

# ST. BONIFACE PARISH

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WEEKEND MASS: Saturday - 5:00 pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday & Tuesday - 5:30 pm

PEACEMAKERS WILL BE CALLED CHILDREN GOD FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS PERSECUTED IS KINGDOM OF HEAVEN  
THEIRS IN SPIRIT IS THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN MEEK WILL INHERIT THE EARTH HUNGER  
BLESSED ARE...  
MOURN FOR THEY WILL BE COMFORTED THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS  
MERCIFUL WILL BE SHOWN MERCY ZHEART WILL SEE GOD FILLED

JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 1, 2026

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Catholic Parishes of Western Holt & Boyd Counties

### SATURDAY

St. Boniface - Stuart - 5:00 pm  
St. Patrick - O'Neill - 5:00 pm

### SHBC - SATURDAY - 7:00 pm

Week 1: St. Mary - Spencer  
Week 2: St. Mary - Spencer  
Week 3: St. Mary - Spencer  
Week 4: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte  
Week 5: St. Mary - Spencer

### Mass Schedules:



### SUNDAY

St. Joseph - Atkinson - 9:00 am  
St. Patrick - O'Neill - 10:30 am  
St. Joseph - Amelia - 11:15 am  
SHBC - SUNDAY - 8:00 am  
Week 1: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte  
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Week 3: Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte  
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## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	FEB 7 5:00 PM	FEB 14 5:00 PM
LECTOR:	Terry Murphy	Darby Paxton
EMHC:	Jennifer Schmaderer	Terry Murphy
SERVERS:	Rylan Krysl Alexis Lange Truman Addison	Karlee Wolf Jase Wolf Emily Karo
GREETERS/ GIFTS:	First Communion Class	Robert & Patty Hanzlik
USHERS:	Leon Kramer Jeff Wallinger Tom Krysl Gary Stoltenberg	Leon Kramer Jeff Wallinger Tom Krysl Gary Stoltenberg
MONEY COUNTERS:	Jeff & Kim Wallinger	Jeff & Kim Wallinger

Our time, talents, and treasure are on loan from God. Give them away with unlimited generosity.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Monday - February 2 - NO MASS

Tuesday - February 3 - NO MASS

Wednesday - February 4 - NO MASS

Thursday - February 5 - NO MASS

Friday - February 6 - 2:00 p.m. @ PARKSIDE  
† MAX KUNZ

Saturday - February 7 - 5:00 p.m.

† JIM KUNZ

Sunday - February 8 - 9:00 a.m. - Atkinson

## EVENTS AND MEETINGS

### Monday - February 2

KC Meeting  
7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday - February 4

Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes @ 6:30 p.m.

### Monday - February 9

4<sup>th</sup> Degree KC Meeting  
7:30 p.m.

### Wednesday - February 11

NO Youth Choir  
NO CCD Classes

### Wednesday - February 18

ASH WEDNESDAY  
Youth Choir Sings  
Mass @ 5:00 p.m.

### Wednesday - February 18

NO Youth Choir  
NO CCD Classes

### Friday - February 20

Stations of the Cross @ 4:30 p.m.  
KC Fish Fry - Stuart @ 5:00 p.m.

"The  
Lord  
watches  
over  
all  
who  
honor  
Him  
and  
trust  
His  
kindness."

## STEWARDSHIP:

### January 25, 2026

Regular Envelopes	\$790.00
Loose	\$455.00
Children's Collection	\$30.00

Electronic Donations:  
February 1st  
February 15th

Special Collections:

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$1275.00</b>
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## NOTEWORTHY

OACCW WINTER MEETING - FEBRUARY 10, 2026 - All women are invited to attend the OACCW (Archdiocese Council of Catholic Women) meeting on Tuesday, February 10, 2026 at the KC Hall in Atkinson. ITINERARY: 9:30 a.m. Registration of \$10 includes coffee/rolls and lunch. 10:00 a.m. meeting hosted by RNW Deanery ladies. 11:30 Mass, Lunch, Afternoon-Commission Reports. RSVP encouraged by February 1st for lunch count to Leonarda Arens OACCW President via email at [arensljrepair@hotmail.com](mailto:arensljrepair@hotmail.com) or text to 402-253-5120.

### ASH WEDNESDAY - FEBRUARY 18, 2026 - SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND SERVICES

8:10 a.m. - Mass - St. Patrick - O'Neill  
8:15 a.m. - Mass - St. Joseph - Atkinson  
12:15 p.m. - Blessing & Distribution of Ashes - St. Patrick - O'Neill  
5:00 p.m. - Mass - St. Boniface - Stuart  
6:30 p.m. - Mass - Ss. Peter & Paul - Butte  
7:00 p.m. - Mass - St. Joseph - Amelia  
7:00 p.m. - Blessing & Distribution of Ashes - St. Patrick - O'Neill



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS FISH FRY FRIDAY SCHEDULES - STARTING SOON!

