

**Pope Francis is inviting Catholics to pray a rosary each day in May for the end of COVID-19. Please join him in this special intention if you are able.**

A family data sheet should have come in the mail with the letter from the bishop.  
**\*\*\*IF YOU DIDN'T GET THE FORM, PLEASE PICK UP ONE AT CHURCH OR AT steeletappenmedina.org. Sorry! We missed some!\*\*\*** We are asking you to fill it out and return it in the stamped envelope. If you don't have all the information, fill out what you can. **Thank you very much to those who have responded!!**

**REINSTATING THE GENERAL OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS**

. . . . Whereas, circumstances now allow us to attend Mass safely; Therefore, beginning **May 1, 2021**, the general obligation to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is reinstated in the Diocese of Fargo.

This obligation does not apply to those who are ill; those who have reason to believe they were recently exposed to Covid-19 or another serious or contagious illness; those who are confined to their home, a hospital, or a nursing facility; those who care for the sick, the infirm, and the homebound; those who are unable to attend Mass through no fault of their own; those with underlying health conditions or in a high-risk category; and those who have significant fear or anxiety of becoming ill by attending Mass. One should consult their pastor if questions arise about the obligation to attend Mass. . . . +John T. Folda, Bishop of Fargo

**OFFERTORY APRIL 2021**

**“Give and it will be given to you.” Luke 6:38. God bless your generosity!**

Note: Other Income for Steele is the reimbursement for Jan-Mar shared expenses from Tappen and Medina.

	Adult Envelope	Child Envelope	Plate	Other income	Month Total	Avg. Monthly Expense 2020	Special collections (non-parish)
Steele	\$3810.00	\$22.15	\$299.00	\$7123.04	<b>\$11254.19</b>	<b>\$8197.00</b>	\$490.96
Tappen	\$877.00	\$8.00	\$1255.00	\$0.00	<b>\$2140.00</b>	<b>\$1807.00</b>	\$270.00
Medina	\$1333.00	\$0.00	\$528.00	\$0.00	<b>\$1861.00</b>	<b>\$3208.00</b>	\$191.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: GRADES 8-12, at St. Francis de Sales Church, **Completed for the year.**  
 GRADES 1-7, Tappen on 2nd and 3rd Sundays, 9:45 to 10:45. GRADES 1-7, Steele each Sun. 9:45 to 10:45. **Religious education ends May 9th for grades 1-7 at Steele.**

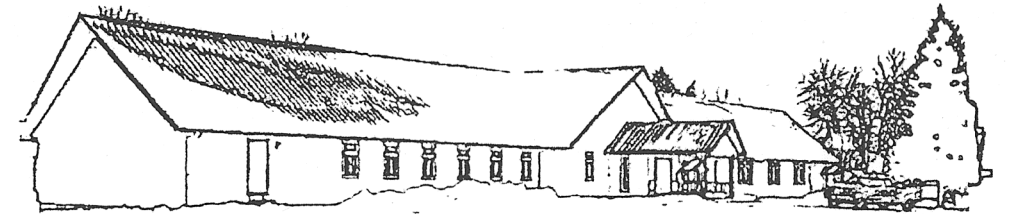
*St. Francis de Sales*

**CATHOLIC CHURCH**

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*St. Paul's Church*  
Tappen, ND

*St. Mary's Church*  
Medina, ND



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**Fifth Sunday  
of Easter  
May 2nd, 2021**  
1st Sun. of the month

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**STEELE**  
1st, 3rd, & 5th Sunday 9:00 AM  
2nd & 4th Sunday 11:00 AM  
**TAPPEN**  
1st, 4th & 5th Saturday 5:00 PM  
2nd Sunday 9:00 AM  
3rd Sunday 11:00 AM  
**MEDINA**  
2nd & 3rd Saturday 5:00 PM  
4th Sunday 9:00 AM  
1st and 5th Sunday 11:00 AM



