



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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February 26-27, 2022 ~ 7th Sunday/Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, February 27

8:30 a.m. - +Ron Durbin

10:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Monday, February 28 - NO MASS

Tuesday, March 1 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - For Those in Need

Wednesday, March 2 Ash Wednesday

9:00 a.m. - +Kay Morehead

7:00 p.m. - +Don Fiebiger

Thursday, March 3

9:00 a.m. - Carmin Elshaug

Friday, March 4

9:00 a.m. - Special Intentions (MK)

Adoration 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, March 5

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - +Linda Lage

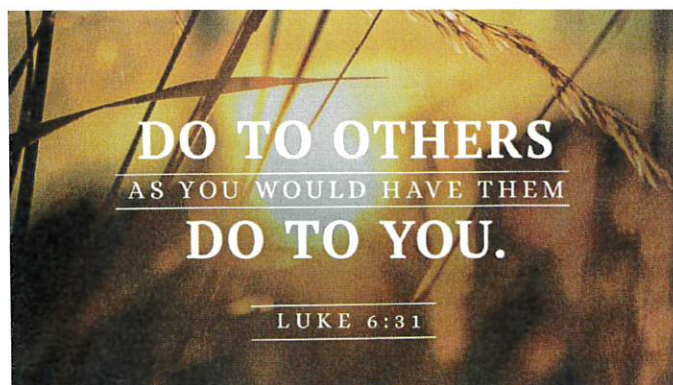
Sunday, March 6 1st Sunday of Lent

8:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - +Joe Barta

Offertory Gifts

February 19-20, 2022
will be reported next week



Welcome! Fr. Gary Luiten and the faithful of Blessed Sacrament welcome you. We hope your time at Blessed Sacrament may be an opportunity to join in fellowship of our faith and joy in Jesus Christ.

This Week

Sunday: PK, 10:30 a.m.

Concessions 11:30 a.m.

Bingo, 12:00 p.m.

Holy Rosary Circle: Tuesday, March 1, 2 p.m.

RCIA, Tuesday, March 1, 7 p.m., Library

Knights of Columbus: Thursday, March 3, 7: p.m.

Adoration: Friday, March 4, 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross: Friday March 4, 7 p.m.

Lent 2022

Lent

A 40-day period of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Lent reminds us of Jesus' preparing for his preaching, teaching, and healing ministry, all leading up to his passion, death, and resurrection during that first Holy Week. Lent reminds us of the **love** that Jesus has for the Father and for us, how Jesus unselfishly came to serve and give his life as a ransom for all of us. Love is what Lent is all about.

Ash Wednesday is March 2. Mass times are 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday Mass will be Streaming on YouTube and Facebook. If you are not able to attend, you can watch Mass on the internet by going to our YouTube channel and/or our Facebook page. If you have questions, contact the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

Ashes: We don't wear ashes to proclaim our holiness but to acknowledge that we are SINNERS who are in need of **repentance & renewal**

Lenten Regulations

- Everyone 14 years of age or older is bound to abstain from meat on Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday.
- Everyone 18 or older, and under 59 years of age, is bound to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.
- On Ash Wednesday and Good Friday, only one full meatless meal is allowed. Two other meatless meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to each one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted. When health or ability to work would be seriously affected, the law does not oblige. Catholics should not lightly excuse themselves from these prescribed minimal penitential practices.

Pack the Pew! Our Parish Lent Project is "Pack The Pew". We will collect non-perishable food items in a pew of the church. Food will be collected through March 27. We keep 1/3 of the food for our Blessing Box and 2/3 will go to the Emergency Food Pantry.

Stations of the Cross are representations of the path Jesus took on his way to be crucified. Jesus endured suffering, insults, and moments of support. 'Stations' relay the intense sacrifice that Jesus undertook for human salvation. Blessed Sacrament has 14-Station of the Cross plaques on the walls of the church.

- Jesus is condemned.
- Jesus takes up his cross.
- Jesus falls the first time.
- Jesus meets Mary.
- Simon helps carry the cross.
- Veronica consoles Jesus.
- Jesus falls a second time.
- Jesus consoles the women.
- Jesus falls a third time.
- Jesus is stripped of his garments.
- Jesus is nailed to the cross.
- Jesus dies.
- Jesus is taken down from the cross.
- Jesus is placed in a tomb.

