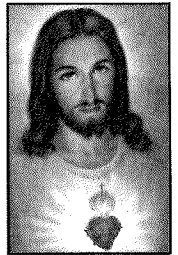




St. Stanislaus Parish
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February 25, 2024
Second Sunday of Lent

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Loosed Bonds: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday of Lent

The Lenten season continues with another story of testing. Last Sunday, we heard the trial of Jesus in the desert. In this week's First Reading, we hear of how Abraham was put to the test. The Church has always read this story as a sign of God's love for the world in giving His only-begotten son.

In today's Epistle, Paul uses exact words drawn from this story to describe how God, like Abraham, did not withhold His only Son, but handed Him over for us on the Cross.

In the Gospel today, too, we hear another echo. Jesus is called God's "beloved Son"—as Isaac is described as Abraham's beloved son.

These readings are given to us in Lent to reveal Christ's identity and to strengthen us in the face of our afflictions.

Jesus is shown to be the true son that Abraham rejoiced to see. In His transfiguration, He is revealed to be the "prophet like Moses" foretold by God—raised from among their own kinsmen, speaking with God's own authority. Like Moses, He climbs the mountain with three named friends and beholds God's glory in a cloud. He is the one prophesied to come after Elijah's return.

And, as He discloses to the Apostles, He is the Son of Man sent to suffer and die for our sins.

As we sing in today's Psalm, Jesus believed in the face of His afflictions, and God loosed Him from the bonds of death. His rising should give us the courage to face our trials, to offer ourselves totally to the Father—as He did, as Abraham and Isaac did.

Freed from death by His death, we come to this Mass to offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and to renew our vows—as His servants and faithful ones.

<https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/bonds-loosed-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-second-sunday-of-lent/>



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Feb. 24	5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	Feb. 25	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Susan Gudajtes by John Gudajtes.	Second Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Leo & Helen Plutowski by Dorothy Plutowski and family.	
Monday	Feb. 26	6:30 pm (Minto)	For Bishop Folda and the priests of the diocese by George & Nancy Ritzke.	
Tuesday	Feb. 27	7:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Frieda Walski by the Rosary Society.	St. Gregory of Narek, Abbot & Doctor of the Church
Wednesday	Feb. 28	8:00 am (Minto)	Dorothy Koester by Linda & Paul Lemieux.	
Thursday	Feb. 29	8:00 am (Minto)	+ David Slominski by Deb Slominski and family.	
Friday	March 1	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Elmer Altendorf by Marvin & Sherrie Altendorf.	First Friday of the Month
		11:00 am (Warsaw)	First Friday Traditional Latin Mass in Warsaw. (Fr. Robert Wapenski)	Abstinence – All the Fridays of Lent.
		5:15 pm (Warsaw)	—Stations of the Cross—	
		7:00 pm (Minto)	—Stations of the Cross—	
Saturday	March 2	_____	No Saturday morning Mass or First Saturday Holy Hour because of the 3rd-grade Eucharist Retreat in Minto.	First Saturday of the Month
		5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	March 3	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Marlys Miller by Barb Sobolik.	Third Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ James Kulwicki by Don & Dolores Kovar.	

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 18, 2024: Minto = \$3,204. Warsaw = \$2,293.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, March 2: Altar Servers: Jack Lane & Jacob Hefta. **Lector:** Lynn Lane.

Sunday, March 3: Altar Servers: Adin Kilichowski, Solomon Schanilec, Luke Sobolik. **Lector:** Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: Sun., Feb. 25: Altar Servers: Jaxon & Joseph Sands, Estefano Moncada, John Paul Kerian. **Lector:** Roman Perrault.

Sunday, March 3: Altar Servers: Joseph Vandal, Andrew Riske, Gabe Gudajtes, Griffin Gudajtes. **Lector:** Greg Feltman.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on **Sunday, March 24**, 4:00pm at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., **Feb. 25**, 7:00pm, St. Edward's, Drayton. Sun., **Mar. 3**, 4:00pm at St. John's, Grafton. Sun., **Mar. 10**, 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene, Pisek.

PRO-LIFE DAY OF RECOLLECTION for high school and college students **Saturday, March 9**, 1:30pm to 8:00pm, St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw. Guests speakers, Mass, and dinner included. Free event. Online registration required by March 4. www.sgpmollahome.com/20th-anniversary Hosted by the St. Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home of Warsaw.

