



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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August 6-7, 2022 ~ 19th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, August 7

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

Monday, August 8 - NO MASS

Tuesday, August 9 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Debbie McCann

Wednesday, August 10

9:00 a.m. – +James Laurence Jones

Parish Office Closed

Thursday, August 11

9:00 a.m. - +Al & +Mary Ann Vetter

Friday, August 12

9:00 a.m. – +Gary Reeves

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, August 13

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. – +Roger Cossette

Sunday, August 14

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners



Weekly Offering

July 30-31, 2022

Adult: \$22,132.69 Children: \$7

Improvements: \$500

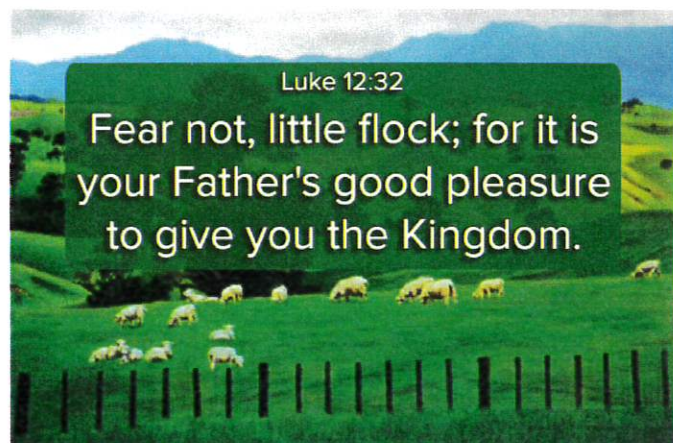
Firm Foundation: \$61

Poor Fund: \$2,698

Collected to Date

Goal to Date

\$22,132.69	Adult	\$234,000.00
\$693.51	Children	\$900.00
\$13,591.60	Improvements	\$30,000.00
\$430,843.99	Firm Foundation	\$400,000.00
\$66,016.00	God's Gift	\$69,942.00



Luke 12:32

Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the Kingdom.

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 'N Goodies

Parish Office Closed Wednesday, August 10 for staff meeting and retreat.

Soup 'N More Thursday, Aug. 11, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Parish Office Closed Friday, August 12.



Faith Formation

Catechist Meeting, for ALL Faith Formation Teachers, Wednesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m. We will discuss and plan the upcoming school year. If you have questions, please contact Lucy at Lucy@bscwf.org or call 701-282-3321



Music Ministry

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

- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists



Parish Life

Becoming Catholic: If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten, 701-282-3321 or Gary@bscwf.org.

Building a Firm Foundation Campaign - Thank you to all who have and continue to support our efforts in improving our infrastructure and upgrading the environment! The third and final phase of the campaign has been completed, with the carpet installation. Please keep in mind, that if you made a pledge, we are counting on you to fulfill your obligation.

Campaign Goal: \$400,000

Pledge Amount 454,795

Pledges Paid: 430,843

Expenses Paid: 444,219

Current Balance: **(-13,376)**

If you have any questions about the Building a Firm Foundation Campaign, please reach out to Fr. Gary or a member of the Finance Council.

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 serve it at CUH. If you'd like to volunteer contact Julie in the Parish Office Julie@bscwf.org or 701-282-3321. August date is 25th.

Daily Readings – August 7-13, 2022

August 7: Heb 11:1-2,8-19, Lk 12:32-48

August 8: Ez 1:2-5,24-28c, Mt 17:22-27

August 9: Ez 2:8-3:4, Mt 18:1-5,10,12-14

August 10: 2 Cor 9:6-10, Jn 12:24-26

August 11: Ez 12:1-12, Mt 18:21-19:1

August 12: Ez 16:1-15,60,63, Mt 19:3-12

August 13: Ez 18:1-10,13b,30-32, Mt 19:13-15

Happy Anniversary! We pray for and celebrate with those who have a wedding anniversary this week: Ted & Linda Nilles, August 12, 55 years.

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

- Bernard DesRoches, August 11.
- Steve Perrault, August 12.

