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Sunday of Easter



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Gospel Meditation

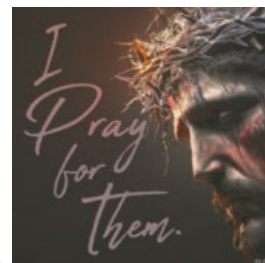
Traditionally, the four writers of the Gospels are symbolized by four creatures that make their way into Church art and architecture: Matthew, an angel; Mark, a lion; Luke, an ox; and John, an eagle. These images can be found in churches across the world, a nod to those who recorded the stories of Jesus for us, thousands of years ago.

Today's Gospel was written by John. There are a few reasons why John is symbolized by an eagle, but my favorite explanation is that his writings soar like an eagle into the sky with their beautiful, poetic language. The prayer we hear today is no different – Jesus invokes God in a long discourse that might seem mystifying at times, the same way that a poem can be perplexing to understand when we are unfamiliar with the pacing or format.

Consider holding onto the shortest sentence in this prayer: "I pray for them." Jesus prays for us. For me. For you. Let that sink deep into your being.

Jesus is on your side. He is aware of what you are holding at this moment. He is aware of your pain, your faith, your mission. And He's rooting for you. This prayer was recorded thousands of years ago, far before you were born. Since before you were born, you were held in prayer. With that certainty, we live.

– Father John Muir ©LPi



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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: Vigil Mass 4:30 p.m.

(Confession 3:15 p.m. - 4:15 p.m.)

Sunday: Mass 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

(Confession 7:30 a.m.-8:15 a.m. & 9:35 a.m.-9:50 a.m.)

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday –Friday: **Mass 8:00 a.m.**

(Confession 7:30 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.)

Confession can be heard anytime outside of listed times by appointment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesdays after 8:00 a.m.

Mass until 4:00 p.m.

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The Week Ahead

Monday, May 22nd

6:00 p.m. Activities Committee

Tuesday, May 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass: † Ilene Wald by Darcy Schiele

Wednesday, May 24th

8:00 a.m. Mass: † Ed Leonard by Alice Leonard

NO ADORATION

Thursday, May 25th

12:15 p.m. Mass: †Audrey Phillips by Rick & JoAnn Randall

Friday, May 26th

8:00 a.m. Mass: †Pius Malsom by Family & Friends Memorials

Saturday, May 27th

4:30 p.m. Mass: †Caroline Levi by Gary Levi

Sunday, May 28th—Pentecost Sunday

8:30 a.m. Mass: For the Parish

10:00 a.m. Mass: Roger & Joyce Sand by Mylan Sand

†: Indicates deceased

Wednesday, May 24th: The parish office will be closed, and Eucharistic Adoration will not take place. Seminarian Eric Artz will be ordained a Transitional Deacon in Bismarck.

Thursday, May 25th: No 8:00 a.m. Mass, but there will be a 12:15 p.m. Mass of Thanksgiving for Eric Artz, followed by a luncheon in the parish activity center.

Observances for the Week of May 21st

Sunday:	The Ascension of the Lord; 7th Sunday of Easter; World Communications Day
Monday:	St. Rita of Cascia, Religious
Thursday:	St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church; St. Gregory VII, Pope; St. Mary Magdalene de'Pazzi, Virgin
Friday:	St. Philip Neri, Priest
Saturday:	St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop
Next Sunday:	Pentecost Sunday

Mass Ministry Schedule for May 27th & 28th

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10:00 a.m.
Rosary Leader	Julie Gayzur	Lisa Krogman	Paula Wahl
Greeter	Rick & JoAnn Randall	Carolyn Johnson Gary Levi	Paula Rudser-Stolba Family
Altar Servers	Dan Christen Sara Haarstad	Dexter Olson Calvin Olson	Danica Stolba Elijah Magnuson
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NATHAN ARTZ MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE

Save Your Blood! The 9th annual Nathan Artz Memorial Blood Drive will be held on Friday, July 28th, 2023 at St. Therese, Little Flower Catholic Church.

THE 31 ROSARY CLUB—A Prayer Initiative for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

The Serra Club of North Central North Dakota has coordinated with each parish in the Bismarck Diocese to foster a commitment of prayer for those whom God is calling to the Seminary, to Priesthood, to be Sisters and Brothers. This Club has no meetings and no dues. For faithful Catholics to take part, all that is required is just 15 to 25 minutes, one day each month for one year to Pray a Rosary for Priestly and Religious Vocations. It's that easy - just a little of your time, a monthly commitment on a specific day of your choosing (example, the 19th of each month), to Pray a Rosary for Vocations. To Join the 31 Rosary Club, pick your day of the month, contact your Parish office, and add your name to the 31 Rosary Club Calendar. It's Simple, Effortless,

THE BIG SMOKE BBQ – JUNE 25TH

It ain't summer without some good cookin', grillin' and fellowship. The fires for bragging rights have been lit for the 6th Annual Serra Club of North Central North Dakota Big Smoke BBQ Competition Sunday June 25th, as amateur pitmasters face off at Flickertail Gardens on the ND State Fairgrounds. To register your team, contact Tom Magnuson at 701-389-0572. Entry Fee is \$100.00 per team. ~ Event Tickets can be purchased early by contacting Mike Ruelle at 701-340-2915 or Rob Lowe at 701-240-6063. Gates open at 3:00PM. Seminarians will be serving pulled pork, BBQ chicken thighs, salads, and drinks. All proceeds from this event are used to Foster and Promote Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life.

ST. LEO'S KC BREAKFAST ON MAY 21

Knights of Columbus Council 9906 will serve a breakfast on Sunday, May 21 from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Menu: Biscuits and gravy, pancakes, sausage, scrambled eggs, fresh baked cinnamon rolls, coffee, and juice. Free will offering will support the St. Leo's Thursday Evening Community Supper.

