# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

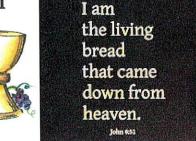
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August 7-8, 2021

19th Sunday Ordinary Time



# **Daily Mass & Intentions**

Sunday, August 8

9:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Monday, August 9 - No Mass

Tuesday, August 10 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - + James Laurence Jones

Wednesday, August 11

9:00 a.m. - + Albert (Buck) Nelson

Parish Office Closed

Thursday, August 12

9:00 a.m. - + Marjorie (Miller) Lenzmeier

Friday, August 13

9:00 a.m. - + Terry Krauth

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 14

4-4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - + Albert Sadowsky

Sunday, August 15

9:30 a.m.

# **Offertory Gifts**

August 7-8, 2021

Adult: \$9,976.50 Children: \$25.86

Improvements: \$895.50 Firm Foundation: \$780

Poor Fund: \$598

Goal to Date
\$235,600.00
\$930.00
\$31,000.00
\$400,000.00
\$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 10

Parish Office Closed: Wednesday, August 11 for an All-Day Staff Meeting & Retreat. The Parish Office is also closed Friday, August 13.

**Soup & More DINE-IN**: Thursday, August 12, 5-6 p.m.

# **Faith Formation**

Lucy@bscwf.org



Faith Formation Begins Soon!! We are starting the year with a Faith Formation Mass on Wednesday, September 8 at 5:30 p.m. This Mass is for ALL students and families and all catechists. All parishioners are welcome to attend. Following Mass there will be parent meetings and tours in the Social Hall.

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

## **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.

The Faith Formation Class Calendar will be completed soon, I will send it to parents via email. It will also be in an upcoming bulletin and posted on our web site

https://www.bscwf.org/classes/

# Reflections on the Gospel for the 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 8, 2021 Fr. Gary Luiten

In this weekend's gospel, Jesus is giving the disciples what scripture scholars call the "Bread of Life" discourse. It is one of the hardest to understand – because Jesus calls the Eucharist what it really is. He calls what looks like bread his <u>Body</u> and he calls what looks like the wine his <u>Blood</u>. It is not surprising that some people chose not to follow Him anymore. Maybe they thought that Jesus was out of his mind – that maybe he had too much sun and was talking non-sense. Maybe some thought that Jesus wanted them to go up and take a bite out of his arm or something. Of course, we know that was not what Jesus meant. He was foretelling what we are celebrating today. And then John's gospel says in chapter 6, verse 66 (that's easy to remember, because an evil thing happened there – in an evil number 666) - that "many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him." But Peter and the rest of the 12 remained faithful, at least at this point.

Since these words are meant for us, today, too, let's see what Jesus is really saying. He says in verse 51: "I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever." And so, Jesus calls us to receive the Eucharist often as food for the journey. So, too, with spiritual food – the greatest food – the life of God Himself – I'll plan on receiving Him as often as I can! Why wouldn't I want to? And if I have committed a big sin or sins, then I'll be reconciled with the Lord so I can receive Him often. There is a neat reward for faithfully receiving Jesus in the Eucharist. He says, "You will live forever!" And that's really the paschal mystery. When we die in Christ, we will rise to live in Christ forever. Our faith is essentially death in Christ to eternal life in Christ – or death to life.

Some people live life the opposite – they believe in "life until death," and that's all there is. It may be fun for a while, but not only is it not the truth, it surely has a pessimistic negative outcome – that of death in the end. And so, we spend our lives dying to self. We do so by thinking of other people's needs first like giving time to those who are lonely, giving food to those who are hungry, giving forgiveness to those who have hurt us, giving attention to those who are discouraged, and giving patience to those who annoy us.

But we know that we can't always give, give, give, and not receive. And so, we are led back to receiving the Eucharist – back to receiving Jesus. We can't give unless we receive. We come to Mass in a sense, to give – to give worship to God, but more importantly, to receive – to receive God's grace. May we continue to be open – to have open hearts and ears to receive God's word and sacrament, so we may have the gift of Jesus to share with one another.

-Fr. Gary

# Parish Life

**Birthday** We pray for those celebrating a birthday this week:

Bernard DesRoches (8/11)

Clare Schmidt (8/14)

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. As of Wednesday morning, we have FIVE 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? (reasons #1 & 2)

- 1. You'll help someone else. Healthcare providers use blood donations daily—for surgery patients, organ transplant recipients and accident victims, both young and old. In fact, just one accident victim could need up to 100 units of blood. Blood transfusions are used to help cancer patients. Your blood donation could go to many different uses, but you can guarantee that it will go to someone who needs it within your community.
- 2. Every donation makes a difference. Just one donation can save up to three lives. And you may be able to donate platelets or plasma, as well. For example, type AB-positive plasma can be given to patients of all blood types. But only 3% of the population has AB-positive blood, meaning this plasma is usually in short supply.

