



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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May 7-8, 2022 ~ 4th Sunday of Easter

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, May 8 – Mother' Day

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. – +Leona Volk

Monday, May 9 - NO MASS

Tuesday, May 10 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Joe Kirchoffner

Wednesday, May 11

9:00 a.m. – +Al & +Mary Ann Vetter

Thursday, May 12 at Trinity Elementary

8:45 a.m. - +Michael Rohrich

Friday, May 13

9:00 a.m. – For the poor of Ukraine & Russia

Saturday, May 14

Reconciliation 4 - 4:30 p.m.

5:15 p.m. +Jim Hill

Sunday, May 15

8:30 a.m. – +Betty Allmaras

10:30 a.m. – The Parishioners



Offertory Gifts

April 30 - May 1, 2022

Adult: \$6,853.56

Children: \$49

Improvements: \$494

Firm Foundation: \$70

Poor Fund: \$199

Collected to Date

Goal to Date

\$147,253.56 Adult \$140,400.00

\$598.10 Children \$540.00

\$9,249.72 Improvements \$18,000.00

\$421,465.27 Firm Foundation \$400,000.00

\$57,083.00 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.



Faith Formation

The last day of class, our 1-5 graders crowned Mary in the Gathering Area with a beautiful wreath of roses.

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 JPll 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.

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- Enter your parish zip code (58078)
- Enter your name and email address – You're In!

Music Ministry

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



- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists

<u>Contemporary Choir</u>	May 22	Practice/Sing 7:45/ 8:30a.m.
<u>Joyful Voices</u>	May 15 May 21	9:45/ 10:30a.m. 4:45/ 5:15p.m.

Parish Life



Bake Sale: Thank you to the bakers and the buyers of all the goodies at the bake sale! More than \$1,000 was raised for the Blessed Sacrament Poor Fund!

Blessing Box – Nonparishable Food Donations

Welcome: *"Give what you can. Take what you need. Above all, be blessed."*

Coffee & Goodies and Soup & More. Watch for Relaunch news in upcoming bulletins.

Daily Readings – May 8-14, 2022

May 8: Acts 13:14, 43-52, Rv 7:9, 14b-17,
Jn 10:27-30

May 9: Acts 11:1-18, Jn 10:1-10

May 10: Acts 11:19-26, Jn 10:22-30

May 11: Acts 12:24-13:5a, Jn 12:44-50

May 12: Acts 13:13-25, Jn 13:16-20

May 13: Acts 13:26-33, Jn 14:1-6

May 14: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26, Jn 15:9-17

Email Addresses, Phone Numbers and

Emergency Contact Information: Does the Parish Office have your current contact information on file? Call 701-282-3321 or email MaryBeth@bscwf.org to verify your information.

MASS-MINISTRY Sign-up Sheets. If you are a Mass Volunteer, we ask that you please review the sign-up sheets in the Social Hall. We have Saturday, May 28 through Sunday, June 26 posted on the whiteboard. Please place your name on the date and function that you will help us with. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office

Graduating Seniors to be Honored. Sunday, May 22, at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Seniors & families, please **let the Parish Office know if you are attending by May 16**, email info@bscwf.org or call 282-3321

Homebound? Can't go to Sunday Mass?

- Would you like to receive communion?
Put your name on the 'In-Home Communion' list. Call the Parish Office, 282-3321, give your name, address, and phone number.
- Watch Blessed Sacrament Mass on TV! We record Saturday Mass and play it on West Fargo Public Access Cable channel. *Sunday, 10:30 a.m.*
- Watch Sunday Mass on the Blessed Sacrament YouTube Channel Go to **YouTube** search for *Blessed Sacrament Church West Fargo ND.*

Or copy and paste this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPIK7lx77I6WwTnNUQxt5rw>

Moving? All parishioners are reminded to please call the Parish Office, or drop a note in the mail, whenever you move either within the parish or out of the parish.

Our Sympathy to Linda Sample on the death of her Uncle, Fabian Deutsch. May Fabian be at peace in the arms of our Lord.

