

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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March 30-31, 2024 - Easter Sunday

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, March 31 Easter Sunday 8:30 a.m. - the Parishioners 10:30 a.m. - +Frank Gerszewski Monday, April 1 No Mass

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, April 2 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - +Joshua Jonason

Wednesday, April 3

9:00 a.m. - Kaytlyn Salter

Thursday, April 4

9:00 a.m. - Pete Eidenshenk

Friday, April 5

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

Adoration 9:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 6

Holy Hour with Adoration 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - Analise Bittner

Sunday, April 7 Divine Mercy Sunday

8:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. -+Joshua P. Allen & Family

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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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



Parish Office Closed, Monday, April 1

St. Jude Meeting, Tuesday, April 2, 3 p.m.

RCIA: Tuesday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

Knights of Columbus Meeting,

Wednesday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.

First Friday Adoration.

April 5, 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

First Saturday Holy Hour with Adoration April 6, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.

Weekly Offering



March 23-24, 2024

Children: \$45 Adult: \$8,783.09

Improvements: \$2221 Poor Fund: \$2432

Collected to Date

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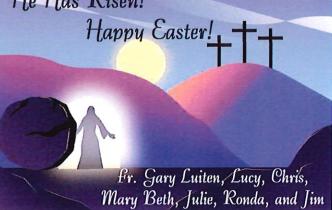
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Goal \$100,800.00 Adult Children \$360.00 Improvements \$12,000.00

\$45.822.00 God's Gift \$77,436.00

He Has Risen!



HAPPY EASTER to our Blessed Sacrament family. Jesus is Risen!

Easter Season

Easter is the greatest celebration in the Catholic church because it is the completion of the Holy week that ends with the resurrection of Jesus. Easter celebrates the beginning and foundation of Christianity. Jesus was raised from the dead, and it goes to show that He conquered sin and death.

The Easter season is the second-longest liturgical season. Only Ordinary Time is longer. The Church celebrates the Easter season for 50 days, culminating with the feast of Pentecost, the day we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the Church.

This season gives us time to rejoice and experience what we mean when we say Christ is risen and that we, as the church, are the body of the Risen Lord. It is a season for focusing on the core doctrines and mysteries of the faith and for preparing for the ministries the Spirit has empowered us to undertake in Jesus' name.

Please help yourself to the pamphlet in the Media Rack in the Gathering Area called How to Celebrate the Easter Season.



Class:

Grs 1-5	April 3	5:30 p.m.
WOW	April 3	7:00 p.m.
Grs 1-5	April 10	5:30 p.m.
B4WOW	April 10	7:00 p.m.

RCIA (Right of Christian Initiation of Adults). Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Library.

Dates: April 2

Please Pray for Our 3rd Grade Students. They will be receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Eucharist on Sunday, April 14 at 10:30 a.m.

Music Ministry

Joyful Voices

Practice/Sing 9:30/10:30 a.m. April 7 April 20 4:30/5:15 p.m.

Combined Choir

Practice/Sing 9:30/10:30 a.m. April 14

Confirmation Mass

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

- Instrumentalists
- Song Leaders
- Substitute Accompanists

Parish Life



Anointing of the Sick, April 6-7 at all Masses. If you are ill; will soon be having surgery; are elderly; if you need healing in mind, body, or spirit. Please stand for the anointing next weekend and receive the prayers of your faith community.

Church Directory Photo Session Scheduling Has Begun. Schedule online or through Julie in the Parish Office. Dates for the photo session will be Tuesday, May 28 through Saturday, June 1. Let us get this schedule filled up and the directory updated.

Confirmation / 1st Eucharist Announcement Our third-grade students will be receiving the sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Eucharist on Sunday April 14 during the 10:30 a.m. Mass. If you are a regular 10:30 Mass goer, please note that there will be several visitors joining us for the joyous occasion. Also, the Mass will last a little longer than an ordinary service.

CPR/AED & First Aid Training, Sunday, April 21, 1-3:30 p.m. Get your Heart Saver certification here at Blessed Sacrament. This year we have added First Aid training as well. No fee for registered parishioners. If you are not registered at Blessed Sacrament, your fee is \$60. RSVP to the Parish Office by April 15 701-282-3321. Training is presented by the West Fargo Fire Department.

Divine Mercy Sunday: Consecration and Chaplet - Sunday, April 7, following 10:30 a.m. Mass. Fr. Luiten will consecrate the parish to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, followed by praying the Divine Mercy Chaplet. This will take 1/2 an hour of your time; all are invited and encouraged to join us!

