



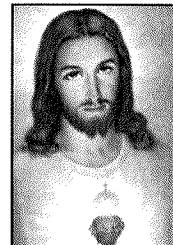
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Holy As God: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

We are called to the holiness of God. That is the extraordinary claim made in both the First Reading and the Gospel this Sunday.

Yet how is it possible that we can be perfect as our Father in heaven is perfect?

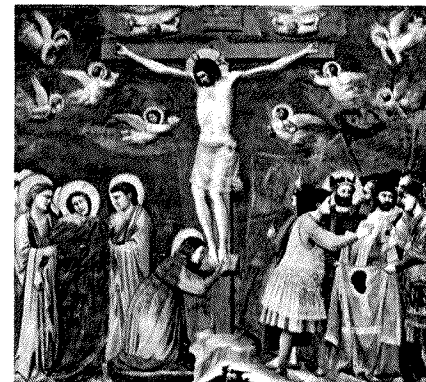
Jesus explains that we must be imitators of God as His beloved children. As God does, we must love without limit—with a love that does not distinguish between friend and foe, overcoming evil with good. Jesus Himself, in His Passion and death, gave us the perfect example of the love that we are called to.

He offered no resistance to the evil—even though He could have commanded twelve legions of angels to fight alongside Him. He offered His face to be struck and spit upon. He allowed His garments to be stripped from Him. He marched as His enemies compelled Him to the Place of the Skull. On the Cross, He prayed for those who persecuted Him. In all this, He showed Himself to be the perfect Son of God. By His grace, and through our imitation of Him, He promises that we too can become children of our heavenly Father.

God does not deal with us as we deserve, as we sing in this week's Psalm. He loves us with a Father's love. He saves us from ruin. He forgives our transgressions.

He loved us even when we had made ourselves His enemies through our sinfulness. While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. We have been bought with the price of the blood of God's only Son. We belong to Christ now, as St. Paul says in this week's Epistle. By our baptism, we have been made temples of His Holy Spirit. And we have been saved to share in His holiness and perfection. So let us glorify Him by our lives lived in His service, loving as He loves.

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Feb. 18	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ David Slominski by Deb Slominski and family.	
Sunday	Feb. 19	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Lois Kosmatka by Connie Gibbon.	
Monday	Feb. 20	_____	No Monday morning Masses in Minto.	
Tuesday	Feb. 21	7:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Julian (Sonny) Kiedrowski by Sue Ellen Tibert.	<i>St. Peter Damian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>
Ash Wednesday	Feb. 22	7:30 am (Minto)	+ Mark Tibert by Craig & Julie Nice.	ASH WEDNESDAY— The Holy Season of Lent begins. A day of Fast & Abstinence.
		7:00 pm (Minto)	+ Donnie Riske by Bonnie Riske and family.	
		7:00 pm (Warsaw)	+ Diane Gornowicz Flury. (Fr. Joseph Christensen)	
Thursday	Feb. 23	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Louie Slominski by Harold & Joan Mondry.	<i>St. Polycarp, Bishop & Martyr</i>
Friday	Feb. 24	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Dale Niswonger by Kevin Bolek.	Abstinence—All the Fridays of Lent.
		5:15 pm (Warsaw)	—Stations of the Cross—	
		7:00 pm (Minto)	—Stations of the Cross—	
Saturday	Feb. 25	_____	No morning Mass in Minto because of the Second-Grade Retreat for Confession in Warsaw.	
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Raul Rodriguez, Sr. by family.	
Sunday	Feb. 26	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	First Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Lennae Kosmatka by Jim Kosmatka.	

CONFESSIONS 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 12, 2023: Minto = \$3,306. Warsaw = \$2,452.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, February 25: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. **Lector:** Jan Altendorf.

Sunday, February 26: Altar Servers: Jack Kennedy, Bennett Kennedy. **Lector:** Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: Sun., Feb. 19: Altar Servers: Damian Bushaw, James Vandal, Krystian Gudajtes, Estefano Moncada. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

Sun., Feb. 26: Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes, Jaxon Sands, Joseph Vandal, Damian Bushaw. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

REGIONAL SYNOD LISTENING SESSION: Join Bishop Folda at St. John's Catholic Church in Grafton (Thursday, **February 23**, from 6:30-9:00pm) for the next phase of the Fargo Diocese Synod. We will be gathering to discuss the questions: 1) Top 3 things that are working well at our parish/Diocese; 2) Top 3 challenges to address in our parish/Diocese; and 3) What is one step I might be called to take to respond? Everyone is invited!

