

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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October 23-24, 2021

30th Sunday Ordinary Time



Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, October 24

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. – + Aggie Nygaard

Monday, October 25 – No Mass

Tuesday, October 26 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – + Lacey Semler

Wednesday, October 27

9:00 a.m. – + Walter Pfeifer

Thursday, October 28

9:00 a.m. – + Arthur & + Catherine Libbrecht

Friday, October 29

9:00 a.m. – Sarah Rasmussen & Family

Saturday, October 30

4-4:30 p.m. - Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - + Dale Klinger

Sunday, October 31

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. – + Mark Wilken

This Week:

Sunday –Coffee & Goodies following Mass
PK - 10:30 a.m.

No Daily Mass: Tuesday, October 26

RCIA: Tuesday, October 26, 7 p.m., Library

Faith Formation Skate Night Wednesday,
October 27, 6-8 p.m. at Skate City.

Churches United for the Homeless (CUH):
Thursday, October 28, 4-7 p.m.

Soup & More: Thursday, October 28, 5-6 p.m.

Rosary for the Unborn: Thursday, October
28, 6:30 p.m.

Offertory Gifts

October 16-17, 2021

Adult: \$8,470.50 Children: \$47.47

Improvements: \$401.50

Firm Foundation: \$5,075.20

Poor Fund: \$268

Collected to Date

<u>Collected to Date</u>		<u>Goal to Date</u>
\$265,831.22	Adult	\$319,200.00
\$784.05	Children	\$1,260.00
\$121,035.50	Improvements	\$42,000.00
\$386,060.90	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$64,264.00	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.

Fall Dinner / Bazaar – NEXT Sunday!!

Blessed Sacrament Fall Dinner/Bazaar

October 31st

11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

11 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Pork Dinner and Country Store

8 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Take-A-Chance Raffle

2:00 p.m.

Take-A-Chance Drawings

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

BINGO

4:00 p.m.

CASH Raffle Drawings

Reflections on the 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 24th, 2021
Fr. Gary Luiten

If you listen closely to the gospel, there are probably as many different helps that one can get from the gospel as there are people here today. That's the beauty of scripture – it was written for all of us the Body of Christ, and it was written for each one of us as individuals. It would be interesting to ask you to put yourself in the place of one of the people in the gospel story. Who would it be?

Perhaps some of you would say, "I relate best to Bartimaeus. I understand where he is coming from." Though I don't know of anyone in the parish that is completely blind, we all have handicaps. And sometimes we have the desire to cry out like Bartimaeus did, "Jesus, son of David, have pity on me!" Another way of saying this would be, "Jesus, Son of David, help me!" This is a beautiful prayer. So, if you see yourself as Bartimaeus, it is sad to realize that one has limitations, but it is good that you realize your need for God.

When you sit back and listen to this narrative in the gospel, you might picture yourself as one of the crowd, telling Bartimaeus to be quiet, and not to come to Jesus. You might agree with the crowd who believe that Jesus doesn't want to be bothered by someone as insignificant as you. If we see ourselves as part of the crowd in the gospel today, on the one hand, this is not a good thing. Although the crowd had some interest in Jesus, they certainly were against the idea of the blind man meeting Jesus. They were against this spiritual meeting.

If you saw yourself as part of the crowd, the one good thing about it is that then we realize that there is room for spiritual improvement in our spiritual lives. Lest we totally "condemn" the crowd, we have to give the crowd some credit. We might say that the crowd "redeemed themselves" when finally, they called the blind man to come to Jesus after Jesus told them to call him.

And finally, there might be people when, after hearing the gospel passage today, see themselves in Jesus' shoes! I can imagine those doctors, nurses, and EMT's who hear this passage can relate to Jesus who healed this man. After all, it is their job to work at restoring health to the sick.

And now back to Bartimaeus. Finally, for the serious Christian, Jesus asks each one of us the same question that He asked the blind man, "what do you want me to do for you?" That is a good question for us to ponder. What do we want Jesus to do for us? Perhaps we can think about that question today and give the Lord an answer.