Stuart - St. Boniface Church Basement - 5 - 7:30 p.m. - February 20, March 6, March 20  
Atkinson - KC Hall - 5 - 8:00 p.m. - February 27, March 13, March 27

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday at 4:30 p.m. starting on February 20<sup>th</sup>.

UPCOMING SPECIAL COLLECTION - FEBRUARY 21-22, 2026 - A special collection will be taken up for Black and Indian Missions on the weekend of February 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>.

RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS - How similar we all are in sin. How similar we all are in potential. How different we look to the world. And yet, how wondrous it is that we are all offered the same hope: "Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in Heaven."

Please keep in your prayers our Seminarian of the Month: Michael Figura



#### ASH WEDNESDAY - FEB. 18 MINISTRY SCHEDULE

5:00 p.m.  
Lector: Kim Estes  
EMHC: Darby Paxton  
Servers: Confirmation Students  
Greeters/Gifts: Confirmation Students

#### CCD INFORMATION:

February 4th  
Youth Choir @ 6:00 p.m.  
CCD Classes Meet @ 6:30 p.m.

February 11th  
NO Youth Choir  
NO CCD Classes

#### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

Next Mtg: March 9  
@ 6:00 p.m.  
Church Basement  
Next Funeral/Function:  
CH 1

#### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

KC Mtg:  
February 2 @ 7:30 p.m.  
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4<sup>th</sup> Degree Mtg:  
February 9 @ 7:30 p.m.  
Location: Stuart

#### LADIES GUILD GATHERING

February 26  
2:00 p.m.  
St. Boniface  
School Building

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Beckett Block  
Luke Olberding  
Kirstine Chvala  
Lois Schaaf  
Norbert & Jeanette  
Starman



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

How do we find fulfillment and joy when the effects of sin and strife have marred the past and when hunger, poverty, devastation of the planet, ongoing wars, and terrorism point to a bleak future? In this weekend's gospel (Matt 5:1-12a), Jesus sums up in eight statements a way of life that brings happiness and blessing already in the present, along with the promise of fullness of joy in days to come. There is nothing terribly new in this teaching. The prophets and wisdom teachers before Jesus spoke in a similar manner (e.g. Prov 3:13; 28:14; Sir 25:7-9; Isa 30:18; 32:20). Each statement of the Beatitudes begins, *makarioi hoi*, "Bless (or "happy") are those who . . ." Each is in the third person plural, indicating communal action and relationship. The first thing the Beatitudes tell us, then, is that living them is not an individual pursuit.

The Beatitudes name the ways in which peoples' happiness is threatened: grinding poverty (the Greek *ptechos* in verse 3 denotes "beggar," one who is destitute), grief, landlessness, war, and persecution. Jesus does not advise that those so afflicted simply wait for a reversal of fortune in the hereafter, though the final verse does speak of great reward in heaven.

Jesus also counsels attitudes and actions that will bring about the reign of God, already tasted in the present. To be poor in spirit is not to accept poverty as an inevitable state of life, but rather to find one's wealth in God, to trust in God's care for the poor (Exod 22:25-27 ; Isa 61:1), and to seek righteousness, which rectifies the unequal distribution of goods, so that all have enough to thrive.

To be meek is not to be shrinking violets who accept injustice but, rather, to know our proper place as children of God and to ensure that all are treated as full heirs of God's realm. To be peace builders, we are to engage in acts of mercy and forgiveness, which cleanses the heart and allows us to see God in the faces of our brothers and sisters in the here and now. And like the grieving woman who went to the tomb of Jesus, we do not mourn in despair when we suffer a loss, but we allow our sorrow to be transformed by hope in the risen One.

Such a manner of life is able to heal the hurtful memories of the past and to transform the present toward a hope-filled future. This not proposed as an intense form of Christianity meant for only a few select persons (as some in past generations suggested). Jesus addresses this teaching to all his disciples and to a great crowd inviting them to recognize their capacity for happiness in the present by espousing attitudes and actions that will influence the future.

Jesus's teaching is different from often-quoted maxim of Nathaniel Hawthorne (1804-64): "Happiness is a butterfly, which, when pursued, is always just beyond your grasp, but which, if you will sit down quietly, may alight upon you." Happiness is available to us when we pursue Jesus's manner of living which is already within our grasp.

Ad multos annos!

Fr. Bernard Starman  
Pastor