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Warsaw, ND
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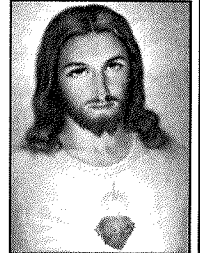
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POPE FRANCIS—Excerpt from the GENERAL AUDIENCE

Library of the Apostolic Palace—Wednesday 25 November 2020

Catechesis on prayer - 16. The prayer of the nascent Church

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Good morning!

The Church's first steps in the world were interspersed with prayer. The apostolic writings and the great narration of the *Acts of the Apostles* give us the image of an active Church, a Church on the move, yet which, gathered in prayer, finds the basis and impulse for missionary action. The image of the early Community of Jerusalem is the point of reference for every other Christian experience. Luke writes in the Book of Acts: "And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers" (2:42). The community persevered in prayer. We find here four essential characteristics of ecclesial life: listening to the apostles' teaching, first; second, the safeguarding of mutual communion; third, the breaking of the bread; and fourth, prayer. They remind us that the Church's existence has meaning if it remains firmly united to Christ, that is, in community, in His Word, in the Eucharist and in prayer – the way we unite ourselves to Christ. Preaching and catechesis bear witness to the words and actions of the Teacher; the constant quest for fraternal communion shields us from selfishness and particularisms; the breaking of the bread fulfills the sacrament of Jesus' presence among us. He will never be absent – particularly in the Eucharist, He is there. He lives and walks with us. And lastly, prayer, which is the space of dialogue with the Father, through Christ in the Holy Spirit.

Everything in the Church that grows outside of these "coordinates" lacks a foundation. To discern a situation, we need to ask ourselves about these four coordinates: how in this situation these four coordinates are present – the preaching, the constant search for fraternal communion, charity, the breaking of the bread (that is, the Eucharistic life), and prayer. Any situation needs to be evaluated in the light of these four coordinates. Whatever is not part of these coordinates lacks ecclesiality, it is not ecclesial. It is God who creates the Church, not the clamor of works. The Church is not a market; the Church is not a group of businesspeople who go forward with a new business. The Church is the work of the Holy Spirit whom Jesus sent to us to gather us together. The Church is precisely the work of the Spirit in the Christian community, in the life of the community, in the Eucharist, in prayer... always. And everything that grows outside of these coordinates lacks a foundation, is like a house built upon sand (see *Mt 7:24-27*). It is God who creates the Church, not the clamor of works. It is Jesus' word that fills our efforts with meaning. It is in humility that we build the future of the world.

(To read more, go to http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/audiences/2020/documents/papa-francesco_20201125_udienza-generale.html)



MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Nov. 28	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Betty Erickson by Robert & Doreen Gruchala.	
Sunday	Nov. 29	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Ardoch.	First Sunday of Advent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Walter & Beatice Kosmatka by Mike & Arlene (Kosmatka) Deitz.	
Monday	Nov. 30	_____	No morning Mass in Minto.	<i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i>
Tuesday	Dec. 1	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Susan Gudajtes by John Gudajtes.	
Wednesday	Dec. 2	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Tony, Ed, & Ruth Ebertowski by Iretta Marynik.	
Thursday	Dec. 3	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Fred Mondry by Jane Heier.	<i>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</i>
Friday	Dec. 4	7:30 am (Minto)	Living & deceased members of the Sacred Heart Altar Society.	<i>St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church</i> First Friday of the Month
Saturday	Dec. 5	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Ambrose H. (Amby) Wysocki by Carol Anne Walski. First Saturday Devotions 7:15 a.m. to 8:15 a.m. in Minto.	First Saturday of the Month
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ David Slominski by Deb Slominski and family.	
Sunday	Dec. 6	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Ardoch.	Second Sunday of Advent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Harry Czapiewski by Margaret Czapiewski and family.	St. Nicholas Day in both parishes

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.

Confessions in Minto will be in the confessional area & confessions in Warsaw will be in one of the classrooms in the church basement.

WEEKLY OFFERING November 15 & 22, 2020: Minto = \$643 Warsaw = \$1,782

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Sat., Dec. 5: Lector: Ann Mondry.
Sun., Dec. 6: Lector: Keith Zikmund.

WARSAW: Sun., Nov. 29: Altar Servers: Dominic Bushaw, Damian Bushaw, Jaxon Sands. Lector: Volunteer needed.
Sun., Dec. 6: Altar Servers: Dominic Bushaw, Damian Bushaw, Jaxon Sands. Lector: Trevor Slominski.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. NICHOLAS DAY is on Sun., Dec. 6, at the end of Mass in both parishes. St. Nick will be handing out treats to children of all ages.

THANK YOU to everyone who helped with the deep cleaning of our churches in November. Your time and hard work is truly appreciated!

MASSES FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION ON DECEMBER 8: Mon., Dec. 7, 7:00pm at Sacred Heart, Minto.
Tues., Dec. 8, 7:30am at Sacred Heart, Minto. Tues., Dec. 8, 7:00pm at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on Sun., Dec. 13, 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., Dec. 6, at 7:00 pm at St. Edward's in Drayton. Sun., Dec. 13, at 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene in Pisek. Sun., Dec. 20, at 4:00 pm at St. John's in Grafton.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Envelopes for Christmas flowers are attached to this weekend's bulletins. Please return the envelope by putting it in the collection basket any time starting now. Donations can also be mailed to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261. Please indicate which parish your donation is for. If no parish is indicated, the donation will go the parish (Minto or Warsaw) at which you are a registered member or to the parish at which it is received. Thank you for helping our churches look beautiful during the Christmas season!

