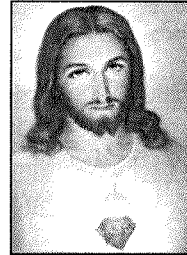




St. Stanislaus Parish
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February 27, 2022
Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart Parish
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Heart and Mouth: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's readings we hear Jesus speaking in Galilee as well as a Jewish sage named Sirach writing in Jerusalem more than a century earlier. The two of them touch upon a single truth: The words that come out of us make known the hidden thoughts within us. Speech reveals the secrets of the heart.

Sirach teaches that speaking is "the test of men" and their character. One who is upright will utter words that are truthful and encouraging to others. But one whose heart is cluttered with "refuse" will be exposed, since the "fruit" of his mouth speaks volumes about the "tree" that produces it. Sirach also compares the testing of our words to clay fired in a kiln—if properly prepared, a useful vessel emerges; but if the clay is not fully dried, it will break apart in the extreme heat.

In a similar way, Jesus insists that a person speaks "out of the abundance of the heart." He too compares our speech, whether good or bad, to what grows on a tree: "For no good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit."

Both readings urge us to make wholesome speech a habit. After all, much about who we are is brought to light through what we say. But there's an additional step: The Lord is asking us to look inward, to examine our hearts and fill them with the "good treasure" that God desires.

Why do purity of heart and speech matter so much? Because, as Jesus declares elsewhere: "by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned". They matter because they help to decide our final judgment, and this is where the Second Reading comes in. Paul reminds us that God will destroy death forever, and if we are to share in this victory and live forever with the Lord, then we must take all steps necessary to give our hearts and lips to what is good.

<https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/heart-and-mouth-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-eighth-sunday-in-ordinary-time/>

FR. MOEN is away from the parish this weekend for a wedding. In case of an emergency, please call Fr. Eppler at Grafton 314-750-8937.



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Feb. 26	5:00 pm (Minto)	Ben & Kahlie Schanilec on their wedding day by Brian & Kelly Schanilec family. (Fr. McDermott)	
Sunday	Feb. 27	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. (Fr. McDermott)	Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Dawn Wosick by John & Dawn Miller. (Fr. McDermott)	
Monday	Feb. 28	_____	No Monday morning Masses in Minto.	
Tuesday	March 1	11:00 am (Minto)	+ Funeral for Louie Slominski. (Visitation 9-11am at the church)	<i>Shrove Tuesday</i>
Ash Wednesday	March 2	7:30 am (Minto)	+ Dale Niswonger by Ray & Kathy Korynta.	Ash Wednesday—The Holy Season of Lent begins. A Day of Fast and Abstinence.
		7:00 pm (Minto)	+ John H. Riske by Edwin & Judy Kowalski.	
		7:00 pm (Warsaw)	+ Fred Jahner and the health of Pat Jahner. (Fr. Christensen)	
Thursday	March 3	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Louis & Anne Barta by Phyllis Barta and family.	<i>St. Katharine Drexel, Virgin</i>
Friday	March 4	7:30 am (Minto)	+ Elmer Altendorf by Marvin & Sherrie Altendorf.	St. Casimir First Friday of the Month Abstinence – Fridays of Lent
		5:15 pm (Warsaw)	—Stations of the Cross—	
		7:00 pm (Minto)	—Stations of the Cross—	
Saturday	March 5	8:30 am (Minto)	Living & deceased members of Sacred Heart Altar Society. First Saturday devotions 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. in Minto.	First Saturday of the Month
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ John & Johanna Paschke by Walter & Evelyn Paschke.	
Sunday	March 6	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	First Sunday of Lent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Leona Schuster by Polish National Alliance Lodge 3043.	
Monday	March 7	6:30 pm (Minto)	+ Loretta Gerszewski by her godchildren.	<i>Sts. Perpetua & Felicity, Martyrs</i>

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 20, 2022: **Minto** = \$2,021 **Warsaw** = N/A due to last Sunday's blizzard

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, March 5: Altar Servers: Jack Lane, Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson. Lector: Lynn Lane.

Sunday, March 6: Altar Servers: Adin Kilichowski. Lector: Irene Evenson.

