



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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August 20-21, 2022 ~ 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, August 21

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

Monday, August 22 - NO MASS

Tuesday, August 23 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Colleen Sullivan

Wednesday, August 24

9:00 a.m. – +Lorraine Reeves

Thursday, August 25

9:00 a.m. – +Jim Hill

Friday, August 26

9:00 a.m. – +Pete & +Rose Bosch

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 27

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - +Kay Morehead

Sunday, August 28

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

Offertory Gifts



August 13-14, 2022

Adult: \$8,732.68

Children: \$16

Improvements: \$487

Firm Foundation: \$1,365

Poor Fund: \$437

Collected to Date

Goal to Date

\$261,251.70	Adult	\$249,600.00
\$733.51	Children	\$960.00
\$14,947.18	Improvements	\$32,000.00
\$432,798.56	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$67,417.00	God's Gift	\$69,942.00

Enter the narrow door which leads to eternal life.



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: Coffee

Churches United for the Homeless: Thursday, August 25.

Soup & More – Welcome Back to School!
Thursday, August 25, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Parish Office Closed: Friday, August 26..

Faith Formation



Classes Start in September.

The Faith Formation year is almost here! Classes begin on Wednesday September 14 with opening Mass at 5:30 p.m. followed by parent meetings and meet and greet with teachers. To register your child, contact Lucy at 701-282-3321 or Lucy@bscwf.org.

RCIA Sessions to Begin September 20th. If you are interested in joining, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten Gary@bscwf.org or 701-282-3321.

Music Ministry



Choirs Start in September. Please consider joining a choir!! Start dates and times will be announced soon.

Parish Life - Volunteerism



Blessed Sacrament to Host a Blood Drive!!

Thursday, September 1, 2-6 p.m. in the Social Hall. To sign up contact Julie at Julie@bscwf.org, 701-282-3321 or go directly to the website <https://tinyurl.com/92mwz7hf>.

WHY Donate Blood? (reason's #3 & 4)

3. **You get a free health check-up.** Before you donate, a nurse checks your temperature, blood pressure and pulse. In fact, some people find out through donating blood that they have high blood pressure and need to follow up with a healthcare provider.
4. **FIVE MILLION Americans** needed blood transfusions last year! Blood helps trauma and burn patients, premature infants, heart surgery patients, organ transplant recipients and those fighting cancer, among others.

BSCWF.ORG – This is Blessed Sacrament's Website!! Have you ever checked it out? Our hope is that you use this as your "GO-TO" place to get information about us. Our website features, the standard information like, Mass Times, Bulletins, Faith Formation Information. We are currently updating the Calendars for Parish Events and Faith Formation. Check out the Blessed Sacrament Website and send us your feedback!! Feedback can be sent to info@bscwf.org or MaryBeth@bscwf.org. Thank You!!

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.

Children's Collection: We are happy to remind our families, with young children, that Blessed Sacrament has a children's collection at all our weekend Masses. The collection takes place as the general collection is being taken up by our ushers. Children are encouraged to bring forward their offering during this time, there is a basket to place their offering in. Jesus said, "*Let the children come to me, and do not prevent them; for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these.*" Matthew 19:14.

Daily Readings – August 21-27, 2022

August 21: Is 66:18-21, Heb 12:5-7, 11-13,
Lk 13:22-30

August 22: 2 Thes 1:1-5, 11; 12, Mt 23:13-22

August 23: 2 Thes 2:1-3a, 14-17, Mt 23:23-26

August 24: Rv 21:9b-14, Jn 1:45-51

August 25: 1 Cor 1:1-9, Mt 24:42-51

August 26: 1 Cor 1:17-25, Mt 25:1-13

August 27: 1 Cor 1:26-31, Mt 25:14-30

SAVE THE DATE!!
Blessed Sacrament
Fall Dinner & Bazaar
Sunday, October 30

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.

Happy Anniversary! We pray for those who have a wedding anniversary this week:

- Larry & Janet Mickelson, Aug. 26. 61 years!

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

- Geri Walz, August 21.

In Remembrance. *May the angels lead those who have died into eternal paradise and count them among the saints in Heaven.*

August 21: Violet Kemp

August 23: Inez Wilhelmi, William Kraft,
Georgia Vargas

August 24: Dorothy Livdahl

August 25: Sarah Olmstead, Vernetta Engness

August 26: Louis Reiter, Edna Gross

August 27: Mark Wilken

IT'S OFFICIAL – FALL BAZAAR IS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30! Start getting ideas ready to fill baskets for the silent auction. Raffle tickets will be available to sell in September. If you are interested in helping with the Fall Bazaar in any capacity please contact Julie at 701.282.3321 or julie@bscwf.org.