God's Gift Appeal 2022. Blessed Sacrament is 94% towards our goal of \$69,942. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

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

August 7: Fred Franke

August 8: Douglas Burkett Sr. Daisy Leist

August 9: Reberta Krauth

August 11: Rod Erdmann, John Smith,
Susan Woytassek, Bertram Dame

August 13: Shirley Ackerman

Our Sympathy to Fran Gerszewski on the death of his granddaughter, Mackenzie Gerszewski. May Mackenzie fly like an angel to the arms of our Lord.

Prayer Warriors. The Blessed Sacrament Prayer Warriors are a group of individuals who pray for those who have requested prayer. **Please become a Warrior of Prayer at Blessed Sacrament** and contact Wendy Retterath (701-282-6266) or Parish Secretary, Mary Beth Odegard at 701-282-3321 or MaryBeth@bscwf.org.

Requesting Prayers If you or a family member would benefit from prayers, please contact the Parish Office. A prayer request could be sent to the Prayer Warriors for that group to pray for; or the prayer request could be posted in the bulletin and that request would be announced at weekend Mass; or both. Contact the Parish Office 701-282-3321. **You may also request prayers on our website:** <https://www.bscwf.org/prayer-wall/>

Sick List: We pray for our ill parishioners and family members. If you would like your Blessed Sacrament family to pray for you or a loved one, please call the Parish Office. Names will be listed, in the bulletin, for 1 month unless the office is contacted for an extension.

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

Soup 'N More: Blessed Sacrament will be serving a dine-in meal on the second and fourth Thursdays from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Take-out meals will be available.

August 11: Pancakes, eggs, sausage...

August 25: Sloppy Joes, corn, coleslaw...

Sunday Coffee 'N Goodies. We need volunteers to host Coffee & Goodies after Masses on Sunday. Goodies are provided. To volunteer, contact Julie, 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org.

Vital Statistics – July 2022

Deaths: Alma Grosz, Elroy Folstad,
James Kraemer

Newcomers: Mary Barnes, Colter Pratt,
Michael & Kristin Knudsen

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

- Coffee 'N Goodies after Sunday Masses
- Soup 'N More – Aug 11 & 25
- Churches United for the Homeless – Aug. 25

Sign-up sheets are in the Social Hall.

Reflections on the Readings for the 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 7, 2022

Fr. Gary Luiten

Jesus says, "Be on guard. The Son of Man will come when you least expect Him." We are called to live the scout motto: "Always be prepared." And isn't it ironic that regarding being ready to meet our Lord, we have a tendency at times to let this slip. It may be in the back of our minds, but we may very seldom think about it.

When we were young, we thought we'd live forever, that our bodies were immortal, and we hardly ever thought of the afterlife. Then as a person grows up, they begin to realize that this isn't so, and that this life isn't all that there is, and I should stop living that way. We actually have two things to prepare for: when Jesus comes at the end of our lives and when Jesus comes at the end of the world, whichever comes first.

So how does one get ready for God? Should we clean up the house? Yes, that is to clean up the house which is our spirits. We do this at the beginning of each mass when we make that act of sorrow, and all venial sins are taken away. But we also hear in the scriptures: "Confess your sins to one another." And this we do in the sacrament of reconciliation when the priest represents not only God but the people.

One thing is for certain about the end of world or our lives, and that is that we will be ready when we keep our hearts fixed on God. It's good for us to look at where our hearts lie. If our hearts lie with God, then we will be prepared for when Jesus comes again. As long as we are honest and in touch with our creator and savior, then we have nothing to fear and we will be ready for the master's return.

Since this is the first bulletin of the month, I have a couple of other items for you:

Firm Foundation Campaign. It has taken 2 1/2 years, but we have finally finished the work on the church building: the heating and air conditioning system and the flooring. Last week the final part of the carpeting was installed in the sacristy. Feel free to take a look at the carpeting we have installed in the social hall, family room, and sacristy. The project took a while, but it was necessary. It is also a great spruce up to our parish facility, and for that you deserve a pat on the back! Thank you to all who contributed in any way to the campaign and to those who are still contributing to the campaign for the next few months.

