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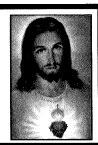
First Sunday of Lent

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Forty Days: Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday of Lent

In today's epic Gospel scene, Jesus relives in His flesh the history of Israel. We've already seen that, like Israel, Jesus has passed through water and been called God's beloved Son. Now, as Israel was tested for forty years in the wilderness, Jesus is led into the desert to be tested for forty days and nights.

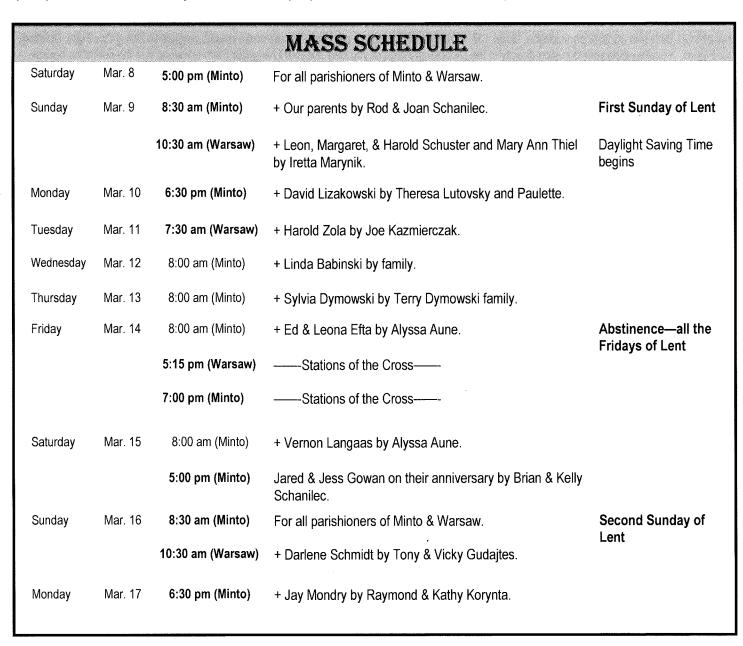
He faces the temptations put to Israel: Hungry, He's tempted to grumble against God for food. As Israel quarreled at Massah, He's tempted to doubt God's care. When the Devil asks for His homage, He's tempted to do what Israel did in creating the golden calf.

Jesus fights the Devil with the Word of God, three times quoting from Moses' lecture about the lessons Israel was supposed to learn from its wilderness wanderings.

Why do we read this story on the first Sunday of Lent? Because like the biblical sign of forty, the forty days of Lent are a time of trial and purification. Lent is to teach us what we hear over and over in today's readings. "Call upon me, and I will answer," the Lord promises in today's Psalm. Paul promises the same thing in today's Epistle.

This was Israel's experience, as Moses reminds his people in today's First Reading: "We cried to the Lord . . . and He heard." But each of us is tempted, as Israel was, to forget the great deeds He works in our lives, to neglect our birthright as His beloved sons and daughters.

Like the litany of remembrance Moses prescribes for Israel, we should see in the Mass a memorial of our salvation, and "bow down in His presence," offering ourselves in thanksgiving for all He has given us. https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/forty-days-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-first-sunday-of-lent/



<u>CONFESSIONS</u>
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 2, 2025:

Minto = \$1,975.

Warsaw = \$1,878.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, March 15: Altar Servers: Kole & Jakob Kittelson. Lector: Lynn Lane. Sunday, March 16: Altar Servers: Isaac & Liam Hefta. Lector: Irene Evenson.

<u>WARSAW</u>: <u>Sunday, March 9:</u> Altar Servers: Krystian Gudajtes, James Vandal, Julian Riskey, Joseph Sands. <u>Lector</u>: Greg Feltman. <u>Sunday, March 16:</u> Altar Servers: Andrew Riske and Blake, Brayden, & Bennett Lizakowski. <u>Lector</u>: Greg Feltman.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

TUNE IN TO REAL PRESENCE RADIO and let us guide you on your Lenten journey. 1370 AM and 92.5 FM.

<u>LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE</u> will be on **Sunday, April 13**, **4:00pm at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw**, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are on Sun., **March 16**, 7:00pm, St. Edward's, Drayton; Sun., **March 23**, 7:00pm. St. Mary's, Park River; Sun., **March 30**, 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene, Pisek; and Sun., **March 30**, 4:00pm, St. John the Evangelist, Grafton.

<u>THANK YOU</u> for your response for Mass requests for 2025. The calendar filled up quickly. For now with new Mass requests, one or two Masses will be offered locally and the others will be sent to the Diocese to be offered by other diocesan priests.

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

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades 9-12 will be on Wed., March 12, 19 & 26.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 will be on Wed., March 12 & 26, 6:30-7:45 p.m., St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw.