Pastoral Council Member Change:

Julie Yourczek, Parish Life/Volunteerism Coordinator, has stepped down from the Blessed Sacrament Pastoral Council. Leland Buckmeier has agreed to sit on the Council to fulfill Julie's term. Thank you Leland.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Your Representatives Are...

Finance Council

Lori DeKeyser, Karen Hanson*,
Stacy Montgomery, Brad Novak*,
Eduardo Pablo, Linda Sample,
and Steve Willson

Pastoral Council

Leland Buckmeier, Steve Neva,
Jamie Regner, Gary Ripplinger,
Ally Schweitzer, and Jocelyn Sloan

*Blessed Sacrament Lay Director

Prayer Garden and Landscaping: It is time for us to start thinking about the Prayer Garden and landscape on the south side of the building. 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.

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

May 8: Christopher Gaulrapp, Apollonia Van Slyke,
Leroy Thoemke

May 11: DeAnn Walen Staeck

May 12: Susan Ranzenberger

May 13: James Kemp

May 14: Walter Pfeifer

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

*Edith Hellman, Martha Steier, Alma Grosz,
Janet Gerszewski, Samson Uy, Ted Nilles,
Edward Scheveck, Janice Leidal, Penny Adam,
Gary Lammer, Burr Ryan, Ron Ryan,
Baby Willow, Gloria Ryan*

Spring Clean-up Saturday, May 21, 10 a.m. until we are done. We will be working outside and inside. If it is raining, we will work outside the following weekend. A light lunch will be served to all volunteers, please let us know if you are coming.

Dear Fr. Gary, Staff & Parishioners,
Thank you so much for the beautiful rosary and cross necklace. They will serve as constant reminders of the wonderful people of Blessed Sacrament. I really miss my parish family. Thank you also for the great party. It was so overwhelming. I am truly blessed.
I have received my dependent status and will be traveling to Japan with my daughter and family. We will be leaving Seattle on June 9th. Still so much to do.
I'm enjoying Colorado and my granddaughters. They seem to be happy I'm here.
Take care, I'll keep in touch.
Miss you all,
Karen (Beets)

Community & Diocesan Events

Help Your Fallen-Away Loved Ones RETURN to the Church! Return book study/video course will be offered at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church for 6 Wednesday evenings, starting May 18th. Each session will start at 7 - 8 p.m. Return written by Brandon Vogt, gives real insight into lapsed Catholics: helping us understand why they left the Church and providing us with concrete ways to bring them back. This course is for anyone who has a family member or friend who was brought up Catholic but no longer practices the faith. Please contact Joe if you have any questions (joehendrickx1@gmail.com). The course is free. A free-will offering will be available for anyone who wishes to purchase the Return book. Wine and cheese will be provided as well.

Catholic Daughters to Meet: Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, May 10 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 toiletry, laundry/, paper product donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com

Beginning Experience of Eastern North Dakota June 24-26, Hankinson. For divorced, widowed, and separated individuals. For more information call 701-277-8784.

Beginningexperience-easternnd.org

Job Openings:

Business Manager- St. Mary's in Grand Forks is currently looking for a Business Manager. This person will be familiar with Catholic teaching, structure, and procedures with the ability to manage multiple projects and priorities. This position is responsible for the effective organization and operation of St. Mary's Church administrative, financial and plant affairs. Duties include the management of daily administration of the parish and daycare including all financial aspects such as budget, contributions, fiscal year end reporting, payroll, taxes and payable/receivables. This is a full-time salaried position offering health insurance, 401k, retirement, PTO and AFLAC insurance. Salary depending upon experience. To apply, please send a cover letter and resume to Fr. James Gross at james.gross@fargodiocese.org. A full job description is available upon request.