During Lent we reflect and pray the Stations of the Cross. Fr. Gary travels from station to station as we contemplate each one. Blessed Sacrament hosts Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent at 7 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to join us.

***NEW* Holy Hour - Eucharistic Adoration.** Most Fridays in Lent from 5:45 – 6:45 p.m. Our Lord Jesus said to the Apostles "*Could you not spend one hour with me?*" Join us for Holy Hour on March 11, 18, 25 and April 8. Everyone is welcome to join us in spending an hour with Jesus.

Don't Give Up Chocolate for Lent...

Best Lent Ever 2.0 – A Free Daily Experience.

Beginning on Ash Wednesday and through the forty days of Lent, you will receive a daily email with a short video to help you reconnect with yourself and your God. The paths: The Generosity Habit and Difficult Teachings. Have your best lent ever! Sign up at: <https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html>

Faith Formation



Class:

Grs 1-12	March 1	NO CLASS
PK	Mar. 6	10:30 a.m.
Grs 1-5	Mar. 9	5:30 p.m.
WOW	Mar. 9	7:00 p.m.
PK	Mar. 13	10:30 a.m.
Grs 1-5	Mar. 16	5:30 p.m.
B4WOW	Mar. 16	5:30 p.m.

RCIA Class Tuesdays, March 1, 8, 15, 22, & 29, 7:00 p.m., Library.

All Students are Required to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday March 2, 7 p.m.

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Faith Formation Lent Project. For Lent, our Faith Formation Students will be saving alms for the poor. Students have been sent home with a Lent bank to put on their dining tables. When you sit down to eat together, we ask that you think of those less fortunate and put pennies, nickels, dimes and/or quarters in your bank. We will collect the banks on Holy Thursday.

Music Ministry



<u>Contemporary Choir</u>	March 13	Practice/Sing 7:30 /8:30a.m.
	March 27	7:45 /8:30a.m.
<u>Joyful Voices</u>	March 6	9:30/10:30a.m.
	March 13	9:30/10:30a.m.
	March 19	4:15 /5:15p.m.

Contact Ronda (Ronda@bscwf.org) if you are interested in assisting at Weekend Masses:

- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists

Parish Life



March – BINGO. Sunday's March 6, 13, & 27. Concession sales start at 11:30 a.m. Bingo begins at 12: p.m. \$0.25 per card per game. 20 games. All prizes are CASH. There are TWO added specialty games. \$1 each. 50/50 and Progressive Black-out (the pot goes up each week).

CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE:

- Coffee & Goodies
- Soup & More

Churches United for the Homeless (CUH):

Blessed Sacrament takes supper to CUH the 4th & 5th Thursdays of the month. We cook the meal here and deliver it to CUH. If you'd like to volunteer call the Parish Office 701-282-3321. **March dates are the 24th & 31st.**

Daily Readings – Feb. 27-Mar. 5, 2022

Feb. 27: Sir 27:4-7, 1 Cor 15:54-58, Lk 6:29-45

Feb. 28: 1 Pt 1:3-9, Mk 10:17-27

Mar. 1: 1 Pt 1:10-16, Mk 10:28-31

Mar. 2: Jl 2:12-18, 2 Cor 5:20-6:2, Mt 6:1-6, 18

Mar. 3: Dt 30:15-20, Lk 9:22-25

Mar. 4: Is 58:1-91, Mt 9:14-15

Mar. 5: Is 58:9b-13, Lk 5:27-32

God's Gift Appeal 2022 This weekend is Commitment Weekend for the 2022 God's Gift Appeal. **Our parish goal is \$69,942.** Please complete your pledge card, indicating your gift or pledge to our diocesan church. If you do not have a card, please find a card in the Gathering Area book rack (or attached to the printed bulletin). It is important for all of us to participate in order to support our diocesan church.

Happy Anniversary! We pray for, and congratulate those couples celebrating a wedding anniversary this week:

- George & Clare Schmidt, Feb. 27 – 62 years!

Happy Birthday! We pray for, and honor those celebrating a birthday this week:

- Maxine Pfeifer, March 1

Holy Land – Olive Wood Item for Sale. March 12 & 13 before and after all Masses. Olive wood religious works from the holy city of Bethlehem. The proceeds provide for the Christian community in the Holy Land.

