

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday May 4 3rd Sunday of Easter 8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - Larry M.

Monday, May 5 - NO MASS

Tuesday, May 6 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. - Desiree DeKeyser

Wednesday, May 7

9:00 a.m. - +Eric Schafer

Thursday, May 8

9:00 a.m. - Rosie Nestingen

Friday, May 9

9:00 a.m. - +Mary Breker

Saturday, May 10

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. - Clarice Dancer

Sunday, May 11 Mother's Day

8:30 a.m. - +Betty Allmaras

10:30 a.m. - the Parishioners

Weekly Offering

Your Support Keeps Us Going!

April 26-27, 2025

Adult: \$4,166.27 Children: \$6

Improvements: \$433 Poor Fund: \$542

Collected		GOAL
\$149,353.54	Adult	\$151,200.00
\$598.00	Children	\$540.00
\$8,146.95	Improvements	\$18,000.00
\$143,181.52	Living our Faith	\$400,807.00
\$46,170.00	God's Gift	\$71,975.59



This Week

Sunday, May 4 2025:

Anointing of the Sick at all Masses Bake Sale PK, 10:30 a.m. (last class)

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, 6 p.m.

Thursday, May 8, 2025:

Kitchen Konnection, 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 10, 2025 Spring Cleanup

Faith Formation



Congratulation to our students who received the sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist! (Not pictured: Theodore Salter)

Class, Grades PK-12

Sunday, May 4 Last Class 10:30 a.m. PK Wednesday, May 7 May Crowning Grs 1-5 5:45 p.m. 6:30 p.m. B4WOW WOW 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, May 14 Last Class Grs 1-5 5:45 p.m. **B4WOW** 6:30 p.m. WOW 6:30 p.m.

Recognition for Confirmation & 1st Eucharist Students is scheduled for Sunday, May 18, 10:30 a.m. Mass with a social following. Parents, please mark your calendars!

Wrap-up Faith Formation Meeting: There are only 2 classes of Faith Formation left!! WOW – this year has flown by. Mary Beth and I would love to get in-put from the parents, catechists, and students. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 21 at 6:30 p.m. Please come with your likes, dislikes, and suggestions for next session.

-Julie



True North - VBS
June 10-11-12, 2025
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
\$35 for Blessed Sacrament youth.
\$40 for visiting youth. To register contact the Parish Office.

Kody wants you to join us for a GRRRREAT time!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER: June 10, 11, 12 – 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. Registration is open, and forms are needed by Friday, May 23. Participants must be entering kindergarten through 5th grade for the upcoming school year.

NEEDS: Committee members, set up helpers, station leads, crew leads and helpers. If you are able and would like to help with Vacation Bible School, please reach out to Julie or Mary Beth as soon as possible.

REMINDER FOR ADULTS: *Adults helping MUST have a background check and completed the Diocese Safe Environment requirements of the Circle of Care and Code of Conduct. Please contact Julie in parish office for further information.

Vital Statistics - April 2025

Baptisms: Kaydynce Ann Davis

Deaths: Dorothy Zdeb, George Schmidt

Newcomers: Jacob Rhode

Music Ministry

Joyful Voices	Practice	Sing
May 4	9 30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
May 18	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

Contemporary Choir Practice Sing 7:45 a.m. 8:30 a.m.

Parish Life

Altar Server & Family Fun Night at the RedHawks! Join Bishop Folda June 13, 7:00 p.m. for an evening of baseball. All parishes are asked to join Bishop Folda for a baseball fun night at the RedHawks. Fireworks to follow the game. All seats are behind home plate! RSVP to the Parish Office no later than May 27! 701-282-3321 or MaryBeth@bscwf.org

Attention High School Seniors:

The Graduation Celebration Mass and social is scheduled for Sunday, May 18. Please mark your calendars for you and your family to attend the 10:30 a.m. Mass. You should have received an invitation, if not, please contact the Parish Office.

Daily Readings - May 4-10, 2025

May 4: Acts 5:27-32,40b-41, Rv 5:11-14,

Jn 21:1-19

May 5: Acts 6:8-15, Jn 6:22-29

May 6: Acts 7:51-9:1a, Jn 6:30-35

May 7: Acts 8:1b-8, Jn 6:35-40

May 8: Acts 8:26-40, Jn 6:44-51

May 9: Acts 9:1-20, Jn 6:52-59

May 10: Acts 9:31-42, Jn 6:60-69

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

Audrey Beauchamp, May 6



Kitchen Konnection
Upcoming dates, and themes:

May 8 – Cinco de Mayo – Taco Bar May 22 – Hooray School is OUT! - Brunch. *Menus are subject to change.

Please Check Lost and Found. Items not picked up by May 31 will be donated. We collect items that have been left behind and place them in the tote above the coat rack.

Jubilee Pilgrimage Hosted by Blessed Sacrament. Friday, July 11, 9 a.m.- 6:45 p.m. Join us as we visit four of the designated Jubilee Pilgrimage Sites in the diocese of Fargo.

St. Mary's Cathedral, Fargo Our Lady of Guadalupe Adoration Chapel, Fargo

St. James Basilica, Jamestown

Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City
For a complete itinerary, see the attached poster.
All are welcome! Bring your friends and family!
Youth under 18 yrs., must be accompanied by an adult. Cost: \$25 per person for Blessed Sacrament
Parishioners. Non-Parishioners \$35. Reserve your seat on the Jubilee Charter Bus by calling the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

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

*Those who are sick or have medical problems:
Sandra Nowacki, Thea Yourczek,
Sandra Zittleman, Eugene Krei, Cathy Olson,
Kasie Lee, Dwight Keller, Stan Dreckman,
Darlene Kirchoffner, John Anderson, Larry Kelly
*Those who are healing:

Nate Althoff, Pauline Klinger, Larry Ellner, Veronica Zorn, Kerry Stroik, Joann Moody, Kolby Hunsicker, Gary Lammer

*Other prayer requests:

Jason Stone, Cindy Wulff, The Bosch Family

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/

We Pray in Remembrance of...