LENTEN PRO-LIFE MISSION: All are welcome to attend a parish mission **March 10, 11, and 12** held at **St. Stanislaus Catholic Church in Warsaw**. Each evening the mission will begin at 5:15pm with a simple meal (free will offering), confessions at 6:00pm, and a talk at 6:30pm. Fr. Greg Haman will speak on Sunday, Fr. Joseph Christensen, FMI, on Monday, concluding with Fr. Jeff Eppler on Tuesday.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL 2024: This weekend, **February 24 & 25**, is Commitment Weekend for the 2024 God's Gift Appeal. Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please fill out a commitment card located in the back of the church by the bulletins. You may put your God's Gift donation into the collection basket or you may mail your envelope directly to Fargo. The goal at Sacred Heart, Minto, is \$35,271 and the goal at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw, is \$26,167. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church.

THE TRAVELING STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA from the World Apostolate of Fatima Fargo Division is coming to St Stanislaus Church and Sacred Heart Church for the months of February and March. If you would like to invite Our Lady to come to your home for a few days or up to one week during these months, please sign up with **Bethany Plutowski**, our parishes' representative. Sign up sheets will be left at the church for the remaining time Our Lady is with us. Please call or text Bethany at **701-520-1935** if you need further information or to sign up anytime.

EASTER FLOWERS: Envelopes for Easter flowers were attached to last weekend's bulletins. Please return the envelope by putting it in the collection basket or mailing it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261. You may also use your own plain white envelope clearly marked "Easter Flowers" with your name if you so wish and the name of your loved one if your donation is a memorial. Please indicate which parish your donation is for. Thank you for helping our churches look beautiful for Easter!

"SOMETHING SPECIAL/SOMETHING EXTRA!" - women's book study for Lent. The sessions are held at the Sacred Heart Church dining room, Minto, on **Tuesday** evenings (with one exception Thurs., March 14 not March 12) at 7:15pm from now until **March 19** with a Resurrection Celebration on **April 2**. **4th meeting on Feb. 27**. The study is based on the book, "A Place Called Golgotha: Meditations on the Last Words of Christ" by Elizabeth M. Kelly. For more information, please contact Joan Schanilec at 701-360-2499.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades **K-8** on Wed., **March 6 & 20**, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Minto.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River. Please return your baby bottle to the church as soon as you can. Thank you for your commitment to life.

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.

OFFICE OF VOCATIONS - Permanent Diaconate Formation Classes: A new formation cohort for the permanent diaconate will begin August, 2025, with applications opening this fall 2024. Interested men should contact vocations@fargodiocese.org to be added to the inquiry database for future communications. Additionally, they should attend **one** of the following informational dinners with their wives where Msgr. Schlesselmann and the diaconate formation team will share information on the permanent diaconate. More information, including age requirements and RSVP link, available at <https://www.fargodiocese.org/permanentdeacons> Informational dinners: * Grand Forks - St. Michael's Church, Tuesday, April 2, 2024 at 6:00 pm. *RSVP by March 8.* * Fargo - Holy Spirit Church, Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 6:00 pm. *RSVP by March 8.* * Jamestown - St. James Basilica Church, Tuesday, May 7, 2024 at 6:00 pm. *RSVP by April 16.*

MOTHER/DAUGHTER DAYS AT ST. FRANCIS CONVENT IN HANKINSON: **June 13-15 and July 11-13**. Contact Sr. Jean Louise, OSF for more information at ndfranciscan@yahoo.com

FISH FRY at St. John's Parish Center, Grafton, **March 1, 8, 15, & 22**, 5:00pm to 7:00pm. \$15.00. All you can eat. Free to ages 5 & under. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 3918. Dessert bar sponsored by St. John's Youth Group.

BENEFIT SPAGHETTI FEED for **Lisa Albrecht** on Thursday, **Feb. 29**, 5:00pm to 8:00pm, at the Minto Community Center. Also silent auction and bake sale. Lisa has four different Autoimmune Disorders, has had several surgical procedures, and has ongoing medical needs. For questions and donation inquiries, please call Chris Misialek 701-520-1596, Mark Maendel 701-360-2270, or Karen Maendel 701-360-1574.