Youth Coordinator - St. Michael's Church of Grand Forks is currently accepting applications for a PART-TIME Youth Coordinator. This individual must be a self-motivated, team-oriented Catholic professional of high integrity who possesses a great work ethic, a love for ministry, and a passion for fulfilling the Catholic Church's mission. This individual will be responsible for coordinating the parish Youth Ministry Programs for students in grades 9-12, facilitate opportunities for young adult formation to help our youth and young adults deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church to grow in their discipleship. This person will also assemble and coordinate Wednesday night religious education class, fundraising, youth nights, and youth events. The successful candidate must have experience in religious education or youth ministry. Submit resume to Tom Helbling at thomas.helbling@stmichaelsgf.com

Coordinator of both Music/Liturgy and Religious Education- St. Leo's Catholic Church in Casselton, North Dakota, is seeking a full-time person for the **dual position** of Music & Liturgy Coordinator and Religious Education Coordinator for their K-12 Religious Education program of 175 students. Casselton is a growing community 20 miles west of Fargo with a parish population of 260 households. A candidate must be a practicing Catholic with a heart for service and a willingness to work closely with the pastor and parish staff in making parish life a priority by meeting and engaging parishioners. Along with the ability to play the piano competently for two weekend parish liturgies, organize liturgical ministers, and lead parish Christmas and Easter choirs, a candidate must have good communication skills, computer proficiency, able to honor and maintain confidentiality, work with committees, form teachers, and liturgical ministers. A degree in Education, Sacred Music, or Music Education is preferred. This position would include flexible scheduling to accommodate weekend and some evening and holy day hours of work. Interested parties can contact Fr. James Ermer at (701) 347-4609 or email james.ermer@fargodiocese.org

Maintenance Technician- St. Mary's in Grand Forks is currently looking for a part time Maintenance Technician. This position is a 10-15 hour per week position. Responsibilities include minor repairs, maintain boiler, minor plumbing and electrical, painting, and some outside maintenance. To apply, please send a resume to Fr. James Gross at james.gross@fargodiocese.org. A full job description is available upon request.

Teaching Positions

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for the Fall of 2022:

- Art Teacher – Holy Spirit
- English Teacher – Shanley
- Library Media Specialist –Elementary
- Religion Teacher – Shanley
- Resource/Phy Ed Teacher – Sacred Heart
- Social Studies Teacher – Sacred Heart
- Spanish Teacher – Shanley/Sacred Heart
- Little Deacons Teacher – Holy Spirit

To apply visit <https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/> or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

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.

Stewardship Moment

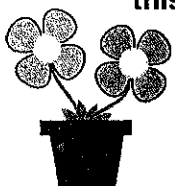
4th Sunday of Easter

*"The disciples were filled with joy
and the Holy Spirit."*

Acts 13:52

The disciples heard our Lord's call and were able to spread the Gospel message with strength and vitality. We, too, can experience that same joy if we make room for the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts. When we use our gifts in the way that God intends, He fills us with supernatural joy. A joy that others notice and are attracted to.

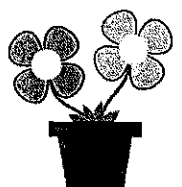
Consider making a donation for Landscape and Prayer Garden Flowers! Complete this form and drop it with your contribution at Mass or in the Parish Office.



Name: _____

Donation \$: _____

Envelope Number: _____



Reflection on the readings for the 4th Sunday Easter - May 8, 2022
Fr. Gary Luiten

It is wise for us to see what Jesus reveals Himself as – what Jesus tells us he is like. In the gospel today, Jesus says not only is he LIKE a shepherd, since he has sheep, he IS a shepherd. In fact, He calls himself the Good Shepherd elsewhere in the gospels. What does it mean to be a good shepherd? Well, a bad shepherd might leave one's flock unattended, and forget about his job. But Jesus doesn't do that. He is constantly here for us.

Our supreme shepherd, the shepherd of shepherds, is Jesus. He is the one who leads us to eternal life. All priests are called to imitate Christ, the chief shepherd of the flock. In fact, the word "pastor" is a word which means "shepherd." So, yes, I am your shepherd too. And I hope you pray for me, that I may truly lead you to Christ, to the streams of living water. We priests need prayer, not just the sheep.