The Assumption of Mary – August 15. Normally this is a holy day of obligation, but since it falls on a Monday, it is not an obligation this year. And since it falls on a Monday, there will be no Mass here that day.

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

Appeal from Seven Dolors Mission, Ft. Totten N.D. Seven Dolors Parish has experienced severe damage following a rainstorm. Repair and renovations are in order. The parish is a small Mission church and Fr. Antony Samy Michael has asked for your help. There is an informational booklet in the bookcase in the Gathering Area.

66th Annual Pilgrimage to Carmel of Mary, August 14, 2 p.m. Carmel of Mary, 17765 78 St. SE, Wahpeton. For information 701-640-6152.

Summer Concert Series. Nativity's Sweet Serenade by Brent Hermans with occasional guest stars. Once a month Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Nativity Church Cafeteria. There will be treats!

- August 17 - Street-Wise Songs
- September 7 - The Return of the Jedi Piano (songs written for movies)

Catechist Retreat at Maryvale, Valley City. One-day retreat on August 26 or 27, 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Fr. Andrew Jasinski will direct a series of talks reflecting on the Eucharistic Revival. Register by August 19 at fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat.

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.

Retrouvaille Weekend for Couples. October 7-9. Faith, hope, and love; are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be? For information call 701-356-7903 or HelpOurMarriage.com.

Fall Dinners

Sept. 11	St. Jude's, Thompson ND
Oct. 16	St. Alphonsus, Langdon ND

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary is one the Four Dogmas (teachings) that we as Catholics believe about Mary. The other three include her Immaculate Conception, that she is the Mother of God, and that she is a perpetual virgin.

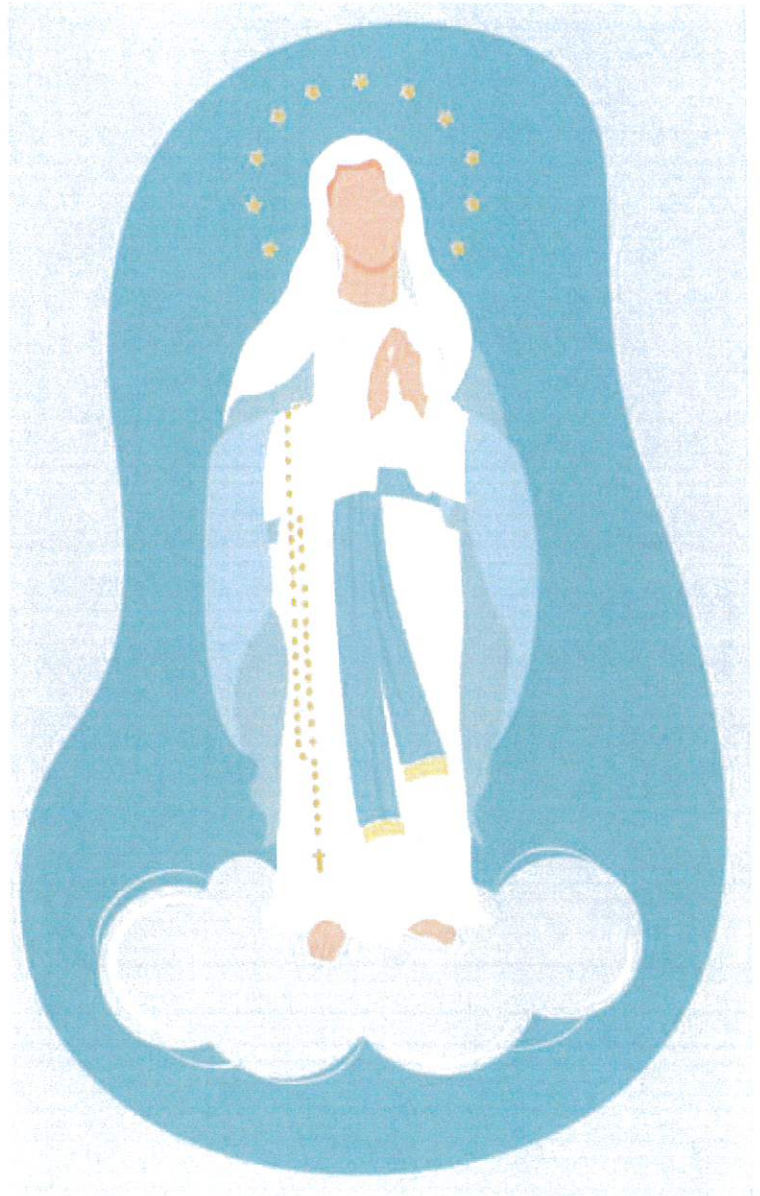
In an article written by Gretchen Filz on August 15, 2016, she gives ten reasons why Mary's Assumption was the greatest moment of Mary's life.