MINTO

CHURCH CLEANING: The annual church cleaning sheets are on the counter in the church kitchen. There are still some areas of the church that need some extra cleaning. Please help if you can.

LENTEN FOOD PANTRY DRIVE from Ash Wednesday until Palm Sunday at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, for the Walsh County Food Pantry for all kinds of non-perishable food items and non-food items. See the posters in the church for items especially 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 person: Dawn Miller. Jan Altendorf, Sherrie Altendorf, Sylvia Cortez, Christian & Makenzie Miller, John & Dawn Miller, Zach & Jordan Miller, Mike & Toni Pulak.

OPEN HOUSE BABY SHOWER honoring Lili (Robinson) Schulte on Sat., **March 9**, from 1:00-3:00pm, Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Minto. It's a BOY!

WARSAW

THANK YOU for the following donations: **St. Stanislaus Cemetery:** In memory of **Roger Duray** by Dennis & Linda Slominski. In memory of **Roger Feltman** by Rick & Elaine Kilichowski, by Henry Rudnik, and Leland & Penny Anderson.

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

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

OPEN HOLY HOURS: Sundays at 2 p.m. and Tuesdays at 4 p.m. Please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 if you are interested in taking either of these holy hours on a short-term or long-term basis.

PILGRIMAGES WITH BISHOP FOLDA

**Join Bishop Folda on a Pilgrimage to the shrines in Fatima, Spain and Lourdes
October 21-31, 2024.**

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I would like to personally invite you to join me on a pilgrimage where we will visit the holy sites of Fatima and Lourdes where Our Lady appeared to young people with her messages of conversion, peace, and healing. In Fatima, we will join thousands for the Rosary and candlelight procession. Lourdes, as you may know, is the place of the miraculous waters of healing that millions of people visit every year. We will visit the birthplace of St. Anthony in Portugal and see the burial place of St. Teresa of Avila along with many other saints and martyrs. There will also be a special stop to visit a church with a Eucharistic miracle. To visit and worship in these holy places can bring a renewal in our spiritual lives and a greater understanding of the universal Church. I am grateful to offer this opportunity to you, and I hope you will join me.

Price \$4900 based on double with flights out of Fargo.

More information and registration: www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages

For questions, call Mary Hanbury 356-7909 / mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org

Join Bishop Folda for a pilgrimage to Italy for the Jubilee Year!

Dates: Oct 28-Nov 6, 2025. Pre-Registration now open!

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I would like to also invite you, your family, and your friends to join us on this Jubilee pilgrimage to Italy's greatest cities and special places dear to Christian hearts! A pilgrimage is an important part of a Jubilee year because it is a symbol of the Christian life. Jesus called the disciples to leave their ordinary world and follow him on an extraordinary adventure. Our pilgrimage will begin in Milan and we'll travel to Turin to see the special Jubilee exposition of the Shroud of Turin. We'll also visit Florence, Assisi, and Rome where we will go through the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica and the other Papal Basilicas of Rome. At this point only the land package is a set price.

An estimate with flights out of Fargo is \$4900-\$5000.

For more information and registration: www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages

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RETREATS

Office of Marriage and Family Life

Life-Giving Wounds

The Diocese of Fargo will be hosting the Life-Giving Wounds retreat for adult children of divorce at Maryvale Retreat Center on **April 19-21**. For many people the wounds of their parents' divorce is something that continues to impact their lives and relationships for decades, often in ways that they do not even notice. Life-Giving Wounds provides the opportunity for adults to encounter Jesus in the midst of these wounds and for him to bring new life. See www.fargodiocese.org/lgw. Please note that space is very limited for this retreat.

Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life Retreat.

Tim Mosser, Director of the Fargo Diocese Respect Life Office, will lead a retreat entitled **Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life** from **May 9-11, 2024** at the Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City, ND. The retreat will focus on St. John Paul II's teaching on the human person known as the "Theology of the Body" and its connection to the Church's teaching on such issues as marriage, contraception, abortion, euthanasia, artificial reproduction, gender and the Eucharist. There will also be Mass, Confessions, Adoration and Praise and Worship music. Come learn the "why" behind the "what" of all these important issues and how to share it with others! For more information and to register, go to Retreat 4 - Maryvale - Valley City, ND (maryvalend.org) or contact Tim Mosser at tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org