It is fitting that we have this gospel passage on this day, because today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations – vocations to the priesthood, brotherhood, and sisterhood. If you ask just about any priest, brother, or sister why they are such, they will tell you that it is because they heard Jesus' calling. Jesus tells us in the gospel that "my sheep hear my voice; I know them and they follow me." Listening to the shepherd's voice involves prayer – regularly, every day, as individuals and as families.

Part of our duty as Christians is to pray for one another, and to encourage young men and women to a possible calling to a religious vocation. Sometimes they don't see that calling in their hearts, but it needs to be brought to mind by someone else, inviting them to think and to pray about it.

And what are the sheep called to do besides pray? Well, if a person examines sheep in a pasture, they follow the shepherd. They know the shepherd's voice. It is important for us to know the shepherd's voice. It is Jesus whose words were spoken today in the scriptures. They are not just Luke's, or John's, they are essentially God's words to us. How to apply these words to our daily lives takes prayer. It takes a deep, day-to-day relationship with God. May Jesus, who is the good shepherd, help us to do what he did, to go out and spread the good news of salvation to everyone, and to follow Him, the one who leads us to streams of living water.

Since this is also the first full weekend of the month of May, I have a few other items for you.

Mother's Day. This Sunday is Mother's Day. This will be the first Mother's Day without my mother here with me in body, so it will be different. There are many of us whose mothers have gone on before us in faith. Though we trust they are with God in heaven, may we continue to pray for them, that they may enjoy the reward they worked so hard for in this life. And for you who still have your mother with you, I encourage you to not take her for granted, but to thank her and treat her well for raising you and, in many cases, teaching you the truths of the faith. This goes not just for mothers, but for godmothers, foster mothers, stepmothers, and all who have been like mothers to us in our lives.

Firm Foundation Campaign. Thank you to all who have contributed to our campaign the past two years. We are now into the third and final year of our campaign. All the work has pretty much been completed, except for the carpet in the social hall, family room, and sacristy. We plan on having the carpet in by the end of the summer.

Summer Mass Schedule. Please do not forget that the summer Mass schedule will begin on Memorial Day weekend – Sunday May 29. We will only have one Sunday Mass – at 9:30 am, in addition to the usual 5:15 pm Mass on Saturday. This will be the case through Labor Day, September 4. Also, for you going to the lakes for the summer, know that you are in my prayers. It is good to hear that many of you are attending Mass where you will be. I enjoy reading bulletins from your travels. Thank you to all who have brought one back for me. Let us pray for one another, and don't forget to come back in the Fall!

Also, congratulations to all our graduates!

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Calling All Parishioners!

Saturday, May 21~10 a.m.

A light lunch will be provided to all volunteers

Please sign up by calling the office
282-3321

SPRING CLEAN-UP DAY

Outdoors:

Grab your garden gloves and round up those garden tools! It's time to get the church grounds ready for summer.

Indoors:

Dusting, window cleaning, sweeping, washing & wiping throughout the building.
Let's make it shine!

Spring Cleaning Inside and Out

**May 14-15, 2022 – 5th Sunday of Easter
Ministries of Service**

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	J. Jones	J. Allmaras	R. Martin
Eucharistic Minister	*J. Jones	*A. Pritchard, **N. Peterson	*L. Wegner
Gift Bearers	D. Krogen Family	J. Aberle Family	L. Wegner, H. VonBank
Servers	Volunteers	M. Allmaras	T. & R. Regner
Ushers	D. & E. Krogen	T. & H. Allmaras	J. & M. Regner
Greeters	G. Kirkeby, T. Tweeter	W. & J. Suchla	Volunteers
Rosary Leader	S. Bosch	A. Pritchard	K. Hanson
Sacristan	J. Jones	F. McCann	L. Wegner
Media Minister	M. Sloan	*Eucharist Minister **Takes to home-bound	

**Please contact the Parish Office if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry
no later than Thursday, May 12, 3 p.m. - Call Julie - 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org**

Feast/Holy Day the Week of May 8, 2022

May 10: St. Damien de Veuster May 12: Sts. Nereus & Achilleus

May 13: Our Lady of Fatima May 14: St. Mattias

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