

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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November 9-10, 2024 ~ 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, November 10 Litany of Remembrance

8:30 a.m. - +Betty Allmaras

10:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Monday, November 11 - NO MASS

Parish Office Closed

Tuesday, November 12 at Sheyenne Crossings

1::00 p.m. - +Jake Kirchoffner

Wednesday, November 13

9:00 a.m. - the Pritchard Family

Thursday, November 14

9:00 a.m. - +Eddie, +Ethel and, Marin Weippert

Friday, November 15

9:00 a.m. - +Myrtle Michaelson

Saturday, November 16

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

5:15 p.m. - +Richard & JoAnn Moody

Sunday, November 17

8:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - Larry Mickelson

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, November 11.

OCIA Tuesday, November 12, 7 p.m.

1st Reconciliation Parent Meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 5:45 p.m.

Soup 'N More Thursday, November 14, 5:30 p.m.

Book Study Thursday, November 14, 6:30 p.m.

Knights of Columbus, are cutting bread for Thanksgiving on Saturday, November 16, 9 a.m.

Weekly Offering



November 1, 2024 – All Saints Day

Adult: \$446

Children: \$20

November 2-3, 2024

Adult: \$7,631.50 Children: \$29 Improvements: \$587 Poor Fund: \$248

Collected to Date

Goal \$378,000.00

\$320,607.38 \$940.04

Adult Children

\$1,350.00 \$45,000.00

\$19,428.41 \$65,078.00 **Improvements** God's Gift

\$77,436.00



Faith Formation This Week

The Growing Our Faith Wall in the Gathering Area, is starting to come to life. Please take some time to look at our youth's projects and updates from the Catechists.

Each week our Faith Formation students are encouraged to write prayer requests and place them in a basket as they leave following class. You may have noticed at the beginning of Mass prior to the servers and Fr. Gary processing up to the Altar/Sanctuary that 1 or 2 youth are bringing up a basket and placing it on the stand in front of the ambo. The reader then asks us to pray for those intentions during the Prayers of the Faithful.

Class (PreK Through Grade 12)

 November 13
 Grs 1-5
 5:45 p.m.

 B4WOW
 6:30 p.m.

 WOW
 6:30 p.m.

 November 17
 PK
 10:30 a.m.

 November 20
 Grs 1-5
 5:45 p.m.

 B4WOW
 6:30 p.m.

 WOW
 6:30 p.m.

 WOW
 6:30 p.m.

1st Reconciliation Sacrament Preparation Class for grade 2 students and their parents. Wednesdays, November 13, 20, December 11.

ATTENTION Parents of Faith Formation
Students in Grades K-5: You MUST come into the building to pick up your child(ren) on Wednesdays after Faith Formation class. We would love to have you there early so you can partake in our group prayer and the blessing of students as they leave. If you are not in the Faith Formation hallway, your child(ren) will be waiting for you in classroom 4.

Parent Assistance is Needed. We ask parents to make a commitment to stay and help-out on Wednesdays. It is not required that you help every week. You may occasionally assist as your schedule allows! Please contact Mary Beth or Julie to get signed up and have the paperwork completed.

Servers: Julie will conduct a server training on Sunday, December 1 at 12:00 p.m. This is for all current servers, AND youth that are confirmed AND adults that would like to participate. Please let Julie know if you or your child plan to attend.

OCIA (RCIA)

<u>Class</u> November 12, 19, 26 December 3, 10, 17

Adult Formation – Book Study, Thursday, November 14 & 21, 6:30, classroom 4.

Music Ministry

Join a Choir! Reach out to Ronda at Ronda@bscwf.org. or come to the Music Room for practice time and introduce yourself.

