

# St. Boniface

Catholic Church

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230 1st St. NW - Lidgerwood, ND 58053

Also Serving St. Martin of Tours, Geneseo and Sts. Peter & Paul, Cayuga

## Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saint Boniface**  
Saturday - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday - 8:30 a.m.

**Saint Martin of Tours - Geneseo**  
Sunday - 10:30 a.m.

**Saints Peter & Paul - Cayuga**  
Sunday - 12:00 p.m. (noon)

March 1, 2026 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

### Three Tents

You guys, I was *such* a good Catholic at the National Eucharistic Congress. Mass every day? Check. Rosary every day? Check (and check — we said a lot of rosaries). Deep thoughts and deep conversations about God with total strangers? Check. Hours in adoration reflecting on the state of my soul? Check.

When I went to Indianapolis in the summer of 2024 to cover the NEC for our archdiocesan newspaper, I knew it would be a fun and spiritually rich experience. But I didn't expect that it would make me think differently about my whole life (and afterlife). And when people ask me why — "What happened in Indianapolis that changed you?" — I can only tell them this: I spent time with God. Of course, I do all these things in my regular life at home, too. I try to be a good Catholic here. But good grief, it's a lot harder. In Indianapolis, I didn't have a calendar full of appointments and to-do lists that filled me with dread. I didn't have the world crowding around me, grasping at my attention and my will. Indianapolis was the mountain, and if I could have, I would have built three tents.

So I understand Peter's feelings at the Transfiguration. He's thrilled — he sees it all clearly now. Here is the fullness of Truth, revealed in all its glory, and he's ready to start bringing groups of tourists up to see it. He's ready to bring people to Christ. But in the blood-soaked, fear-filled days to come, Peter will realize that it's not his job to bring the world to the Truth. His job is to bring the Truth into the world.

What a tragedy it would be, if Truth only lived on the mountaintop. So build three tents, strong and durable shelters for the Truth to dwell. But build them in your heart. And then, the Transfiguration won't be just an event, something that happened at a certain time and a certain place. It'll be a reality that lives within us all. And we will bear it with us wherever we go.



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased;  
listen to him." - Mt 17:5b

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**Genesis 12:1-4a**  
**2 Timothy 1: 8b-10**  
**Matthew 17:1-9**

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## Weekly Mass Schedule



<b>Sunday Liturgies</b>		
Saturday, Feb. 28	5:00 pm (St. B.)	† Lawrence Harles
Sunday, Mar. 1	8:30 am (St. B.)	† Anton & Magdeline Biewer
	10:30 am (St. M.)	Pro Popula
	12:00 pm (Sts P&P)	Special Intention
<b>Weekday Liturgies</b>		
Monday, Mar. 2	NO MASS	
Tuesday, Mar. 3	10:00 am (St. B.)	† Marcella Gettel
Wed., Mar. 4	10:00 am (Dak. Est.)	Jackson Jelinek
Thurs., Mar. 5	10:00 am (St. B.)	L&D Members of Lyon Family
Friday, Mar. 6	7:30 pm (St. B.)	† Helen Novotny
Saturday, Mar. 7	10:00 am (St. B.)	Special Intention
<b>Sunday Liturgies</b>		
Saturday, Mar. 7	5:00 pm (St. B.)	† Margaret Wettstein
Sunday, Mar. 8	8:30 am (St. B.)	Pro Popula
	10:30 am (St. M.)	Special Intention
	12:00 pm (Sts P&P)	† Dec. Family of Bill & Celia Kiefer

## Reconciliation Schedule

**St. Boniface: Saturday & Sunday** – Before/after Mass  
**Thursday** – after Mass  
**St. Martin: Sunday** – Before and after Mass  
**Sts. Peter & Paul** – Before and after Mass

## Prayer Requests

Please keep the following people in your prayers:  
 Avery Trittin - Baby Weston - Shirley (Art) Heley  
 Anne Heley - Joan Moerke - Peggy Harles  
 Dan Frolek - Shirley Ahrens - Dan Schmit  
 If you have any imminent prayer requests, please call or text Cindy at 701-640-1401.

## All Parishes

**Eucharistic Adoration** - Please come and spend time with Jesus on Thursdays in adoration, anytime from 5am – midnight. We need of a regular adorer to fill the 3-4 pm slot. We also need adorers to share the following slots: 2-3pm, 3-4pm, and 5-6pm. Please contact Sharon at 612-790-1211 or 538-7010 if you are able to help.

**Egg Bake Breakfast at St. Boniface** will be served following the 8:30 am Mass on Sunday, March 1.

**First Friday Mass** – Mar. 6, 7:30 pm at St. Boniface

**First Saturday Mass** – Mar. 7, 10am at St. Boniface

### **Stations of the Cross 7pm with Mass to follow**

Friday, Mar. 6 – St. Boniface  
 Friday, Mar. 13 – St. Martin's  
 Friday, Mar. 20 - Sts. Peter & Paul  
 Friday, Mar. 27 – St. Boniface

### **Lenten Penance Services**

Sunday, Mar. 1 - 3pm at Hankinson Convent use east door  
 - 7pm at St. Anthony's, Mooreton  
 Sunday, Mar. 15 - 3pm at St. John's, Wyndmere  
 - 7pm at St. Boniface, Lidgerwood

**Bergen Lutheran Lenten Suppers** will be served each Wednesday during Lent from 5-6:30 pm. Check bulletin board for details.

**March Day of Reflection** - You are invited to join us on Sat., Mar. 21 for a Day of Reflection (in-person or online). This month's theme will be "Lent." The event is from 10am to 3pm. Register online at <https://forms.office.com/r/qvVtezHnt9> or contact Sr. Mary Ruth with questions at [srmmaryruth@sfcaretreats.org](mailto:srmmaryruth@sfcaretreats.org) / 701-242-7195.