WARSAW: Sun., Feb. 27: Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes, Andrew Riske, Dominic Bushaw, Braydon Lizakowski. Lector: Roman Perrault.

Sun., March 6: Altar Servers: Joseph Vandal, Jaxon Sands, Simon Plutowski, Ben Gudajtes. Lector: Greg Feltman.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2022 God's Gift Appeal. The goal for Sacred Heart is \$30,742 and the goal for St. Stanislaus is \$21,625. 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 back of the church by the bulletins. It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church. You may also mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Fargo.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on **Sunday, April 10**, 4:00pm at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., **Mar. 13**, 7:00pm, St. Edward's, Drayton. Sun., **Mar. 20**, 4:00pm at St. John's, Grafton. Sun., **Mar. 27**, 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene, Pisek.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: A devotion during Lent that is declining in practice is the Stations of the Cross. Stations are scheduled for all the **Fridays of Lent including Good Friday**. They will be held in Warsaw at 5:15 p.m. and in Minto at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is encouraged to attend Stations of the Cross as many times as possible during Lent in either parish. Families with children are encouraged to attend and instill a love of this ancient devotion in their families.

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

CORPORAL AND SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY: Please check out the attachment to the bulletin! There are suggestions for all ages on ways to live the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. As we approach the Lenten season, you may wish to engage your family in one or more of these works of mercy. If you are interested in being added to the list to bring food for Sacred Heart funeral luncheons, please contact Lynn Lane (701-430-8956). If you (anyone in either parish) are interested in being added to the prayer chain, contact Evelyn Kilichowski (701-248-3254).

LENT IS COMING! Join our faith community—and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States—in a transformative Lenten journey with **Catholic Relief Services Rice Bowl**. Pick up your family's Rice Bowl from the back of the church this weekend. 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.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River. There are still 21 baby bottles that have not been turned in yet. If you have not returned your baby bottle yet, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you for your commitment to life.

ST. JOSEPH'S MEN'S COFFEE CLUB! The fifth of six sessions will be held on **Wed., March 2**, in the Sacred Heart Church dining room, Minto. Coffee will be served at **6:30am with the meeting starting at 6:45** and concluding about 7:30. The sixth and final session will be held on Wednesday, March 16. Our study is entitled "Into the Breach", a video series inspired by Bishop Olmsted of the Diocese of Phoenix and produced by the Knights of Columbus. There is no charge. Questions? Call Keith Zikmund at 701-520-9751 or Rod Schanilec at 218-779-0768.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASS for **grades 9-12**, **Wed., March 9**, St. Gianna's Maternity Home, Warsaw, 6:45-8:00pm with a meal for the students from 6:15-6:45pm. There is no RE class on March 2 because of Ash Wednesday.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for **grades K-8** on **Wed., March 9**, 6:30-7:45pm in Minto with the parents meeting in the church.

"NO GREATER LOVE" LENTEN STUDY: All area women are invited to attend a **5-week study** during Lent called "No Greater Love" which was written by Dr. Edward Sri of Ascension Press. (This is the same study that we started in March, 2020 and ended after 2 sessions due to Covid). The 5 sessions, which will be held in the Sacred Heart Church dining room, will begin on **Thursday, March 10, at 7:15 PM** and end on Thursday, April 7. Please contact Joan to register for the class. Invite your friends and neighbors! About the DVD based study: "Filmed on location in the Holy Land, 'No Greater Love' is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us that will help us to grow closer to Jesus than we ever have been before. Dr. Sri guides us through the last hours of Christ's life as we walk step-by-step with Jesus from the Garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary."

PORK & DUMPLING DINNER Sunday, **February 27**, 11:00am – 2:00pm at St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, Pisek, ND. Roast pork, dumplings, sauerkraut, gravy/butter, cranberries, kolache. Dine in or take out. Thank you for your support.

MARDI GRAS AT ST. MARY'S, HIGHWAY 17 E., PARK RIVER: Soup & Sandwich Lunch, Tuesday, March 1, 11:00am to 1:00pm. Bake Sale too. Free-will offering. Home-made soups, egg salad, ham sandwiches. Take-outs available. Please join us.

