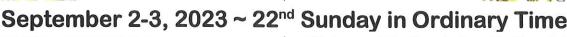
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, September 3

9:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Monday, September 4 - NO MASS

Parish Office Closed - Labor Day

Tuesday, September 5 – at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - +Geene Francis Lenzmeier

Wednesday, September 6

9:00 a.m. - +Joe Hernandez

Thursday, September 7

9:00 a.m. - +Irma Diegel

Friday, September 8

9:00 a.m. - +Marilyn Dockter

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, September 9

Reconciliation 4-4:30 p.m.

5:15 p.m. – +Jake Kirchoffner

Sunday, September 10

8:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - Thanks to the Holy Spirit

for grace received

Weekly Offering

Assumption, August 15, 2023

Adult: \$568 Children: \$2

August 19-20, 2023

Adult: \$8,726.34 Children: \$8

Improvements: \$680.07

Poor Fund: \$340.10

August 26-27, 2023

Adult: \$2,490.80 Children: \$45

Poor Fund: \$144

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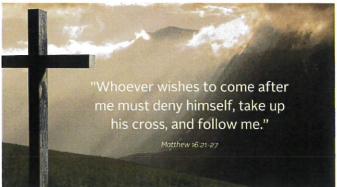
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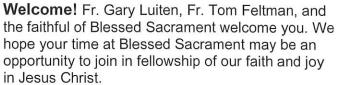
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This Week



Sunday: No Coffee

Parish Office Closed, Monday September 4.

St. Jude Circle Meeting

Tuesday September 5, 3 p.m.

Eucharistic Conference Meeting,

Thursday, September 7, 1:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Thursday, September 7, 7:00 p.m.

Two Sunday Masses begin NEXT Sunday!

Mass times will be 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.



Fall Dinner & Bazaar News Sunday October 15, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.

We are getting ready for that day of days... Our Fall Dinner and Bazaar!! Please help us get the poster out to the public and pick up and sell your raffle tickets. This is the main fundraiser for our church!

PLEASE Pick Up Your Raffle Tickets You will find your raffle tickets for the Fall Dinner in the Gathering Area. Please pick them up so we don't have to spend money for postage.

Baskets Are Available in the social hall for the Take-A-Chance and Silent Auction

- All filled baskets will need to be to the church NO LATER than October 3 – this ensures our volunteers time to organize and get set up.
- Please note we are looking for baskets to contain <u>new</u> items.
- Silent Auction baskets are limited to 20 and we are looking for a value of \$50 or more – we ask that you let Julie know if you plan to contribute to the silent auction.
- If you have gently used items, please prepare those for the country store.

Sign-up Sheets for helping at the dinner, carnival, bingo, country/jewelry store, food donations, floaters, etc. are on the table by the Parish Office.

Take-A-Chance tickets will again be \$1/each. These will be sold before/after masses on October 7 & 8th and again the weekend of the bazaar. ALL TICKETS MUST HAVE A FIRST AND LAST NAME AND PHONE NUMBER. Just putting that out way ahead of time.

If You Have Questions or just want to know more about the Fall Dinner / Bazaar, please reach out to Julie in the Parish Office. You can catch her at church, call 701.282.3321 or email julie@bscwf.org.

Area Fall Dinners:

St. Andrew's, Hawley - September 17 St. Benedict's, Horace - September 17 St. Anthony, Fargo - September 24 St. Williams, Argusville - October 1 Blessed Sacrament, West Fargo - October 15

Faith Formation



Faith Formation Classes will Begin SOON! Is your child registered? Contact Lucy if you have any questions. 701-282-3321 <u>Lucy@bscwf.org</u>.

Family Night, Wednesday, September 13 at 5:30 p.m. in the Social Hall. All students and parents are welcome.

Preschool / Kindergarten Class (PK): Will meet one Sunday a month at 10:30 a.m. beginning October 8.

Grades 1-5: Will meet most Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. beginning September 20.

B4WOW Students (grades 6-8): Will meet twice per month on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. beginning September 27.

WOW Students (grades 9-12): Will meet twice per month on Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. beginning September 20.

Class Start Dates & Times

Preschool / Kindergarten (PK)
Sunday, October 8 10:30 a.m.

Grades 1-5

Wednesday, September 20, 5:30 p.m.

