

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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May 14-15, 2022 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, May 15

8:30 a.m. - +Betty Allmaras

10:30 a.m. – The Parishioners

Monday, May 16 - NO MASS

Tuesday, May 17 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - +Colleen Sullivan

Wednesday, May 18

9:00 a.m. - +Bill Knoll

Thursday, May 19

9:00 a.m. - +Dorothy Laybourn

Friday, May 20

9:00 a.m. - Gilbert Krantz Family living/deceased

Saturday, May 21

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - Pauline Klinger

Sunday, May 22

8:30 a.m. - +Marilyn (Wellan) Lenzmeier

10:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Grateful to God

Offertory Gifts

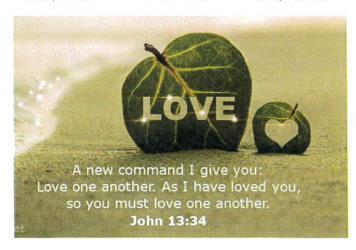
May 7-8, 2022

Adult: \$9,256.69

Children: \$18

Improvements: \$467.58 Firm Foundation: \$644.57 Poor Fund: \$1,342.50

Collected to Date		Goal to Date
\$156,510.25	Adult	\$140,400.00
\$616.10	Children	\$540.00
\$9,717.30	Improvements	\$18,000.00
\$422,109.84	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$58,894.00	God's Gift	\$69,942.00



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

Spring Clean-up. Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m.

Faith Formation



No more Class until Fall. Thank you to the Catechists, you rock!! Thank you to parents that aided your children in their faith journey this year. Thank you to the students, for your energy and enthusiasm for learning about our God and our faith! Have a safe and blessed summer everyone!

2022-2023 Faith Formation Registration. It's time to register your child(ren) for religion classes for the next school year. Please return the registration form with payment as soon as possible. If you have any questions, contact Lucy at 701-282-3321.

Preschool and Kindergarten Roundup! *Will your child be 4 yrs. old by July 31? We'd love to have them attend the Preschool class. *If your child is registered for Public or JPII Kindergarten, in the fall, we will welcome them with loving arms, to our Kindergarten class. *If you have questions, contact Lucy at 701-282-3321 or Lucy@bscwf.org.

Music Ministry



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

- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists

Practice/Sing

Contemporary Choir May 22

7:45/ 8:30a.m.

Joyful Voices

May 21

4:45/ 5:15p.m.

Parish Life



TWENTY-TWO Receive CPR/AED Training!

Training was held on Sunday, May 1 in the Social Hall. 22 Parishioners, including two staff members, became certified. Thank you to our trainer, Trista from Sanford Health EMS Education.

Assistance Needed in Removing Trees! There are several trees, on the east side of our property, that that have been inspected by the NDSU Extension Forester. He has recommended that these trees be removed. We plan to remove these them during Spring Clean Up on Saturday, May 21. If you have the proper equipment, and have that morning free, PLEASE come and assist us in the removal.

BACK IN JUNE – BE READY... Soup 'N More; Coffee & Goodies after Sunday Masses; Serving at Churches United for the Homeless. Stayed tuned for more details next week and be ready to jump in and volunteer!! Volunteering makes a person feel good, it makes those in need feel good and it builds character and relationships. Who wouldn't want that??

Bulletin Deadline: Articles are due to Mary Beth in the Parish Office, Tuesdays by Noon, for the following Sunday. Drop them off in the office or email MaryBeth@bscwf.org.

Churches United for the Homeless (CUH):

We parishioners at Blessed Sacrament are responsible for taking supper to CUH 2 Thursdays of every month. Currently, due to COVID we are only preparing the meal here in our kitchen and then deliver it to CUH. I have been told they are ready to accept groups to come in and serve. Starting in June, I would really like it if we, as a parish group, could cook and serve the meal on Thursday, June 23rd and Thursday, June 30th. The time commitment is from 4 to 7pm. That includes meeting at BSC and driving to and from, as well as preparing the meal. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Julie at julie@bscwf.org or 701.282.3321. We will take the meal for this month on May 26. Thank you in advance!! -Julie

Daily Readings - May 15-21, 2022

May 15: Acts 14:21-27, Rv 21:1-5a,

Jn 13:31-33a,24-35

May 16: Acts 14:5-18, Jn 14:21-26

May 17: Acts 14:19-28, Jn 14:27-31a

May 18: Acts 15:1-6, Jn 15:1-8

May 19: Acts 15:7-21, Jn 15:9-11

May 20: Acts 15:22-31, Jn 15:12-17

May 21: Acts 16:1-10, Jn 15:18-21

Do you Shop at Family Fare? Please save the receipts and turn them in to the Parish Office!! When we collect \$150,000 in receipts, we earn \$1,000 for our Faith Formation youth! We've currently collected receipts totaling \$113,687!