Each year on August 15 we celebrate the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven, a Holy Day of Obligation. According to St. Peter Canisius, Doctor of the Church, the Assumption is the greatest of all Marian feasts and therefore holds the highest place of them all. Why?

Because Mary's entrance into heaven was the happiest and most joyful event of her life—even happier than the Annunciation and the Nativity of Our Lord.

At her Assumption into heaven:

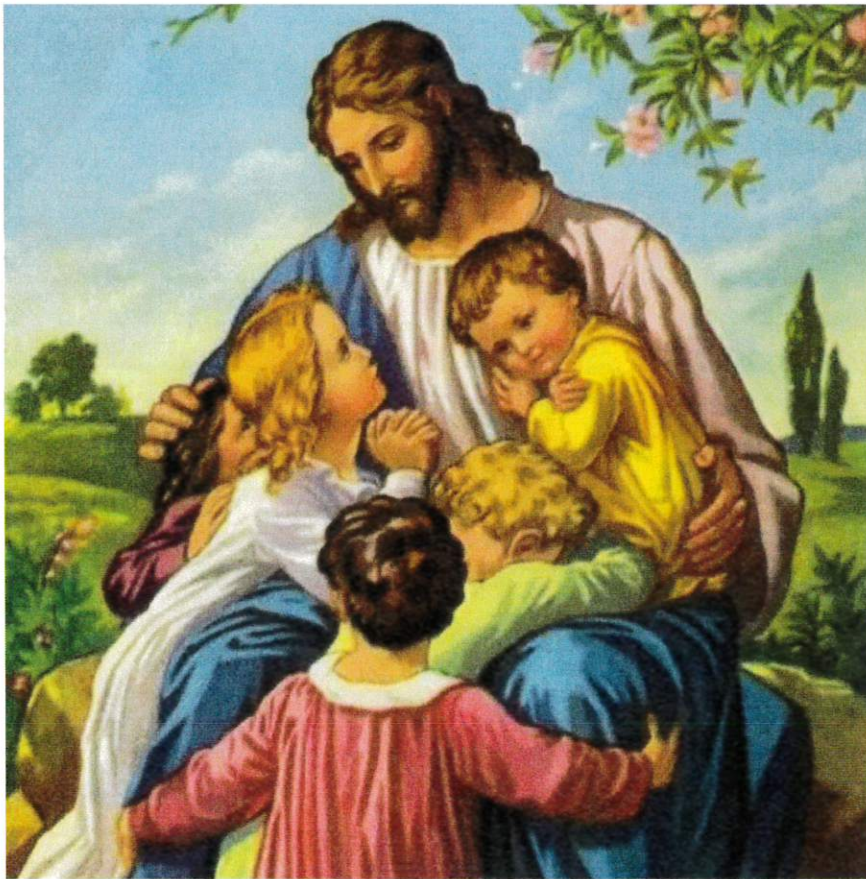
1. The Blessed Virgin Mary was, for the first time since His Passion and Ascension into heaven, physically reunited with her Son, Jesus, for all eternity, never to be separated from Him again
2. Her long and difficult earthly mission as a co-worker in Christ's redemption of the human race was now complete; through God's grace she persevered to the end in perfect harmony and submission to the will of God.
3. At this moment she received the fulfillment of all she longed, sacrificed, sought, worked, desired, hoped, waited, and prayed for her entire life.
4. She experienced perfect and complete happiness in her entire person, as both her body and soul were united in heaven (Mary and Jesus are presently in heaven with their physical bodies; the souls of the other saints will receive their bodies at the final resurrection of the dead).
5. Everything mysteriously written and prophesied in the Scriptures of her role in salvation history was brought to its glorious fulfillment.
6. Mary, the true Ark of the Covenant where the Incarnate Christ dwelt, was finally in her exalted place in the Temple of the heavenly Jerusalem.
7. Just as Mary received Jesus into the world at his nativity, now Jesus magnificently receives his mother into heaven for all eternity.
8. Mary, as the most beautiful and perfect creature in all of God's created order, enters heaven for the first time—with her physical, human body—and is given the highest place above all the choirs of angels, and there receives the honor and praise proper to her exalted state.
9. Mary is crowned as Queen of Heaven and Earth to reign as Queen Mother alongside her Divine Son, to rule, protect, guide, intercede, and lead all of her spiritual children to be with her Son, Jesus, just as she is.
10. Mary is the first to receive promise of the resurrection given to all who are united to Jesus Christ and persevere in faith as she did; therefore, she embodies the future hope of the Church and of all believers.