Contemporary		Practice	Sing
	November 24	7:45 a.m.	8:30 a.m.
Joyfu	l Voices	Practice	Sing
	November 10	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

A Blessed Sacrament Thanksgiving

Celebrate Thanksgiving with Blessed Sacrament! We have been serving Thanksgiving dinner for 45 years! This is the biggest community service project of Blessed Sacrament. We count on you to assist us by donating food, volunteering, and joining us for dinner on Thanksgiving Day! We need volunteers the day before (setup) and Thanksgiving Day see the sign-up sheets in the Social Hall.

Thanksgiving Stuffing Preparations. The Knights of Columbus will be cutting and drying bread on Saturday, November 16 at 9 a.m. You are welcome to join them. Please bring an electric knife, if you have one. Enter the building through the kitchen door.

CORRECTION to our needs: We are requesting WHOLE BERRY CRANBERRIES NOT jellied. Julie apologizes for the error. We would also love to have a variety of pies.

Thanksgiving Dinner Donations. There is a cart outside the Parish Office to drop off donated turkeys and cool whip. Julie will bring items to the freezer.

Corn and canned whole-berry cranberries can be placed on the rack in the Social Hall.

Parish Life



Blessed Sacrament Celebrates its 88th Anniversary on Friday, November 22! We are celebrating with Mass and Fellowship in the Social Hall. Celebrate with us by going to 9:00 a.m. Mass and staying for coffee and goodies!

Blessing Box – Nonperishable Food Donations Welcome: Please help us keep our blessing box stocked. Thank you for your kindness. "Give what you can. Take what you need. Above all, be blessed." Our current needs are: boxed meals, canned meat, soup and, canned fruit.

Bulletin Advertising: Would your business like to advertise in our bulletin? If so, please contact Mary Beth in the Parish Office 701-282-3321. The bulletin advertising money is used to off-set the cost of printing and distributing the bulletin.

Can't Attend Sunday Mass?

- Would you like to receive communion?
 To receive in-home communion, call the Parish Office, 701-282-3321, give your name, address, and phone number.
- Watch Blessed Sacrament Mass on TV!
 Our weekend Mass airs on West Fargo Public Access Cable channel, Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m.
- Watch our Mass on YouTube!
 Go to YouTube search for
 Blessed Sacrament Church West Fargo.
 Or copy and paste this link:

 Watch our Mass on YouTube!

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPIK7Ix77I6W WtNNUQxt5rw

Coffee Talk: Have you missed sitting down after the weekend liturgies in the Social Hall; visiting with fellow parishioners while enjoying a cup of coffee and a treat? This went away because of lack of volunteers. The same people were hosting it all the time. Sign-up sheets were available but that was not successful. If you would like to be a host (help set up before Mass, bring treats, serve, and help clean up) reach out to Julie in the Parish Office 701.282.3321.

Daily Readings - November 10-16, 2024

Nov. 10: I Kgs 17:10-16, Heb 2:24-28, Mk 12:38-44

November 11: Ti 1:1-9, Lk 17:1-6

November 12: Ti 2:1-8,11-14, Lk 17:7-10

November 13: Ti 3:1-7, Lk 17:11-19

November 14: Phlm 7-20, Lk 17:20-25

November 15: 2 Jn 4-9, Lk 17:26-37

November 16: 3 Jn 5-8, Lk 18:1-8

December Blood Drive: Monday, December 16, 2:45 - 6 p.m. Contact Julie in the Parish Office to get registered 701.282.3321. Let's finish off 2024 with another successful drive.

Does the Parish Office have Your Correct Phone Number on File? Phone number, Email Address, Contact Information... this is important information for us to have on file. Please update the Parish Office today!

Moving? All parishioners are reminded to please call the Parish Office, or drop a note in the mail, whenever you move either within the parish or out of the parish.

Nativity Showcase Sign up now to save a spot for your nativity display! Call the Parish Office 701-282-3321 or fill out a slip on the table in front of the office. Set up for the Nativity Showcase will be on December 5 & 6. You may drop your Nativity(s) off on those days.

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church Your Council Representatives Are...