Holy Rosary Circle will be meeting on Tuesday, March 1 at 2 p.m. in the Social Hall.

Mass Stipends Needed: We are in need of names for weekend and daily Masses each week. A stipend costs \$10. Have a Mass said in memory of a deceased loved one or friend; or in honor of someone living. Contact the Parish Office or place your request and donation in the weekend collection.

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

February 27: Joseph Shoman, Vernon Arion,

Catherine Misheski, James Antonopols

February 28: Wilbert Schuster

March 1: Mabel Neubauer

March 2: Albert Kale

March 3: Joanne Miller

March 4: Neva Gamert

March 5: Elwood Brand

Sick List: We pray for our ill parishioners and family members..

Carol Bitterman, Julie Potter, Janet Gerszewski, James Beuttner, Mary Gutierrez, Yvonne Toutant, Penny Adam, Gary Lammer

Year-End Reports 2021 will be provided **BY REQUEST ONLY.** We will email it to you or print a hard copy to be picked up. Contact Mary Beth, in the Parish Office, with your request.

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.

Community & Diocesan Events

A Time of Reckoning, A Time of Revelation and Renewal. Saturday March 5, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m., Riverview, 5300 12 St S., Fargo. Cost: \$25 donation. During this retreat, we will explore the dynamics of the COVID pandemic we have experienced as a paradigm of our personal and spiritual journey and reflect on how our own crises and crosses have been both times of turmoil and suffering as well as a period of grace, transformation, and spiritual renewal. Retreat leader, Briston Fernandes. RSVP to Scott by March 1, 701-799-2076.

Court St. Ann of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, March 8, at St. Anthony's beginning with Mass at 5:15 p.m., meal to follow, and meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to bring non-perishable food pantry donations and/or PJ's for Project Ignite Light Drive. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com.

Embracing and Alternate Orthodoxy – Richard Rohr on the Legacy of St. Francis. Tuesdays March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5, 1 – 3 p.m., Riverview, 5300 12 St S, Fargo. Cost \$35 donation. Through five engaging video segments and a thought-provoking workbook, you will journey with your group. Workshop leader, Maren Ortmeier. RSVP to Scott, 701-799-2076.

Men's Retreat: When Good Men do Nothing: Answering God's Call to Defend His Church. March 18-20 at the Franciscan Retreat Center in Hankinson. There will be Rosary, engaging large group talks, small group discussions, Mass, Confession, Eucharistic Adoration, private priest/deacon spiritual direction, and more. Room and all meals provided, cost \$250. Register at www.ecclesiadomestica.net/registration or call St. Boniface, 701-538-4604.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter is offering an in-person weekend on March 18-20, Days Inn, Casselton. These weekends are private and allow couples to focus just on each other. A communication tool is taught to help spouses get to know themselves better and to grow deeper in their married relationships. Live your best life in love! For more information, call Rob & Angie at (701) 347-1998 or apply at ndwwme.org.

Bonanzaville is Looking for Volunteers

We need pie makers and bakers for our July 4th Celebration. If you would like to assist the Bonanzaville bakers, contact Megean at 701-282-2822 or email msolberg@bonanzaville.com. Bonanzaville is also looking for a group that would be interested in cooking meals for special events. They also need elves and volunteers for the Christmas on the Prairie Event.

Pilgrimage with Bishop Folda, September 10-14, 2022. Bishop Folda will lead a pilgrimage to Washington DC, Emmitsburg MD and Philadelphia PA. Cost including airfare is \$2,195, for more information go to: <https://www.petersway.com/9873.html>

Stewardship Moment

8th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit."

-Luke 6:43

Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.



Words from Pope Francis

Do You Want to Fast This Lent?

- ❖ Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
- ❖ Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
- ❖ Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
- ❖ Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
- ❖ Fast from worries and have trust in God.
- ❖ Fast from complaints and contemplate simplicity.
- ❖ Fast from pressures and be prayerful.
- ❖ Fast from bitterness and fill your hearts with joy.
- ❖ Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
- ❖ Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
- ❖ Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

Reflections on the Readings for the 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - February 27, 2022
Fr. Gary Luiten

The readings today are about our speech. Sirach says, "When a sieve is shaken, the husks appear; so do a man's faults when he speaks." And in the gospel Jesus says, "Each person speaks from their heart's abundance." What a person says really tells a lot about the person. A person's speech can convey knowledge. It also can convey love. Hopefully the person has both.