**Lenten Retreat** - As we prepare for Holy Week, the Hankinson Franciscans invite you to come away for a weekend of reflection – Fri., Mar. 6, 7:15pm to Sun., Mar. 8, 11am. During this special year of St. Francis, we will pray with this beloved saint of Assisi, delving into his spirituality and learning from his touching example of love for Christ Crucified. The suggested donation is \$200 for the weekend (covering room and board as well as programming). Please register as soon as possible, preferably before March 3rd. You may also call or email Sr. Christina for more information at (701) 242-7195 or [sr.christinaosf@gmail.com](mailto:sr.christinaosf@gmail.com).

### **Journey with us to prepare for Easter**

Take time to reflect and grow by listening to Real Presence Radio. Our local programming offers prayerful conversations, teachings, and stories that help you enter the season with intention. Tune in on 98.3 FM / 1280 AM in Fargo or listen online at [RealPresenceRadio.com](http://RealPresenceRadio.com).

### **Pope at Angelus: This Lent, make your life a unique masterpiece** – *Vatican News*

Let the Lord cleanse you, purify you and transform you into a unique masterpiece, Pope Leo XIV told the faithful on this first Sunday of Lent during his midday Angelus address in the Vatican. In his address, the Pope recalled the day's Gospel reading according to St. Matthew, in which Jesus enters the desert and is tempted by the devil (cf. Mt 4:1-11).

After fasting for forty days, the Pope noted that physically, through hunger, and morally, through the devil's temptations, Christ feels the weight of his humanity.

"He experiences the same struggle we all face on our journey," Pope Leo recognized. Yet, he marveled, "by resisting the evil one, He demonstrates how we, too, can overcome the devil's deception and snares."

### **Luminous path of Lent to purify and blossom**

Reflecting on the Lord's personal experience in this episode, the Holy Father said the day's liturgy "invites us to view Lent as a luminous path."

"By means of prayer, fasting and almsgiving," the Pope continued, "we can renew our cooperation with the Lord in the crafting of our lives as a unique masterpiece."

"This involves allowing Him to cleanse the stains and heal the wounds of sin, as we commit to letting our lives blossom in beauty until they attain the fullness of love — the only source of true happiness."

**Nothing else satisfies.** Pope Leo acknowledged that this certainly is a demanding journey, and that the risk always remains of getting discouraged or of being drawn to easier paths to satisfaction.

These temptations, which Jesus Himself faced, the Pope explained, "are merely poor substitutes for the joy for which we were created," noting, "ultimately, they leave us dissatisfied, restless and empty."

### **Penance purifies**

"For this reason, Saint Paul VI taught that penance, far from impoverishing our humanity," the Pope said, "enriches, purifies and strengthens it, as we move toward a horizon that has as its aim love and surrender to God."

Indeed, while penance makes us aware of our limitations, it also grants us the strength to overcome them and to live, with God's help, in deeper communion with Him and with one another.

### **Let's turn off technology, meditate on God, and connect with others.**

"In this time of grace," Pope Leo said, "let us practice penance generously, alongside prayer and works of mercy."

"Let us create space for silence by turning off televisions, radios and cell phones for a while," the Pope stressed, instead suggesting we "meditate on the Word of God, approach the Sacraments, and listen to the voice of the Holy Spirit who speaks to us in our heart."

Saying we ought to listen to one another in our families, workplaces and communities, the Pope urged everyone to pay special attention to those who are alone, especially the elderly, the poor and the sick.

### **Entrusting Lenten journey to Blessed Mother**

The Pope also noted that by giving up what is superfluous, we can share what we save with those in need.

In doing so, as Saint Augustine taught, the Augustinian Pope highlighted, our prayer offered in this way will reach heaven and give us peace.

The Holy Father concluded by imploring the Virgin Mary, "who always assists her children in times of trial," to help us in our Lenten journey.

### **Listen to Him: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Second Sunday of Lent**

Today's Gospel portrays Jesus as a new and greater Moses.

Moses also took three companions up a mountain and on the seventh day was overshadowed by the shining cloud of God's presence. He too spoke with God, and his face and clothing were made radiant in the encounter (see Exodus 24, 34).

But in today's Lenten Liturgy, the Church wants us to look back past Moses. Indeed, we are asked to contemplate what today's Epistle calls God's "design . . . from before time began."

With His promises to Abram in today's First Reading, God formed the people through whom He would reveal Himself and bestow His blessings on all humanity. He later elevated these promises to eternal covenants and changed Abram's name to Abraham, promising that he would be the father of a host of nations (see Genesis 17:5). In remembrance of His covenant with Abraham, He raised up Moses (see Exodus 2:24; 3:8) and later swore an everlasting kingdom to David's sons (see Jeremiah 33:26).

In Jesus' transfiguration today, He is revealed as the One through whom God fulfills His divine plan from of old.

Not only a new Moses, Jesus is also the "beloved son" promised to Abraham and again to David (see Genesis 22:15–18; Psalm 2:7; Matthew 1:1).

Moses foretold a prophet like him to whom Israel would listen (see Deuteronomy 18:15, 18), and Isaiah foretold an anointed servant in whom God would be well pleased (see Isaiah 42:1). Jesus is this prophet and this servant, as the Voice on the mountain tells us today.

By faith we have been made children of the covenant with Abraham (see Galatians 3:7–9; Acts 3:25). He calls us, too, to a holy life, to follow His Son to the heavenly homeland He has promised. We know, as we sing in today's Psalm, that we who hope in Him will be delivered from death.

So like our father in faith, we go forth as the Lord directs us: "Listen to Him!"