Catechist Meeting

Wednesday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Social Hall



*But whoever obeys and teaches these commandments
will be called greatest in the Kingdom of Heaven.*

-Matthew 5:19



THURSDAY, AUGUST 25TH, 2022

SERVING 5:30—6:30 PM

**SLOPPY JOES — CORN — COLE SLAW —
WATERMELON — CHIPS + MORE**

ALL ARE INVITED

PARISHIONERS

FAMILY

FRIENDS

COMMUNITY

TEACHERS

NO! NO! NO!



**Summer
CAN'T
be over yet!!!**

Let's welcome our students back to school.

**Sign-up to make a dish or dessert to share or
volunteer to help the night of.**

Sign-up boards are in the social hall

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Social Hall

210 5th Ave W—West Fargo, ND 58078 701.282.3321

THE 66TH ANNUAL

Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Prairies

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 2022

2:00PM CONFERENCE ON THE BLESSED MOTHER
3:00PM ROSARY
5:00PM HOLY MASS
6:00PM PICNIC



MAIN CELEBRANT FOR HOLY MASS:

Most Reverend John T. Folda, Bishop of Fargo

CARMEL OF MARY

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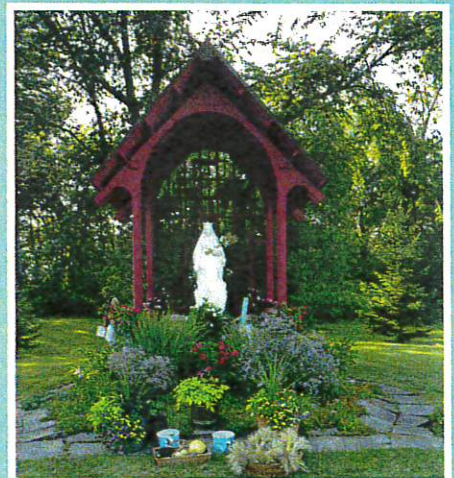
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CARMEL OF MARY



August 13-14, 2022 – 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	B. Kirkeby	L. Metzger
EMHC	*J. Jones	A. Pritchard, **TBA
Gift Bearers	D. Krogen Family	A. Buettner Family
Servers	Volunteers	E. Buettner, R. Regner
Ushers	E. & C. Pablo	J. & M. Regner
Greeters	T. Tweeter, G. Kirkeby	A. Buettner Family
Rosary Leader	S. Bosch	L. Metzger
Sacristan	J. Jones	M. Kern
Media Minister	N. Althoff	
*Eucharist Minister **takes to the homebound		

**Please contact the Parish Office if you are unable to fulfill your Ministry
no later than Thursday, August 11, 3 p.m. - Call Julie - 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org**

Feast/Holy Day the Week of August 7, 2022

August 8: St. Dominic August 9: St. Teresa Benedicta of the Cross August 10: St. Lawrence
August 11: St. Clare August 12: St. Jane de Chantal August 13: Sts. Pontain & Hippolytus

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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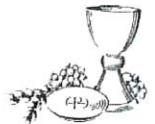
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