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Finance Council

Lori DeKeyser, Cindy Fischer, Karen Hanson*, Stacy Montgomery, Brad Novak*, and Steve Willson

Pastoral Council

Kathleen Jalbert, Steve Neva, Robert Norton, Colter Pratt, Gary Ripplinger, and Ally Wentz

*Blessed Sacrament Lay Director

Our Sympathy to Jane Speich on the death of her mother, Mary Breker. May Mary have eternal life with our Lord.

Photos Sessions for New Directory. Please contact Julie in the Parish Office at 701-282-3321 if you are still interested in taking an updated photo for the new directory. IF YOU DID NOT HAVE A NEW PICTURE TAKEN, ASKED TO USE THE OLD PHOTO OR GIVEN A PHOTO TO JULIE TO USE; YOU WILL NOT BE IN THE NEW DIRECTORY. PLEASE SIGN UP.

Prayer Requets: We pray for our parishioners and family members.

*Those who are sick or have medical problems:
Cindy Horner, Joann Moody, Becky Jones,
Ann Zahradka, Dennis Kanwischer, Larry Mattson,
John Anderson, Pat Barnett, Larry Kelly

*Those who are healing:

Kolby Hunsicker, Gary Lammer, Wally Odegaard
*Other prayer requests:

Cindy Wulff, The Bosch Family

Remembrance Display. There is a memorial in the Gathering Area honoring our parishioners that have passed away within the last year.

Soup 'N More: Upcoming SNMs are Thursday, November 14, and December 12. As we enter 2025, we will begin to have 2 dinners a month. It would be very much appreciated to have more (and different) parishioners volunteer to help. It is every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month.

Any ideas for a new name for Soup 'N More? There will be pieces of paper on the tables during the dinners for name suggestions. Or you can email Julie at julie@bscwf.org or call the Parish Office with ideas 701-282-3321.

We Pray In Remembrance of...

November 10: Emelie Lisburg

November 11: Joseph Hersch, Marcella Bernier

November 12: Joan Barta, Linda McGuire,

Jackilyn Tuchscherer, Virginia Westman

November 13: Mary Ann Hockert November 14: Leonard Pulkrabek,

Rosemary Gaden, Mark Derrig,

Leland Hockert

November 15: Leonard Zahradka

November 16: Bridget Lisburg, Edward Schlosser

Volunteerism - Stewardship



Environment Committee: Are you interested in helping with the environment (liturgical décor), call Julie at 701.282.3321. We will be meeting soon to discuss Advent and Christmas ideas.

Nativity Showcase Committee will be meeting soon. If you are interested in being on the committee for amazing event, call the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

Server Training: Sunday, December 1, 12 p.m. Meet in the church. Those asked to attend are current servers, youth and adults who are confirmed. Questions, call Julie at 701.282.3321.

Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten



the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time November 10, 2024

In the gospel this weekend, Jesus tells a story about a poor woman who gave all she had. The gospel shows that Jesus calls everyone to give, including the poor. I remember a few years back when I went to Chimbote Peru to see Fr. Davis and his mission. When I was there, a retired monsignor who could speak Spanish was giving the homilies that weekend, and the topic was on giving! It was surprising to me in a way, because I was wondering what the poor could give, and if Jesus really was calling them to give, too. And He is! Giving is good for the giver.

In fact, in thinking about the poor woman in the gospel, Jesus is especially pleased when the poor give because they are giving from their heart, kind of like a little child giving a gift to one's mother or father for Mother's Day or Father's Day, or for their birthday or Christmas. It probably is not an expensive gift, but it is a heart-felt gift, maybe something they made, for example.

Likewise, Jesus in the gospel is really calling us to do two things today. First, Jesus is telling us to imitate the generosity of the poor even in the little things we do. St. Francis de Sales used this gospel passage about the two copper coins to show that even the least little works we do, imperfect as they may be, are still pleasing to God. He points out the fact that the little copper coin wasn't a large monetary addition to the temple treasury, but it was a pleasing one.

