

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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The words that I speak to you
are spirit, and they are life.

John 6:63



August 21-22, 2021 21st Sunday Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, August 22

9:30 a.m. – The Parishioners

Monday, August 23 – No Mass

Tuesday, August 24 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - + Robert Eugene Grahn

Wednesday, August 25

9:00 a.m. – + Jim Hill

Thursday, August 26

9:00 a.m. - + Al Vetter

Friday, August 27

9:00 a.m. – + Mary Ann Vetter

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 28

4-4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - + Eugene Christl

Sunday, August 29

9:30 a.m.

Offertory Gifts

August 14-15, 2021

Adult: \$2,801 Children: \$26.50

Assumption of Mary: \$572

Improvements: \$185

Firm Foundation: \$175

Poor Fund: \$245

Collected to Date

	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Goal to Date</u>
\$213,962.75	Adult	\$250,800.00
\$532.04	Children	\$990.00
\$117,049.00	Improvements	\$33,000.00
\$370,688.05	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$63,029.00	God's Gift	\$76,212.00

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.

This Week:

Sunday – Coffee & Goodies Following Mass

No Daily Mass: Tuesday, August 24

Churches United for the Homeless (CUH):
Thursday, August 26, 4-7 p.m.

Soup & More DINE-IN: Thursday, August 26,
5-6 p.m.

Faith Formation

Lucy@bscwf.org



Opening Mass to Start the Faith Formation

Year: Wednesday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m.
For ALL students, families, and catechists. All parishioners are welcome. Parent meetings and tours in the Social Hall following Mass.

Preschool / Kindergarten Class (PK): Greg and Julie Yourczek will be teaching PK again! PK will meet most Sundays at 10:30 a.m. in the Social Hall, beginning September 12.

Grade 1-5 Students: Will be meeting most Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. beginning September 15.

B4WOW Students (grades 6-8): Will be meeting twice per month on Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. beginning September 22.

WOW Students (grades 9-12): Will be meeting twice per month on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. beginning September 15. Something new and exciting is coming your way! We encourage all Blessed Sacrament high school students to join the WOW group and invite friends to participate. We are excited about the upcoming year and hope you are too. This will be the beginning of a blessed year for WOW!

Parish Life

Anniversary: We pray for those celebrating a wedding anniversary this week:

- Larry & Janet Mickelson (8/26) - 60 Years!
- Marvin & Janice Leidal (8/27) - 62 Years!
Congratulations!

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 SIXTEEN names on the donor list! Fr. Gary was the first to sign up! 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 #5 & 6)

5. **All blood types are needed.** Many people self-disqualify themselves without realizing they can donate blood. While O-negative blood is used for emergency transfusions, other blood types are still in high demand. About 38% of Americans are eligible to donate blood each year, but only about 10% do.
6. **Vitalant is** the only blood provider to more than 70 hospitals across North Dakota, South Dakota, and western Minnesota. They also supply nearly 1,000 hospitals across the country giving you the opportunity to transform lives locally and beyond!



Daily Readings – August 22-28, 2021

August 22: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b,
Eph 5:21-32, Jn 6:60-69

August 23: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10, Mt 23:13-22

August 24: Rv 21:9b-14, Jn 1:45-51

August 25: 1 Thes 2:9-13, Mt 23:27-32

August 26: 1 Thes 3:7-13, Mt 24:42-51

August 27: 1 Thes 4:1-8, Mt 25:1-13

August 28: 1 Thes 4:9=11, Mt 25:14-30

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

August 23: Inez Wilhelmi, William Kraft,

Gregoria Vargas

August 24: Dorothy Livdahl

August 25: Sarah Olmstead, Vernetta Engness

August 26: Louis Reiter, Edna Gross

August 27: Mark Wilken

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

Bob Kirkeby, Delaine Hilzendeger,

Bryan Kuntz, Janice Leidal.

Soup & More Dine-In: Thursday August 26. Join us for supper! Menu: BBQ's, salad, chips, dessert. We serve the BEST BBQ's in town!!

Soup & More Report - 8/12/21 44 people were served, we raised \$220 for the Poor Fund.

Trivia

The patron saint of France who cut her hair and dressed in armor to lead the army was...

- a) St. Joan of Arc
- b) St. Mary Magdalene
- c) St. Genevieve
- d) St. Gertrude

(a) St. Joan of Arc, the "Maid of Orleans," seemed to come out of nowhere to help the true king of France reclaim his throne. In war-torn France she made so many enemies that she was later accused of being a heretic and burned at the stake.

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 September 13. Registration 6 p.m. session begins at 6:30 p.m. Liberty Brethren Lutheran church, 1702 32nd Ave S, Fargo. This program is for widowed, divorced, or separated persons. Helping you to understand the grieving process and the stages of grief. Led by teams of 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>

Stewardship Moment

“If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”

-Joshua 24:15

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a disciple in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!



Reflections on 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time – August 22, 2021 Fr. Gary Luiten

The readings today talk about people who had to make decisions regarding their religion. In the first reading, Joshua and his household had to make the decision to serve the Lord, even when worshipping God was not the "in" thing. And, probably surprising to Joshua, the people whom he had gathered agreed to follow the Lord, too. It was a moment of truth. What would the people do? Would they follow the Lord, or would they turn and follow false gods?

And in the gospel, Jesus' followers had to make a decision. Some people chose not to believe what Jesus had said. Remember: Jesus had just said that he was the living bread come down from heaven. This again, was a moment of truth. Some people refused to believe the word of God - the truth - the one God who cannot deceive! Some thought, "You've got to be kidding Jesus. How can this be?" And they left.

Today, as in the time of Christ, there are moments of truth. There are times when, because of what the Church teaches or because of the gospel message, people refuse to follow. Some people may be turned off because of the church's stand on social issues: on its concern for the poor or its pro-life stance. Some people may also be turned off because of the challenge God makes of us, when he calls us to reach out to others, and to love them as we do ourselves.

We may think we all have lots of big decisions to make. But when we go to meet the Lord, the only decision that is going to matter is whether or not we truly have decided to live out our faith. And this needs to be a conscious decision and must be renewed daily! Let us consciously give our lives over to the Lord each day, letting Him be the Lord of our lives, and may we continue to live out the promises of faith we made to God.

August 28-29, 2021 – 22nd Sunday / OT

Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	F. McCann	M. Doster
Eucharistic Minister	*F. McCann	*M. Doster
Gift Bearers	B. Christl Family	J. Moody, B. Pagel
Servers	Volunteers	T. & R. Regner
Ushers	W. Suchla, J. Jones	J. & M. Regner
Greeters	B. Christl Family	J. Moody, B. Pagel
Rosary Leader	Volunteer	L. Metzger
Sacristan	J. Jones	D. Nechiporenko
Media Minister	M. Sloan	

Please contact Karen Beets if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry no later than Thursday, August 26, 3 p.m. 701-282-3321 or Karen@bscwf.org

Feast/Holy Day the week of August 22, 2021

August 23: St. Rose of Lima August 24: St. Bartholomew

August 25: Sts. Louis, Joseph Calasanz August 27: St. Monica August 28: St. Augustine

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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