Give+ Online, Mobile, or Automatic Withdrawal Giving: Give+ Online, Mobile, or Automatic Withdrawal Giving allows you to contribute to Blessed Sacrament and not worry about donation envelopes. Use online giving from your computer or smart device to schedule one-time or recurring donations! Or Automatic-Withdrawal (forms online or in the Parish Office.)

- Online Giving: www.bscwf.org, choose 'Get Involved' and 'Give+ Online'.
- Mobile App: Download "GivePlus Church" free.
- Automatic Withdrawal: www.bscwf.org, choose 'Get Involved', 'Donate', 'Automatic Withdrawal' or Contact MaryBeth@bscwf.org to receive a form.

Thank you for your support.

Graduating Seniors to be Honored. NEXT Sunday, May 22, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. All parishioners are invited to attend the reception in the Social Hall following Mass. Seniors & families, please let us know if you are attending by May 16, email info@bscwf.org or call 282-3321. Also, the office needs your picture and completed questioner!

Happy Anniversary! We pray for those couples' celebrating a wedding anniversary this week.

Stephen & Diane Fink, May 20, 50 Years!

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

Edwin Olson, May 19.

Landscaping and Prayer Garden: We are hoping to plant a tree and 3 perennial bushes on the south, as well as flowers for the prayer garden. If you are interested in donating toward this effort, please send your donation to us with the note "Prayer Garden" and we will credit you for your donation.

Lost & Found: Please check the Lost and Found box on the left side of the shelf above the coat rack for any missing belongings

Mass Ministry Scheduling: Please note that I will be reaching out each Thursday or Friday to those who are on the schedule for duties during mass. It will be just a reminder call of your duties. If you are not going to be there and have found a replacement, please let me know so I can inform the sacristans. If you can't be there and haven't found a fill-in, I will work on that with you. Also, please remind me if you will not be available during the summer months for participating in the mass. You can contact me via email at julie@bscwf.org or call in to church office 701.282.3321. -Julie

Mass Ministry Sign-up Sheets: I want to thank all who have stepped up and signed up for the upcoming masses through the end of June. There are still some assignments open, especially for the Saturday, 5:15pm masses. I will be working on calling people to get those slots filled in. Remember — we begin our summer schedule during Memorial Day Weekend. So, we only need disciples for 2 masses. Saturday, 5:15 p.m. and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. -Julie

New Member Registration. If you are interested in becoming a registered member of Blessed Sacrament, please see Fr. Gary Luiten, call the Parish Office 701-282-3321 or register on our website https://www.bscwf.org/become-amember/

One Sunday Mass Begins May 29, Mass times will change for the summer. Sunday Mass will be 9:30 a.m. This will be the Sunday schedule through Labor Day Weekend. We will go back to two Sunday Masses starting September 11.

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

May 17: David Johnson May 19: John Carriveau May 21: Francisco Vargas

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

Tom & Konnie Middleton (brother & sister-in-law of Sharon Gustafson), Edith Hellman, Martha Steier, Alma Grosz, Janet Gerszewski, Samson Uy, Janice Leidal, Penny Adam, Gary Lammer, Burr Ryan, Ron Ryan, Baby Willow, Gloria Ryan **Spring Clean-up NEXT SATURDAY:** May 21 beginning at 10 a.m. until we are done. We will be working outside and inside. If it is raining, we will reschedule the outside work for another time. A light lunch will be served to all volunteers, please let us know if you are coming.

Summer Office Hours Beginning June 3 the Parish Office will be closed on Fridays for the summer. Staff will be back to work on Fridays beginning September 9.

A VERY SINCERE THANK YOU!! I want to thank my Blessed Sacrament Family for the warm welcome as I begin my new adventure as our Parish Life Coordinator. I have had an amazing first week! I look forward to meeting and visiting with all who wish too. Don't be surprised if you receive a call from me to get information/thoughts/ideas, etc. This is our parish; we are all disciples that make it special. God Bless you all! - Julie

Sacraments

<u>Baptism</u>: Parents must attend a preparatory class before the baptism can take place. Please contact the Parish Office to schedule the class with Fr. Gary Luiten.