Daily Readings - March 31-April 6, 2024

March 31: Acts 10:34a,37-43, Col 3:1-4, Jn 20:1-9

April 1: Acts 2:14.22-33, Mt 28:8-15 April 2: Acts 2:36-41, Jn 20:11-18 April 3: Acts 3:1-10, Lk 24:13-35 April 4: Acts 3:11-15, Lk 24:36-48 April 5: Acts 4:1-12, Jn 21:1-14

April 6: Acts 4:13-21, Mk 16:9-15

Eucharistic Adoration. Eucharistic adoration is when the Eucharist is exposed for viewing. The exposed Eucharist must not be left alone. Blessed Sacrament parish has two Adoration opportunities each month:

- <u>First Friday</u>: 9:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. April 5.
- <u>First Saturday Holy Hour</u>: 3:30-4:30 p.m. April 6

God's Gift Appeal 2024 is underway. Blessed Sacrament *goal is* \$77,436. As of March 25, 30% of our parishioners have pledged \$45,822. If you need an envelope, you will find them on the Media Rack in the Gathering Area or in the Parish Office.

Happy Birthday! We pray for our parishioners who are celebrating a birthday this week.

- Pauline Klinger, April 1
- Virginia Block, April 5
- Jan Fuller, April 5

Our Sympathy to Charlotte Lancaster on the death of her brother, Dennis Kelly. May Dennis behold the face of Jesus.

Pack the Pew POUNDAGE. The Emergency Food Pantry received 1,092 pounds of food donations from Blessed Sacrament! THANK YOU!! We kept approximately 1/3 of the groceries from the pew for our Blessing Box.

St. Jude Circle Meeting, Tuesday April 2, 3:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and to join the Circle if interested. If you have any questions, please call Alice Pritchard or Elsie Keller

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

Gaylas Pritchard, Larry Kelly (brother of Charlotte Lancaster), Lisa Putney (daughter of Dan & Diane Yatskis), John Stautz, Wayne Stautz, Nick Jalbert, Kerry Stroik, Mary Hannah Tanata, Kolby Hunsicker, Gary Lammer

Soup 'N More. 5:30-6:60 p.m. Free Will Offering! Future Dates:

<u>Thursday, April 11</u>- The Easter Season Continues <u>Thursday, April 25</u>- TBD

Consider helping or attending. Contact Julie if interested in helping julie@bscwf.org or 701.282.3321.

We Pray In Remembrance of...

April 1: Hermine Wahowski

April 2: Ken Lammers, Paulette Seiler April 3: Anna Geffre, Patrick Denne

April 4: Gene Nygaard

Knights of Columbus Council # 6465

Faith in action. Catholic men living their faith at home, in their parish, and their community.



Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 3, 7:00 p.m.

2023-2024 Officers

Grand Knight: Eduardo Pablo Deputy Grand Knight: Rory Lee

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Steve Perreault

Volunteerism - Stewardship



THANK YOU SO VERY MUCH!! I wish to thank every individual that played a part in making Blessed Sacrament's Lenten Season and Holy Week beautiful. Those who came to Stations of the Cross, those that pulled thorns from the cross and prayed for fellow parishioners. For the Mass Ministers weekly and those who were a part of the Triduum and Easter Sunday Masses. The cooks and helpers and donators for the Stew Supper and the Easter Vigil Reception. I am so proud to be part of this amazing family. Thank you!! ~ Julie

Have you Noticed the New SERVER? Greg Yourczek has officially become one of our adult servers. We do accept adults who are interested in serving! To serve with youth servers(under the age of 18) you are required to have a background check, read some paperwork, and watch a video.

As our third graders receive their 1st Holy Eucharist and become Confirmed we will anticipate that there will be some new servers joining us. Please pray that some adults and youth may be inspired to want to serve.

Mark Your Calendar!

- Soup 'N More, Thursdays April 11 and 25.
- Spring Clean-up, May 18.
- Grad Recognition, May 19
- <u>Directory Photo Sessions</u> begin May 28.
- June Blood Drive, Tuesday, June 13, 3-6 p.m.
- Annual Fall Dinner/Bazaar, Sunday, Oct. 6.
- 2nd Annual Nativity Showcase: Saturday, December 7 and Sunday, December 8.

Upcoming Blood Drives at Blessed Sacrament:

(Times may change slightly)
Tuesday, June 11, 2:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, September 24, 2:00 – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, December 16, 3:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten



Easter Sunday - March 31st, 2024

Our society celebrates Easter Sunday with family gatherings, Easter Eggs, and all that goes with the day. But it is good for us to remember the reason for this big occasion: that God has conquered the power of sin and death brought about through Adam and Eve and that is good news! The opposite of death is life. And if we let the light of Christ take root in our hearts, then we have new life. We die to sin and rise with Christ. And there is joy in receiving new life in Christ as we seek to deepen our faith in our crucified and resurrected Lord.

God has given us plenty of examples of people with faith on whom to model our lives. One is Mary, the mother of Jesus, whom, we believe was one of the first to hear of our resurrected Lord. Then there is Mary Magdalene. She stayed close to Jesus during his physical life on earth. Mary went to the tomb early on Easter Sunday while it was still dark. Her eagerness shows her love and devotion to Jesus, that she couldn't wait; she went without delay, to be with our Lord's body! And she was the first one to realize that Jesus' body was not in the tomb. The apostles are other examples of faith. They went to the empty tomb. John "saw" and believed. He realized! He must have seen with the eyes of faith, and the twelve were soon to be his witnesses to the ends of the world. Yet, notice that no one actually saw the resurrection. They had to take it on faith. However, they did see him ascend to heaven on the fortieth day.

