



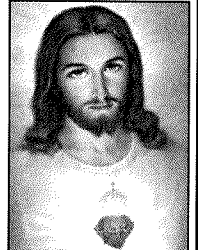
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POPE FRANCIS - Words at the Angelus Prayer Sunday, 01 March 2020

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

On this first Sunday of Lent, the Gospel (cf. *Mt* 4: 1-11) recounts that Jesus, after being baptized in the River Jordan, "was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil" (v. 1). Jesus prepares Himself to begin His mission of proclaiming the Kingdom of Heaven and, just like Moses and Elijah (cf. *Ex* 24: 18; *1 Kings* 19: 8), He does so by fasting for forty days.

At the end of this period of fasting, the tempter, the devil, breaks in and tries three times to put Jesus to the test. The first temptation arises from the fact that Jesus is hungry and so, the devil suggests, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread" (v. 3). But Jesus' response is clear: "Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (v. 4). Jesus refers to Moses at the point when he reminded the people of the long journey they had made in the desert, through which he learned that his life depended on the Word of God (cf. *Dt* 8: 3).

The devil's second attempt (vv. 5-6) is a bit more astute. This time he also quotes Sacred Scripture. The strategy is clear: if you are so confident in God's power, try it. For Scripture itself affirms that you will be aided by angels (v.6). But even in this case, Jesus does not allow Himself to be confounded, because the one who believes does not put God to the test, but instead entrusts him- or herself to God's goodness. Therefore, to the words of the Bible, which Satan interpreted for his own purposes, Jesus responds with another quotation: "Again it is written; 'You shall not put the Lord your God to the test'" (v.7).

Lastly, the third attempt (vv. 8-9) reveals the devil's true reasoning: since the coming of the Kingdom of Heaven means the beginning of his own defeat, the evil one wants to distract Jesus from accomplishing His mission by presenting Him a political-Messianic perspective. But Jesus rejects the idolatry of power and human glory and, in the end, drives the tempter away, saying to him: "Be gone, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve'" (v. 10). At this point, angels draw near to Jesus, Who is faithful in handing Himself over to the Father (cf. v. 11).

Today too, Satan breaks into people's lives to tempt them with his enticing proposals. He mixes his own voice with the many other voices that try to tame our conscience. Messages come at us from many places inviting us to "let ourselves be tempted", to experience the intoxication of transgression. Jesus' experience teaches us that temptation is an attempt to walk paths other than those of God. They give us the sensation of being self-sufficient, of enjoying life as an end in itself. All of this is illusory, however; very quickly we realize that the more we distance ourselves from God, the more defenseless and helpless we feel when facing the large existential problems.

May the Virgin Mary, the Mother of He Who crushed the head of the serpent, help us during this time of Lent to be vigilant when confronted with temptation, and not to submit ourselves to any idol of this world whatsoever, and to follow Jesus in the battle against evil. Thus we too will be victorious with Him.

(To read more, go to <https://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2020/03/01/200301a.html>)



MASS SCHEDULE

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| Saturday | Mar. 7 | 5:00 pm (Minto) | + Our parents by Donnie & Bonnie Riske. | |
| Sunday | Mar. 8 | 8:30 am (Minto) | For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. | Second Sunday of Lent |
| | | 10:30 am (Warsaw) | + Bruce Marynik and his brothers, sisters, and parents by Iretta Marynik. | |
| Monday | Mar. 9 | 6:30 pm (Minto) | + Renae Darby by Robert & Doreen Gruchala. | <i>St. Frances of Rome, Religious</i> |
| Tuesday | Mar. 10 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Rudy Rudnik by Felix Rudnik family. | |
| Wednesday | Mar. 11 | 8:00 am (Minto) | Special Intention by Anonymous. | |
| Thursday | Mar. 12 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Arlene Mondry by Roni & James Riske. | |
| Friday | Mar. 13 | 7:30 am (Minto) | + Marcellene Zola by Conrad Ciekliniski family. | Abstinence—Fridays of Lent |
| | | 5:15 pm (Warsaw) | ——Stations of the Cross—— (Fr. Joseph) | |
| | | 7:00 pm (Minto) | ——Stations of the Cross—— (Simple Supper 6:00-6:50pm) | |
| Saturday | Mar. 14 | 8:00 am (Minto) | + Jim Walski by Jan Altendorf. | |
| | | 5:00 pm (Minto) | + Peter & Dorothy Kilichowski by family. | |
| Sunday | Mar. 15 | 8:30 am (Minto) | For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. | Third Sunday of Lent |
| | | 10:30 am (Warsaw) | + Evelyn Plutowski by Roger & Clare Dufault. | |

