



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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July 22-23, 2023 – 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions



Sunday, July 23

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioner

Monday, July 24 - NO MASS

Tuesday, July 25 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Carter & +Easton Supler

Wednesday, July 26

9:00 a.m. – +Marvin Leidal

Thursday, July 27

9:00 a.m. – +Betty Allmaras

Friday, July 28

9:00 a.m. – +Cecelia Kirchoffner

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, July 29

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. – +Albert & +Elsie Sadowsky

Sunday, July 30

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners



Offertory Gifts

Your Support Helps Keep the Light On!

July 15-16, 2023

Adult: \$8,339.81

Children: \$24

Improvements: \$556

Poor Fund: \$675

Collected to Date

Goal to Date

\$198,817.64 Adult \$232,000.00

\$653.00 Children \$870.00

\$23,016.29 Improvements \$29,000.00

\$455,534.40 Firm Foundation \$400,000.00

\$63,306.50 God's Gift \$71,561.00



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

This Week



Sunday - Coffee

CUH, Thursday July 27.

Soup 'N More, Thursday, July 27, 5:30 p.m.

Parish Office Closed, Friday, July 28.

Faith Formation



All Youth Are Welcome! Please turn in your Faith Formation registration forms. Registering early helps us to better plan for the school year. Registration Forms for the 2023-24 school year, are due July 31. After that date, you will receive a late fee of \$15. Registration forms are in the Parish Office and, on our website,

<https://www.bscwf.org/childrens-registration/>

If you have questions, contact Lucy at 701-282-3321 or Lucy@bscwf.org.

REMINDER – Family Vacation Bible School Registration Forms are DUE July 31.

If you are interested in attending, the registration forms are in the Parish Office and on our website:

[https://www.bscwf.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/2023.VBS .pdf](https://www.bscwf.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/2023.VBS.pdf)

If you have questions, contact Lucy.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Classes will begin in the fall – RCIA is the process through which adults enter the Catholic Church. These classes are open to those interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or those considering becoming Catholic. The first class will be Wednesday evening, September 20 in the parish library. To register for the classes, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten at Gary@bscwf.org or 701-282-3321.

FORMED – What to Watch. There is a new Series called SEEK where you can find two recommendations for this week, one called How to Become as Saint by Fr. Josh Johnson and the other called Don't Be Afraid, the Church Needs More Saints with Jason Evert. You will find many other options to view under the SEEK series. Another recommendation is another new video series called The World Conference where again there are many topics to choose from but one video, which addresses transgender issues, is called Male and Female He Created Them: Understanding Gender Theory, again by Jason Evert. Mr. Evert and his wife are proponents of St. John Paul II's Theology of the Body. Both he and his wife have written many books from the teachings of St. John Paul II.

I would like to invite you to share with us videos, movies, documentaries, children's programming, etc. that you have viewed and would like to recommend to your fellow parishioners. Simply send me an email and I will post them in the weekly bulletins.

-Lucy

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 about RCIA classes, 701-282-3321 or Gary@bscwf.org.

Blessed Sacrament Safety Team. The Safety Team continues to meet and make plans and changes to our environment. They have 3-Subcommittee groups 'Shelter in Place', 'Fire/Tornado', 'Active Shooter'. These groups are looking at different scenarios and coming up with suggestions on how we make Blessed Sacrament a safe environment for all! Some of the suggestions have already been put in place. Others will come at a later date.

Don't Drive to Vitalant to Give Blood! You can donate here at our next blood drive on Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 2-6 p.m. To schedule your donation time please contact Julie in the parish office at 701.282.3321,



Daily Readings – July 23-29, 2023

July 23: Wis 12:13, 16-19, Rom 8:26-27, Mt 13:24-43

July 24: Ex 14:5-18, Mt 12:38-42

July 25: 2 Cor 4:7-15, Mt 20:20-28

July 26: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15, Mt 13:1-9

July 27: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b, Mt 13:10-17

July 28: Ex 20:1-17, Mt 13:18-23

July 29: Ex 24:2-8, Jn 11:19-27

Fall Bazaar: We are looking to add a small Silent Auction in addition to Take A Chance baskets. Please note the items for the silent auction should be of a \$50 or higher value. We will only be accepting 15 Silent Auction Baskets. We ask that you please include only unused items in the baskets for the bazaar.

God's Gift Appeal 2023. Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2023 God's Gift Appeal. Blessed Sacrament has contributed 88% towards our goal of \$71,561. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the Gathering Area book rack. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

Happy Anniversary! We pray for those celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.

- Roger & Diane Heilman, July 25, 25 years!

Happy Birthday! We pray for those who celebrate their birthday this week.

- Jeanette Gust, July 25
- John Koffler, July 29

Receive Notifications of our Streaming Masses. Subscribe to the Blessed Sacrament YouTube channel!

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCPIK7Ix77I6WWtNNUQxt5rw>. Subscribe and click the bell, you will get notified of live broadcasts and newly uploaded videos.

