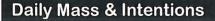


Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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September 16-17, 2023 ~ 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Sunday, September 17 Anointing 8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - +Olvido Villimar de Pablo

Monday, September 18 - NO MASS

Tuesday, September 19 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - Joanne & Kaytlyn Salter

Wednesday, September 20

9:00 a.m. - +Frank Stephan Lenzmeier

Thursday, September 21

9:00 a.m. - +Phil Schafer

Friday, September 22

9:00 a.m. – +Jenny Pulkrabek

Saturday, September 23

Reconciliation 4:00-4:30 p.m.

5:15 p.m. - Morgan Peirce

Sunday, September 24

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners 10:30 a.m. - +Louis DeKeyser



Offertory Gifts

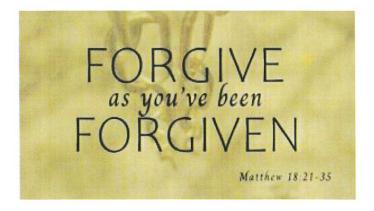
Your Support Helps Keep the Light On! September 9-10, 2023

September 9-10, 2023
Adult: \$5,560.40 Children: \$11

Improvements: \$232.49

Poor Fund: \$180

Collected to D	Goal to Date	
\$269,433.89	Adult	\$296,000.00
\$903.00	Children	\$1,110.00
\$25,436.41	Improvements	\$37,000.00
\$64,766.50	God's Gift	\$71,561.00



Welcome! Fr. Gary Luiten, Fr. Tom Feltman, 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 Anointing of the Sick

RCIA, Wednesday, September 20, 7:00 p.m.

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

OUR FALL CELEBRATION IS IN 4 WEEKS!

Blessed Sacrament

Fall Dinner & Bazaar *October 15, 2023* 11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

> 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Dinner & Games

8:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Bazaar Market
Jokers Wild
Prayer Cards
Silent Auction
Take-A-Chance

2:30 – 4:00 p.m. Bingo

4:00 p.m.
Raffle Drawings

The Fall Dinner / Bazaar is the BIGGEST FUNDRAISER of the Year for Our Church.

Please do your part in supporting Blessed Sacrament on this day. Sell your tickets! Bring in an auction or take-a-chance backet! Donate something to the Bazaar Market! Or Volunteer on that day!! We are counting on you!

The Day Will Be Packed with good food, Bazaar Market, Take-A-Chance & Auction Baskets, Games, Bingo and more. This is a perfect opportunity to get involved and be a part of the largest fundraiser for our parish. The proceeds go toward general operating costs. The more we raise at the Fall Dinner, the fewer financial concerns we will have in the future.

ORDER OF THE DAY - October 15, 2023: DINNER, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Fried Chicken Dinner! Fried Chicken, vegetable medley, mashed potatoes & gravy, coleslaw, bread. and dessert. (LOTS of desserts, baked by your fellow parishioners!) Gluten free chicken is available for those with special dietary needs.

BAZAAR, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

NEW NAME Bazaar Market: The Bazaar Market has combined the Country and Jewelry Stores into one. Do you have new or gently used items you would like to donate? The Bazaar Market will accept handmade crafts, homemade jelly & jams, baked goods, canned goods, etc.

Bring your donations to the Parish Office BEFORE 3:00 p.m. Friday, October 13.

-Special Hours: Saturday, October 7, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, October 15, 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Joker's Wild Board: Win a 55" LG Smart TV! Purchase a card for \$20. If your card is the Joker, the TV is yours! 53 cards are sold, the cards are not revealed until all are purchased. Cards will be sold on Oct 7-8 & 14-15.

Silent Auction & Take-A-Chance Baskets: There are empty baskets in the Social Hall, please consider taking a basket and create an appealing Silent Auction or Take-A-Chance basket. We ask that items be NEW. Any gently used items should be donated to the Bazaar Market. All baskets must be at the church by Tuesday October 3.