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

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-a-member/>

Our Sympathy to Josh Wells on the death of his nephew, David Hand. May David rest in peace in the arms of our Lord.

WestFest Pancake Breakfast. Blessed Sacrament is bringing back the pancake breakfast for West Fest! It will be on Saturday, September 17 from 7:30 – 10:30 am. More details to follow.

Share Your Bounty: If you would like to share any excess produce from your garden, bring it in and place it by the Blessing Box. Thank you!!

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

*Bob Yanish, Janet Gerszewski, Janice Leidal,
Penny Adam, Gary Lammer.*

Soup 'N More – Welcome Back to School! Join us Thursday, August 25, 5:30-6:30 p.m. We will be serving: Sloppy Joes, Corn, Coleslaw, and more!

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.

Support Blessed Sacrament Youth by Saving Your Family Fare Receipts? Please save those receipts!! When we collect \$150,000 in Family Fare receipts, we earn \$1,000 for our Faith Formation youth! Currently our Grand Total is **\$143,574!** We are getting close to our goal!! The collection box for receipts is near the North door.

Trinity Elementary Back to School Drive. Show your support and help Trinity Elementary with some needed supplies. The list is attached.

Two Sunday Masses begin, September 11. Sunday Mass times will be 8:30 and 10:30 a.m. until Memorial Day weekend in May 2023.

We Need YOU to Volunteer! We have many opportunities for you to volunteer. Check out the board in the Social Hall or contact Julie 282-3321, julie@bscwf.org.

Current Volunteer Opportunities are:

- Coffee 'N Goodies after Sunday Masses
- Soup 'N More – two Thursdays per month.
- Churches United for the Homeless – 4th & 5th Thursdays of the month.
- WestFest Pancake Breakfast – September 17
- Fall Dinner & Bazaar – October 30

Sign-up sheets are in the Social Hall.

Reflections on the Gospel for the 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 21, 2022
Fr. Gary Luiten

And Jesus speaks about how to get to heaven in this weekend's gospel: by entering through the narrow gate. You and I are called to take the narrow path. What does that mean, the "narrow path, or the narrow gate?" Well, you as well as I know that an entrance, whether it be the gate for a walking path, or the gate across a road, is not easy to navigate when it's narrow. And it's usually the path less traveled.

It's interesting that the second reading is given to us today along with the gospel. This illustrates that part of entering through the narrow gate that leads to heaven involves living a life of discipline. St. Paul talks about the discipline that God gives us. He tells us not to despise God's discipline. He is doing so to prepare us for the kingdom of heaven – to help us to become less focused on ourselves and more focused on Him.

Paul reminds us that God disciplines the one he loves. So, if we find ourselves enduring some misfortune that God is allowing, don't fear. It's not because God hates us. It's not because God is mean, but it's because God loves us and is refining us, making us more like Himself so we can see and be with Him someday in eternal life.

And, since God disciplines us, then some discipline is good, and, in imitation of Jesus, we are called to discipline ourselves also. Here, discipline does not mean to repress the desires that we have, but to channel those energies into positive things, into actions and deeds that will build up the kingdom of God, like the athlete who works out several times a week or the musician who practices every day.

All this talk on self-discipline is good because it guarantees that we will be ready for the banquet Jesus talks about in the gospel today. May we not shun God's discipline but see it as an opportunity for growth in the spiritual life.

Sacraments

Baptism: 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.

Marriage: 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, 701-282-3321

Community & Diocesan Events

YWCA Chocolate Fantasy. September 8, 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Delta by Marriott, Fargo. YWCA's annual *Chocolate Fantasy event* is a special way to support YWCA Cass Clay, which serves over 300 adults and children each day through shelter, housing, and supportive services. For more information ywcacassclay.org/chocolate or call 701-282-2547.

Emergency Food Pantry Celebrates 50 Years of Service! Wednesday, September 7, 3-6 p.m., 1101 4th Ave N, Fargo. A picnic meal and cake will be served, tours will be offered, and a short program will be at 4 p.m.

Nativity's Sweet Serenade "Return of the Jedi Piano" (songs written for movies) by Brent Hermans, Wednesday, September 7, 7 p.m., Nativity Church Cafeteria.