The second thing we can learn from the gospel is, even though the two copper coins weren't worth much on the street, they were very important to this poor woman. They were worth a lot to her. And so, Jesus, here, is teaching us to be generous to the Lord, to give from the heart not just in treasures, but in time and talent also.

Finally, did you ever stop to think why should we be generous to God? Because it is only just! God has been so generous with us! May God help us all to be generous with what we have, and to give with a spirit of humility.

Living Our Faith, Building Our Future

Commitment Weekend is THIS weekend. Each parish family is asked to make their sacrificial gift towards the campaign. Please prayerfully consider what your pledge will be, to this Diocesan wide campaign.

It has been 30+ years since the Diocese has had a capital campaign. Bishop Folda has asked all parishes to participate. This campaign will also be helping Blessed Sacrament! You will be supporting our diocese & our parish!

<u>Diocesan Projects</u>: Maryvale Retreat Center Renovation and Endowment; Priest Retirement Home Construction and Endowment; Priest Pension Fund Infusion.

<u>Blessed Sacrament Projects</u>: Renovating the Baptismal Font; Fix the Bells in the bell tower; Repairing the Kitchen; Replacing the oldest unit of the Furnace.

Blessed Sacrament will receive 30% of all funds raised up to our goal of \$400,807. Once we exceed our goal, we retain 70% of all monies raised with unlimited potential.

Remember, this is a FOUR-YEAR Campaign. Your pledge could be distributed within those 4 years. Turn in your completed pledge card to the offertory or make your gift online this week!

Blessed Sacrament's Status as of 10/31/24
Pledges: \$37,200 Dollars Received: \$9,800

For the Campaign Status Report go to: https://www.fargodiocese.org/documents/2024/10/weekly%20summary 103124.pdf

Community & Diocesan Events

Catholic Daughters Meeting. Tuesday, November 12, 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 item donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com.

Catholic Man Night, November 21, Holy Spirit, Fargo. Speaker, Jonathon Spaid, Sr. Manager of Mission Partner Development for FOCUS.

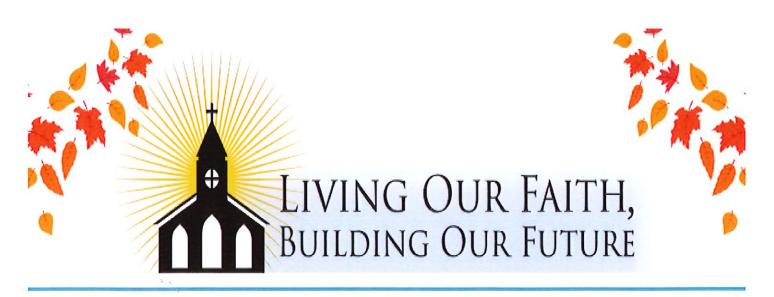
Women's Reading Retreat, November 22-24, Maryvale. Retreat goers will be reading Resisting Happiness by Matthew Kelly. This retreat is filled with reading time, discussion, prayer, Mass and, more. Suggested donation \$170-\$210 depending on lodging. For mor information contact Carrie Nice at Carrie.Nice@MaryvaleND.org or 701-845-2864.

Concordia Christmas Concert, December 6-8, Memorial Auditorium, Concordia College. Friday, December 6 – 7:30 p.m. Saturday, December 7 – 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Sunday, December 8 - 2 p.m. Purchase tickets at ConcordiaChristmas.com

Ladies Holiday Tea. December 8, 2-4 p.m. St. Paul's Newman Center, Fargo. Join us for a lovely lady's holiday tea! The afternoon event will include silent auction baskets, a music performance by Benton Schmidt, fellowship, all while sipping tea and eating tasty treats. Tickets \$35.00 per person. Registration and more information, https://www.fargodiocese.org/ladies-tea or call Mary Hanbury at 701-356-7909. Sponsored by the Diocese of Fargo.

