

## 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world.” - Jn 1:29

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**DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM**

**SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30PM**

**SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM**

**EUCARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-4PM**



## THIS WEEK:

### **Monday, January 19th**

No Scheduled Events

### **Tuesday, January 20th**

No Daily Mass

### **Wednesday, January 21st**

No Daily Mass  
6:00 p.m. CGS

### **Thursday, January 22nd**

No Daily Mass

### **Friday, January 23rd**

No Daily Mass

### **Saturday, January 24th**

4:30 p.m. Mass

### **Sunday, January 25th**

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

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# GOSPEL MEDITATION

January 18, 2026  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
John 1:29-34

It's common to hear belief in Jesus and the Church mocked as blind faith and credulity.

But in reality, it is deeply human and rational. Think about it: we rely on the testimony of others constantly. I trust chemists who certify the safety of toothpaste and cleaning products. I trust engineers when I use a microwave or drive over a bridge. Why? Because they have studied and seen what I have not, and their testimony proves itself in daily life. That kind of trust is not irrational; it is how human knowledge works.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist declares: "Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God" (John 1:34). That is the language of an eyewitness. It invites us into a very human act: trusting someone who has directly encountered something — or Someone — we have not yet fully seen ourselves.

The Church's faith is built on this kind of reliable sight-based testimony. The Apostles did not make abstract claims.

They saw, followed, suffered for, and proclaimed Jesus Christ. Over centuries, their witness — carried in Scripture, in the lives of the saints, and in the sacramental life of the Church — has proven dependable. We come to know its truth by assenting to it, by living and studying it, praying with it, trusting it.

Faith in Christ is not a childish leap into the dark. It is a step into the light of testimony that proves itself over time.

— Father John Muir  
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## OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 18, 2026

Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Monday: Martin Luther King Day  
Tuesday: St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr  
Wednesday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr  
Thursday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children  
Friday: St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin  
Saturday: St. Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church  
Next Sunday: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time; Celebrate Catholic Schools Week

## MASS INTENTIONS

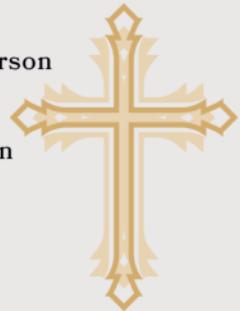
**NO PUBLIC MASS JAN 20-23: MASS INTENTIONS WILL BE SAID PRIVATELY**

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 20TH

+Arlene Pishtek by David & Linda Aleshire

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 21ST

Richard Rintoul & Family by Bob & Cathy Anderson



### THURSDAY, JANUARY 22ND

Protection of the Unborn by Bishop David Kagan  
+Donald Keller by Church of St. Therese

### FRIDAY, JANUARY 23RD

Rintoul Family by Molly Koble

### SATURDAY, JANUARY 24TH

+Raymond & Michael Bichler by Veronica Gores

### SUNDAY, JANUARY 25TH

8:30 a.m. +Harold & Kay Stroklund by Your Family  
10:00 a.m. For the Parishioners  
+Indicates Deceased



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## DIVINE INTIMACY BOOK STUDY 2026

The Divine Intimacy book study at Little Flower with Fr. Phillips is meeting on Sundays following the 10AM Mass. Upcoming class dates: February 1, 8, 15, 22; March 1. All are welcome!

## STAFF:

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## UPCOMING SCHEDULE NOTES:

Father Phillips will be going on vacation following the 10 a.m. Mass on January 18<sup>th</sup> through January 30th.

***During that time, there will be no:***

- Daily Mass and Confession
- Wednesday Eucharistic Adoration
- Divine Intimacy Book Study (1/18)

Father Bruce Krebs will be filling in for Father Phillips for weekend Masses and Confession on January 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>.

Please keep Father in your prayers for a restful and enjoyable vacation!

## DO YOU HAVE OUR PARISH APP?

With winter weather upon us, now is a great time to download our **FREE** parish app. Any Mass, Adoration, or activity cancellations due to weather will come right to your phone! Simply go to your app store and download the free app. Set Little Flower as your parish and make sure push notifications are ON so you can be alerted to any important messages.



## ATTENTION MASS MINISTERS!

We will be working on Mass ministry schedules for March/April 2026. Please let the office know if you have any dates that will not work for you. Again, thank you for your stewardship and support.



## ALTAR SERVERS NEEDED!

We have a particular need for altar servers for the Saturday 4:30 p.m. Mass. This is a great way for children to become more connected to Mass. Children and adults are encouraged to serve in this ministry. Contact the parish office to learn more about server training.

## MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR JANUARY 24 & 25

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
<b>Rosary</b>	Cindy Obenchain	Carolyn Johnson	Paula Wahl
<b>Greeters</b>	Allan & Deb Haman	Kevin & Cindy Neuharth	Paula Rudser-Stolba
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Camden Lee	Dexter Olson Frances Olson Calvin Olson	Hannah Schaefer Emmie Schaefer Matthew Schaefer
<b>Lector</b>	Chris Wright	Perry Olson	Barb Johnson
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Paul Kalamaha	Melissa Olson	Deacon Stephen Young
<b>In-Home Ministry</b>		Deb Mellum	
<b>Scrip Sales</b>	Cindy Larcombe	Diane Wittmayer	Katy Schaefer

## ANointing of the Sick

If anyone is preparing for surgery or is hospitalized or wishing to receive the anointing of the sick, please call the parish office (701-838-1520) or rectory (701-837-5943) to set up an appointment. You can receive this sacrament more than once. Please notify Fr. Phillips upon admission of a family member to the hospital.