Silent Auction: Bazaar goers will bid on these baskets. We are looking for 20 baskets with a value of \$50 or more. Please let Julie know if you plan to contribute to the Silent Auction.

- Take -A-Chance: create an appealing basket, that would entice others to "Take-A-Chance" to win!
- -Special Hours: Saturday, October 7, 4-7 p.m. Sunday, October 8, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Saturday, October 14, 4-7 p.m. & Sunday, October 15, 8 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

For Silent Auction questions, contact Julie in the Parish Office. For Take-A-Chance questions, contact the Committee Chair, Karen Rohrich through the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

Prayer Cards: Purchase a Prayer Card and receive a free bottle of homemade wine. Cost \$15.

GAMES, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

We will have a few games - some for kids and some for families. If the weather is nice, we may have some games outside. Stay Tuned for More information!

BINGO, 2:30 - 4 p.m.

Sponsored by the Knights of Columbus - ALL CASH PRIZES including a \$100 Black-out! There will be 10 regular games and 2 specialty games. Specialty games will be 50/50 (winner takes 50% of the collection) and \$100 Black-Out! The Cost: \$.50 per card per game.

\$1.00 per card for specialty games

RAFFLE DRAWING, 4:00 p.m. (following Bingo) Need Not be Present to Win.

Tickets: \$5 each

Prizes: 15 cash prizes including: \$2,000, \$1,000. \$500, \$250, \$100

2 handmade quilts (valued at \$400 each) Please sell your raffle tickets. Return the stubs and money to the Parish Office no later than Friday. October 13. Thank you!

Contributions and Volunteers are Needed:

The Fall Dinner/Bazaar would not be a success. without the support of our parish members. Please help us to make this our most successful Fall Dinner/Bazaar yet! Sign-up sheets for helping at the dinner, carnival, bingo, bazaar market, food donations, floaters, etc. are ON THE BOARD IN THE Social Hall.

Call the Parish Office if you have any questions, 701-282-3321.

- Share the Bazaar Poster at work, school, or other bulletin boards.
- Sell those raffle tickets and turn in the stubs and money!

Raffle Tickets Have Been Mailed! Thank you to those who picked up their tickets from the Gathering Area. You saved us a lot of money on postage! PLEASE sell your tickets and return the stubs and money as soon as possible. Do you want more tickets to sell? Request them from the Parish Office. Every household is asked to sell a minimum of 1 book (10 tickets).

Quilts on Display. Thank you to Isabell Liska and Stephanie Pratt for the beautiful quilts! The quilts are on display outside the Parish Office and are raffle prizes. Take a minute to check them out! You might win one!

Faith Formation



Grades 1-5 and WOW Classes begin THIS week, Wednesday, September 20. <u>B4WOW will begin NEXT week</u>, Wednesday, September 27. PreK / Kindergarten will start Sunday October 8. Please see the schedule below. If you haven't already registered you child, please contact Lucy at 701-282-3321 or <u>Lucy@bscwf.org</u>, or register online at https://www.bscwf.org/childrens-registration/

Class:

Grs 1-5	Sept. 20	5:30 p.m.
WOW	Sept. 20	7:00 p.m.
Grs 1-5	Sept. 27	5:30 p.m.
B\$WOW	Sept. 27	7:00 p.m.

For all Faith Formation Class Dates and Times, refer to the Faith Formation Calendar on the Blessed Sacrament Website at:

https://www.bscwf.org/classes/

RCIA (Right of Christian Initiation of Adults)
Begins THIS Week. Wednesday, September 20,
7:00 p.m. in the Library.

RCIA Class Dates:

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



Contemporary Choir,

• Sunday, September 24 Practice 7:45 a.m. | Sing 8:30 a.m.

Joyful Voices,

Sunday, September 24
 Practice 9:45 a.m. | Sing 10:30 a.m.

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

- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists

Parish Life



Blood Drive - WE NEED YOU!

Tuesday, September 26, 2023, 2-6 p.m. To schedule your donation time please contact Julie in the parish office at 701,282,3321.