SABBATICAL?? Fr. Gary is going on Sabbatical? Join us in sending him off at Soup 'N More on Thursday, August 24, 2023. We will be sending him off with a special blessing.

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

*Rachel Dwyer, Pauline Klinger, Frank Metzger,
Marion Kosteletzky (sister of Annette Roth),
Sandy Johnson, Jack Fuller, Larry Mattson,
Aaron Dahl, Bryan Kuntz, Gary Lammer*

Six People from Blessed Sacrament have signed up to attend the National Eucharistic Congress in July of 2024! If you are interested, please contact Fr. Gary or Mary Beth in the Parish Office 701-282-3321. To learn more about the Eucharistic Congress, go to <https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/> You will see the schedule, tracks, speakers and more!

SOUP 'N MORE?? Haven't attended? Missed what it is? If answered YES to both ??'s then you ARE MISSING OUT. Join us on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month for a FREE themed meal. We serve from 5:30-6:30pm – See our website for menus, go to <https://www.bscwf.org/calendar/>

- **Thursday, July 27, 2023:** Summer Slump
- **Thursday, August 10, 2023:** Take a trip to Hawaii via WF
- **Thursday, August 24, 2023:** Send off for Fr. Gary Fish Fry

We Pray In Remembrance of...

July 23: Danny Ulmer

July 24: Michael Dobush

July 25: Melvin Knudson

July 27: Frank Trenkenshuh

July 28: Terry Krauth, William Carroll,
John Deutsch, Richard Rohde

July 29: George Tuchscherer

Volunteerism - Stewardship



Churches United for the Homeless (CUH):

Blessed Sacrament cooks and takes supper to CUH the 4th & 5th Thursdays of the month. If you'd would like to volunteer, contact Julie 701-282-3321 or Julie@bscwf.org.

Julie Needs Availability: If you are a ministry volunteer, please get Julie your availability for September and October by August 1. Also, if you wish to receive the schedules via print out, emailed or text message.

VOLUNTEERING SIGN-UPS ARE CURRENTLY HOUSED ON THE TABLE BY THE PARISH OFFICE.

WE ARE FAMILY – We Make Our Parish What It Is! Consider doing more for your parish family by participating in the mass. Not just from your pew. Jump out of your comfort zone and become a reader, bring up gifts as a family, be an usher, a Eucharistic Minister. Call Julie to sit down with her to talk about your talents and together we can see how you can get more involved. **YOU CAN DO THIS!!** 701.282.3321 or email julie@bscwf.org

Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten



The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 23, 2023

The scriptures today speak of kindness, and in particular, God's kindness. You and I are called to be imitators of God – to be just, as God is just, but also to be kind and generous to others as God is to us. This is a real challenge because it calls us to think about the needs of others first over ourselves and material things. We hear in the second reading today how to tap into God's kindness. But St. Paul gives us the answer on how to possess this kindness. He says we should go to the Holy Spirit, so we can be imitators of God. He says, "The Spirit helps us in our weakness."

If we realize that it is the Holy Spirit that helps us, giving us the strength to be kind and forgiving, that is the first step to perfection. When we give God the credit, then we are becoming like Christ. So God wants us to turn to the Holy Spirit, and ask the Holy Spirit for strength, for the grace to possess this kindness and compassion.

Another aid for us to being merciful and kind is to be "Christo-Centric." That means to build our life on Jesus as our foundation. Let us realize that even though life may seem tough, even though our plans seem to be frustrated at times, our savior Jesus, with the Father and Holy Spirit, is at the core of our existence, showering us with kindness, and challenging us to receive the increase in grace that God hands out to us every day, helping us to become more like Jesus.

Eucharistic Revival



St. Paul emphasizes that this communion exists not only among ourselves but also with those who came before us. The Eucharist is a sacred tradition handed on by Christ to the Apostles, and in which we now share. During every Mass we are united with all the holy men and women, the saints, who have preceded us.

Revival is in the Air

An Exciting Journey Ahead

Our world is hurting. We all need healing, yet many of us are separated from the very source of our strength. Jesus Christ invites us to return to the source and summit of our faith in the celebration of the Eucharist. The National Eucharistic Revival is a movement to restore understanding and devotion to this great mystery here in the United States by helping us renew our worship of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist.

Watch the video to learn more about the exciting journey ahead and how you can be a part of it!
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDNZeBtCijc>

Community & Diocesan Events

Putt 4 a Purpose – Golf Event. Bishop John Folda invited you to **Putt 4 a Purpose**, at the 17th Annual Bishop's Charity Golf Classic, benefiting Seminarian Education and Youth Programs. Join the fun and fellowship by heading to Rose Creek Golf Course in south Fargo on Monday, August 7th for a round of golf, dinner and prizes. Register three golfers and bring your Priest, Deacon, or Seminarian as your 4th player for free! Register online at: www.fargodiocese.org/puttpurpose

For further information, contact Steve Schons in the Stewardship and Development Office, 701-356-7926 or email steve.schons@fargodiocese.org.