Men's Silent Retreat – Spiritual Combat, A
Biblical Perspective, December 13-15, Maryvale.
Fr. Eric Seitz will explore spiritual combat given to
us in the Holy Scriptures. Suggested donation
\$250. For more information contact
CarrieNice@MaryvaleND.org 701-845-2864.





COMMITMENT WEEKEND IS THIS WEEKEND

Our Projects

Supporting our diocese & our parish!

Renovating the Baptismal Font
Fixing the Bell Tower
Repairing the Kitchen Walls
Installing the Last Unit of the Furnace

Campaign letters were mailed this past week!



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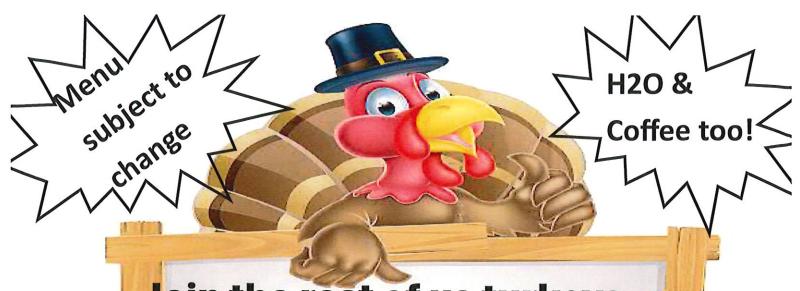


Our Goal

Our Parishes will receive 30% of all funds raised up to our goal. Once we exceed our goal, we retain 70% of all monies raised, with unlimited potential

What is Commitment Weekend?

TODAY is our Commitment
Weekend! Each parish family is
asked to make their sacrificial gift
towards the campaign. Please
turn in your completed pledge
card to the offertory or make your
gift online this week!



Join the rest of us turkeys
Thursday, November 14
as we boycott and have beef

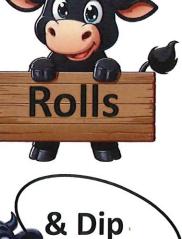
5:30 to 6:30 pm

FREE OR FREE











Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church—Social Hall 210 5th Ave W—West Fargo



Join us for Mass and a Social

Friday, November 22

Mass - 9:00 a.m.

Social - 9:30 a.m.



Ministry Schedule - November 16 & 17: Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Saturday, Nov 16, 5:15 PM	Sunday, Nov 17, 8:30 AM	Sunday, Nov 17, 10:30 AM
	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time	Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Proclaimer	Connie Paintner	Nancy Peterson	Darla Lenzmeier
EMHC	Mary Pierce (Holy Body) Connie Paintner (Precious Blood) Mallary Schiele (Precious Blood) Brenda Krogen (Precious Blood) Chris Diver (Precious Blood)	Dianne Nechiporenko (Holy Body) Jenie Aberle (Precious Blood) Heather Madson (Precious Blood) Alice Pritchard (Precious Blood) Francis McCann (Precious Blood)	Stephanie Richman (Holy Body) Margo Kern (Precious Blood) Marilyn Jamieson (Precious Blood) Barbara Opoien (Precious Blood) Marilyn Curfman (Precious Blood)
Gift Bearer	James Walter Kayla Walter	LeRoy Juve LeAnn Juve	Kevin Volk Kristi Volk
Server	Morgan Pierce Makenna Pierce Hannah Schiele	Garrett Wells Brennan Wells Ainsley Wells	Mallorie Richman Ellie Richman Kenlie Richman
Usher	Dean Krogen (North Door) Elizabeth Krogen (South Door)	Paul Boyles (North Door) Colter Pratt (South Door)	Eric Hanson (North Door) Karen Hanson (South Door)
Greeter	James Walter (North Door) Kayla Walter (South Door)	LeRoy Juve (North Door) LeAnn Juve (South Door)	Kevin Volk (North Door) Kristi Volk (South Door)
Rosary Leader	RL VOLUNTEER	Alice Pritchard	Karen Hanson
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