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 March 1, 2020: **Minto** = \$3,794 **Warsaw** = \$2,916 **FORMED CODE: M6G74Q**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Sat., Mar. 14: Altar Servers: Volunteers needed. **Lector:** Jennifer Kelley. **Ushers:** Lenny Schanilec & Michael Wysocki.

Sun., Mar. 15: Altar Servers: Seth Robinson, Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson. **Lector:** Irene Evenson. **Ushers:** Donald Rudnik & George Kozel.

WARSAW: Sun., Mar. 8: Altar Servers: Dominic Bushaw, Joseph Vandal, Krystian Gudajtes. **Lector:** Greg Feltman.

Ushers: John Graves & Mark Vandal. **Gift Bearers:** Gary & Linda Babinski.

Sun., Mar. 15: Altar Servers: Andy Plutowski, Ben Gudajtes, Blake Lizakowski. **Lector:** Greg Feltman.

Ushers: John Graves & Mark Vandal. **Gift Bearers:** Dennis & Linda Slominski.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASS on Wednesday, **March 11**, for **grades 9-12** at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw. A meal will be served from 6:15-6:45 p.m. with class starting promptly at 6:45 p.m.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM: The next parent meeting and class for students in **grades K-8** will be on Wed., **April 1**, 6:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Minto. **Final session on Wed., April 22** for the whole family — Mass at 6:00 p.m. followed by a potluck supper. All are welcome.

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.

LENTEN SIMPLE SUPPERS—NEW THIS YEAR! The Sacred Heart Altar Society in Minto is serving a Lenten simple supper from 6:00-6:50 p.m. on the Fridays of **March 13** and **March 27** at the church in Minto. These meals are being offered at no charge. Everyone is welcome to attend the meals and attend Stations of the Cross afterwards.

EASTER FLOWERS: Envelopes for Easter flowers are attached to this 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. Please indicate which parish your donation is for. Thank you for helping our churches look beautiful for Easter!

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2020 God's Gift Appeal. Sacred Heart Parish is 17% towards its goal of \$27,431 and St. Stanislaus Parish is 14% towards its goal of \$18,249. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out your commitment card as soon as possible and return it in the collection basket or mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Fargo. If you do not have a card, extra commitment cards are located by the bulletins. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

OPERATION RICE BOWL - Meet Trinh: Trinh's family are farmers in Vietnam who have been affected by climate change. What would you do if your source of nutrition was threatened? How can we support those whose livelihoods are vulnerable to weather? Please put your extra change or cash in your Rice Bowl for the neediest people of the world. For both parishes, please make checks payable to Sacred Heart Church and write Rice Bowl on the memo line. For more information on global hunger, visit crsricebowl.org.

BABY BOTTLES FOR LIFE to benefit the Pregnancy Help Center, Park River, should now be returned to the church as soon as possible. Thank you.

"NO GREATER LOVE" LENTEN STUDY: Session Two—"Are You the Christ?" (Mark 14:61): Jesus' Arrest and Trial Before the Sanhedrin on Thurs., **Mar. 12, 7:15 p.m.**, Sacred Heart Church dining room, Minto. This study, written by Dr. Edward Sri of Ascension Press, has five sessions plus a bonus session. Bring a friend to Session 2. It is not too late to join the study!!! If you have questions, please call Joan at 360-2499.