## CONFession TIMES

TUES-FRI: 7:30AM-7:50AM

SAT: 3:15PM-4:15PM

SUNDAY: 7:30AM-8:15AM; 9:30AM-9:50AM

Confession can be heard anytime outside of listed times by appointment: 837.5943

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**DAY OF PRAYER**  
*for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children*

Please keep in your prayers the students and chaperones from Bishop Ryan who will be traveling to Washington, D.C. this week for the March for Life pilgrimage.



**For the Young Child (Ages 3 – 6)**

Selected parables serve as keys to unlock the mystery of the Kingdom of God and nurture the child's natural sense of wonder. How beautiful and precious is the kingdom of God! How small it begins! How slowly it grows and yet how magnificent it becomes!



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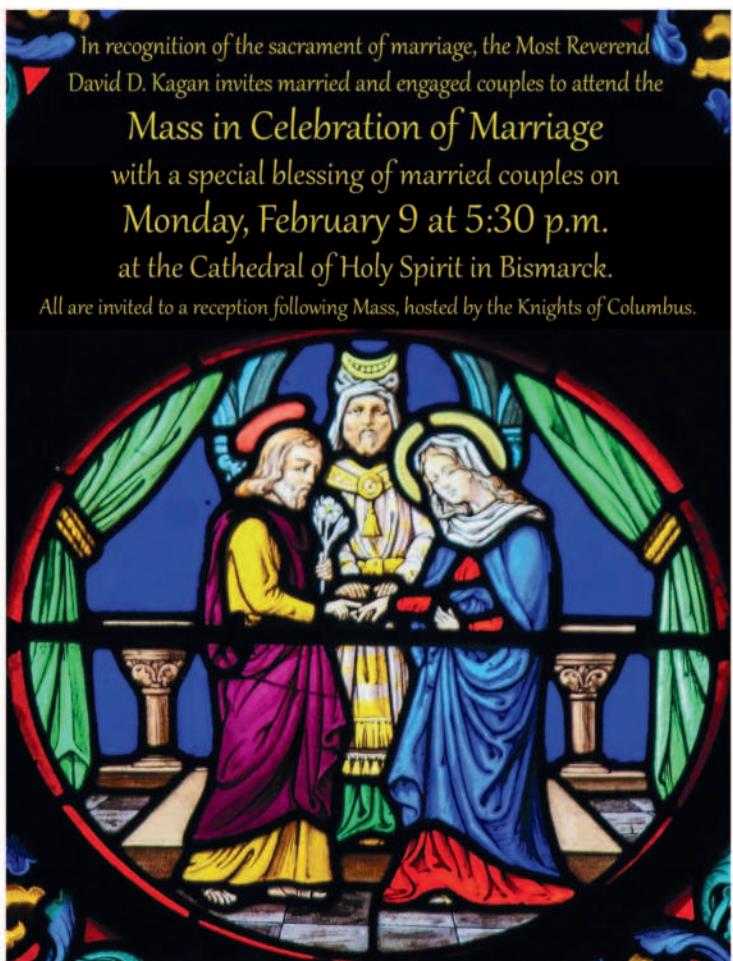
  
  


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*O, blessed am I, that I may sing my devotion*

**DID YOU KNOW?** To report suspected child abuse and neglect, call the ND Statewide toll-free Child Abuse & Neglect Reporting Line 1-833-958-3500 available 8 a.m.–5 p.m. CT, Monday through Friday (7 a.m.– 4 p.m. MT). A team of specialized CPS professionals will answer your call and gather all needed facts so local CPS workers can act quickly to protect children.

Contact Bismarck Diocese Chancellor Dcn. Brent Naslund, PO Box 1575, Bismarck, ND 58502-1575 or call 1-877-405-7435 or 701-223-1347 to file a formal complaint of abuse to the diocese. The Complaint Form is available at: <https://bismarckdiocese.com/victim-assistance>.



In recognition of the sacrament of marriage, the Most Reverend David D. Kagan invites married and engaged couples to attend the Mass in Celebration of Marriage with a special blessing of married couples on Monday, February 9 at 5:30 p.m. at the Cathedral of Holy Spirit in Bismarck.

All are invited to a reception following Mass, hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

**KC Council 9906**

# Breakfast

**Serving:**  
Pancakes  
Sausage  
Scrambled Eggs  
Biscuits and Sausage Gravy  
Juice & Coffee

**Oh, yum!**

**Sunday, January 25**  
8:30 AM to 12:30 PM  
St. Leo's Catholic Church  
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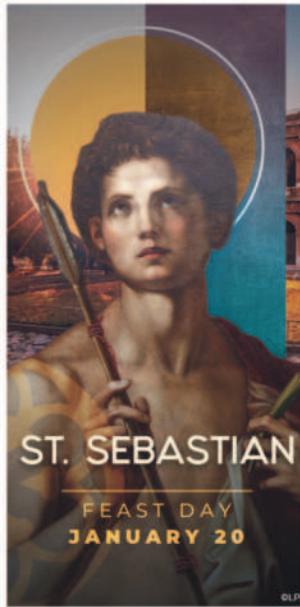
Thank you to everyone who helped with taking down the Christmas decorations. The church was beautiful during the Christmas Season and we appreciate your efforts with creating a beautiful place to worship and praise our Dear Lord and His precious gift of His one and only Son.

**Knights of Columbus**  
St. John the Apostle #1150

**Breakfast Sunday, January 18th**  
St. John the Apostle  
9am-Noon

**Menu:**  
Pancakes, French Toast (\*Gluten Free French Toast will be available), Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Juice, Milk & Coffee

Free-will offering to support: Minot Right to Life/Dakota Hope Clinic



## St. Sebastian | January 20

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only

there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.

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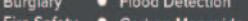
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