

**NEWS/HAPPENINGS/RETREATS**

**Diaconate Formation Class**

A new formation cohort for the permanent diaconate will begin **August 2025** If you are interested on the permanent diaconate you and your wife are invited to a dinner at St. James Basilica, Jamestown **May 7th at 6:00 pm.** Where Msgr. Schlesselmann and diaconate formation team will share information on the permanent diaconate. Please RVSP by **April 19th.** For more information, including age requirements and RSVP link, available at <https://www.fargodiocese.org/permanentdeacons>

**St. Stephen's website:** Check out our website. It has information pertaining to our church, you can also access the bulletin there. If anyone is unable to come to church and does not have access to a computer and would like a bulletin please call the office and leave a message with your name and address and a bulletin will be mailed to you. <https://larimoreststephens.weebly.com>

**Prayer & Spiritual Direction program**

The University of Mary's graduate certificate program in prayer and spiritual direction, consisting of three courses with the Triune God. Under the mentorship of Monsignor James Shea, Monsignor Thomas J. Richter, and Father Wayne Sattler, you'll explore the Catholic spiritual and mystical tradition attune your mind and heart to the spirit's voice, and prepare to meet the Church's and the world's need for faithful, joyful witnesses to Christ's redeeming love. Classes meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, starting May 7. Certificate recipients can easily stack their earned credits into a master's degree plan. Reserve your place or learn more at [umary.edu/Prayer](http://umary.edu/Prayer)

**Tim Mosser, Director of the Fargo Diocese**

Respect Life Office, will lead a retreat entitled **Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life on May 9-11, 2024** at Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City. The Retreat will focus on St John Paul II's teaching on the human person known as the "Theology of the Body" and its connection to the Church's teaching on such issues as marriage, contraception, abortion, euthanasia, artificial reproduction, gender and the Eucharist. There will also be Mass, Confessions, Adoration, Praise and Worship music and time for prayer and reflection. You can register as a married couple, single person or as a parent with a teen at least 16 years old. Come learn the "why" behind the "what" of all these important issues and how to share it with others! For more information and to register go to [maryvalend.org](http://maryvalend.org) or contact Tim Mosser at [tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org](mailto:tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org)

The Franciscan Sister of Dillingen invite you to our annual Mother Daughter Days

Thursday evening to Saturday noon June 13-15 or July 11-13.

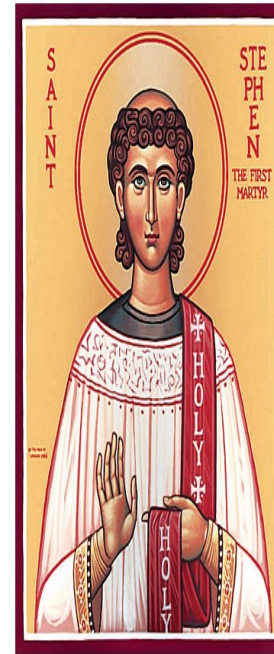
See bulletin board for more information and how to register

**"Fearfully and Wonderfully Made"**

A retreat experience for women  
Beloved Sister Retreat: May 2nd—4th, 2024  
Beloved Spouse Retreat: Aug 8th—10th, 2024  
Beloved Mother Retreat: Oct 3rd—5th, 2024  
Registration: \$50 Cost: \$200-\$250  
Place: Maryvale, Valley City, ND  
To Register go to [www.Maryvalend.org](http://www.Maryvalend.org)  
See the bulletin board for more information.

**The Diocese of Fargo is offering pilgrimages for the year 2024 and 2025.**

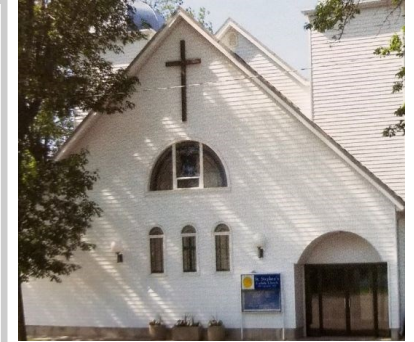
Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN. July 16-22.  
Marian Pilgrimage, Oct 21-Oct 31 2024 to Fatima, Spain and Lourdes. Italy, October 28th- Nov 6th 2025. For more information and to sign up go to: [www.fargodiosese.org/pilgrimages](http://www.fargodiosese.org/pilgrimages).  
Is God calling you?