<u>Marriage</u>: To be married at Blessed Sacrament, one or both persons of the engaged couple must be practicing Catholics. Contact Fr. Gary Luiten at least six months prior to the wedding.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and upon appointment,

For the Sick: You are encouraged to seek the Sacrament of the Sick if you are suffering from a serious illness or are going to be admitted to the hospital for surgery. Please contact Fr. Gary Luiten if you would like to be anointed,

Fr. Gary Luiten - Gary@bscwf.org Parish Office - 701-282-3321

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

Evangelization 101, 6-week course offered at St. Anthony's - "Every Catholic parent needs this book" – Trent Horn, apologist at Catholic Answers Starting May 18th, at 7 p.m., St. Anthony of Padua Church will be hosting a book/video series based on the book Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church. This is intended for literally everyone reading this right now.. Please contact Joe Hendrickx with any questions (joehendrickx1@gmail.com). Wine and cheese will be served.

Memorial Day Service at Holy Cross North Cemetery: The Diocese of Fargo Catholic community will celebrate Memorial Day with Mass at Holy Cross North Cemetery.

8:40 a.m.

Salute to Veterans: presented by

area color guards

9:00 a.m.

Memorial Day Mass: main

celebrant: Bishop John T. Folda

Job Openings:

FT Pastoral Associate - The Diocese of Crookston is seeking a Catholic to serve as a Pastoral Associate in the Office of Formation in Discipleship. This person will serve on a team with the Director of the Office and the Formator for Discipleship. Ministry will involve advancing the mission of the Office by forming disciples to reach others for Christ. This will include working with priests, deacons, diocesan and parish staff, and lay Catholics. This person will be involved with youth ministry, family and marriage evangelization, and adult evangelization. Primary duties will be focused on youth events, pre-marriage and post-marriage formation, respect life, and adult evangelization. This is a full-time benefit eligible position based in the Diocesan Pastoral Center in Crookston. Minnesota. Applications or inquires for more information should be e-mailed to Dcn. Mark Krejci, Ph.D., at mkrejci@crookston.org.



Reflections on the Gospel for the 5th Sunday of Easter - May 15, 2022 Fr. Gary Luiten

In this weekend's gospel, Jesus speaks about distinguishing characteristics of a Christian – of a Catholic. It is the Lord Jesus' desire that the distinguishing characteristic of a follower of His is that you "have love for one another." The great church historian, Tertullian, told us in the first couple hundred years of the church that the pagans would say to each other as they noticed the followers of the church, then called the "New Way," "See how they love one another." This isn't just wishful thinking. This is what actually happened.

If we look in the news today, we see a lack of love. Perhaps it is an understatement to say that we are in a world starved for love. And when we talk about love here, we're not talking about being attracted to each other (although at times it can involve this). We are talking about treating others as children of God. There are more broken homes now than there ever were. Acts of terrorism abound on our own soil from our own countrymen and women. The jails throughout the country are as full as they have ever been. There are far too many lapsed Catholics in the world today, who would not have lapsed had true charity been practiced by their relatives, neighbors, teachers, and acquaintances.

It is against this sad backdrop that we have Jesus' remedy, the mandate we need now more than ever. And so, Jesus gives us our work to do: to love one another. It is not a suggestion. It is not a recommendation, but a commandment. There is no room here for being lukewarm. Jesus calls us not just to love our family members and friends, but also our enemies. Love of God cannot be separated from love of enemies.

May you and I have that distinguishing mark of love for our neighbor, so that others may notice that we really are a people set apart by God, because we love one another.

Consider making a donation for Landscape and Prayer Garden Flowers! Complete this form and drop it with your contribution at Mass or in the Parish Office.			
Name:	Donation \$:		
Envelope Number:			

And Gradian Recognition

Join us as we honor

the Blessed Sacrament

Graduating High School Seniors

Sunday, May 22 10:30 a.m. Mass

A Reception will follow Mass in the Social Hall





May 21-22, 2022 – 6th Sunday of Easter Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	K. Jalbert	M. Doster	K. Hanson
Eucharistic Minister	*K. Jalbert	*M. Doster, **M. Doster	*K. Hanson
Gift Bearers	M. Pierce Family	T. Allmaras Family	D. Richman Family
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Ushers	D. Rohrich, S. Perreault	G. Yourczek, H. Allmaras	J. & M. Regner
Greeters	D. Rohrich Family	G. & J. Yourczek	R. Norton Family
Rosary Leader	P. Pritchard	J. Klaers	M. Kern
Sacristan	E. Pablo	D. Nechiporenko	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, May 19, 3 p.m. - Call Julie - 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org

Feast/Holy Day the Week of May 15, 2022

May 18: St. John I May 20: St. Bernadine of Siena

May 21: St. Christopher Magallanes

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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Purpose:

To help the needy in our community