Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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August 14-15, 2021 Assumption of Mary





Faith Formation

Lucy@bscwf.org



Faith Formation Opening Mass: Wednesday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m. For ALL students, families and all catechists. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Following Mass there will be parent meetings and tours in the Social Hall.

Attention WOW (High School) students!

Something new and exciting is coming your way! The WOW program has a new look and focus. WOW will be student driven in terms of content and activity, with the guidance and support of teachers and staff. WOW will be a traditional youth group; a community of responsible youth who not only have fun but more importantly continue to learn and serve others as Christ did.

One of the highlights will be four Escape Room challenges throughout the year. Teams will work together to crack the code, solve the mystery, and escape in the nick of time. Also, student officers will be selected. Those officers will assist in the planning, organizing, and implementing agreed upon activities.

We encourage all Blessed Sacrament high school students to join the WOW group and invite friends to participate. We are excited and hope that you will be too. This will be the beginning of a blessed year for WOW!

Class Start Dates & Times

Preschool / Kindergarten (PK)

Sunday, September 12, 10:30 a.m.

Grades 1-5

Wednesday, September 15, 5:30 p.m. B4WOW (Grades 6-8)

Wednesday, September 22, 5:30 p.m. WOW (Grades 9-12)

Wednesday, September 15, 7:00 p.m.

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, August 15 – Assumption of BVM 9:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Monday, August 16 – No Mass

Tuesday, August 17 – No Mass

Wednesday, August 18 – No Mass

Thursday, August 19 – No Mass

Friday, August 20 - No Mass

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 21 4-4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - + Emily Dufner

Sunday, August 22

9:30 a.m.

Offertory Gifts

August 7-8, 2021

Adult: \$5,566. Children: \$11.31

Improvements: \$85. Firm Foundation: \$120.

Poor Fund: \$135.

Collected to Date		Goal to Date
\$210,589.75	Adult	\$243,200.00
\$505.54	Children	\$960.00
\$116,864.00	Improvements	\$32,000.00
\$370,513.05	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$62,929.00	God's Gift	\$76,212.00

This Week:

Sunday - Coffee & Goodies Following Mass

No Daily Mass THIS WEEK.

Parish Office Closed: Friday August 20.

Mission Statement:

As loving disciples, we the faith community of Blessed Sacrament, strive for full and active participation in joyfully serving Christ while recognizing the gifts and dignity of all.

B4WOW Time Change: Students (grades 6-8) will be meeting at <u>5:30 p.m</u>. twice per month beginning Wednesday, September 22.

The Faith Formation Calendar is attached to this bulletin!

Parish Life

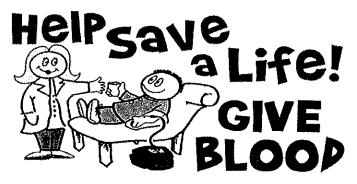
Birthday We pray for those celebrating a birthday this week:

Dolores Porter (8/16) Happy Birthday

Blessed Sacrament Blood Drive, Monday, August 30, 2-6 p.m., Social Hall. We are working with Vitalant of Fargo. Our goal is to get 30 people to donate that day. So far we have TEN names on the donor list! Anyone age 16 on up can donate. 16 year old's must have a parental consent form. Call the Parish Office 282-3321 or go to vitalent.com and use sponsor code bswf.

WHY Donate Blood? (reason's #3 & 4)

- You get a free health check-up. Before you donate, a nurse checks your temperature, blood pressure and pulse. In fact, some people find out through donating blood that they have high blood pressure and need to follow up with a healthcare provider.
- 4. FIVE MILLION Americans needed blood transfusions last year! Blood helps trauma and burn patients, premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant recipients and those fighting cancer, among others.



<u>Sick List</u>: Please join us in praying for all our ill parishioners and family members.

Delaine Hilzendeger (brother of Tina Tweeter),

Bob Yanish, Bryan Kuntz, Janice Leidal.

Daily Readings - August 15-21, 2021

<u>August 15</u>: Rv 11:19a,12:1-6a,10ab,

1 Cor 15:20-27, Lk 1:39-56

<u>August 16</u>: Jgs 2:11-19, Mt 19:16-22

<u>August 17</u>: Jgs 6:11-24a, Mt 19:23-30

August 18: Jgs 9:6-15, Mt 20:1-16

<u>August 19</u>: Jgs 11:29-39a, Mt 22:1-14

<u>August 20</u>: Ru 1:1,3-6,14b-16,22, Mt 22:34-40 <u>August 21</u>: Ru 2:1-3,8-11,4:13-17, Mt 23:1-12

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

August 15: Nicolas Krebsbach

August 16: Richard Burckhard

August 18: John Voeller

August 19: Allan Fandrick

August 21: Violet Kemp

<u>Trivia</u> Holy Chrism is...