HOLY LAND OLIVE WOOD AND RELIGIOUS GOODS will be available for sale after the Masses at both Sacred Heart, Minto, and St. Stanislaus, Warsaw, the weekend of **February 18 & 19**. Representatives from the Catholic Bethlehem Christian Families will be here and they ask for your help supporting the Catholic Christians in Bethlehem. Sixty years ago these families made up 18% of the population. Recent events in the Middle East have caused these families to face devastating economical strain and have caused the population to decrease to less than 2%. These families have relied on the income from their religious goods and hand-carved olive wood artifacts sold to tourists. Now these carvings and religious goods are being brought to you in the USA. All the proceeds from the sales will be sent back to these families so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide for their families. This is the only source of income for them. Here is a chance for you to have a genuine olive wood carving from the Holy Land while at the same time supporting Catholic Christians in Bethlehem. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: Next weekend, **February 25 & 26**, is Commitment Weekend for the 2023 God's Gift Appeal. Please bring the personalized commitment card you received in the mail to Mass with you as we join together to support our Catholic Church.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on **Sunday, April 2**, 4:00pm at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., **Mar. 5**, 7:00pm, St. Edward's, Drayton. Sun., **Mar. 12**, 4:00pm at St. John's, Grafton. Sun., **Mar. 19**, 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene, Pisek.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades 9-12 on Wed., **March 1**, 6:45-8:00 p.m., St. Gianna Home, Warsaw. There will be **no religious ed. classes on Wed., Feb. 22**, because of Ash Wednesday.

SECOND-GRADE RETREAT for Confession Sat., **Feb. 25**, 8:15 a.m. to 12 noon, St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, for children and parents.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 on Wed., **March 1**, 6:30 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw for children and parents.

PREPARING ONE'S HEART FOR LENT! All area women are invited to attend an 8-week study on the Gospel of John called "Follow Me" from Ascension Press. Dr. Edward Sri is the presenter of this DVD-based program. The next session will be at 7:15pm, Sacred Heart Church dining room, **Tues., Feb. 21**. **NOTE DATE CHANGE** due to the Regional Synod Listening Session which will be held on Thurs., Feb. 23, St. John's, Grafton (see the bulletin announcement for more info about this event). "As the Good Shepherd, Jesus calls us to be his disciples, to trust him, to open ourselves to his merciful love, and to love others as he has loved us. 'Follow Me' invites you to experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ". Please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 to register. A workbook is available for those who wish to order one (workbook is optional).

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S COFFEE CLUB will have the next session on Wednesday morning, **Feb. 22**, in the Sacred Heart Church dining room. Coffee only will be served at 6:30 a.m. with the "Into the Breach" video starting at 6:45. The meeting will conclude at 7:20 in time for attending the Ash Wednesday Mass in the church at 7:30 a.m. Questions? Call Keith Zikmund at 701-520-9751 or Rod Schanilec at 218-779-0768.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River: Please return your baby bottle filled with spare change, currency, or a check to the church as soon as possible or drop it off at the Minto parish office Tues.-Fri., 9am-5pm. There are about 26 baby bottles between our two parishes that have not yet been returned. (Please turn them in even if they are empty.) Thank you for your commitment to life.

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

LENT IS COMING! Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with CRS Rice Bowl. Pick up your family's CRS Rice Bowl from the back of the church. During the 40 days of Lent, we will reflect on global hunger and take action to help our sisters and brothers impacted by this injustice. Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER is offering a marriage retreat on **March 17-19** at Holy Family Church & School, Grand Forks. These weekends are private and allow couples to focus just on each other. A communication tool is taught to help spouses get to know themselves better and to grow deeper in their married relationships. Live your best life in love! For more info, call Rob & Angie at (701) 347-1998 or apply at ndwwme.org.

PORK & DUMPLING DINNER Sunday, **February 19**, 11:00am until gone at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, Pisek, ND. Roast pork, dumplings, sauerkraut, gravy/butter, cranberries, kolaches. Dine in or take out. Thank you for your support.

ALLAN SITZER MEMORIAL FISH FRY Friday, **Feb. 24**, Minto Community Center, 5:00 p.m. until gone. \$10./plate for a walleye, baked potato, and mixed veggie supper. To go meals are available. All are welcome.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, **March 5**, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., Minto Community Center. Bake Sale. 50-50 Raffle. Supporting Minto Jr. & Sr. Music Trip.

THE MINTO DEGREE OF HONOR LODGE is hosting a supply drive for the Sunshine Hospitality Home in Grand Forks from now until Sunday, **March 19**. The home provides lodging, food, and personal care items for their guests. A box and list of items needed is located in the entrance of the church. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, they may be directed to Peggy Niswonger at 701-520-2536.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donations: **Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **Karen Farder** by Michael Farder. In memory of **Marilyn Miller** by Mary A. Mondry, by Larry & Janice Sieg, by Eugene & Mary Ellen Balek, by Gary & Linda Babinski, by Jennette Feltman and family, by Jennifer Lindenberger, by Don & Faye Schanilec, and by Terry & Becky Cote. In memory of **Colleen Langowski** by Betty Novak. **St. John the Baptist Cemetery:** In memory of **Donald Riske** by Sylvester & Rullie Suda. In memory of **Walter Paschke** by Ivan & Diane Muir.

SACRED HEART PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Tues., **Feb. 21**, 7:00pm, in the **rectory basement**, Minto. **NOTE change of location.** Review of end-of-the-year reports.

LENTEN FOOD PANTRY DRIVE from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday at Sacred Heart, Minto, for the Walsh County Food Pantry. All kinds of non-perishable food items and non-food items are needed. No open packages or outdated items please. Please put items in the area where the Giving Tree is set up at Christmas time or in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you enter the church from the west side using the silver door.

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

WARSAW

ST. STANISLAUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Mon., **Feb. 20**, 7:00pm, St. Stanislaus Church basement, Warsaw. Review of end-of-the-year reports.

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