Retrouvaille Weekend: September 29-October 1, 2023 in Fargo. Retrouvaille consists of a weekend experience and a series of follow-up sessions over three months. The next Retrouvaille weekend will be held in Fargo on September 29-October 1, 2023. Visit <https://www.helpourmarriage.org> to find out more information or register.

Women's Eucharistic Retreat with Bishop Folda: October 6-8, 2023, at Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City. Although registration is not yet open, mark your calendars for October 6-8, 2023, and save the date for this Women's Eucharistic Retreat with Bishop Folda at Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City. This will be a smaller retreat with limited spaces available, so keep an eye on <https://www.fargodiocese.org/retreat-schedules> for more details in the weeks to come.

Job Openings: For a list of all current job openings throughout the Fargo Diocese. Or go to: <https://www.fargodiocese.org/jobopenings>

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for Fall 2023:

- Art Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- Elementary Teacher – Nativity Elementary School
- Kindergarten Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- PhyEd Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Trinity Elementary School

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

Support Positions

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- Assistant Cook – Trinity Elementary (Part-time)
- Girls Golf, Assistant Coach – Shanley High School

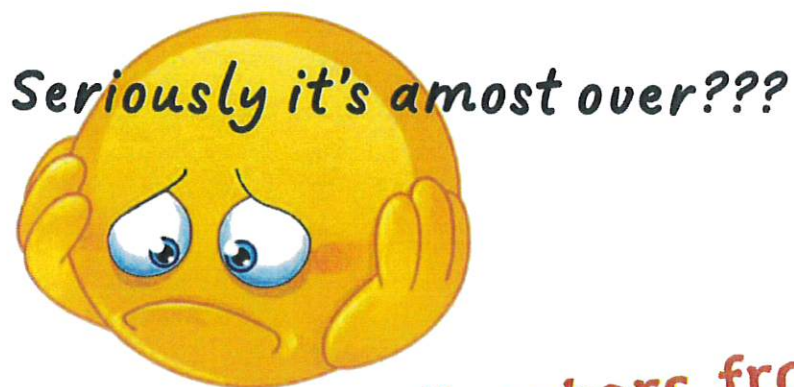
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Mission Statement:

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.



SUMMER SLUMP— SOUP 'N MORE



Seriously it's amost over???

Thursday,
July 27, 2023

Serving all eaters from 5:30—6:30pm.

MENU

Sloppy Joes

Mac & Cheese

Cole Slaw

Desserts

Coffee & Water

Blessed Sacrament Catholic
Church—Social Hall

210 5th Ave W—West Fargo

If you can eat...
you're invited

FREE!!!

July 29-30, 2023 – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	J. Jones	M. Doster
EMHC	*J.W. & J. Jones, C. & E. Pablo, M. Schiele	*/**M. Doster, M.A. Schuster, M. Kern, A. Pritchard, D. Nechiporenko
Gift Bearers	J. Walter Family	B. & A. Wells
Servers	H. Schiele, M. Pierce	B. Wells, E. Buettner
Ushers	S. Hartze, S. Perreault	D. Epping, G. Yourczek
Greeters	J. Walter Family	B. & A. Wells, A. Larson
Rosary Leader	H.J. Puvogel	M. Kern
Sacristan	J. Jones	D. Nechiporenko
Media Minister	M. Berntson	
*Bread Minister **Takes communion to the shut-ins and sick		

Feast/Holy Day the Week of July 23, 2023

July 24: St. Sharbel Makhluf July 25: Apostle James
 July 26: Sts. Joachim & Anne July 29: Sts. Martha, Mary, & Lazarus

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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Fr. Gary Luiten, Pastor – Gary@bscwf.org

Julie Yourczek – Parish Life / Volunteerism – Julie@bscwf.org

Lucy Elshaug - DRE/Youth Ministry - Lucy@bscwf.org

Mary Beth Odegaard – Support Staff – MaryBeth@bscwf.org

Ronda Voss – Music Coordinator – Ronda@bscwf.org

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<p>Knights of Columbus Council #6465</p> <p>Meet first Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. Classroom #4 Blessed Sacrament Church</p>	<p>Darren Rohrich 701-367-8676 darrenrohrich@gmail.com</p> <p>DAKOTA PLAINS REALTY DakotaPlainsRealty.com</p>	<p>TRS INDUSTRIES Fargo, ND</p> <p>Custom Covers for Anything 1-701-277-1749—Fargo, ND</p>	<p>Advertise Here! for \$3 per week Contact the Parish Office 701-282-3321</p>
<p>FOR \$3 PER WEEK THIS SPOT COULD BE YOURS! CALL THE PARISH OFFICE 701-282-3321</p>	<p>St. Francis Thrift Store 1425 1st Avenue South Fargo, ND 58103 Ph: 701-235-5944</p> <p>Needed: Saleable items, cash donations (tax deductible), and volunteers Purpose: To help the needy in our community</p>	<p>BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH Father Gary Luiten 701-282-3321 ~ www.bscwf.org</p>	<p>firstchoice CLINIC "Putting You First"</p> <p>free confidential services 701.237.6530</p> <p>pregnancy Tests -Limited Ultrasounds -Resources & Referrals -STI Testing</p>