EUCCHARISTIC CONGRESS JUNE 2ND



The diocese is hosting "Source and Summit: A Eucharistic Congress" on Friday, June 2 at the Bismarck Event Center. All are invited to delve deeper into their relationship with Jesus Christ and His Real Presence in the Eucharist. The Bismarck Diocese event will feature both clergy and lay

speakers—Monsignor James Shea, Father Brian Gross and Shelly Preszler. Go to bismarckdiocese.com/eucharisticcongress for more information. This event is part of the diocesan phase of the National Eucharistic Revival called for by the bishops of the United States from 2022 through 2025.



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Servant of God Fr. Emil Kapaun was an American military chaplain who served heroically on the battlefield as well as inside of a POW camp in North Korea until his death. While a POW, he cared for other prisoners bodily with stolen food and medicine, and spiritually as a priest.

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, In the midst of the folly of war, your servant, Chaplain Emil Kapaun, spent himself in total service to you on the battlefields and in the prison camps of Korea, until his death at the hands of his captors. We now ask you, Lord Jesus, if it be your will, to make known to all the world the holiness of Chaplain Kapaun and the glory of his complete sacrifice for you by signs of miracles and peace. In your name, Lord, we ask, for you are the source of peace, the strength of our service to others, and our final hope.

Amen.

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Adult Collections	\$17,932	\$17,500
Student Envelopes	\$0	\$8
Loose Collection	\$2,898	\$1,250
Holy Day Collection	\$726	\$833
ACH/Online Giving	\$6,075	\$7,083
April Totals	\$27,631	\$26,675
April Overage	\$956	

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

Today as we celebrate the feast of the Ascension we are reminded that Christ's saving work on earth continues through his disciples...and now through us. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the Society of St. Vincent de Paul so that together we can bring peace to those who are hungry. This month we are in particular need of canned meats like Spam, or meat-based foods like stew, instant potatoes, instant rice and most especially gas stamps. 701-833-1269

CONGRATULATIONS!

Congratulations to **Brett McKay** of our parish, who graduated from Bishop Ryan Catholic School on Friday, May 19th. Brett is the son of Blake & Pam McKay of our parish.



GOD'S SHARE APPEAL UPDATE

Please return your envelopes!

Thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, to date we have **81 pledges returned**, with donations totaling **45%** of our parish goal. Your prayers for the success of the God's Share Appeal and the ministries it supports are still needed, as are pledges and gifts. Each gift is important to the mission of the diocese; it takes many people to form the Body of Christ. If you have not yet had the opportunity, please return a pledge envelope with your response today. **Our parish goal is 100% participation.** Together with your support we can accomplish many beautiful works of faith, hope and charity.



Congratulations to Jacob & Morgan Bohl of our parish on the baptism of their son:

Logan Richard Bohl

Logan is the grandson of Kevin & Dione Bohl of our parish.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

Knights of Columbus 4th Degree Meeting will be held at Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church in the Dining Room on Tuesday, May 23rd following the 7:00 pm Mass.

PLEASE NOTE: There is no public Mass June 5th-9th, as Father will be on retreat.

BISHOP RYAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Are you raising inspired minds, faithful hearts and lives of virtue? 2023-2024 Registration for select Little Lions Preschool classes and grades 1-12 at Bishop Ryan is now open to families in our Minot Catholic parishes. Our parents count on a safe and faith-filled environment built on a foundation of strong virtue; our teachers not only encourage learning and achievement, they also help our students to know Jesus and His love in their lives. For more information, please call Jaimie Brunner at (701) 838-3355 or email jbrunner@brhs.com.

Are you looking for a great summer job? Lions Learning and Fun Summer Care and Camp at Bishop Ryan Catholic School is now hiring for our summer team! If you're looking for a fun job, done by 5:30 each weekday with NO WEEKENDS, consider joining our LLAFF crew. We supervise students during weekday activities like field trips, indoor and outdoor playtime, creative projects, hands-on activities, and lots of fun! For more information, please contact LLAFF Coordinator Bethany Meyer at (701) 838-3355 or bmeyer@brhs.com.

Are You Called to be Part of Something Special in Catholic Education? There are amazing things going on in the hallways and classrooms of Bishop Ryan Catholic School, and our faculty and staff have distinct opportunities to instill virtue and celebrate faith while encouraging our students to achieve academically and socially. Bishop Ryan may be the place for you! We are currently seeking applications for: **Varsity Wrestling Coach**, and **After-School Strings Instructor (Part-Time Position)**. For more information or to apply for these positions, please contact Principal Tanya Steckler at (701) 838-3355 or tsteckler@brhs.com.

SCRIP: Use Scrip gift cards as gifts and to pay for your purchases. Scrip is available after the weekend Masses, in the parish office and at Bishop Ryan. Using Scrip gift cards helps support Bishop Ryan Catholic School and families for their tuition. Scrip is available for Amazon orders, groceries, gas, dining out, household supplies, clothing, furniture, vehicles, tires & accessories, building & remodeling, eye care, bikes, and more.



Prayer

God, thank you for my friends. Help me to treat them like you would.

Mission for the Week

The next time you talk to God, pray for each of your friends. Ask your friends to pray for you, too.

Sharing the Gospel

Jesus prayed for his friends. He knew they were a special gift from God. Jesus was patient with them. He taught them about God. He cared about his friends and forgave them from his heart. Everything that Jesus did showed what God was like. Be a friend like Jesus. Care for your friends like God does.

Now color the picture!



Find and circle these words from today's Gospel:

ETERNAL
CHRIST
FATHER

GLORY
GIVEN
FOLLOWERS

WORLD
SHOWN
PRAYING

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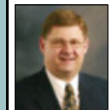
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