



St. Mary's Church  
Dalton, NE 69131



All Souls' Church  
Bridgeport, NE 69336  
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Sacred Heart Church  
Bayard, NE 69334

12/31

Sunday

11.00 AM

Dalton

Deceased of Kettler Family

**ALL SOULS**  
**701 P STREET**  
**BRIDGEPORT NE 69336**

**JAN/FEB/MAR - MASS TIME**  
Tuesday—6:00 PM  
Sunday—8:00 AM

**No Community Gathering**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$600.00
CHILDREN	\$12.00
PLATE	\$281.00
SUBTOTAL	\$893.00
MASS STIPEND	
CHRISTMAS	\$100.00
SOLEMNITY OF MARY	\$50.00
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	\$80.00
RETIRED RELIGIOUS	\$79.00
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	\$20.00
TOTAL	\$1222.00
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

- Prayer line requests may be made to Carolyn-262-0453 or Teresa-262-0439



**SACRED HEART**  
**942 AVE B**  
**BAYARD NE 69334**

**JAN/FEB/MAR - MASS TIME**  
Friday – 6:00 PM  
Sunday – 10:30 AM

**No Community Gathering**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$386.00
CHILDREN	\$7.50
PLATE	\$272.00
SUBTOTAL	\$665.50
MASS STIPEND	
RESALE REL. ART	
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	\$170.00
TOTAL	\$835.50
BUILDING FUND	
APPEAL	

- Carry in potluck after mass on Jan 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- Prayer line requests may be made to Paula Contreras 308-586-2992.



**SAINT MARY'S**  
**EAST FRANCIS ST**  
**DALTON NE 69131**  
[www.stmarysdalton.com](http://www.stmarysdalton.com)

**JAN/FEB/MAR - MASS TIME**  
Thursday – 6:00 PM  
Saturday – 5:00 PM

**Community Gathering**  
**December 28**  
**St. Boniface**  
**Patrick & Marilyn Ernest**  
**12386, Road 56, Dalton**  
**(308-377-2392)**

**OUR GIFTS TO GOD & CHURCH**

ADULTS	\$1016.00
CHILDREN	\$6.00
PLATE	\$303.00
SUBTOTAL	\$1325.00
MASS STIPEND	\$20.00
RESALE REL. ART	\$45.00
RETIRED RELIGIOUS	\$120.00
CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	\$70.00
TOTAL	\$1580.00
BUILDING FUND	\$430.00
APPEAL	\$3078.74

- Prayer line requests may be made to DeAnn Ernest – 249-1735.
- The rosary is prayed ½ hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.



Dear Sisters, Brothers, and Children in Jesus Christ,  
Do not forget to celebrate Christmas. Yes, you heard me right: Do not forget me to celebrate Christmas. It is possible that December 25<sup>th</sup> passes us by without our knowing that it is the birthday of Jesus. It is the commemoration of God becoming human over 2000 years ago and beginning to dwell among us humans. Jesus emptied himself taking upon himself the human form....He became one among us like in everything except sin. (Hebrews 4:15, Philippians 2: 6 ff).

Simplicity, humility, and submissiveness to God's will – these are the characteristics of the first Christmas. In our hearts, can we capture for a moment the simplicity of the king of the universe born in a manger? Can we try to understand the humility of the three wise men visiting the new born? Can we recognize the submissiveness to God's will that Joseph and Mary exhibited at Jesus' birth and at all the happenings that they were subject to, thereafter?

Celebrating Christmas is to imbibe the spirit of simplicity, humility and submissiveness to God and nurture those qualities in our hearts and in our lives. Let's not forget the first angelic hymn sung at the birth of the King of kings "Glory to God in the highest; And on earth peace to people of good will". It is important to note that the message of Christmas was first brought to the simplest of all simple people – the shepherds of Bethlehem. The simplest are the greatest in the eyes of God. "The one who humbles oneself will be exalted (by God)" (Matthew 23: 12).

In the complexities of our daily lives, if we can content ourselves being simple in our thoughts, words and actions that is what is most desirable to be a true follower of Christ who was born and lived simple. Remember the Son of God had no place to be born (for they had no room in the inn). He died hanging on the cross. He was buried in a tomb that belonged to someone else. If so, can we get rid of all our desires of accumulating everything for ourselves, amassing enormous wealth and comforts for ourselves and try to be caught up with the true spirit of Christmas?

Yours in Christ Jesus,

**Fr. C. P. Varghese**

Pastor

Kindly take note of the following:

- The Christmas mass times are as follows:  
**Bridgeport – Sunday, Dec 24: 7 PM, Dalton – Sunday, Dec 24: 10 PM, Bayard – Monday, Dec 25: 8 AM**
- Participation in both weekend mass and Christmas mass is obligatory (It is not an 'either or').
- Kindly cooperate with all those who are taking up leadership in music, decoration and other ministries.
- Please follow the schedule of ministries for Christmas Liturgy, which has been already announced.

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK**

Date	Day	Time	Place	Intention
12/25	Monday	8.00 AM	Bayard	Christmas Mass
12/26	Tuesday	6.00 PM	Bridgeport	Dorothy Stull
12/27	Wednesday	No Mass Today		
12/28	Thursday	6.00 PM	Dalton	Samantha Ernest
12/29	Friday	6.00 PM	Bayard	Jason Sauer
12/30	Saturday	5.00 PM	Bridgeport	Andrew Lummel
12/31	Sunday	8.00 AM	Bayard	Frances Sturgeon