We, too, can have that same faith in Christ. Hopefully, the events of the past few days of Holy Week have stirred our faith in Jesus and His Church to an even greater depth. We must remember that Jesus did not undergo his painful suffering and death for nothing. He died in order to redeem us, to save us. May we, too, see that Jesus has come into our lives in a special way and that he gives us the courage and strength to stand up for our faith, and to witness to our crucified and risen Lord by the way we live our lives. May God grant you all a very Happy and Glorious Easter. May our crucified and risen Lord be your source of strength and joy.

National Eucharistic Congress

July 17-21, 2024 - Lucas Oil Stadium, Indianapolis Indiana

For information regarding National Eucharistic Congress, visit: <u>eucharisticcongress.org</u>

For information regarding the Fargo Diocese bus pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress, visit: <u>fargodiocese.org/congress-pilgrimage</u>

Community & Diocesan Events

Catholic Man Night, Thursday, April 4, 5:45 – 8:00 p.m., St. Leo's Catholic Church, Casselton. "There are no Half-Saints in Heaven – Aim Higher!" is the presentation by Judge Ralph Erickson. 5:45-6:45: Quiet prayer and confession. 6:45-8:00 Meal and evening presentation.

Catholic Daughters, Court St. Ann of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, April 9, at St. Anthony's beginning with the Mass at 5:15 p.m., meal to follow, and meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to bring non-perishable food items and/or toiletry donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com.

The 2024 Shanley High School Players will be performing their Spring musical 42nd Street. The First Nighter Dinner and Show will be Thursday, April 11 in the Shanley High School Gymnasium with a social beginning at 5:45 p.m. and dinner at 6:15 p.m. Musical to follow at Shanley GROW Auditorium. For more information, email the First Nighter Committee at

ShanleyFirstNighter@outlook.com by April 3. Additional performances will be April 12 & 13 at 7:30 p.m. and April 14 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are available for additional performances online at showtix4u.com.



In Memory of

Joe Baril Bette Brand **Eugene Christl** Grace Colville Robert & Angela Cossette Lawrence & Virginia Deutsch Irma Diegel Reuben & Rosella Elshaug **Thomas Feist** Ed Fitzgerald Eugene & Helen Fitzgerald John Fitzgerald Vern Friday Irma Hernandez Joe Hernandez Sr. Brian Keller Marion Kostelecky Jack McClure Jack McClure Ed McDonald Taunia Oechslin Anton & Frances Piatz Ed Plummer Geneva Plummer Richard Plummer Don Puvogel Stanley & Tena Sample Don & Audrey Sando

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Brian, Donna & Emma Christl

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Please Join us in praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Sunday, April 7, 11:30 a.m.

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2024 Blessed Sacrament Church Directory

ONLINE SCHEDULING INSTRUCTIONS FOR FAMILY APPOINTMENT SETTING

- ♦ Go to the Universal Church Directories website (www.ucdir.com)
- ♦ Click on the box on the right side of the homepage entitled "photography appointment scheduling login"
- ♦ Enter your church code <u>nd138</u>
- ♦ Enter your church password photos
- ♦ Click on the Enter button
- ♦ Click on the desired photography date
- ♦ Click on the Reserve Time button beside the desired photography appointment time
- → Enter the appropriate information in all required fields (indicated by the asterisk)
- ♦ Click on the Schedule Appointment button at the bottom of the screen to reserve the photography appointment time in your family's name
- ♦ If you have more than six family members being photographed, please reserve two appointments consecutively (such as 6:00 and 6:10)
- ♦ Print the next screen to use as a reminder of your family's photography appointment
- Contact your church's online scheduling administrator to change or cancel your photography appointment

April 6-7, 2024 - Divine Mercy Sunday **Ministries of Service**

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	C. Paintner	F. McCann	M. Hoff
EMHC	*J. Neva, M. Schiele, C. Paintner, M. Pierce, K. Jalbert	*F. McCann, D. Chapek, N. Peterson, H. Madson, J. Aberle, **N. Peterson	*L. Wegner, E. & K. Hanson, K. Novak, B. Opoien
Gift Bearers	B. & D. Christl	Lenertz-Dahlgren Family	E. & K. Hanson
Servers	M. Pierce, VOLUNTEER	W. Lenertz, E. Esposito	E. Buettner, VOLUNTEER
Ushers	D. & J. Rohrich	P. Boyles, A. Pritchard	R. Haugen, B. Novak
Greeters	B. & D. Christl	R. & D. Chapek	K. & K. Volk
Rosary Leader	VOLUNTEER	L. Metzger	H.J. Puvogel
Sacristan	J. Neva	D. Chapek	L. Wegner
Media Minister	M. Berntson	*Bread Minister **Takes Communion to the home bound	

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