



Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

January 1, 2017

LIFE AT ST. MARY'S:

The parish office will be closed on Monday, Jan. 2.

Visit us at: stmarysabr.tumblr.com

Fr. Michael's Drill Weekend: Friday, January 6 – Monday, January 9.

Pre-marriage class will be on Sunday, Jan. 8 at 1:30 pm in the parish hall.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

January 2 - 8

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| Mon. | 7:55 am | Eugene & Lidwinia Murray + |
| Tue. | 7:55 am | Gabriel Jacobson + |
| | 2:15 pm | Kathryn Schwan + (Heath & Rehab) |
| Wed. | 7:55 am | Paul Heinz + |
| Thurs. | 7:55 am | National Catholic Society of Foresters |
| | 12:10 pm | Carrie Lang + |
| Fri. | 7:55 am | Fr. Tony Imberi + |
| Sat. | 5:00 pm | In Thanksgiving Huerta Family |
| | 7:00 pm | Gerald Lapka + |
| Sun. | 8:30 am | Catholic Daughters |
| | 10:30 am | All members of the parish |

Lectors

January 7 - 8

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| Sat. | 5:00 pm | Jennifer Starks |
| | 7:00 pm | Terry Kline |
| Sun. | 8:30 am | Pam Smid |
| | 10:30 am | Eugene Friedrichsen |

Mass Servers

January 7 - 8

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| Sat. | 5:00 pm | L. Dosch, V. & Z. Eschenbaum |
| | 7:00 pm | Neil Schaunaman |
| Sun. | 8:30 am | Tyler Berndt, Allison Dix, Mariah Winegar |
| | 10:30 am | Sam Sather, Abe & Sophie Wieland |

Music Ministry

January 7 - 8

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| Sat. | 5:00 pm | Contemporary Choir: McKayla Carda |
| | 7:00 pm | Mikayla Titus |
| Sun. | 8:30 am | Dave Nikolas |
| | 10:30 am | St. Mary's Choir: Camille Fischer |

Extraordinary Ministers

January

Sat. 5:00 pm

Marilyn Batch
Linda DeWalt
James Kraft
Rose Kraft
Scott Kram
Donna Mehlhaff
Mark Stone

Sun. 8:30 am

Brad Andera
Sandy Andera
Craig Hartman
Marlene Loeb
Keith Schumacher
Marie Schumacher
Jim Uhrich

Sun. 10:30 am

Angie Hanson
Ryan Hanson
Lynn Hodny
Connie Reuer
Brenda Williams
Randy Williams

Sat. 7:00 pm

Kenny Awe
JoAnn Kokales
Kaitlin Awe

Ushers for Jan. 7/8:

5:00 pm - Kram/Madsen
7:00 pm - Sahli/Pettigrew/Smith
8:30 am - Schumacher/Hoven
10:30 am - Jurgens/Worlie

Happy New Year!

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UPDATE ON PAUL ANDERSON: Paul is back home and recuperating nicely at home. He should be back to work in a few weeks on a limited schedule. He appreciates your ongoing prayers and support.

DURING PAUL'S RECUPERATION: Please help us out by doing a little bit to keep our Church and buildings clean. Please remember to pick up after yourselves and your children. All of us together can keep our parish lovely.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU! To all the volunteers, young and older, who worked so hard to get the Church and parish hall ready for Christmas, and for the help in getting the hall back to normal this last week. This is what it means to be a parish family...it was beautiful!

Roncalli Nearly New Happy New Year to our customers. All winter coats will be half price. We are open on Tue., Wed., Thurs. & Sat. from 12-4 pm. We appreciate your donations & your business.

Family Rosary will be at Sacred Heart, Jan. 3 at 7 pm

Individuals needed for a beginners hand bells choir to begin in January. Some music reading ability desired. Contact Stephanie at sraap@stmarysabr.com

If you have a family member that cannot get to Mass and would like to receive Communion, call Judy at the parish office @ 229-4422.



Please hold in your thoughts and prayers the couples who are preparing for the Sacraments of Matrimony, First Confession, First Communion and Confirmation this year. May the Lord bless them in love as they continue their journey of faith.

Fr. Michael's Musings

News from your Aberdeen Catholic School System



Instilling
Catholic values
and promoting
academic
excellence by
nurturing
mind, body
and soul

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| Mon., Jan. 2 | - NO SCHOOL - Boys BB vs. Mobridge-Pollock "C" game 5:15; JV 6:30; Varsity 8:00 |
| Tue., Jan. 3 | - NO SCHOOL - Girls BB vs. Redfield-Doland @ Redfield "C" Game 5:15; JV 6:30; Varsity 8:00 |
| Wed., Jan. 4 | - SCHOOL RESUMES - RHS Mass - 9:24 am - RES Mass - 12:10 pm - Sacred Heart |
| Thurs., Jan. 5 | - RPS Mass - 12:10 pm - St. Mary's - GYM vs. Pierre, Stanley Co - Girls BB at Leola - 7th & 8th - 4:00 pm "C" game 5:15; JV 6:30; Varsity 8:00 |
| Fri., Jan. 6 | - Wrestling Tournament at Bismarck - Boys BB vs. Redfield- Doland "C" game 5:15; JV 6:30; Varsity 8:00 |
| Sat., Jan. 7 | - Wrestling Tournament at Bismarck - GYM at Brookings - RHS Semi-Formal - 9:00 pm |

The Aberdeen Catholic School System is now enrolling Pre-school and Kindergarten students for the 2017-2018 School Year! Please fill out a registration form (located under "I want to . . . Find School Admission Forms" at aberdeenroncalli.org) and return it to the Primary School with your \$20 admission fee. Space is limited and on a first come, first serve basis, so please register early! If you have any questions, contact Admissions organizer Michala Heller at 226-2100.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Wednesday, January 4 - 7:00 pm Confirmation Class

First Reconciliation:

Saturday, January 14 - 9 am for students with last names A-H
 - 10 am for students with last names I-Z
*Workbooks are due & should be turned in on this day.

Sunday, January 15 - 9:30 am Family Ed



Well, it's the end of one year and the beginning of a new one. In one sense, this is a pretty arbitrary holiday, we presume things are going to change and be different just because we change calendars.

Yet, in another sense, we have this arbitrary holiday to challenge us, to remind us that we have the chance to change and grow.

This opportunity is ours every day, but is particularly obvious on New Years Day. We make resolutions on this day, so here are some suggestions:

- 10 minutes of sitting quietly in the Lord's presence every day;
- Weekly letter or email to someone, just to tell them they are loved and why they are a blessing to you;
- No negativity on any social media;
- Mass...every Sunday and Holy Day;
- At least one day a week without cable news;
- A monthly date night for couples;
- A monthly family dinner (try for weekly!!);
- One day a week without the computer (except for work);
- A book a month;
- One good laugh...every day!;
- When getting ready in the morning, say something nice to the person looking at you.

Just some suggestions, but you get the idea. Be kind, be gentle, be loving...we can all start again this new year of God's grace.



Just a Thought...

Aren't you a little short for a stormtrooper?

Church Support: December 24-25, 2016

• Envelopes: \$ 39,847.88
• Loose: \$ 2,491.50
• Children's: \$ 72.00



REMEMBER:
We need \$18,000 a week to meet our needs!