

# St. Boniface Catholic Church

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## MASS SCHEDULE:

Weekend Mass—Saturday—5:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass—Monday & Tuesday—5:30 p.m.

## CATHOLIC PARISHES OF WESTERN HOLT AND BOYD COUNTIES

### Weekend Mass Schedules:

#### Saturday:

St. Boniface—Stuart—5:00 p.m.

St. Patrick—O'Neill—5:00 p.m.

#### SHBC—Saturday:

Week 1: Spencer—7:00 p.m.

Week 2: Spencer—7:00 p.m.

Week 3: Spencer—7:00 p.m.

Week 4: Butte—7:00 p.m.

Week 5: Spencer—7:00 p.m.



#### Sunday:

St. Joseph—Atkinson—9:00 a.m.

St. Patrick—O'Neill—10:30 a.m.

St. Joseph—Amelia—11:15 a.m.

#### SHBC—Sunday:

Butte—8:00 a.m.

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“This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.”

~ Mark 9:7

February 24—25, 2024

*Second Sunday of Lent*

## Mass Times and Intentions

Monday—Feb 26—5:30 p.m.

†**LLOYD MARKEN**

Tuesday—Feb 27—5:30 p.m.

†**MARY SHALD**

Wednesday—Feb 28—No Mass

Thursday—Feb 29—No Mass

Friday—Mar 1— Mass @ Parkside—2:00 p.m.

†**KENNY MLINAR**

Saturday—Mar 2—5:00 p.m.

†**HADEN KAUP**

Sunday—Mar 3—9:00 a.m.— Atkinson



Confession Time:  
Saturdays—4:30-4:50 p.m.  
or by appointment

## Collection: February 24—25—2024

Regular Envelopes (18)	\$1326.00
Loose	\$234.21
Special Collections:	
Ash Wednesday	\$205.00
Black/Indian Mission	\$294.00
Children's Collection	\$13.00
February On-line Donations	\$0.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2072.21</b>



EUCCHARISTIC  
ADORATION



### **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:**

**6:00—8:00 p.m.**

(3rd—4th—5th Mondays of Each Month)

**February**

**26th**

## Christian Mothers

Rosary—Monday & Tuesday @ 5:10 p.m.

Saturday @ 4:40 p.m.

Next function/funeral—Group 2

Next Meeting—April 8 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Basement



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## Events & Meetings

Mon—Feb 26—Eucharistic Adoration—6-8 p.m.

Wed—Feb 28—Youth Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes Meet @ 6:30 p.m.

Fri—Mar 1—Stations of the Cross @ 4:30 p.m.

Fri—Mar 1—KC Fish Fry—5-7:30 p.m.

Mon—Mar 4—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

Wed—Mar 6—Youth Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes Meet @ 6:30 p.m.

Mon—Mar 11—4th Degree KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.—Atk.

Wed—Mar 13—Youth Choir Practice @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes Meet @ 6:30 p.m.

Fri—Mar 15—Stations of the Cross @ 4:30 p.m.

Fri—Mar 15—KC Fish Fry—5-7:30 p.m.

Tues—Mar 19—Parish Council Meeting—7:00 p.m.



## Please Pray for . . .

Kirstine Chvala + Garrett Scholz

Kate Steinhauser + Lois Schaaf + Coralie Thomas

Adalynn & Remy Bouska

Our sympathies extended to the  
family of . . .

**Donna Walton**

Sister of Andrew Goebel,  
Richie Goebel, Marilyn Butler,  
Linda Kohle and  
Patty Batenhorst

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,  
and let perpetual light shine upon her.*

Religious Ed Class  
Schedule:

Feb 28—Class

March 6—Class

March 13—Class

March 20—NO Class

Ladies Guild—March 28 @ 2:00 p.m.



## Knights of Columbus

March 4—KC Meeting @ 7:30 p.m.

## 4th Degree Knights of Columbus

March 11—4th Degree Mtg @ 7:30 p.m.—Atkinson

*"Love God, Serve God; everything is in that." St. Clare of Assisi - Upcoming Liturgical Duties*

	Saturday—March 2	Saturday—March 9
	5:00 p.m.	5:00 p.m.
LECTOR:	Ken Kunz	Lisa Keogh
EMHC:	Kim Estes	John Kramer
SERVERS:	Karlee Wolf Kole Estill	Rylan Krysl Caleb Riha
USHERS:	John Kramer—Steve Wallinger Jared Wolf—Dave Batenhorst	John Kramer—Steve Wallinger Jared Wolf—Dave Batenhorst
GREETERS/GIFTS:	J & A Wondercheck Family	Travis & Tracy Ludwig Family
MONEY COUNTERS:	John & Sandra Kramer Dave & Patty Batenhorst	John & Sandra Kramer Dave & Patty Batenhorst

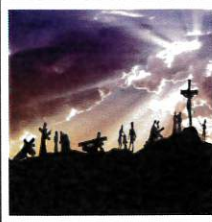
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**CHRISTIAN SPIRITUALITY PROGRAM RETREATS—MAY AND JUNE, 2024**—Eight-Day Silent Ignatian Retreats held May 17-26, 2024 or May 28-June 6, 2024. Now in its 50th year, Creighton University's globally recognized Christian Spirituality Program invites you to an individually directed, eight-day, silent Ignatian retreat. Join an internationally diverse group of student directors and retreatants to relax, contemplate, and revel in God's abundant presence in your life. Experience this unique opportunity at the beautiful Creighton University Retreat Center in Griswold, Iowa. Retreat fee includes single occupancy room, ensuite bath, meals, and all costs related to direction and supervision. \$850. Contact Liz Stevinson at [csp@creighton.edu](mailto:csp@creighton.edu) or 402-280-2501.