**ST. STEPHEN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH**

**APRIL 07, 2024**

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**



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**SCHEDULE OF MASSES**

<u>Date:</u>	<u>Time:</u>	<u>Place:</u>	<u>Mass Intention</u>
08 Monday	No Public Mass		
09 Tuesday	5:30 pm Mass	St. Stephen's	†Fr. Gerald Meyers Better health for Danny Doak Pro Populo
10 Wednesday	5:30 pm Mass	"	
11 Thursday	No Mass		
12 Friday	No Mass		
13 Saturday	5:00 pm Vigil	St. Stephen's	†Rose & Bill Murphy
14 Sunday	9:00 am Mass	St. Stephen's	†Jackie McMahon



If you are new to the parish welcome. Please take a moment and fill out a family registration form located on the table in the narthex either mail it or drop it in the offertory basket. We looked forward to meeting you.



Altar Society will meet April 14th after Mass. All women are welcome to join us in fellowship.



**Thank you!**

Together we changed lives this Lent through CRS Rice Bowl! Thank you for being a part of this effort!

**Don't forget to turn in your CRS Rice Bowl or donate online at [crsrice-bowl.org/donate](http://crsrice-bowl.org/donate).**

DATE	APR 06	APR 07	APR 13	APR 14
TIME:	7:00 pm	9:00 am	5:00 pm	9:00 am
Mass	Carolee	Pro	† Rose & Bill	† Jackie
INTENTION	ANDERSON	Populo	Murphy	McMahon
EMHC/ LECTOR:	Sarah Sarah	Volunteer Volunteer	Sarah Sarah	Volunteer Volunteer
MUSIC:	Bob Greene	Karen & Paulette	Bob Greene	Karen & Paulette



The Rosary starts 30 min before Mass. This month's rosary will be led by the Knights

**Prayer intentions for April**

**Pope Francis' intentions**

*For the Role of Women*  
 "That the dignity and richness of women be recognized in all cultures, and for an end to the discrimination they suffer in various parts of the world."

God of all ages,  
 You send out your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, look kindly on our candidates for **Confirmation** as they seek to hear your voice.

**Sacrament of Penance and Reconciliation:** Every Saturday and Sunday 30 minutes before Mass or by appointment.

**Baptism Preparation:** If you need to have your child baptized, please call Fr. Casey for an appointment. A pre-baptism class and a meeting with the priest is required.

**Matrimony:** To be married at St Stephen's, one or both persons of the engaged couple must be a practicing Catholic. St Stephen's must be contacted 6 months prior to the wedding.

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults:** If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church please contact the parish office or Father Casey.

**You are invited to offer your Mass intentions** at St. Stephen's. There are Mass intention envelopes in the front and both side entrances of the church. Make checks payable to St. Stephen's and indicate if the person is deceased.

"We have loved them during life; let us not abandon them in death, until we have conducted them by our prayers into the house of the Lord." St. Ambrose

**Stewardship Moment**

*"The community of believers was of one heart and mind, and no one claimed that any of his possessions was his own..." ~ ACTS 4:32*

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talent, and your money—these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts

**Gifts to Altar Mar. 30th - Mar. 31st**

Envelopes: \$ unavailable  
 Plate: \$ unavailable

Stained Glass Window Project:  
 \$ 0.00

**Our Stewardship Status 2024**

Budget	Received Adult
Adult \$ 105,000.00	\$ 18,357.00
Plate: \$ 7,000.00	\$ 1,042.00

Cost of Project	Received
\$ 59,107.00	\$44,416.30



**Chaplet of Divine Mercy**

- In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**
- O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!**
- Our Father. Hail Mary. The Apostle's Creed**
- Eternal Father, I offer you the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Your Dearly Beloved Son, Our Lord, Jesus Christ, in atonement for our sins and those of the whole world.**
- For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world (Say 10x)**
- Repeat "Eternal Father" (4) & For the sake of His sorrowful Passion" (5) 4 times.**
- Conclude with: Holy God, Holy Mighty One, Holy Immortal One, have mercy on us and on the whole world 3 times.**

**-Catholics striving for holiness-**

**Concern for Souls**—The Eucharist gives us spiritual strength for our journey through life. Perhaps you know fallen away Catholics who are spiritually "starving" from being away from the Bread of Life for so long. Easter may be a time to invite them back to the joy of the eucharist .

"When we work hard, we must eat well. What a joy that you can receive Holy Communion often! It's our life and support in this life. Receive Communion often, and Jesus will change you into himself."

~St. Peter Julian Eymard

**God's Gift Appeal 2024**

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2024 God's Gift Appeal. St. Stephen's is 55% towards our goal of **\$26,273.00**. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the narthex. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.