Knowledge is a good thing. We spend many years of our lives learning. We spend time learning about the truth. And the truth is a good thing. It is something that people love to know about. Colleges and universities are many times highly regarded as the source of knowledge. But we mustn't forget the ultimate source of our knowledge: Jesus Christ. Remember Jesus says, "I am the way, the TRUTH, and the life."

So, God has given us the scriptures to understand and to come to know. And it is good to know the scriptures and read them because they give us insight into the mind of the one who created us and who redeemed us: Jesus. And it is good to realize that if we truly want to love God, then we need to come to know Him. We come to know him certainly in the scriptures, but also in the holy meal we receive when we gather for the Eucharist. Our young people come to know Jesus through the help of their parents and religion teachers, who teach them about God and teach them to how to pray.

Besides a person's speech conveying knowledge, it can also convey love or kindness, or the opposite: hatred. As Christians, our speech can and should convey love. That is one reason why Jesus attracted so many people: He spoke the truth, but He also spoke from his heart. He spoke with love because He really cared for the people. He was willing to spend His time with them, to heal them, and to die for them.

People will really be attracted to the Love of God shining in our hearts. With the love of God in our hearts, and a knowledge of the Gospel, we can be like the good trees which Jesus speaks about in today's gospel. Those good trees will bear good fruit unlike the decayed trees. Maybe a Lenten resolution for us is to be more loving and kind to one another.

May we become fully ourselves – the way God made us to be - people who speak from our heart's abundance with an abundance of love and truth.

March 2, 2022 – Ash Wednesday
Ministries of Service

Masses	9:00 a.m.	7:00 p.m.
Proclaimers	M.A. Schuster	M. Geary Curfman
Eucharistic Ministers	*K. Hanson	*L. Sample
Gift Bearers	M.B. Odegaard & Volunteer	J. & J. Jones
Servers	Volunteers	Volunteers
Ushers	E. Hanson	L. Sample, A. Pritchard
Greeters	M.B. Odegaard & Volunteer	J. & J. Jones
Ashes	K. Hanson	M. Geary Curfman, L. Sample, D. Nechiporenko, J. Jones, L. Elshaug, J. Regner
Sacristan	K. Hanson	D. Nechiporenko
Media Minister	N. Althoff	
	*Eucharist Minister	

Lent 2022

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Ash Wednesday - March 2

Masses at 9:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Eucharistic Adoration

March 11, 18, 25, and April 8 - 5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Every Friday - 7:00 p.m.

Penance Service

Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.

Parish Project - Pack the Pew

Non-Perishable food donations for our neighbors in need. We shall provide for our community.

"Could you not spend one hour with me?"

-Matthew 26:40

United in Christ

Through Eucharistic Adoration

Join us for Holy Hour

March 11, 18, 25 and April 8

5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

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March 5-6, 2022 – 1st Sunday of Lent Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	C. Paintner	J. Yourczek	A. Buettner
Eucharistic Minister	*G. Walz	*J. Yourczek **T. English	*A. Buettner
Gift Bearers	D. Rohrich Family	J. Moody, M.A. Schuster	J. Hunsicker Family
Servers	I. & E. Rohrich	Volunteers	K. Hunsicker, E. Buettner
Ushers	D. & E. Krogen	G. Yourczek, L. Sample	B. Lenertz, Volunteer
Greeters	D. Krogen Family	D. Moore, M.A. Schuster	Volunteers
Rosary Leader	S. Bosch	A. Pritchard	M. Kern
Sacristan	J. Jones	J. Yourczek	K. Hanson
Media Minister	R. Cwikla	*Eucharist Minister **Takes to home-bound	

Please contact the Parish Office if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry
no later than Thursday, March 3, 3 p.m. - 701-282-3321 or info@bscwf.org

Feast/Holy Day the Week of February 27, 2022

March 2: Ash Wednesday March 3: St. Katherine Drexel March 4: St. Casimir

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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