GOD'S GIFT APPEAL: Last weekend was Commitment Weekend for the 2025 God's Gift Appeal. If you have not yet made a donation or a pledge, please do so as soon as possible. Your personalized commitment card was mailed to you the last week of February. Extra commitment envelopes are in back of the church. The goal in Minto is \$32,171.56 and the goal in Warsaw is \$25,064.67. You may mail your God's Gift envelope directly to the Diocese of Fargo or put it in the collection basket in the next couple of weeks.

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. 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!

<u>OPERATION RICE BOWL:</u> Join our faith community— and more than 12,000 Catholic communities across the United States — in a 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. *Your donations are needed now more than ever.* Visit crsricebowl.org to learn more.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN—Living Our Faith, Building Our Future: It is not too late to make a donation or a pledge. As of March 6, Sacred Heart was 74.68% towards its goal of \$157,089. with 28.92% participation. \$117,315.00 has been donated or pledged. St. Stanislaus was 129.74% towards its goal of \$121,884. with 36.36% participation. \$158,137.17 has been donated or pledged. Please make checks payable to Living Our Faith, Building Our Future. You may mail your donation directly to the Diocese of Fargo or you may put your Living Our Faith envelope into the collection basket.

LENTEN MISSION Sunday-Tuesday, **March 9, 10, & 11,** St. Michael's Catholic Church, Grand Forks. Evening prayer at 6:50pm in the church each night. Theme: Pilgrims of Hope. Presenter: Fr. Joseph Christensen, FMI, Chaplain at the St. Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home, Warsaw. Soup supper on **March 9** at 6:00pm. Free will offering.

THIS LENT, join Sr. Mary Ruth for study and discussion on the video series: The Presence: The Mystery of the Eucharist - online or in person at St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson, ND. Meetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on Monday evenings from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m. from **March 24 to April 14.** For more information or to register, contact Sr. Mary Ruth at stream.neetings are on the stream.

REBUILDING: WHEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP ENDS, a ten-week seminar, will begin April 8, 2025. Registration will be 6:00pm and sessions begin 6:30pm at St. Michael's Church basement, 524 5th Ave N., Grand Forks ND. Using the above-named book by Dr. Bruce Fisher as a study guide, participants learn to rebuild their lives after the loss of a love relationship. It discusses rebuilding blocks related to the loss and help to provide an understanding of the past relationship and moving forward in a healthy way. There is a onetime fee of \$55 fee for workbooks and other supplies. Scholarships are available for those who cannot afford the fee. For information and/or to register, text or call Msgr. Daniel Pilon at 701-361-2051 or email daniel.pilon@fargodiocese.org

FISH FRY at St. John's Parish Center, Grafton, **March 14 & 28 and April 4 & 11,** 5:00pm to 7:00pm. \$15.00. All you can eat. Free to ages 5 & under. Sponsored by Knights of Columbus Council 3918.

ANNUAL PANCAKE & SAUSAGE BREAKFAST Sunday, March 16, 9:00am to 1:00pm, Forest River Legion Hall, Forest River. Menu: pancakes, sausages, ham, scrambled eggs, bars, beverages. For the benefit of the Forest River Community Fund. Free will offering. Everyone is welcome!!

<u>PNA LODGE 3043</u> will meet **Sunday**, **March 16**, **at 5:00pm** at the Minto Community Center. Plans will be discussed for upcoming activities for 2025. Lunch will follow the business meeting. All active members and Council members, also social members and friends of the PNA are encouraged to attend. Council members will meet at **4:00pm**, prior to the regular Lodge meeting.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donation: St. John the Baptist Cemetery: In memory of Cindy (Narlock) Ferguson by Bonnie Riske.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the annual church cleaning. There are still some areas that need cleaning. It is not too late to help. The cleaning sheets are on the counter in the church kitchen. YOUTH (Ages 18 and younger), you can still enter the drawing. If you participate in the annual general church cleaning for 30 minutes or more, please complete a slip (located in kitchen) with your name and phone number to be entered into a drawing to win 1 of 2 gift cards to Northdale (\$20). One entry per person. Remember to date/initial the task(s) that you complete on the cleaning list. Drawing will be held during the May Altar Society meeting.

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. 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.

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

WARSAW

MARCH CHURCH CLEANING: Lead family: Joseph Kazmierczak, Sr. Johnathon & Marissa Kazmierczak, Austin & Sarah Lessard, Steven & Lisa Schuster.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

<u>OPEN HOLY HOUR</u> - Fridays at 5:00 p.m. Please contact Joan at 701-360-2499 if you are interested in taking this holy hour on a short-term or long-term basis.