

February 24, 2019 – Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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ST. JOSEPH, Lankin ~ STs. PETER & PAUL, Bechyne

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Unless noted, all daily Masses are at St. John Nepomucene in Pisek

THIS WEEKEND'S MASS INTENTIONS

02/23 – Saturday – Lankin – **CONFESSION – 4:00 pm – MASS – 5:00 pm** – Tri-Parish Members
 02/24 – Sunday – Bechyne – **ADORATION – 7:00 am – MASS – 8:30 am** – † Joe Mayer – Pat & Karen Restad
 02/24 – Sunday – Pisek – **MASS – 10:30 am** – † Frank & † Stella Lovcik – Dennis & Elaine Lovcik

MASS INTENTIONS (February 25 – March 3)

02/25 – Monday – **NO DAILY MASS**
 02/26 – Tuesday – **5:00 p.m.** – † Ed Lefor – Glenn & Nancy Lefor
 02/27 – Wednesday – **8:00 am** – † Donald Streitz – Joe & Lorraine Zikmund
 02/28 – Thursday – **8:00 am** – † Kenneth Greicar – Barbara Greicar
 03/01 – Friday – **ADORATION – 7:00 a.m. – MASS – 8:00 a.m.** – (L) Lisa Durkin – Riley, Allyson, Michael
 03/02 – Saturday – Bechyne – **CONFESSION – 4:00 pm – MASS – 5:00 pm** – † Fr. Allmaras – Tom & Tara Shirek Family
 03/03 – Sunday – Lankin – **ADORATION – 7:00 am – MASS – 8:30 am** – † Dorothy Karas – Her Family
 03/03 – Sunday – Pisek – **MASS – 10:30 am** – Tri-Parish Members

Reconciliation – ½ hour before daily Mass; 1 hour before 5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday; after 10:30 a.m. Sunday Mass upon request; or, by appointment.

Adoration – 7:00 a.m. on each Friday
 7:00 a.m. before each 8:30 a.m. Sunday Mass

Morning Prayer – Weekdays at 7:00 a.m.
Evening Prayer – Weekdays at 5:00 p.m.

Baptism – Please call 2 to 3 weeks prior to date requested for baptism.

Wedding – Contact pastor 6 months to 1 year in advance of anticipated date.

New to Parish – Please register at the parish office (284-6163) or call parish secretary, Louise (284-6167)

FUTURE MASS SCHEDULE

March 2019

Bechyne – 5:00 pm – Saturday
 Lankin – 8:30 am – Sunday
 Pisek – 10:30 am – Sunday

April 2019

Lankin – 5:00 pm – Saturday
 Bechyne – 8:30 am – Sunday
 Pisek – 10:30 am – Sunday

May 2019

Bechyne – 5:00 pm – Saturday
 Lankin – 8:30 am – Sunday
 Pisek – 10:30 am – Sunday

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE
LITURGY HELPERS

	March 3 – 10:30 am
Ushers	Matthew & Shanna Foerster
Read	Matthew Gemmill

ST. JOSEPH
LITURGY HELPERS

	March 3 – 8:30 am
Usher	Rodney & Paulette Bosh
Read	Kristie Brintnell
Clean	Jerry & Wanita Cost

S.S. PETER & PAUL
LITURGY HELPERS

	March 2 – 5:00 pm
Usher	Larry Brodina & Wayne Kadlec
Read	Shawna
Serve	Mitchell & Kaleb
Clean	Bonnie Zahradka Erika Miller

PRAYER LIST

Please pray for the following members of our Tri-parishes who are sick or hurt:

**Hadler Ellingson, Fr. Lefor,
 Linda Knudson, Joe Zikmund, Charles Waechter,
 Andy Sobolik, Barbara Jarolimek**

If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please contact the Parish Office. After 4 weeks names will be removed unless resubmitted. Thank you.

HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MARCH

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities: That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

FAITH FORMATION

(See www.plbtriparish.org for full schedule)

02/27/19 – Gr. 7-9 – 4:30 pm & Gr. 10-12 – 6 pm – Pisek
 03/03/19 – Gr. K-6 – 8:45 am – Pisek
 03/06/19 – Ash Wednesday – No Class
 03/10/19 – Gr. K-6 – 9:00 am – Pisek
 03/13/19 – Gr. 7-9 – 4:30 pm & Gr. 10-12 – 6 pm – Pisek

REFLECTION ON TODAY'S LITURGY

The story of David and Saul in today's First Reading functions almost like a parable. Showing mercy to his deadly foe, David gives a concrete example of what Jesus expects to become a way of life for His disciples.

The new law Jesus gives in today's Gospel would have us all become "Davids"—loving our enemies, doing good to those who would harm us, extending a line of credit to those who won't ever repay us.

The Old Law required only that the Israelites love their fellow countrymen (see Leviticus 19:18). The new law Jesus brings makes us kin to every man and woman (see also Luke 10:29-36). His kingdom isn't one of tribe or nationality. It's a family. As followers of Jesus, we're to live as He lived among us—as "children of the Most High" (see Luke 6:35; 1:35).

As sons and daughters, we want to walk in the ways of our heavenly Father, to "be merciful, just as your Father is merciful." Grateful for His mercy, we're called to forgive others their trespasses because God has forgiven ours.