Faith Formation

Lucy@bscwf.org



Class:

P/K	Oct. 24	10:30 a.m.
Skating Fun Night	Oct. 27	6-8 p.m.
NO P/K	Oct. 31	
Grs 1-5	Nov. 3	5:30 p.m.
B4WOW	Nov. 3	5:30 p.m.

Skating Fun Night at Skate City, Wednesday, October 27, 6-8 p.m. No Class that night!

1st Reconciliation Preparation, Wednesday, November 3, 5:30 p.m.

RCIA Class: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Library, October 26.

Music Ministry

Please consider joining a Choir!

Practice

<u>Joyful Voices</u>	Oct. 23	4:30 p.m.
	Oct. 31	9:30 a.m.

Joyful Voices will sing at Mass on the day of practice.

Contemporary Choir Oct. 31 7:45 a.m.

Contemporary Choir will sing at 8:30 a.m.
Mass on the day of practice.

Fall Dinner / Bazaar News

Sunday, October 31, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Pray for a Successful Event!

Please Attend the BEST EVENT OF THE

YEAR! Last year our fall event was cancelled due to COVID. One year ago, we missed the energy and excitement that comes the week of the event! This year, even though we have made a few changes, we are getting very excited. Our Fall Events have always been a success because of YOU, our parishioners and community members. Let's make 2021 a bigger and better celebration, more than we could imagine!!

BINGO at the Fall Dinner & Bazaar: Sunday, October 31, 2:30 p.m. Following dinner our Knights of Columbus men will host B-I-N-G-O!

\$0.25 per card / per game. The prizes are ALL CASH! The highpoint of Bingo will be the two specialty games. *50/50, where the winner will get 50% of the collection, and *Black-Out for \$150! The specialty games will be \$1 per card / per game.

Calling all Bakers and Canners! The Country Store will ONLY accept and sell EATIBLE items this year. Please donate homemade canned and baked goods to sell at the Country Store. We are looking for items such as jams/jellies, salsa, pies, rolls, cookies, etc. If it's homemade, we'll gladly take it.

Contributions and Volunteers are Needed:

Without YOU, the Fall Dinner / Bazaar would not be a success! If you can help us with a few items, we greatly appreciate it. See the Sign-up Board in the Gathering Area.

- homemade canned and baked goods.
- Desserts for dinner.
- Cool Whip for dinner.
- Volunteer your time.

Donation Envelope. Attached to this bulletin you will find a donation envelope for the Fall Dinner. This is one option for you to support our Fall Fundraising efforts.

Drawing for Cash Raffle, Sunday, October 31, 4:00 p.m. (following Bingo).

17 CASH Prizes from \$100 to \$900. You do not have to be present to win.

How It Works - Take-A-Chance

\$1 per chance. Purchase as many chances as you want. Write your name and phone number on your chance(s) and place it in the receptacle of the basket you would like to win. You can put all your chances in one basket or spread them around into multiple baskets. Take-A-Chance Drawings will begin at 2 p.m., Sun. October 31.

Items for: Country Store, Desserts, and Cool Whip: Please have these items here no later than 3 p.m., Friday October 29.

NO Carnival Games This Year. Because of COVID concerns, the Bazaar Committee has decided that they will not be sponsoring carnival games at this years' Bazaar.

NO Jewelry Store This Year. Because of COVID and space concerns, the Holy Rosary Circle has decided that they will not be selling jewelry at this years' Bazaar.

Raffle Ticket Challenge: *We challenge you to sell as many Raffle Tickets as possible!* For every 20 tickets you sell, you will win one free ticket! The household that sells the most tickets, will be awarded 5 more free tickets! **Last year, we had one household sold 14 books!** Join the fun!

Turn In Your Raffle Tickets Stubs and money by Friday October 29! If you put them in the mail... Please Note: We do not receive mail on Saturday so make sure your tickets get here in time for the drawing!