# Liturgy Schedule

Sat	May 1	5:00 PM	Tappen	+Joe Fettig
Sun	May 2	9:00 AM	Steele	Parishioners
Sun	May 2	11:00 AM	Medina	+Richard Johnson
Tues	May 4	6:00 PM	Steele	<i>Holy Hour and Adoration</i>
Tues	May 4	7:00 PM	Steele	Jerome and +Kim Helten
Wed	May 5	9:00 AM	Steele	+Van and Rose Stockert
Thurs	May 6	9:00 AM	Medina	+Robert and Annabelle Smith
Fri	May 7	7:30 AM	Steele	+Georgia Strand
Fri	May 7	8:00 AM	Steele	<i>Holy Hour and Adoration</i>
Sat	May 8	<b>4:00 PM</b>	Medina	+Owan and Margaret McGruder
Sun	May 9	9:00 AM	Tappen	Parishioners
Sun	May 9	11:00 AM	Steele	+Van and Rose Stockert
Tues	May 11	6:00 PM	Steele	<i>Holy Hour and Adoration</i>
Tues	May 11	7:00 PM	Steele	+Van and Rose Stockert
Tues	May 11	7:15 PM	Steele	<i>Confessions</i>
Wed	May 12	9:00 AM	Steele	Special Intention
Thurs	May 13	9:00 AM	Medina	+Marie Laber
Fri	May 14	7:30 AM	Steele	+Van and Rose Stockert
Fri	May 14	8:00 AM	Steele	<i>Holy Hour and Adoration</i>
Sat	May 15	5:00 PM	Medina	+Pierre Bonaime
Sun	May 16	9:00 AM	Steele	Parishioners
Sun	May 16	11:00 AM	Tappen	+Joe and Jim Birrenkott

**ROSARY:** 20 minutes prior to all Steele Masses;

During May, prior to weekend Medina Masses

**ADORATION:** At Steele on Tuesdays at 6:00 PM, Fridays at 8:00 AM.

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:** Before most weekend Masses: in Steele in the parish office, in Medina in the right hand sacristy, and in Tappen in the confessional. Or by appointment by calling Fr. Peter at 701-520-2904. **Starting May 11th, confessions at Steele on Tuesday evenings from 7:45 pm to 8:30 pm, unless announced otherwise in the bulletin at steeletappenmedina.org**

## MAY CLEANING AND SERVING GROUPS

<b>St. Francis de Sales Church</b>	<b>St. Paul's Church</b>
Nadine Hoffman*	Serena Schmidt*
Joyce George	Carmen Mittleider
Christina Ardnt	Stephanie Braun
Joyce Nelson	<b>St. Mary's Church</b>
Bina Krebsbach	Val Flegel
	Mary Jane Henley

### NEWS FOR THE BULLETIN

Please give any news to Fr. Peter at 701-520-2904 or 475-2333 before noon Thursday.

### AUTOMATIC INTERNET GIVING

Automatic Internet Giving from your bank is available and encouraged for all three parishes. Please see the sheet on the home page of our website: steeletappenmedina.org

## COVID UPDATE

As of 4/30/2021 the Kidder and Stutsman counties Covid threat level is Green or Low Risk. In Steele we will continue turning on the TV in the social hall. Please stay aware of CDC and state recommendations. **Hand sanitizer and masks are available.**

### HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS:

May 2021: Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

### OTHER NEWS

- Last Wed. Rel. Ed. Class (5/5) gr 8-12 CANCELED (school conflict).
- Medina Mass on Sat. May 8th is at **4:00 PM** due to the later confirmation Mass in Napoleon. Sorry for the bother.
- **Confirmation Mass is at 7 PM at St. Philip Neri's in Napoleon on Saturday May 8th. Families with 3rd graders please arrive an hour earlier.**
- There is a dinner planned at Medina on May 2nd after Mass.
- We are planning to honor our graduating seniors at the end of the 11 AM Mass in Steele on May 9th followed by a Mother's day Breakfast.
- St. Paul's seniors also be honored on May 9th at the 9:00 AM Mass with breakfast following in the church hall.
- We plan to have a parish celebration of the First Communion 3rd graders at 9 AM Mass on May 16th.
- **Religious education classes end on May 5th for the 8-12th and May 9th for the 1-7th in Steele.** This is according to the schedule sent out at the beginning of the semester. God bless your summer!!
- Mass intentions have been plentiful, thank you for thinking of your loved ones. However due to the current number of around two hundred, it is taking a while to have them said, since I am able to say about five to six intentions per week. If you have a question about whether an intention is still on the list, please call me so I can look it up in the book.
- **End of Summer Vacation Bible Camp:** please mark your calendars. We are planning a two day evening Bible Camp here at St. Francis de Sales on Aug 2nd and 3rd for grades 1-5. More information will be made available later.



### GOD'S GIFT 2021 UPDATE

Medina: Goal \$6,665. As of 4/30/2021, 13 of 36 families have pledged \$4800 for 72% of the goal  
 Tappen: Goal \$4,496. As of 4/30/2021, 6 of 23 families have pledged \$981 for 22% of the goal  
 Steele: Goal \$16,189. As of 4/30/2021, 35 of 90 families have pledged \$13,375 for 83% of goal