In the context of today's liturgy, we're all "Sauls"—by our sinfulness and pride we make ourselves enemies of God. But we've been spared a death we surely deserved to die because God has loved and shown mercy to His enemies, "the ungrateful and the wicked," as Jesus says.

Jesus showed us this love in His Passion, forgiving His enemies as they stripped Him of cloak and tunic, cursed Him and struck Him on the cheek, condemned Him to death on a cross (see Luke 22:63-65; 23:34). "He redeems your life from destruction," David reminds us in today's Psalm.

That's the promise, too, of today's Epistle: that we who believe in the "last Adam," Jesus, will rise from the dead in His image, as today we bear the image of the "first Adam," who by his sin made God an enemy and brought death into the world (see 1 Corinthians 15:21-22).

St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology ~ Sunday Bible Reflections with Dr. Scott Hahn ~ www.salvationhistory.com

WEEKLY BIRTHDAY, ANNIVERSARY, EVENTS & SAINT of the DAY CALENDAR

02/24/19	02/25/19	02/26/19	02/27/19	02/28/19	03/01/19	03/02/19
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Seventh Ordinary</i> <u>Bl. Luke Belludi</u></p> <p>FAITH FORMATION K-6 - 9:00 am</p>	<p><u>Bl. Sebastian of Aparicio</u></p> <p>Vicki Pic Mitchell Shirek</p>	<p><u>St. Maria Bertilla Boscardin</u></p> <p>KC Meeting 7 pm - Park River</p> <p>Melanie Pokryzwinski</p>	<p><u>St. Gabriel of Our Lady of Sorrows</u></p> <p>FAITH FORMATION Gr 7-9 - 4:30 pm Gr 10-12 - 6:00 pm</p> <p>Natalie Bina Brian Kadlec</p>	<p><u>Bl. Daniel Brottier</u></p> <p>Bonnie Jelinek Kathy Jelinek Mary Ellen Larson Jack Karas</p>	<p><u>St. David of Wales</u></p>	<p><u>St. Agnes of Bohemia</u></p> <p>Gerald Cost</p>

(Learn more about the saints by clicking on the hyperlinks above or on the Tri-Parish [Facebook Page](#))

OTHER NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. JOHN NEPOMUCENE – Parish Potluck, Sunday, March 3, following 10:30 am Mass

LENT is only a couple of weeks away! Ash Wednesday services will be 7 am & 5:30 pm at Pisek, with Soup & Grilled Cheese Sandwiches following this Mass. Stations of the Cross will be held at 6 pm each Friday, with Soup and Sandwich following the service. Services will rotate March 8 at Pisek, 15 at Lankin, 22 at Bechyne, 29 at Pisek, April 5 at Lankin & 12 at Bechyne.

MARDI GRAS ~ TUESDAY, MARCH 5

St. Mary's – Park River
Soup & Sandwich Luncheon
11 am – 1 pm

(Homemade Soups, Egg Salad & Ham Sandwiches, and bake sale).

St. John's – Grafton
Supper & Dance
6 pm – 9 pm

(Hors d'oeuvres, salad, choice of prime rib or baked chicken, twice baked or baked potato, vegetable, dessert and drink. Dance to Brent Hermans. Tickets \$39.50 single or \$79 couple. Call Frank at 520-1730 or the church at 352-1648. No ticket at the door. See bulletin board for more information.

THANK YOU to everyone: workers, those who donated items, those who took the time to advertise our dinner, gave of their time & sweat, as well as all who came to support St. John's Pork & Dumpling dinner. Each and every one of you made it a success, and it could not have been accomplished without you. Final figures are not in yet and don't expect to have that until early in March, but know that we did feed at least 325. God bless each of you.

REDEEMED 2019 "MADE FOR GREATNESS" MEN'S CONFERENCE

Bishop John Folda invites all men of the Diocese of Fargo to join him on Saturday, March 30 at the Delta Hotel in Fargo for the REDEEMED 2019 Made for Greatness Men's Conference. Hear dynamic speakers such as Bill Donaghy (creator of the RISE 30 Day Men's Challenge), Father Sean Kilcawley (Integrity Restored), Bishop John Folda, and more as they unpack what leads to the authentic greatness. Early registration is only \$40 through March 10. For more information or to register visit:

<http://www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedmen> or call Brad Gray (701) 356-7903.

RETRouvaille: HELP FOR HURTING MARRIAGES

Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has assisted hundreds of thousands of hurting married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and rediscover the love that initially brought them together. Surveys have shown that 3 out of 4 couples who complete the entire program are still married five years later with stronger, healthier marriages. Retrouvaille will be held locally April 26-28, 2019 in Fargo with additional dates regionally in February and March. Visit www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call (701) 356-7962 to find out more or to register.

DECORA – ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA – FARGO ~ MARCH 2

A day to discover you feminine genius/mind, body, spirit! High School and older invited. High School students 15-16 will need to bring a mentor along. This could be mother, aunt, grandmother, other female she is comfortable talking to. The mentor must be 21 and older. See flyer for further information. To register go to: www.fargodiocese.org/decora