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.

Daily Readings - September 17-23, 2023

<u>September 17</u>: Sir 27:30-28-7, Rom 14:7-9, Mt 18:21-35

<u>September 18</u>: 1 Tm 2:1-8, Lk 7:1-10 <u>September 19</u>: 1 Tm 3:1-13, Lk 7:11-13 <u>September 20</u>: 1 Tm 3:14-16, Lk 7:31-35 <u>September 21</u>: Eph 4:1-7,11-13, Mt 9:9-13 <u>September 22</u>:1 Tm 6:2c-12, Lk 8:1-3 <u>September 23</u>: 1 Tm 6:13-16, Lk 8:4-15

Fall Clean Up: Saturday, October 7 at 9 a.m. We need everyone to pitch in and help with the outside and inside cleaning. See the signup sheets in the Gathering Area. A lunch will be provided.

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

• Richard Zeis, September 23.

Knights of Columbus News.

The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus would like to congratulate Colter Pratt for being Knight of the Month, and John & Jody Jones for being Family of the Month this September.

Lighting Upgrades in the Gathering Area and Family Room. The lights in the Gathering Area have been converted to LED. This conversion will make the area brighter and save us money on the electric bill. In the Family Room, we have made adjustments so that the room is not so bright. We are hoping that a softer, dimmer light will make the room more family friendly for those with small children. We'd like to thank Justin from Rick Electric for helping us with these projects.

New Member Registration. Become a registered member of Blessed Sacrament! To do so, call the Parish Office 701-282-3321 or **register on our website**

https://www.bscwf.org/become-a-member/

Online, Mobile, or Automatic Withdrawal Giving: 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.

- Online Giving: <u>www.bscwf.org</u>, 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.

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

Allan Melander, George Schmidt,
Patty Conlon (sister-in-law of Leroy & Mary Kay
Hagen), Kolby Hunsicker,
Steve Curfman, Kathy Loney, Wally Odegaard,
Micah Erickson, Mary Beth Odegaard,
Aaron Dahl, Gary Lammer

Soup 'N More – Looking for Donations! We are making a vegetable beef soup for the September 28th meal and are looking for all sorts of homegrown veggies. If you are still harvesting and have an abundance we would love to get: Green Beans, Carrots, Rutabagas, turnips, onions, potatoes, zucchini, corn, etc. THANK YOU IN ADVANCE

Soup 'N More - Upcoming Dates

2nd & 4th Thursday of the month

September 28: Bountiful Harvest - Enjoy a fantastic

Vegetable Beef Soup & Sandwich plus more.

October 26: Spooktacular Dinner November 9: Honor Our Veterans

<u>December 14</u>: Theme TBD

December 28: Happy New Year

Teaching Your Kids About Giving. Ways to teach your child to give all year long (3 of 5): Volunteer. Teach your child how to give by giving

volunteer. Teach your child now to give by giving something priceless - time and energy.

- 13. Volunteer to help in your child's classroom or to chaperone a school field trip. If you can't help during the day, offer to help with projects you can work on at home.
- 14. Bring the whole family to your church for service and cleanup days.
- 15. Volunteer to deliver items or staff the pick-up booth for sports and church groups in which your child is involved.
- 16. Volunteer on any day of the year. Call local volunteer matching services, such as 211 (Fargo Area) to find projects suitable for your family.
- 17. As a family, pick a local place to volunteer, and make it a family date once a month or whenever possible. For example, volunteer for Soup 'N More at Blessed Sacrament!
- If you can't find a volunteer opportunity in your area, create one. <u>Use United We Serve's</u> <u>toolkits</u> to help design a service project for your family.
- 19. Encourage your child to become an Altar Server at your church.

Thank You Gardeners, for donating some of your home-grown veggies for others to relish. Your Generosity is appreciated!

Trinity Elementary - Back to School Drive.