<u>WOW</u> (Grades 9-12)

Wednesday, September 20, 7:00 p.m. B4WOW (Grades 6-8)

Wednesday, September 27, 7:00 p.m.

RCIA Classes will begin Wednesday, September 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the parish library. If you aren't Catholic and would like to be or would like to learn more about the Catholic church, you are invited to attend. To enroll, call the Parish Office. Marilyn Geary-Curfman will teach the class until Father Gary returns from Sabbatical. Thank you.

RCIA Class Dates:

September: 20, 27 October: 4, 18, 25

FORMED-What to Watch: There is a new series called "Be Not Afraid Family Hour" which can be found under the tab called Pray with Formed. You are invited to watch Episode 1: The Parents' Mission, Passing on the Faith. This episode has its focus on how parents can engage their children/ grandchildren in the Catholic faith and learn to pray together. You will hear inspirational stories from Catholic families, along with being provided with challenges to help you apply the faith at home. This episode ends with a beautiful meditation on the Joyful mysteries of the Rosary which you can pray together in your home. The domestic church, the church called your home, is the first place where children learn about their faith.

If dramas interest you, then scroll and click on audio dramas, open it, and listen to "The Shadow of His Wings", a presentation about the life story of Fr. Gereon Goldman who was drafted into Hitler's army and how he remained faithful to proclaiming the faith to his Nazi countrymen.

And for children, click on the tab called This week on Formed and view Mary, Queen of Heaven, with Brother Francis.



Choirs to Begin in September. If you or anyone you know loves to sing and would like to join the choir, please join in the Music Room, to warm up for Mass. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Ronda at Ronda@bscwf.org. We hope to see many of you there!

- Joyful Voices, Saturday September 16
 - o Practice 4:30 p.m. | Sing 5:15 p.m.
- Contemporary Choir, Sunday, September 24
 - o Practice 7:45 a.m. | Sing 8:30 a.m.

Joyful Voices Choir sings most Sundays at 10:30 a.m. and one Saturday per month at 5:15 p.m. This choir invites ALL of you who like to sing from age 6-96!

Contemporary Choir sing Sundays at 8:30 a.m. Mass twice a month and features guitars. Instrumentalists and singers of all ages are welcome!

We Need Accompanists & Cantors!

<u>Accompanist</u> – The accompanist is responsible for providing accompaniment for the hymns and acclamations during the Mass. Knowledge of the Catholic Mass is preferred. *This is a paid position.*

<u>Cantor (Song Leader)</u> – The Cantor is both a singer and leader of the congregational songs. The Cantor has the responsibility for leading the assembly, and inviting them in hymns and acclamations used throughout Mass. You should have a strong singing voice. This ministry is open to high school/adult singers. *This is a volunteer opportunity.*

If you are interested in assisting at weekend Masses, please contact Ronda at Ronda@bscwf.org or call the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

Parish Life



Fr. Gary Luiten on Sabbatical until the end of November. We are fortunate to have Fr. Tom Feltman here to take charge while Fr. Gary is gone. You can reach Fr. Feltman by calling the parish phone number 701-282-3321 or emailing Thomas.Feltman@fargodiocese.org

Blood Drive - Tuesday, September 26, 2023, from 2-6 p.m. To schedule your donation time please contact Julie in the Parish Office at 701.282.3321, scan the attached barcode.



Busy-Bag for Children: Do you need something to occupy your child(ren) during Mass? Have them take a <u>Busy-Bag!</u> The bags are on the red 'tree' near the coat rack. You may take home the activity and coloring pages. The crayons and books remain in the bag. Please return the Busy-Bag to the 'tree' when Mass is over.

Busy Bag Thank You... A Great BIG Thank You to Kayla Kottsick, Stephanie Pratt and Julie Yourczek for your time and talent in creating new Busy Bags! They are wonderful. Check them out!

Daily Readings - September 3-9, 2023

September 3: Jer 20:7-9, Rom 12:1-2, Mt 16:21-27

<u>September 4</u>: 1 Thes 4:13-18, Lk 4:16-30 <u>September 5</u>: 1 Thes 5:1-6,9-11, Lk 4:31-37

<u>September 6</u>: Col 1:1-8, Lk 4:38-44 <u>September 7</u>: Col 1:9-14, Lk 5:1-11 <u>September 8</u>: Mi 5:1-4a, Mt 1:1-16 September 9: Col 1:21-23, Lk 6:1-5

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

Fran Hagen, September 9.