- a) Oil to which balsam is added for fragrance
- b) Blessed during Holy Week at the Chrism Mass
- c) Used in Baptism, Confirmation, and Holy Orders
- d) All of these

d) Chrism comes from a Greek word meaning "to anoint." The oil that is blessed at the Chrism Mass is distributed and used in all the parishes of a diocese.

Community / Diocesan Events

Join Cub Scouts! Boys in grades K-5 are invited to join Cub Scouts Pack 4222! Welcome night is 6 p.m. Monday August 30 at: Center for Scouting - 4200 19 Ave. S, Fargo. We are a Nativity Church chartered BSA Pack and adhere to the precepts of the Catholic Church. Information: bsapack4222@gmail.com

Veggies for the Pantry. Donate your excess fruit and vegetables to the 'Veggies for the Pantry Program' sponsored by the Emergency Food Pantry. Drop off on Mondays between 6:30-7 p.m. (until the 1st frost). West Fargo locations: Holy Cross, 2711 7th Ave E and Community Presbyterian Church, 702 Sheyenne.

Beginning Experience (BE) presents "Coping with Life Alone" a 10-week program starting Monday Sept. 13, Registration 6 p.m. session begins at 6:30 p.m. Liberty Brethren Lutheran Church, 1702 32 Ave S, Fargo. This program is for widowed, divorced, or separated persons. Helping to understand the grieving process and the stages of grief. Led by peers who have experienced similar losses in their own lives. The cost is \$45 which includes material. For more information call 701-277-8784, leave a message.

Job Openings: See the bulletin board in the Blessed Sacrament Gathering Area for a list of all current job openings throughout the Fargo Diocese. Or go to: https://www.fargodiocese.org/jobopenings

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Reflections on the Solemnity of the Assumption - August 15th, 2021 Fr. Gary Luiten

Mary, our Model of Hope

The church teaches that on this day, the ever-virgin Mary, having completed the course of her earthly life, was "assumed body and soul into heavenly glory." Mary left this life to be with her Son, Jesus in heaven. And so, in a sense, we could call August 15th an anniversary of her death.

Why do we celebrate anniversaries of death? You would think that would humiliate the person. A person could conclude that we are glad that the person is dead, so we are celebrating. But that's not the case with the saints, and it's not the case with Mary. We observe the anniversaries of the deaths of the saints like Mary because they are also anniversaries of birth!

And so, we are, in a sense, celebrating a birthday today – Mary's birth into eternal life! It is a day to celebrate, because Mary was the first Christian, and the model Christian. I'm sure the apostles realized this, too. They understood why Mary was taken from this earth. After all, the Holy Spirit had already come upon the Church, and they had the Gift of Knowledge – the ability to know what was happening as Mary assumed to heaven. And I am sure the one thing that the apostles never forgot about Mary was the hope she had in her Son. And she never gave up. She never lost hope, not even when Jesus was on the cross. She wept, she experienced intense pain watching her son die, but she never gave up hope.

And so, the one thing we can learn from this solemnity is never, never, never give up hope in God. There are plenty of times in life which present opportunities for us to hope, too. Remembering a loved-one's death can also be bittersweet for us. But we can hope. We hope that they are happy. We hope that they are with God. We hope that they have forgiven us. We hope we will be with them again someday.

Today's readings and the life of Mary herself are also real reasons for us to hope. May the readings bolster our hope in God, in eternal life because on this day, the Lord, in Mary's words, "...has lifted up the lowly."

August 21-22, 2021 - 21st Sunday / OT Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	B. Kirkeby	S. DeKeyser
Eucharistic Minister	*G. Walz	* M. A. Schuster
Gift Bearers	Volunteers	M. A. Schuster, Volunteer
Servers	J. & B. Herzog	K. & G. Wells
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Greeters	D. Krogen Family	S. DeKeyser Family
Rosary Leader	Volunteer	M. Geary Curfman
Sacristan	K. Beets	J. Yourczek
Media Minister	M. Berntson	

Please contact Karen Beets if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry no later than Thursday, August 19, 3 p.m. 701-282-3321 or Karen@bscwf.org

Feast/Holy Day the week of August 15, 2021

August 15: Assumption of Mary August 16: St. Stephen

August 19: St. John Eudes August 20: St. Bernard August 21: St. Puis X

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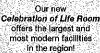
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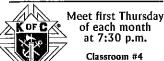
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