Since Trinity Elemenatry had no specific supply needs this fall, we decided to give the students reuseable water bottles. The water bottles have the Trinity and Blessed Sacrament logo and will remind the students that Trinity and Blessed Sacrament are part of each other. If you would like to contribute towards the cost of the water bottles, a donation box is on the table in the Gathering Area.

We Pray In Remembrance of.

September 18: Valentine Fischer September 19 Pearl Schweitzer September 20: Bernice Schmidt

September 22: Minnie Boll, Dean Tollefson,

Helen Ebsen

Welcome to the Family Room! We are blessed to have such a wonderful room for our families with young children. The Family Room is on the north side of the church (The room with the blue chairs). This room is reserved for infants and toddlers with their parents and people with special needs during Mass. This room has comfortable chairs including a rocking chair.

Volunteerism - Stewardship



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

BLOOD DRIVE IS 2 WEEKS AWAY AND RESPONSE IN SIGNING UP HAS BEEN SLOW.

Please sign-up to save a life. Our blood drives have been quite successful in the past. Let's keep that going. Tuesday, September 26, 2023. Thank you in advance!

Fall Clean-up is Saturday, October 7: Begins at 9am. The more people we get to volunteer, the quicker everything gets done. Sign-ups are on the table by the parish office. Would love to see new faces signing up to help!

Remember to Check Out All The Different Volunteer Options and Sign Up! There are sheets in the gathering area as well as in the social hall.



A Note from Fr. Gary Luiten

Sunday, September 17, 2023

Greetings Parishioners,

I hope this finds you all well back at Blessed Sacrament. First, I want to thank everyone for the prayers, cards, gifts, upon my birthday and leaving on my sabbatical. The trip out to Baltimore went well. The accommodations here at St. Mary's Seminary in Baltimore (not to be confused with Mount St. Mary's Seminary in Emmitsburg MD. where I went to school back in seminary days) are wonderful. I am auditing three classes - The prophets of the Old Testament, the gospel of Luke and the Acts of the Apostles, and Medical Moral Ethics. There were supposed to be 2 other priests here on sabbatical with me, but neither showed up. so I am the only one. But the seminarians, faculty. and staff are very welcoming. The professors are top-notch. This is the oldest seminary in the nation. It was here in Baltimore where St. Elizabeth Ann Seton made her religious vows back in 1808 at the old seminary downtown. I forgot about that in my studies. The house and chapel where she made those vows are still there, and it was inspiring to visit.

I offer Mass every day, and I offer the Mass at least once a week for you and your intentions. It has been either hot and humid or rainy, so I haven't been able to do much outside. Let us keep each other in prayer. God bless you!

-Fr. Garv.

Eucharistic Revival & Congress



Congress Schedule - Day 4 SATURDAY, JULY 20, 2024

> This is My Body "Stay with us."

> > **LUKE 24:29**

In the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke recounts that the disciples "devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers" (Acts 2:42). Using the early Church as a model, this day will build up participants as disciples through Jesus Christ to live out the Gospel in their love of both God and neighbor.

- 8:30 AM: Catechetical sessions and daily Mass
- Lunch break
- 2:00 PM: Breakout sessions and festival programming in the afternoon
- 3:30 PM: City-wide Eucharistic Procession
- Dinner break
- 8:00 PM: General Session 4—This is My Body

Through Scriptural formation, the communion of the Body of Christ, reception of Sacramental Grace, and fervent prayer, we will be prepared and empowered to be Eucharistic missionaries.

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

We give thanks to the Lord for all He has given to us. The word "Eucharist" means "thanksgiving." Our manner of giving thanks comes from God, for we do so by following the command of the Lord: do this in memory of me (Lk 22:19)

Community & Diocesan Events

Blue Mass to be Held. Friday, September 29, 12 p.m., St. Anthony's. A Blue Mass honors, in a special way, all those serving in public safety, both licensed and civilian. The color blue, predominantly worn by the men and women in service, provides the name for this Mass. The Mass and blessing is being held on the Feast of the Archangels, because St. Michael, one of the Archangels is the patron Saint of police officers. This Mass will also include prayers and blessings for police officers, firefighters, correctional officers, 911 operators EMS personnel and others serving in public safety. A light reception will follow Mass. All are welcome to attend!