St. Benedict's Catholic Church Annual Fall Dinner. Sunday, September 18, 2022, 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., 11743 38th St. S, Horace. Dinner includes baked ham, special cherry sauce, mashed potatoes, gravy, coleslaw, corn, rolls, and homemade pumpkin and apple desserts. There will be a silent auction, country store, bake sale, and kids activities. Costs for the dinner are Adults - \$15.00, Children (ages 5-10) - \$6.00, and Children (4 & under) - Free. Takeout meals begin at noon. All are welcome!

REDEEMED Eucharistic Conference. September 23-24, Delta by Marriott, Fargo. Speakers; Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Msgr. James Shea, Sr. Miriam James Heidland, and Dr. Mary Healy. Cost \$50, after Sept. 5 the cost is \$75. For more information: fargodiocese.org/redeemed or call 701-356-7900. Registration forms are in the bookcase in the Gathering Area.

For video presentation opportunities go to <https://fargodiocese.net/revivaladultresources>

Emergency Food Pantry: Thank you for supporting the mission of the Emergency Food Pantry. We are in great need for more volunteers! There are lots of different opportunities to help, regardless of age or physical limitations. Volunteers are welcome Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. – 4 p.m. We have two standard shifts from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. For more information call 701-237-9337

JOB OPENINGS: See the bulletin board in the Blessed Sacrament Gathering Area for a list of current job openings throughout the Fargo Diocese or go to <https://www.fargodiocese.org/jobopenings>.

Upcoming Fall Dinners

<u>Sept. 18</u>	St. Benedict, Horace
<u>Sept. 11</u>	St. Jude's, Thompson
<u>Oct. 16</u>	St. Alphonsus, Langdon
<u>Oct. 23</u>	Holy Cross, West Fargo
<u>Oct. 30</u>	Blessed Sacrament, West Fargo
<u>Nov. 6</u>	Nativity, Fargo
<u>Nov. 13</u>	Sts. Anne & Joachim, Fargo

Stewardship Moment

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

"For behold, some are last who will be first and some are first who will be last."

Luke 13:30

Our cultural standards are different from God's standards. We often rank people by what they have, how powerful they are, or how successful they are. Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly standards. When God asks you, "What have you done with the gifts that I have given you?" How will you respond?

Trinity Elementary

BACK TO SCHOOL

SUPPLY DRIVE

Show your support to Trinity Elementary Students and Teachers by donating some school supplies.

Bring your donations to the table in the Gathering Area.

Supplies will be collected until Labor Day Weekend.

Backpacks	Large Pencil Boxes	Refillable Water Bottles
Clip Boards	24 pk Crayola Crayons	2 GB Flash Drives
Glue Sticks	Headphones (no earbuds)	Yellow Highlighters
Black Flair Fine-Point Pens	Black Regular-Point Sharpie	Dry Erase Markers (colored pack)
Thin Crayola Markers (classic colors)	Wide Crayola Markers (classic colors)	Dry Erase Markers (black pack)
Sheet Protectors	Wide-Lined Spiral Notebooks	Wide-Lined Loose-Leaf Paper
#2 Pencils	24 pk Colored Pencils	3 x 5 Post-it Notes
Pointed Scissors	Quart Size Baggies	Gallon Size Baggies
Kleenex	3x5 White Note Cards (ruled)	Pencil Erasers
Disinfectant Wipes	Clearview Cover 3-ring Binders	Blue, Yellow, Green 2-Pocket Folders (heavy duty)

**August 27-28, 2022 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ministries of Service**

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	J. Jones	M.A. Schuster
EMHC	*J. Jones	*M.A. Schuster, **M. Doster
Gift Bearers	M. Pierce Family	L. & L. Juve
Servers	H. Schiele, M. Pierce	R. Regner
Ushers	E. & C. Pablo	J. & M. Regner
Greeters	E. & C. Pablo	L. & L. Juve
Rosary Leader	P. Pritchard	J. Yourczek
Sacristan	C. Pablo	D. Nechiporenko
Media Minister	M. Sloan	
*Eucharist Minister **takes to the homebound		

Please contact the Parish Office if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry
no later than Thursday, August 25, 3 p.m. - Call Julie - 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org

Feast/Holy Day the Week of August 21, 2022

August 22: Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary August 23: St. Rose of Lima
August 24: St. Bartholomew August 25: Sts. Louis & Joseph Calasanz August 27: St. Monica

Blessed Sacrament Directory
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