Surrounding Area Fall Dinners

See the bulletin board for details

Oct. 24: Holy Cross, West Fargo

Oct. 31: Blessed Sacrament, West Fargo
St. Elizabeth's, Dilworth (TAKE-OUT)

Nov. 7: Nativity, Fargo

Nov. 11: Sts. Anne & Joachim, Fargo

Thank You Raffle Sponsors!

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*Thank you! You made it possible
for us to conduct our fall raffle!*

Parish Life

2022 Calendars are here! You will find your calendar in the Gathering Area. Thank you, West Funeral Home, for sponsoring our annual wall calendar.

Bulletin Advertising: Would your business like to advertise in our bulletin? If so, please contact Mary Beth in the parish office 701-282-3321. The bulletin advertising money is used to off-set the cost of printing the bulletin.

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

- Carole Bitterman (10/24)
- Marilyn Jamieson (10/29)

*Happy
Birthday*

Daily Readings – October 24-30, 2021

Oct. 24: Jer 31:7-9, Heb 5:1-6, Mk 10:46-52

October 25: Rom 8:12-17, Lk 13:10-17

October 26: Rom 8:18-25, Lk 13:18-21

October 27: Rom 8:26-30, Lk 13:22-30

October 28: Eph 2:19-22, Lk 6:12-16

October 29: Rom 9:1-5, Lk 14:1-6

October 30: Rom 11:1-2a, 11-12, 25-29,
Lk 14:1, 7-11

Evening of Remembrance: Mark your calendar for our annual *evening prayer service*, Friday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. This prayer service is for those who have lost a family member within the last year. Please RSVP, to the Parish Office, by November 1.

Family Room / Cry Room! The family room is on the north side of the church. This room is reserved for infants and toddlers with their parents and people with special needs during Mass. Currently the Family Room is sharing its space with the confessional, during this time of pandemic. Please be respectful of those pieces of furniture in the room

October Combined Collection envelopes are due October 31.

Our Sympathy to

- Francis McCann on the death of his wife, Debby.
- Mary Beth Odegaard on the death of her uncle, Ernie Art.

May Debby and Ernie rest in God's loving arms.

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

October 24: John Goldade, Kevin Loegering,
Everett Walker

October 25: Mary Denninger, Zacheus Miller,
Linda Carlson, Joseph Kirchoffner

October 26: Delores Eisenzimmer

October 27: Leo Grosz, Lois Ward

October 29: Dale Gilberts, Gordon Erickson

October 30: Frank Kapaun

Rosary Prayer Service for the Unborn,

Thursday, October 28, 6:30 p.m. An evening of music, prayer and reflection. Prayers for the Right to Life and the Value of Life.

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

*Gene Krei, John Michlitsch, Aggie Hennessy,
Chuck & Kay Morehead, Penny Adam,
Cordell Johnson, Marge Zerr, Gary Lammer,
Jerry Doran, Jason Ulmer, Lori Pedersen,
Marvin Klimek, Dwight Keller.*

Soup & More: Blessed Sacrament will be cooking and serving a Dine-In meal on Thursday, October 28 from 5-6 p.m.

Trivia

A person using a rosary is...

- a) kneeling on it b) praying with it
c) wearing it d) smelling it

b) Praying with it. There are twenty mysteries of Our Lord's life to think about as we pray the Our Fathers and Hail Marys on the rosary bead.

Volunteer! Contact Karen 282-3321 or Karen@bscwf.org, if you would like to volunteer for any of the following:

- Coffee & Goodies – Most Sundays
- Soup & More – October 28
- Churches United for the Homeless – October 28
- Fall Dinner/Bazaar – October 29, 30 & 31

Community / Diocesan Events

Operation Andrew Dinner. Tuesday, October 26, 5:30 p.m. at the home of Bishop Folda. Bishop John Folda invites young men who are open to the priesthood, to join him for dinner. This serves as an opportunity to visit with Bishop Folda and other priests and to ask questions in a relaxed and inviting setting. If you are interested in attending, please contact your pastor.

