

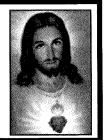
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Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sacred Heart Parish Minto, ND





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Following Him: Scott Hahn **Reflects on the Third Sunday** in Ordinary Time

The calling of the brothers in today's Gospel evokes Elisha's commissioning by the prophet Elijah.

As Elijah comes upon Elisha working on his family's farm, so Jesus sees the brothers working by the seaside. And as Elisha left his mother and father to follow Elijah, so the brothers leave their father to come after Je-

Jesus' promise—to make them "fishers of men"—evokes Israel's deepest hopes. The prophet Jeremiah announced a new exodus in which God would send "many fishermen" to restore the Israelites from exile, as once He brought them out of slavery in Egypt.

By Jesus' Cross and Resurrection, this new exodus has begun. And the apostles are the first of a new people of God, the Church—a new family, based not on blood ties, but on belief in Jesus and a desire to do the Father's will.

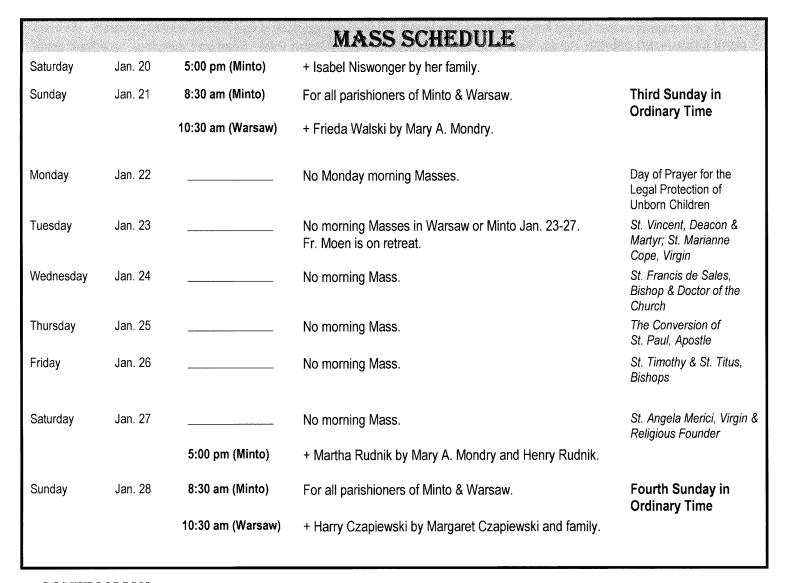
From now on, even our most important worldly concerns—family relations, occupations, and possessions—must be judged in light of the Gospel, Paul says in today's Epistle.

The first word of Jesus' Gospel—repent—means we must totally change our way of thinking and living, turning from evil, doing all for the love of God.

And we should be consoled by Nineveh's repentance in today's First Reading. Even the wicked Nineveh could repent at Jonah's preaching. And in Jesus we have "something greater than Jonah". We have God come as our savior, to show sinners the way, as we sing in today's Psalm. This should give us hope—that loved ones who remain far from God will find compassion if they turn to Him.

But we, too, must continue along the path of repentance—striving daily to pattern our lives after His. https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/following-him-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-third-sunday-in-ordinary-time/

IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY while Fr. Moen is gone for his retreat (Jan. 22-26), please call Fr. Eppler in Grafton at 314-750-8937.



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.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, January 27: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. Lector: Jan Altendorf.

Sunday, January 28: Altar Servers: Jack & Bennett Kennedy. Lector: Rod Schanilec.

WARSAW: Sun., Jan. 21: Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes, Krystian Gudajtes, Julian Riskey, Edmund Sweeney. Lector: Roger Schuster. Sun., Jan. 28: Altar Servers: Jaxon Sands, Estefano Moncada, John Paul Kerian, Joseph Sands. Lector: Roger Schuster.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 on Wed., Jan. 24, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church in Minto.

PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION: This weekend is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal church including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html. Envelopes are in your boxed set of envelopes or use your own envelope marked Peter's Pence with your name if you so choose.

"SOMETHING SPECIAL/SOMETHING EXTRA!" It seems that many of us desire to do "something special or something extra" for Lent. Here is an opportunity to consider! All area women are invited to attend a book study for Lent. The seven sessions will be held on Tuesday evenings at 7:15pm from Feb. 6—March 19 with a Resurrection Celebration on April 2. Meetings will be in the Sacred Heart Church dining room at Minto. The study is based on the book, "A Place Called Golgotha: Meditations on the Last Words of Christ" by Elizabeth M. Kelly (the same author as our fall session book). A quote by Jean Whelan, founder of Mary's Women of Joy: "Each page draws you into a progressively deepening encounter with Christ." A book order will be place soon, so please contact Joan Schanilec at 701-360-2499.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center of Park River are now available in our churches. Please take a baby bottle and fill it with spare change. (Currency and checks are acceptable too.) Please return your baby bottle to the church by Sunday, February 18. Thank you for your commitment to life.