MARDI GRAS PARTY on Fat Tuesday, **March 1**, St. John's Parish Center, Grafton, 6:00pm-8:00pm. \$40.00 per person. Menu: salad bar, choice of prime rib or chicken, choice of twice baked potato or baked potato, vegetable, roll, dessert, beverage. For tickets, please call Frank 520-1730 or St. John's Church 352-1648. No tickets will be sold at the door. Proceeds will be donated to St. John's Sister Parish in Haiti.

MINTO

NEW SACRED HEART ALTAR SOCIETY OFFICERS for the next two years are President: Helen Zikmund; Vice-President: Jane Nice; Treasurer: Bonnie Riske; Secretary: Doreen Gruchala. Copies of the Sacred Heart Altar Society 2021 year-end report are by the bulletins.

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 silver door.

SINGERS: The choir is inviting more singers to join them. Singers in the 5th grade or older and adults are welcome. Contact LaVerne Costello (218-779-6141) if you have questions.

MARCH CHURCH CLEANING: Kurt & Jennifer Kelley, Tim Mondry, Tyler & Janesa Narloch, Molly Pengilly, Rod & Joan Schanilec, Vern Schreiner.

WARSAW

DAILY MASS IN WARSAW: Fr. Moen is discerning the possibility of adding a daily Mass in Warsaw each week. If you have an interest in this, please let him know.

PARISH POTLUCK: Some parishioners are organizing a Parish Potluck on Sunday, **March 13**, after the 10:30am Mass in Warsaw. Tacos and fixings will be provided. Please bring a side or dessert to share. Everyone is welcome to attend. Let's begin the Lenten season together. This idea came up during the public meeting about the Synod on Synodality.

ST. STANISLAUS: We are ready to invite additional singers to join the cantors and organists in singing for the Sunday Masses. You will need to be there for the rehearsals beginning at 9:30am each Sunday.

TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS ON FIRST FRIDAYS: Fr. Robert Wapenski, pastor of St. Edward's Catholic Church, Drayton, will be offering the Traditional Latin Mass at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church on the First Friday of every month at 11:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend these Masses.

ADULT PRAYER GROUP at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, meets at 8:00pm usually every **Thursday**. Join us when you can. Questions, call Bethany Plutowski 701-520-1935. Also info is on Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Adult-Prayer-Group-St-Stanislaus>

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

NEW ADORATION CHAPEL SCHEDULES are available on the table in the Adoration Chapel entry. If you have a change in phone number and/or have dropped your land line, please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 with your updated contact information.

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

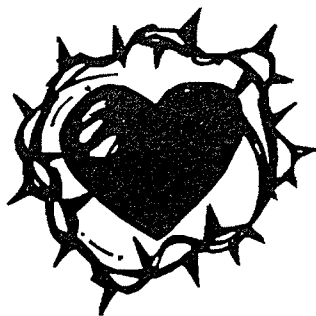
All the faithful who have reached the age of reason are bound faithfully to confess their grave sins at least once a year. Lent is a good time to fulfill this precept of the Church. Anyone who is aware of having committed a mortal sin must not receive Holy Communion without previously having been to 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 expression in visible signs, gestures and works of penance." These penances help us to redirect our whole life to God and away from sin and the evil we have committed (CCC, 1430-1439).

As we celebrate our Lenten penitential practices, may we experience this conversion of heart and be strengthened in our faith in God's mercy. May our discipline, through God's grace, lead us to full participation in the eternal Easter.



living the corporal works of mercy

AS A FAMILY

FEED THE HUNGRY:

- ❖ Make sandwiches and hand them out to homeless people
 - ❖ Donate to your local food pantry
 - ❖ Help serve a meal at a parish event
 - ❖ Bring a meal to a family with a new baby
 - ❖ Invite your priest for a meal or bring him one
 - ❖ Bring a meal to a family having a difficult time
 - ❖ Throw a dinner party for friends you don't think could afford a nice dinner
 - ❖ Don't throw a dinner party and donate the money you would have spent
 - ❖ Eat beans and rice for a week and donate your grocery money
 - ❖ Share food with a friend or sibling
 - ❖ Make dinner for your family
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GIVE DRINK TO THE THIRSTY:

- ❖ Give water to someone working in your neighborhood
 - ❖ Set up a lemonade stand and donate the money you make
 - ❖ Give out water bottles at an event on a hot day
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CLOTHE THE NAKED:

- ❖ Clean out your closets and donate unneeded clothing
- ❖ Donate hats, mittens, coats to a charity or school
- ❖ Organize a charity clothing drive
- ❖ Offer to help sort clothing at your local pregnancy resource center
- ❖ Do the laundry for your family
- ❖ Help a younger sibling get dressed

VISIT THE IMPRISONED:

- ❖ Visit an imprisoned friend or family member
 - ❖ Write a letter to an imprisoned friend or family member
 - ❖ Visit a nursing home or a lonely member of your parish
 - ❖ Offer a ride to church, grocery shopping or a doctor appointment
 - ❖ Offer to babysit for a mother of all young children
 - ❖ Offer to babysit a younger sibling for your parents
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SHELTER THE HOMELESS:

- ❖ Donate food or blankets to a homeless shelter
 - ❖ Volunteer at a homeless shelter
 - ❖ Donate to disaster relief services
 - ❖ Take in a foster child
 - ❖ Take in a needy relative
 - ❖ Help an elderly neighbor with home repairs
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VISIT THE SICK:

- ❖ Visit a friend or family member in the hospital
 - ❖ Visit a nursing home
 - ❖ Look after a sick member of your family at home
 - ❖ Help an old or sick person with errands or chores
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BURY THE DEAD:

- ❖ Go to a funeral
- ❖ Sing with the choir at a funeral
- ❖ Help serve a funeral luncheon
- ❖ Provide food for a funeral luncheon or to the family
- ❖ Visit a cemetery and put flowers on graves
- ❖ Learn about your ancestors

living the spiritual works of mercy

AS A FAMILY

ADMONISH THE SINNER:

- ❖ Set a good example
 - ❖ Remind a sibling or friend of the rules
 - ❖ Offer to bring a friend or family member to Confession
 - ❖ Have a calm and loving chat with a person with whom you have a relationship about a particular sinful behavior
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INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT:

- ❖ Teach or be a substitute teacher for a catechism class
 - ❖ Teach or attend an adult bible study or prayer group
 - ❖ Share a helpful article in a friendly way
 - ❖ Lend a good book
 - ❖ Be a godparent, confirmation sponsor or RCIA sponsor
 - ❖ Help a sibling read a book, play a game, or learn a prayer
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COUNSEL THE DOUBTFUL:

- ❖ Learn the teachings of the Catholic Church so you'll have the answer if you get asked a question
 - ❖ Pray outside an abortion clinic
 - ❖ Be there to listen to a friend and give good advice
 - ❖ Reach out to a friend who might need advice
 - ❖ Help a sibling or friend make the right choice
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FORGIVE ALL INJURIES:

- ❖ Forgive a grudge you've been holding, even if it was someone else's fault
- ❖ Call or write to an estranged friend or family member
- ❖ Give a friend or sibling a second chance

COMFORT THE SORROWFUL:

- ❖ Visit a friend or family member who is having a difficult time
 - ❖ Send someone a sympathy card or a care package
 - ❖ Remember the anniversary of a friend's miscarriage or loss of a child or spouse
 - ❖ Read a story or sing a song to a sibling who is feeling sad
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BEAR WRONGS PATIENTLY:

- ❖ Don't get mad at other drivers
 - ❖ Assume the best of people you encounter in real life and online
 - ❖ Give up a toy that a friend or sibling wants to play with, even though you had it first
 - ❖ Don't gossip about the bad behavior of others
 - ❖ Don't tattle
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PRAY FOR THE LIVING AND THE DEAD:

- ❖ Visit a cemetery, especially in November
- ❖ Keep a list of prayer intentions
- ❖ Asked to be added to your parish prayer chain and pray for requested intentions
- ❖ Pray a family Rosary
- ❖ Pray a Divine Mercy Chaplet for those who will die this day
- ❖ Pray the Prayer of St. Gertrude for the souls in Purgatory
- ❖ Ask to be included in the Eucharistic Adoration schedule as a regular adorer or substitute
- ❖ Offer a Mass intention for someone (living or deceased)
- ❖ Choose a family in your community and dedicate an entire week to praying for them