Let us Pray for You! Contact the Parish Office with your prayer needs 701-282-3321. Your request will be forwarded on to our Prayer Warriors and/or placed in the bulletin. You may also request prayers on our website: https://www.bscwf.org/prayer-wall/

Mass at Sheyenne Crossings: In Fr. Gary's absence, Fr. Tom will be celebrating Mass at Sheyenne Crossings every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m.

Our Sympathy to the family of Jim Hellman. May Jim rest in peace in the arms of our Lord.

Please Check Lost and Found. Items not picked up by September 30 will be donated. We collect items that have been left behind and place them in the tote above the coat rack. If what you're looking for isn't in our Lost and Found, ask the intercession of St. Anthony of Padua to help you recover it.

Prayer Warriors. The Blessed Sacrament Prayer Warriors are a group of individuals who pray for those who have requested prayer. If you are interested in joining our Warriors of Prayer or if you have guestions, contact Mary Beth in the Parsh Office. 701-282-3321.

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.

Steve Curfman, Kathy Looney, Wally Odegaard, Micah Erickson, Mary Beth Odegaard, Debbie Sandstrom, Aaron Dahl, Bryan Kuntz, Gary Lammer

St. Jude Circle to Meet Tuesday, September 5 at 3:00 p.m. in the Social Hall.

SOUP 'N MORE NEWS:

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You to everyone that helped, donated electric fry pans, or came to eat and wish Fr. Gary well on his sabbatical at last week's Soup 'N More. It was amazing seeing all the people come together. If you were a first timer, hopefully we have intrigued you to return. We also thank all that do attend our dinners on a regular basis for your patronage. It is always so wonderful to see your smiling faces!!

NO Soup 'N More on September 14. Due to a conflict with Cruise Night and WestFest, September Soup 'N More will be ONLY on the 28th.

Soup 'N More Upcoming Dates

(the 2nd & 4th Thursday of the month) September 28: Bountiful Harvest - Enjoy a fantastic Vegetable Beef Soup & Sandwich plus more. Have veggies from your garden – would love for you to donate to make this amazing soup!!

October 26: Theme TBD November 9: Theme TBD December 14: Theme TBD December 28: Theme TBD

Two Sunday Masses begin NEXT weekend, September 10. Mass times will be 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.

Thank you! Our sincere gratitude to the parishioners of Blessed Sacrament for the water bottles. The kids enjoyed getting them, especially on these warm days! It was a very...very thoughtful and meaningful gift.

Blessings,

Brenda Hoye, Administrative Assistant

Trinity Elementary



Trinity Elementary - Back to School Drive.

If you would like to contribute towards the purchase of the Trinity Water Bottles, a donation box is on the table by the Parish Office door. Thank you!

Vital Statistics – August 2023

Baptisms:

Deaths: William Dahlen

Newcomers: Charles & Debra Beutler. Shannon O'Leary, Connie Ripplinger, John & Tracey Skedsvold, Chris Diver.

We Pray In Remembrance of...

September 3: Larry Paczkowski

September 4: Diane Cich

September 7: Wilhelm Lerch, Mary Thompson

Volunteerism - Stewardship



VOLUNTEER SIGN-UPS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO THE MAGAZINE RACK BY THE PARISH OFFICE.

Sign Up for the Blood Drive, Tuesday, September 26! - There are 24 Available Slots!! It only costs a pint of your blood and 30 or so minutes of your time to help SAVE A LIFE. Plus, you get water and treats.

Mark Your Calendars... Fall Clean-up will be Saturday October 7. Begins at 9am. A light lunch will be served. The more people we get to volunteer, the guicker everything gets done. Signups will be in the bookcase on a clipboard.

Eucharistic Revival & Congress



To worship God on Sundays, is not the mere observance of a rule but the fulfillment of our identity, of who we are as members of the Body of Christ. Participation in the Mass is an act of love.

Congress Schedule - Day 2: THURSDAY, JULY 18, 2024

The Greatest Love Story

"Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them what referred to him in all the scriptures."