REJOICE! ON LAETARE SUNDAY, MARCH 22, St. Edward's in Drayton is hosting a classical piano performance by Jay Hershberger, professor of piano at Concordia, featuring Chopin and Schubert. The performance will begin at 2PM with a dessert buffet and beverages to follow. There will be gluten-free deserts available, too. A free-will offering is being asked for to help with the cost of major repairs to our geothermal system.

WOMEN'S REDEEMED CONFERENCE 2020 will be held **March 27 (evening) and March 28 at the Fargo Avalon Events Center in Fargo**. Registration fee is \$75. With the theme *Trusted Sisters: Blessed to be a Blessing*, this will be an opportunity for women to gain a new perspective on your femininity in relation to God and others through insightful presentations, personal testimonials, liturgical and individual prayer, sacred music, and fellowship. And, plan to stay for the social at the end of the conference. CEUs are available for nurses, counselors, and social workers. Visit www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedwomen to find the list of speakers, the conference schedule, or to get registered.

ST. CATHERINE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL in Valley City, ND is seeking a full-time classroom elementary school teacher beginning with the 2020-2021 school year. Applicant must hold or be able to obtain a ND Educator's Professional License in elementary education. Applicant is required to submit a cover letter, resume, current transcripts and contact information for three professional references to Jenny Faure at jenny.faure@k12.nd.us. Applications are due no later than March 13, 2020.

DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY for the Diocese of Fargo (Kathy Loney) is looking for young adults, male & female, to help plan and present a gender specific retreat this summer for students ages 13-17. The paid position includes several meetings, the actual retreat, and evaluation. For more information or to say 'yes' to this challenge, please contact Kathy Loney 701-356-7902 or email Kathy.loney@fargodiocese.org no later than Fri., March 20.

FISH FRY St. John's Parish, Grafton, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm, Friday, **Mar. 13 & 27, and April 3**. \$12.00 All You Can Eat. \$6.00 ages 6-12 years. Free for ages 5 and under. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council #3918. Dessert Bar sponsored by St. John's Youth.

28TH ANNUAL "OLD-FASHIONED SPAGHETTI DINNER" Sunday, **March 15**, noon to 6:00 p.m., Holy Family Catholic Church Social Hall, 1018 18th Ave. S., Grand Forks. Free will offering. All proceeds support local, regional, and global human needs, such as a mission in Chimbote, Peru; the food cupboard, St. Joseph's Social Care and Thrift Store. All are welcome!!

ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sunday, **March 15**, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Forest River Legion Hall for the benefit of the Forest River Community Fund. Menu: Pancakes, ham, sausages, scrambled eggs, bars, and beverage. All are invited to attend.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donation: **St. John the Baptist Cemetery:** In memory of **George Sattler** by Ray & Kathy Korynta.

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.

SACRED HEART CHOIR PRACTICE Sun., **Mar. 8**, after the 8:30am Mass. New members welcome!

MARCH CHURCH CLEANING: **Lead family: Rod & Joan Schanilec.** Kurt & Jennifer Kelley, Layne & Traci Kittelson, Tim Mondry, Tyler & Janesa Narloch, Vern Schreiner.

MONUMENT TO BE PLACED AT ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CEMETERY: To all former members of St. John the Baptist Church of Ardoch, anyone who has relatives buried at St. John's Cemetery, or all others who may be interested in this project: A monument is being planned for St. John's Cemetery as a memorial to the church. Anyone wanting more information or wanting to make a donation, please contact Ray Korynta at (home) 701-869-2869 or (cell) 701-521-0517.

WARSAW

THE GATES FOR THE COMMUNION RAIL in Warsaw will be reinstalled by Henning Church & Historical Restorations. The columns need to be rebuilt in order to support the gates. Donations are needed for this special project. The estimated cost is \$2,500. Donations can be put into the collection basket or mailed to the parish office (PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261). If you have any questions, please talk to Fr. Moen. Clearly mark all donations as "Communion Rail" donations. Thank you.