Daily Readings – August 8-14, 2021

Aug. 8: 1 Kgs 19:4-8, Eph 4:30-5:2, Jn 6:41-51

August 9: Dt 10:12-22, Mt 17:22-27

August 10: 2 Cor 9:6-10, Jn 12:24-26

August 11: Dt 34:1-12, Mt 18:15-20

Aug.12: Jos 3:7-10a,11,13-17, Mt 18:21-19:1

August 13: Jos 24:1-13, Mt 19:3-12

August 14: Jos 24:14-29, Mt 19:13-15

**Marriage Banns.** Let us pray for those preparing for marriage: Kayla Zikmund and Steven Martz, August 14, 2021

Our Sympathy to Judith Knoll on the death of her husband, Bill Knoll. May Bill rest in peace in the arms of our Lord.

# Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

August 8: Douglas Burkett Sr., Daisy Leist

August 9: Reberta Krauth

August 11: Rod Erdmann, John Smith,

Susan Woytassek, Bertram Dame

August 13: Shirley Ackerman

August 14: John Kraus, Cecilia Willis,

Elaine Meehan

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

Jack Fuller, Bob Yanish, Lee Kostelecky, Marion Kostelecky, Bryan Kuntz, Janice Leidal.

Soup & More Dine-In: Thursday August 12. Come on in... Sit right down... Join us for supper! Menu: Ham salad & Turkey salad sandwiches; 3-bean salad; chips and dessert. Donations are accepted but not expected.

# Trivia The sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick...

- a) Is not just for those in danger of death
- b) May be received more than once
- c) Should be received before any serious operation
- d) All of these

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# Year of St Joseph

Dear Saint Joseph,
Help me to learn,
From the example
Of your holy life,
That I must do
The ordinary things
Of life in an
Extraordinary way.

# Community / Diocesan Events

'Jesu, Meine Freude' by the Fargo-Moorhead Bach Choir. Wednesday, August 11, 7 p.m., Immanuel Lutheran Church, Fargo. Freewill offering will be taken. The concert will feature the Bach Chamber Choir and instrumental Ensemble.

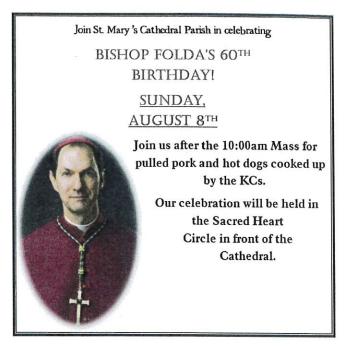
65th Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Prairies Sunday, August 15. Carmel of Mary Monastery, Wahpeton. 2 p.m. Guest Speaker, Fr. Peter Anderl. 3 p.m. Rosary. 5 p.m. Mass. 6 p.m. Picnic. For more information call 701-610-6152 or www.carmelofmary.org

Catechist Retreat: Friday, August 27, Maryvale, Valley City or Saturday, August 28, Lake Metigoshe Ministries, Bottineau. Come away for a day of retreat at Maryvale, Valley City or Lake Metigoshe Ministries, Bottineau, where Fr. Andrew Jasinski will direct a retreat with a series of talks reflecting on words, "Go to Joseph". These retreats are primarily for those involved in catechesis; however, all are welcome. The day will begin at 9:00am and end at 4:00pm. Deadline to register for these retreats is Thursday, August 19. Please register on-line at www.fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat. Any questions please contact mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org. 701-356-7909.

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 19th 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. Can't eat another tomato or zucchini? 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.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is in need of your gently used clothes of any kind. Our intent is not to constantly be depending on our church members, but merely to remind you that the need is real in our community. Your donation of goods is truly appreciated. Additionally, if you have good, used furniture items you no longer need, please contact us for free pickup of these items. Please contact the store at 701-364-9404; or stop in at 2796 5<sup>th</sup> Ave S, Suite B in Fargo.



# Job Openings Throughout the Diocese:

FT Director of Evangelization for the Diocese of Fargo. Will be responsible for providing leadership and supporting parishes in the area of evangelization throughout the Diocese. Primary duties will include coordinating programs and activities, including the Young Disciples and retreat apostolates. The successful candidate will be a faithful and practicing Catholic and have a minimum of three years pastoral experience with a graduate theological degree. Other qualifications include: the ability to work effectively in hierarchical and collegial settings. the ability to articulate vision and strategy, strong communication and interpersonal skills, proven leadership, and integrity. Application deadline is August 31, 2021. Submit cover letter, resume and three references to:

Barbara.Augdahl@farqodiocese.org.