DONATIONS: Please make all 2020 donations for the church by **Dec. 31, 2020**. Donations must either be received or postmarked by Dec. 31 to be included as 2020 donations.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT have been set out in back of our churches. Please pick up a copy.

THE 2021 CALENDARS have been set out in back of the church. Please take a copy.

BLACK AND INDIAN COLLECTION: This weekend and next weekend, a second basket will be set out by the regular collection basket for the 136th annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! Envelopes are in your boxed set of envelopes or you may use your own plain white envelope clearly marked Black and Indian Collection. Thank you for your generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES for grades 1-8 will be held this year at **St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw**. Next religious ed. classes for **grades 1-4** will be held on **Wed., Dec. 2**, from **6:15 to 7:15pm** with the parents' session running from 6:15 to 7:05pm. Classes for **grades 5-8** will be held on **Wed., Dec. 9**, from **6:15 to 7:15pm** with the parents' session running from 6:15 to 7:05pm. The parents' sessions will be the same both nights.

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES Wed., Dec. 2, from 7:15pm to 8:15pm at **Sacred Heart Church, Minto**.

FR. MOEN WILL BE POSTING THE WEEKEND MASS after 6pm on Saturdays at "Sacred Heart and St. Stanislaus Catholic Churches' " Facebook page. Also Fr. Moen has recorded a Holy Hour in the Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel. You can watch it on the parishes' Facebook page or go to the parishes' website www.sh-ss.org.

FOR THOSE OF YOU who are able to make a weekly contribution to the church, please mail it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261; drop it off at the parish office, or put it in the weekend collection basket.

FAMILY ADVENT CALENDAR CHALLENGE for the Walsh County Food Pantry. For every day from Dec 1 to Dec. 24, add an item to a box for the Food Pantry. Substitute items as you see fit. On Jan. 4-7, donate the contents to the Walsh County Food Pantry. Monetary donations are welcome also. Mail them to Walsh County Food Pantry, 344 West 15th St., Grafton ND 58237.

MINTO

CONGRATULATIONS to Christian & Makenzie (Gedrose) Miller who were married at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church, Warsaw, on Friday, November 6, 2020.

THANK YOU for the following donations: **Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **Janice Wysocki** by Kenny & Evelyn Kilichowski, by Mary A. Mondry, by John & Gloria Mozinski, and Eugene & Mary Ellen Balek. Donation from John & Dawn Miller.

St. Patrick's Cemetery: In memory of **Joe Campbell, Jim Campbell, and Dan Shoults** by Barbara Campbell. In memory of **her uncle Danny Shoults** by Jeanne McFall. In memory of **Danny Shoults** by Eugene & Mary Ellen Balek.

THE GIVING TREE will be up at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, from **Sunday afternoon, Nov. 15, until Sunday Dec. 13**. Please take a tag and return a gift in a **gift bag**. Gifts must be new. There are tags for infants, children, & adults. Suggestions: For infants - diaper sizes 2, 3, & 4; sleepers, t-shirts, blankets. For toddlers and children - mittens, gloves, caps, hats, socks, nightclothes, and toys. For teens—gift cards. For adults - gloves, slippers, caps, scarves, small throws or fleece blankets (especially for the elderly), gas cards. These items will go to **Walsh County Social Services** to be distributed to those in need. Also there are tags for non-perishable food items and for non-food items for the **Walsh County Food Pantry** at St. John's Church in Grafton. No outdated items or open packages please. Food pantry items do not have to be put into gift bags. The first batch of items will be taken to Grafton on Mon., **Nov. 30**, and the final batch of items will be taken on Mon., **Dec. 14**. Please help those in need during the Christmas season. **NEW THIS YEAR:** Due to limited space, you may put your gifts and food pantry items under the tree like always or you may put your gifts and food pantry items in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you go in the silver door on the west side of the church.

DECEMBER CHURCH CLEANING: Jason & Jodi Hefta, Nick & Lynn Lane, Scott & Peggy Lutovsky, Ann Mondry, Mary A. Mondry, Susie Nelson, JoAnn Riske, Mark & Michele Spale.

WARSAW

HENNING RESTORATION is repainting the areas damaged from the storm and reinstalling the communion rail gates. They will be working in the church from November 9-25 and will return after Thanksgiving. The project will take about a month to complete.

THE GIVING TREE will be up at St. Stanislaus from **Nov. 15 through Dec. 13**. Please take a tag and help those in need during the Christmas season. The gifts will be taken to Walsh County Social Services and the food pantry items will be taken to the Walsh County Food Pantry at St. John's in Grafton on Mon., Nov. 30 & Dec. 14. See the above Giving Tree announcement for gift ideas.

DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

WELCOME TO NEW ADORERS Frank and Cynthia Janousek! They will be taking the Holy Hour at 9 PM on Thursdays.