time to reflect and grow by listening to Real Presence Radio. Our local programming offers prayerful conversations, teachings, and stories that help you enter the season with intention. Tune in on **92.5 FM / 1370 AM** in Grand Forks or listen online at RealPresenceRadio.com.

PORK & DUMPLING DINNER Sunday, **February 15**, St. John Nepomucene, Pisek. Drive through at 10:30am. Dine in at 11:00am. Mass at 10:30am. Free will offering. Everyone is welcome!

MARDI GRAS AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, PARK RIVER, Tues., **Feb. 17**, 11:00am to 1:00 pm. Soup & sandwich lunch and a bake sale. Free will offering. Homemade soups and egg salad or ham sandwiches. Take-outs available. Everyone welcome!

ALLAN SITZER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUNDRAISER FISH FRY Friday, **February 20, 5:00pm to 8:00pm** or until gone at the Minto Community Center. Walleye and Baked Potato Feed. Free will offering. Everyone welcome.

STEWARSHIP MOMENT—FEBRUARY 15, 2026—SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: "For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." MATTHEW 5:20 The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law, and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern-day Pharisee.

MINTO

LENTEN FOOD PANTRY DRIVE from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday at Sacred Heart, Minto, for the Walsh County Food Pantry for all kinds of non-perishable food items and non-food items (paper products, soaps—hand, dish, laundry; toothpaste, shampoo, diapers sizes 5,6,7). Most needed food items: Canned vegetables, beans, soup — Rice, pasta, cereal — Peanut butter — Kids' after-school snacks. No open packages or outdated items please. Please put items in the area where the Giving Tree is set up at Christmastime or in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you enter the church using the west side door.

ANNUAL SACRED HEART CHURCH GENERAL CLEANING: Thank you to everyone who has helped with the church cleaning. The cleaning list is by the church kitchen and will be available for several weeks. Initial and date when you have completed a task on the cleaning list. Youth, if you clean for 30 minutes or more, you may enter your name in a drawing for a chance to win one of two \$20 gift cards to Northdale's. Drawing will take place on **Wed., May 6** at the Sacred Heart Altar Society meeting. Need not be present to win. Everyone's help is greatly appreciated!

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: **Tarek & Kassia Schanilec**. Sherrie Altendorf, Sylvia Cortez, Christian & Makenzie Miller, John & Dawn Miller, Zach & Jordan Miller, Mike & Toni Pulak.

WARSAW

THANK YOU for the following donation: **St. Stanislaus Church:** In memory of **Iretta Marynik** by KodaBank.

ST. STANISLAUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Mon., **Feb. 16**, 7:00pm, St. Stanislaus Church basement, Warsaw. Review of end-of-the-year financial reports.

ST. STANISLAUS PARISHIONERS: Please join us after Mass on Sunday, **February 22**, for fellowship and breakfast. Menu – Egg bake, pancakes, juice, and coffee (free of charge!) We are excited to begin using our newly remodeled kitchen and would like to take this opportunity to show everyone the transformation. Happy Sunday!!

FEBRUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: **Tony & Vicky Gudajtes**. Merlyn Feltman, Lee & Heidi Gudajtes, Dylan & Sami Slominski.

Diocese of Fargo Lent & Easter Regulations

The penitential days for the universal Church are each Friday of the whole year and the season of Lent. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is an opportunity to prepare our hearts and minds for the celebration of Easter. The following regulations are observed in this sacred season:

Abstinence

Catholics 14 years of age or older must abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent. It is only on the other Fridays of the year that abstinence may be substituted by another form of penance.



Fasting

Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 (inclusive) are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. There is a limit of one full meal and no food between meals on those days. Two smaller meals are permitted as needed to maintain one's strength.

Sacrament of Penance

All the faithful who have reached the age of reason are bound faithfully to confess their grave sins at least once a year. Lent is a good time to fulfill this precept of the Church. Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion without previously having been to sacramental confession (Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC), 1457).

Holy Communion

Catholics who have received their First Holy Communion are obliged to make a worthy reception of Holy Communion at least once a year during the Lenten or Easter seasons.

Other Lenten Observances

Each weekday of Lent is also an obligatory day of penance. Some recommendations include the participation in daily Mass, increased prayer or spiritual study, self-imposed fasting or abstinence, works of charity, and participation in traditional Lenten Devotions (parish missions, Stations of the Cross, rosary).



The proper context for all Lenten discipline is the conversion of our hearts. As the Catechism states, however, "interior conversion urges