University of Mary Music Department

Concert Band & Concert Choir & Vocal Jazz, Fall Concert Tour. Sunday, October 24, 4 p.m., Sts. Anne and Joachim. Free and open to the public.

You are invited to join the Catholic

Daughters of the Americas! Court Holy Cross #2718 is meeting on Thursday, October 28 at 7:00pm at Holy Cross Catholic Church in the multipurpose room. All Catholic women ages 18+ are invited to join.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas strive to embrace the principles of faith working through love in the promotion of justice, equality and the advancement of human rights and human dignity for all mankind.

Why should you join? *To deepen your spiritual life and share your faith. *To promote love of God, church and country. *To share your talents, gain leadership skills and develop new friendships.

For more information, please contact Lisa at 701-799-2397.

Living and Dying: Frames of Meaning as Represented in Notable Children's Literature.

Tuesdays, November 9, 16, 23, and 30. 12:30 – 2:30 p.m. Presentation Prayer Center (Atrium), 1101 32 Ave S, Fargo. Cost: \$40 (scholarships available). Registration: Limit eight. RSVP to Scott at 701-799-2076 or presentationprayercenter@gmail.com.

For many of us, the pandemic has created losses big or small, made us rethink priorities, and found us counting blessings we had not paid much attention to. This all brings up deep metaphysical and existential issues, such as often motivate children's literature. According to Bruce Handy, children's literature is "rich with glimmerings and intimations of metaphysical truth" - exactly the kinds of deep truths worth examining in times of great stress or change. In this workshop we will consider perspectives on loss and blessings, loneliness, the stresses of uncertainty, the double side of sacrifice, spiritual aspirations, self-love, and more.

Participants should read and bring to class E.B. White's *Charlotte's Web*, and P. Goble's *The Girl Who Loved Horses*. We will also consider M. Williams' *Velveteen Rabbit* and S. Silverstein's *The Giving Tree*, along with other stories and perhaps some poetry.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
Annual
Fall Dinner & Bazaar
Sunday, October 31
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.



Mass: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Pork Dinner: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Bingo: 2:30 p.m. (cash prizes)

Raffle Drawings: 4 p.m.

Dinner: 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

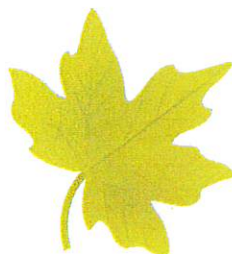
Pork, Vegetable,
Mashed Potatoes & Gravy,
Coleslaw, Dessert

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Adults - \$12  
Children (6-12) - \$5  
Ages 5 & under - Free

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Cash Raffle
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\$100 to \$900
Tickets are available at the door



~Take A Chance Raffle
~Country Store
~Prayer Cards
~Bingo



If you experienced
the death of someone you
have loved, in the last year,
you and your family members
are invited to join us for an

Evening of
Remembrance

Friday, November 5, 2021

7 p.m. Prayer Service

RSVP by November 1
to the Parish Office 701-282-3321

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 210 5th Ave W, West Fargo

October 30-31, 2021 – 31st Sunday / OT

Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	C. Fischer	J. Allmaras	M. Kern
Eucharistic Minister	*K. Beets	*M.A. Schuster, **N. Peterson	*M. Kern
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Rosary Leader	Volunteer	A. Pritchard	M. Kern
Sacristan	K. Beets	W. Suchla	L. Wegner
Media Minister	R. Cwikla	*Bread Minister **Takes communion to home-bound	

**Please contact Karen Beets if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry
no later than Thursday, October 28, 3 p.m..
701-282-3321 or Karen@bscwf.org**

Feast/Holy Day the Week of October 24, 2021

Oct. 28: Sts. Simon & Jude

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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