FT Director of Finance and Administration St. Paul's Newman Center (bisonCatholic) in Fargo, is currently accepting applications for a full-time Director of Finance and Administration. The position will manage all finances, payroll, and will lead and develop an internal team to support the following areas: maintenance, Faith Based Housing, and the bC Coffee shop. The Director of Finance and Administration will play a critical role partnering with leadership in strategic decision making and operations as the Newman Center continues to enhance its faith-based programming and build our capacity to serve the student body of NDSU and the tri-college community. This is a tremendous opportunity for a finance and operations leader to maximize and strengthen the internal structure of a well-respected, high impact faith-based organization. Submit cover letter, resume and three references to Rev. James Cheney at frcheney@bisoncatholic.org. Apply immediately, position open until filled.

FT Business Office Assistant: Real

Presence Radio has an exciting Business Office Assistant opening in Fargo. The right candidate will have a love for the Catholic faith and a call to serve God in spreading the love and gospel of Jesus Christ. The Business Office Assistant position is located at the Fargo Studio office. The Assistant's core responsibility is to ensure accurate and timely Accounts Receivable processing. Assistant will also perform day to day operations assigned by the Business Manager, including financial & clerical functions to ensure proper, timely & accurate record-keeping. If you sense a call to serve God in this capacity please send a cover letter, resume and references to brittany@realpresenceradio.com. Or if you would like more information on the position, please call Brittany at 877-795-0122.

See the bulletin board in the Blessed Sacrament Gathering Area for a list of all current job openings. **Teaching Positions:** St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for the Fall of 2021:

- Spanish Teacher Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- Elementary School Counselor Nativity Elementary
- Elementary Teacher Nativity Elementary
- Elementary/PhyEd Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary
- Smart Lab Teacher Trinity Elementary For more information on these positions or how to apply visit <a href="https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/">https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/</a> or call 701-893-3231.

**Support Positions:** St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- Evening Custodian Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- Assistant Cook Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- After School Program Coordinator Trinity Elementary
- After School Program Workers All Elementary schools

For more information on these positions or how to apply visit

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# **Coaching Positions**

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- 5<sup>th</sup> grade girls' basketball coach (2 positions) Trinity and Holy Spirit
- 7<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach (2 positions) Sacred Heart Middle School
- 9<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball coach Shanley HS For more information on these positions or how to apply visit

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# Transform a life, and your own



# **Blood Facts**

How much do you know about blood? Here are some interesting facts that may help the next time you're at trivia night. But the most important fact is this: blood donation transforms lives of those who give and those who receive!

There is no substitute for blood. It is essential for life. It carries oxygen and nutrients throughout the body, fights infections and helps heal wounds. Blood donors are amazing. When you roll up your sleeve to donate, you make an immeasurable difference. Thank you!

# **Quick Blood Facts**

- · Blood makes up about 7 percent of your body's weight
- There are 10 to 12 pints of blood in the body of an average adult
- · One in 7 people entering a hospital will need blood
- · Every two seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood
- Blood travels through 60,000 miles of vessels inside you, enough to wrap around the earth's equator roughly 2.5 times
- · Your body makes 180 million red blood cells per hour
- Red blood cells live about 120 days in the circulatory system
- Red blood cells carry oxygen throughout the body and must be transfused into a patient within 42 days
- Platelets promote blood clotting and must be used within five days
- Plasma is 92 percent water, carries nutrients throughout the body and can be frozen up to one year
- Blood or plasma that comes from people who have been paid for it is not used for human transfusion. Instead, it's made into pharmaceutical products

# **Emily**

Emily is grateful for every precious moment spent with daughter Lucy. After Lucy's birth, Emily started bleeding uncontrollably. She recovered after receiving more than 30 transfusions of red blood cells and platelets. She even met her newborn for the first time while receiving a blood transfusion in the ICU.

"If you haven't given blood before, I hope you think about what it means to people like me," Emily said. "It's one of the easiest, most generous and life-changing things you can do."





# Soup & More Dine-In

Blessed Sacrament Catholich Church

Join us for Supper

Thursday, August 12



5 - 6 p.m.

# Menu:

Ham Salad and Turkey Salad Sandwiches 3-bean salad, chips and dessert

210 5th Ave W, West Fargo ND 701-282-3321

# August 14-15, 2021 – Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary **Ministries of Service**

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	K. Jalbert	L. Metzger
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	*K. Jalbert	*A. Pritchard
Gift Bearers	J. Jones, A. Jalbert	L. Wegner, H. Von Bank
Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Ushers	J. Jones, S. Perreault	A. Pritchard, B. Lenertz
Greeters	W. & J. Suchla	B. & J. Lenertz
Rosary Leader	S. Bosch	D. Nechiporenko
Sacristan	W. Suchla	L. Wegner
Media Minister	R. Cwikla	

Please contact Karen Beets if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry no later than Thursday, August 12, 3 p.m. 701-282-3321 or Karen@bscwf.org

# Feast/Holy Day the week of August 8, 2021

August 9: St. Teresa Benedicta August 10: St. Lawrence August 11: St. Clare August 12: St. Jane de Chantal

August 13: Sts. Poritian & Hippolytus August 14: St. Maximillian Kolbe

# **Blessed Sacrament Directory**

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