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING—FEBRUARY 27, 2024**—Parish Center in O'Neill at 6:00 p.m. If you would like to help in the CCD program with the kids, you need to take this training. Sign up at [cmgconnect.org](http://cmgconnect.org). Create a log in and look for "Live Events" and search for the training using the date. Call Jan Kunz @ 340-2303 if you have questions.

**MAN OF THE SHROUD PANEL EXHIBIT AND PRESENTATION—MARCH 20-31, 2024**—St. Boniface Parish (Stuart) and St. Mary's Parish (Spencer) will have an up-close experience of the most studied artifact of all time – The Shroud of Turin, what many believe to be the authentic burial cloth of Christ. The Man of the Shroud exhibit will include 42 beautifully-designed panels on display in the churches from March 20—March 24 in Spencer and March 26—March 31 in Stuart. This exhibit will raise the questions, *"Could the Shroud be the most important archaeological artifact ever found? Does it provide clues to what happened during the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus?"* On March 20 at 6:30 p.m. in O'Neill at St. Patrick's Parish Hall, Shroud expert, Jim Bertrand, M.Ed. of the American Confraternity of the Holy Shroud, will give a special presentation and a rare viewing of a Shroud replica, as well as replicas of the Crown of Thorns, whips, nails and Holy Sponge used in the Passion of Our Lord. For more information on this exhibit, visit: [spiritcatholicradio.com/shroud](http://spiritcatholicradio.com/shroud).

*"As Lent is the time for greater love, listen to Jesus' thirst . . . He knows your weakness. He only wants the chance to love you." ~ St. Teresa of Calcutta*



**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
 March 1 @ 4:30 pm  
 March 15 @ 4:30 pm  
 Good Friday - March 29  
 @ 7 pm

**LENT**  
 Pray + Fast + Give



## FROM THE DESK OF FATHER STARMAN—

Dear Parishioners and Friends of the Catholic Parishes of Western Holt and Boyd Counties,

What kind of parents would meekly comply with an order to kill their only child? What kind of God would ask such a thing? Disturbing questions arise from this weekend's first reading (Gen 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18), which opens: "God put Abraham to the test." The narrative that follows sounds a lot like what Scripture scholars have come to call a "call story." God calls Abraham by name, and Abraham twice responds with the same words Samuel used in his own call story (in 1 Samuel 3) and that Isaiah did in his: "Here I am!"

Call stories emphasize the eager willingness of a person to respond to God as well as the great sacrifices they are asked to make for the sake of the mission that God offers them. Genesis 12, prior to this weekend's passage, recounts the call of Abraham and his willingness even at the age of seventy-five, to leave his home in Haran to journey into the unknown. Abraham has shown himself responsive to all that God asks; he has committed himself fully to God in a covenant (Gen 15: 1-21). Unsettling questions arise as we ponder why God would now demand that Abraham sacrifice his precious son, an act that would seem to make impossible the fulfillment of God's promise of numerous descendants.

Might it be that the biblical writer is relating how Abraham continued to experience trials and tribulations, even as he tried his best to follow God's call? Having the mindset of whatever happens is God's doing, the writer attributes the "testing" of Abraham of God's intent. Did Abraham find, as we do, that even when we try to be most faithful, tragic things still happen? Or does this story in fact recall a time when Isaac's life was in jeopardy and Abraham felt responsible, and helpless to protect him? What parent has not had such frightening experiences? Parents also know that loving their children demands they be willing to let them go. All love relationships flourish only when there is freedom to let go of what is most precious, so as to receive it back as a gift. Even if Abraham had lost Isaac, that would not have nullified God's covenant of love.

The story of Abraham and Isaac invites us to reflect on times when, even though we try to be faithful, we do not correctly hear what God is saying. In rabbinic traditions, some sages have interpreted this text not as a test of Abraham, but of his misunderstanding. The author of one of the earliest midrashic works, called Genisis Rabbah, puts these startling words into God's mouth as he speaks to Abraham: "What, do you think that I meant for you to slay him? No! I said only for you to take him up . . . and now I say take him down." Perhaps an important lesson to be drawn here, the, is that practices of communal discernment offer an alternative model to that of relying the decisions of one person who might misunderstand what God has said. Often God speaks through a community of believers more clearly than through a single individual.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman,  
Pastor



<u>KC FISH FRIES</u>		
<u>Stuart</u> March 1 Church Basement 5:00—7:30 pm		<u>Atkinson</u> March 8 KC Hall 5:00—7:30 pm
Dine-in or Carry Out		