BINGO: St. Mary's, Park River. Jan. 21 and Feb. 11. \$5. per card; 20 games. Cash and assorted prizes.

FAMILY FUN BINGO: The Degree of Honor will be hosting family fun bingo Sunday, January 21, from 2-4 p.m. at the Minto Community Center. We will be playing 15 games of bingo. Cards are \$1.00 each. 50% of the proceeds from each game will be paid out to the winner. Everyone is invited to attend.

THE WARSAW PNA LODGE will meet Monday, Jan. 22, 5:30pm, Minto Community Center. All active and social members and friends of the PNA are welcome. Following the business meeting there will be installation of officers and a potluck meal. Please bring a dish to share.

JOHNNY HOLM BAND AND TACO BAR! Friday, Feb. 2, at the Minto Community Center for the benefit of the St. Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home as they continue to celebrate their 20th-year anniversary. \$20 donation at the door includes Taco Bar from 5:30-7:00pm and The Johnny Holm Band from 7:00-10:00pm Adult event for 18 years and older. Sponsored in part by Minto JC's.

DESIGNER PURSE BINGO Saturday, Feb. 3, Minto Community Center to benefit the Rocket Launch Packs: Backpack Program, which provides a weekend supply of food, cost free, for students at Minto School. Doors open at 5:30pm. Bingo starts at 6:30pm. 14 games of Bingo. Prizes are designer purses. Tickets: \$40 in advance; \$50 at the door. Venmo available—see poster. Also baked potato with chili bar \$5, Serendipity Brew Iced Coffee, & more. Contact Julie Nice at 520-9520 or Angie Shutt at 360-3821 for tickets or more info. 18+ event.

PORK & DUMPLING DINNER: Sunday, Feb. 4, St. John Nepomucene Catholic Church, Pisek. Roast pork, dumplings, sauerkraut, gravy/ butter, applesauce, kolache. Dine in or take out. Drive-through starts at 10:30 am; dine-in starts at 11:00 am. Thank you for your support.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER COMMUNITY FOR THE GRAND CITIES! Attention Married Couples: Have you and your spouse been on a Marriage Encounter Weekend? Whether it's been 4 or 40 years ago, we invite YOU to be a part of our community! These meetings will provide fellowship and prayer support, and we would love for you to be a part of it! Our first meeting will be Sunday, February 4, at St. Mary's Church, Grand Forks, in the church basement from 3-4:30 PM. Light refreshments will be provided. For more information, please contact Fr. James Gross at 775-9318.

MARDI GRAS SOUP & SANDWICH LUNCH Tues., Feb. 13, 11:00am-1:00pm, St. Mary's Catholic Church, Highway 17 E., Park River. Home-made soups, egg salad and ham sandwiches. Take-outs available. Bake sale too. Free will offering. Sponsored by St. Mary's Altar Society. Please join us!

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 guestions and donation inquiries, please call Chris Misialek 701-520-1596, Mark Maendel 701-360-2270, or Karen Maendel 701-360-1574.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT – JANUARY 21, 2024 - THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." MARK 1:17 Jesus' call to "follow me" is a call to all Christians! The call is in the here and now, in our present circumstances, not when we think we are "ready" or have everything in order. Good stewardship of our God-given gifts means that things aren't always going to go according to our schedule, but that God has a much better plan in store for each of us.

MINTO

ANNUAL GENERAL CHURCH CLEANING at Sacred Heart Church on Saturday, January 27. We need your help to clean those areas of the church that don't get attention during the regular monthly cleanings. * Cleaning will begin at 9:00am. * All parishioners are encouraged to help with this deep cleaning of the church building. * Children are welcome to participate too...bring the whole family!

* If you are not available to help that morning, a list of target areas will be available in the kitchen beginning the prior Sunday, Jan. 21. * New this year: Every member (including children) who participates either on the date of the event or during the week leading up to the

event will be entered into a drawing to receive a \$20 Northdale gift card. Two prizes will be offered. Details in the kitchen. JANUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead person: Stephanie Nice. Jan Altendorf, Kim Anderson, Michael & Mary Dvorak, Lucas

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JANUARY CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: Jared & Robbyne Sands. Travis & Rachel Bushaw, Trevor & Brittany Slominski, Victor & Paige Sweeney.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

WELCOME to a new substitute adorer for the Adoration Chapel! Richard Schanilec, from rural Veseleyville, is now available to substitute. His phone number will be on the sub list at the next printing. Contact Joan if you would like his phone number prior to that. OPEN HOLY HOUR: There is an open Holy Hour on Sundays at 2 p.m. Please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 if you are interested in taking it on a short-term or long-term basis.