LUKE 24:26-27

During this first full day of the Congress, participants will receive a clear kerygmatic proclamation that invites them into intimate relationship with the person of Jesus Christ. Together, we will have the opportunity to respond to this call in the celebration of the Eucharist. Then we will uncover how the story of our lives can be truly understood within the context of salvation history—the greatest love story ever told.

- 8:30 AM: Catechetical sessions and daily Mass
- Lunch break
- 2:00 PM: Breakout sessions and festival programming in the afternoon
- Dinner break
- 6:30 PM: General Session 2—The Greatest Love Story
 - We will remind ourselves of the saving Gospel message and have an opportunity to respond to Jesus' invitation to believe in him and become a disciple who is nourished and sustained by the Eucharist.

To join the Fargo Diocese pilgrimage trip, contact Mary Beth Odegaard, Parish Secretary, for information, 701-282-3321 or MaryBeth@bscwf.org If you want to attend but don't want to go on the Diocese bus, register here:

https://www.eucharisticcongress.org/register

Community & Diocesan Events

Sunday 7:30 p.m. Mass Returns to St. Anthony's. Beginning Sunday, September 10, St. Anthony of Padua, will once again offer a Sunday Mass at 7:30 p.m. Please tell your friends and family!

FINAL CONCERT - Nativity's Sweet Serenade Concert Series. Brent Hermans in Concert! Nativity Church, 7:00 p.m. Free event! Desserts. coffee, and pop are available. September 6: Return of the Jedi Piano (The Preguel) (Movie Songs)

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. September 9, 11:00 a.m., Holy Cross Cemetery North, Fargo. Honor the gravesites of our unborn brothers and sisters. Sponsored by Sts. Anne and Joachim Church.

Living in the Presence of God, a Spiritual Retreat. September 11-14, St. Francis Retreat Center, Hankinson. Speaker, Sister Mary Ruth Huhn. For more information contact Sister Christina gfacwomen@gmail.com

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters meet Tuesday, September 12 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 school supply donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions. please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com.

St. Benedict's Catholic Church, Horace - Fall Dinner, Sunday, September 17, 11:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Baked ham dinner, including special cherry sauce, mashed potatoes, gravy, coleslaw, corn, rolls, and homemade pumpkin and apple desserts. There will be a country store and bake sale. Costs for the dinner are Adults - \$15.00. Children (ages 5-10) - \$6.00, and Children (4 & under) - Free. Takeout meals are available. All are welcome!

Catholic Man Night, Thursday, September 14, St. Anthony's, 6:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Adoration & Confession. 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Meal with talk & short discussion with featured speaker Blake Ritteman from Real Presence Radio, Free will donation for the meal. Come and bring a friend!

St. Anthony's Fall Bazaar. Sunday, September 24 (710 10th St S, Fargo) from 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Bingo, a raffle for cash and other prizes, games for kids, a maker's market, baked goods, jewelry, plants, and used books will all be part of the day. An old-fashioned turkey dinner will be served from 11:00 a.m.- 2:00 p.m., adults-\$15, children-\$8, and a family-\$50. For more information, please call 701-237-6063. We hope you come and enjoy the day with us!

Apple Dumpling Day! Sunday, September 24, 1-4 p.m., Riverview Place. Enjoy music by Myron Summerfield Orchestra, win prizes and apple dumplings! No Charge to attend.

"May They All Be One" – God's Great Desire, Saturday, September 30, 9 a.m.-11:30 a.m., at the Chapel at Riverview Place. In a time of division, Jesu's great priestly prayer during the Last Supper was for one-ness. The predominate worldview in the West today is that "everything is separate". Come to Riverview and celebrate the reality of our unity with each other throughout the ritual of "The Comic Walk".

Retrouvaille Weekend: September 29-October 1, 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.

Job Openings

FT Administrative Assistant. The Diocese of Fargo is currently accepting applications for an Administrative Assistant, within the dynamic Finance and Administration Offices. Candidate must be able to work with a team, be organized, and possess strong computer and composition skills. General knowledge of Catholic Church structure and practices, and previous experience as an administrative assistant is preferred. FT position with a generous benefit package. Submit cover letter and resume with three references to: Barbara.augdahl@fargodiocese.org. Position is open immediately.