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.

Women's Eucharistic Retreat with Bishop Folda: October 6-8, 2023, at Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City. "My flesh for the life of the world". A focus on helping women encounter God in a deeper way through the gift of the Eucharist. Bishop Folda will lead the entire retreat. Registration includes accommodation, supplies, meals on Saturday & Sunday. The retreat will conclude on Sunday with lunch. Cost \$250. Contact Jennie Korsmo 701-356-7901 for more information or register at https:// www.fargodiocese.org/bishop-retreat.

Holy Spirit's Fall Festival - Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Fargo, will host its annual Fall Festival on Sunday, October 8, 2023 from 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. We will feature a pork dinner, bake sale, bingo, raffle, kids' games, cupcake walk and more. Dinner is served from 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. (or until gone.) A free will offering will be accepted for the meal. Please join us for a day of FUN, FABULOUS FOOD and FELLOWSHIP. For more information, contact the parish office at 232-5900.

Pinochle Party - All are invited to play pinochle in the Holy Spirit Social Hall, Fargo, Sunday afternoon on October 15, at 1:30 p.m. Bring a friend! You are welcome to bring a snack to share if you wish and you do not need to bring a card partner. Pinochle is played at Holy Spirit most every second Sunday of the month. Call Mary Jo Zacher at 309-253-5173 for more info.

Rediscover Your Joy. October 27-29. If you or someone you love has been suffering from the emotional and spiritual pains of an abortion — no matter how much time has passed — a Rachel's Vineyard retreat weekend will help transform that pain into hope for the future. To register or questions: Carol Kling 605-374-5639 or ckling@sdplains.com.

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

St. Maruice, Kindred - October 8

Holy Spirit, Fargo - October 8

St. Agnes, Hunter - October 8

Blessed Sacrament, West Fargo - October 15

Holy Cross, West Fargo - October 22

St. Elizabeth, Dilworth - October 29

Sts. Anne & Joachim - November 12

Faith Formation Starting Dates:

First Day of Class:

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

Grades 1-5 September 20 5:30 p.m.

B4WOW (Grades 6-8) September 27 7:00 p.m.

WOW (Grades 9-12) September 20 7:00 p.m.



Contact Lucy Elshaug with any questions, Lucy@bscwf.org or 701- 282-3321



INCLUDING BLESSINGS FOR ALL MEMBERS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, FIRE,
FIRST RESPONDERS, CORRECTIONS & DISPATCH

Friday, September 29 12:00 Noon

*A light reception & time of fellowship will follow Mass.

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September 23-24, 2023 – 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	J. Jones	J. Allmaras	S. DeKeyser
ЕМНС	*E. & C. Pablo, K. Jalbert, J. & J.W. Jones	*D. Nechiporenko, D. Chapek, S. Perreault, M. Doster, J. Yourczek, **T. English	*M. Kern, M. Jamieson, S. Richman, S. & L. DeKeyser
Gift Bearers	K. & A. Jalbert	L. & L. Juve	D. & S. Richman
Servers	Volunteers	M. Allmaras, Wells Family	Richman Girls
Ushers	D. & B. Krogen	T. Allmaras, C. Pratt	S. Curfman, R. Haugen
Greeters	D. & B. Krogen	L. & L. Juve	D. & S. Richman
Rosary Leader	S. Bosch	D. Nechiporenko	M. Kern
Sacristan	C. Pablo	D. Chapek	S. DeKeyser
Media Minister	N. Althoff	*Eucharist Minister	**Takes to home-bound

Feast/Holy Day the Week of September 17, 2023

September 19: St. Januarius September 20: Sts. Tae-gon, Ha-sang & Companions September 21: Apostle Matthew September 23: St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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