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. Cemetery Superintendent. Holy Cross
Cemeteries in Fargo is looking for a part-time
(potentially full-time) superintendent. This role will
be responsible for all aspects of operations,
marketing, and maintenance of the two cemeteries
in Fargo. Candidate will have to be familiar with
Canon Law and Catholic church teachings
regarding burials, applicable laws, and regulations
as they relate to cemeteries and employees. Strong
computer and marketing skills are a plus. Please
send resume and cover letter to Fr. Ross
Laframboise at pastor@holyspiritfargo.com.

PT PCA/CNA. Sisters of Mary of the Presentation (Valley City) is looking for a Part Time PCA/CNA to care for our elderly Sisters. Flexibility to work various shifts, (at least 24 hours/week) with a \$2.00 shift differential pay and a \$2500 hiring bonus. Warm, faith filled, home like atmosphere. Apply online

http://www.sistersofmaryofthepresentation.org/smpemployment-application/ or call Amanda 845-2864 for more information.

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

- Elementary School Counselor Nativity and Holy Spirit Elementary School
- Elementary Teacher Nativity Elementary
- PhyEd Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary (PT) To apply visit https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/ or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

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

- After School Program Worker Multiple locations
- Marketing & Communications Specialist To apply visit https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/ or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

Women's Care Center is looking for special people committed to our mission, who are personable with excellent communication skills. A part-time or full-time counselor position is available. Degreed and non-degreed candidates are encouraged to apply. Will train. Degreed in counseling, social work, nursing, or other service-related background is preferred. Please forward your resume to angela@wccnd.com or call 701-532-1928 for further details or questions.



Wednesday, September 13, 5:30 p.m.

Blessed Sacrament Social Hall

All Students are welcome!

A parent must accompany their child(ren).

Contact Lucy with any questions. 701-282-3321

Serve the Lord with gladness:

come before his presence with singing and thanksgiving.

Choirs will be beginning the 3rd weekend of September. Please prayerfully consider joining us.

Contemporary Choir

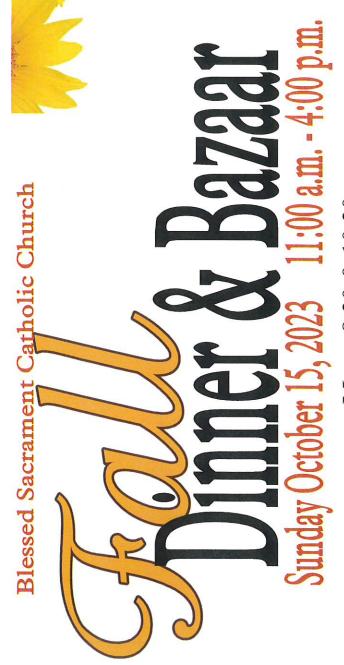
2nd and 4th Sundays at 8:30

Joyful Voices

1st 2nd 4th Sundays at 10:30



The power of music that exalts God, lifts our spirits and grants us peace.



Food and Fun EVeruonei

Mass: 8:30 & 10:30 a.m.

Dinner: 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Bingo: 2:30 p.m. (cash prizes)

Raffle Drawings: 4:00 p.m.

Mashed Potatoes & Gravy Coleslaw, Bread, Dessert

Fried Chicken,

Bingo

AND 2 Handmade Quilts

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Take-Out Available

September 9-10, 2023 – 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	B. Kirkeby	K. or J. Wells	C. Fischer
EMHC	*J. & J.W. Jones, B. Opoien, C. & E. Pablo	*/**S. DeKeyser, L. DeKeyser, M.A. Schuster, D. Nechiporenko, D. Chapek	*M. Regner, L. Wegner, G. Larson, M. Kern, M.B. Odegaard
Gift Bearers	Glandt Family	Wells Family	Kottsick Family
Servers	Volunteers	Wells Family	Volunteers
Ushers	B. & D. Christl	S. Perreault, P. Boyles	R. Fischer, R. Haugen
Greeters	G. Kirkeby, T. Tweeter	Wells Family	Kottsick Family
Rosary Leader	P. Pritchard	L. Metzger	M. Kern
Sacristan	J. Jones	D. Nechiporenko	M. Kern
Media Minister	R. Cwikla	*Eucharist Minister **Takes to home-bound	

Feast/Holy Day the Week of September 3, 2023

September 4: Labor Day September 8: Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary September 9: St. Peter Claver

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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