May 4: Palmer Madson, Victoria Cich

May 5: Mary Schultz, Gaston Libbrecht

May 6: Bernard Wiederholt

May 7: Tony Geary, Josephine Yoder,

Rose Ginsbach

May 8: Christopopher Gaulrapp,

Apollonia Van Slyke, Leroy Thoemke

Spring Cleaning ~ Inside and Out – Saturday, May 10, 9:00 a.m. CALLING ALL PARISHIONERS – Help us get the grounds and facility ready for summer and make it shine!! Outside workers; grav your garden gloves and garden tools. Inside workers: We will be dusting, cleaning windows, etc. We will make this building shine!! A light lunch will be served. Please let the Parish Office know if you are coming, 701-282-3321.

Support Blessed Sacrament & Win Big! The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus Council is holding a raffle with fantastic odds. Only 250 tickets will be sold, giving you a great chance to win one of the 15 cash prizes, including the \$5,000 Grand Prize! With a total prize pool of \$14,000 and a 1 in 16.67 chance of winning any prize for each ticket purchased, your \$100 ticket could bring a significant return. Most importantly, all proceeds will directly fund vital capital improvements for our beloved Blessed Sacrament Church. Get your tickets soon before they sell out and help us invest in the future of our parish while getting a shot at winning thousands! To purchase your ticket. contact Mary Beth at the Parish Office or Eduardo Pablo at eduardo.pablo@outlook.com.

Drawing: Sunday, July 20, 2025, 11:00 a.m.

Location: Blessed Sacrament Church Tickets: \$100 each (Must be 18+)

Volunteerism - Stewardship

LITURGY MINISTERS: Thank you to all my ministry volunteers who are using the MSP program. From my perspective it is going well. Please reach out to Julie if you need any help with the program.

SAVE THE DATE: FALL DINNER/BAZAAR:

Sunday, October 5th, 2025. If you are interested in being on the planning committee, please let Julie know. You can call 701.282.3321 or email julie@bscwf.org. Would like to set up a meeting in June.

Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten

the 3rd Sunday of Easter - May 4, 2025

The Sanhedrin, mentioned in the first reading today on the one hand acted humble. But on the other hand, they thought they knew it all, that they were perfect. They had kind of a "false humility," you might say.

Sometimes we can be like the Sanhedrin. Sometimes we may not like to hear the truth. We don't like it when our consciences are pricked. We remain stuck in our old self-centered ways and refuse to let Jesus into our hearts. Hopefully, this Eucharist can help us to open our hearts even more so to the love of Christ which is poured forth so abundantly in this and the other Sacraments.

The Sanhedrin and the apostles and we have something in common. No one is perfect.

Remember, Peter denied Christ, and Thomas doubted Christ's resurrection. And the modern-day apostles are not perfect either. The bishops and we priests are not perfect, either. That is why it is important to pray for the shepherds. The second reading really emphasizes the aspect of our imperfection, by showing how perfect and worthy God is when it states, "Worthy is the lamb who was slain to receive power and riches, honor and glory and praise." God, because he took on flesh, is worthy to receive all our praise. In fact, God deserves our praise.

But just because we are unworthy, does not mean we cannot be helped, that we cannot grow in the spiritual life. Not only is God perfect, but God can help us as well. In fact, when our hearts are set on Christ, we will go far! In this weekend's gospel, the disciples went far. They did well when they listened to Jesus. Their nets were full!

And so, despite our own imperfections, may our Love, obedience, and trust in God be as strong as Peter's was when he gave his life for the gospel, and when he said, "Lord, you know well that I love you."

Since this is the first bulletin of the month, I have a few other items for you.

- The papal conclave. "Conclave" is a word which means "with the key." The cardinals have "locked" themselves in the Vatican and will soon be choosing a successor to Pope Francis. Let us continue to pray for the cardinals, that a worthy successor will be chosen to shepherd the flock.
- Summer Mass Schedule. Please do not forget that the summer Mass schedule will begin on Sunday, May 25. We will only have one Sunday Mass at 9:30 a.m., in addition to the usual 5:15 p.m. Mass on Saturday. Also, for you going to the lakes for the summer, let us pray for one another, and don't forget to come back in the Fall!
- <u>Finally, thank you</u> to all who helped with the Liturgies and the environment for Holy Week and Easter. It was truly amazing! Thank you as well, to those who gave me prayers, cards, and gifts this Easter. May the risen Lord always rule in your hearts!

Community & Diocesan Events

Speich - Breker Estate Sale May 1, 2, 3 8:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m. 813 6th St E, West Fargo, ND

TEAMS of our Lady for your Marriage. Are you interested in enriching your couple/marriage spirituality on a journey with other Catholic likeminded couples? The F-M Sector of Teams of Our Lady now has 12 TEAMS comprised of 72 area couples, 11 chaplains, and has been going strong for 19 years! Join us to learn more at our Spring Information Sessions!

- Info Session #1 Thursday May 8, 7:00 p.m.,
 Sts. Anne & Joachim Fargo
- Info Session #2 Thursday June 5, 7:00 p.m.,
 Holy Cross in West Fargo

All couples (BOTH husband and wife) wishing to join TEAMS are *required to attend one* of these two sessions. Mark your calendar as these will be the only Information Sessions this year! For more information, e-mail

fargosectorinformation@gmail.com.

More information can also be found on the TEAMS website at www.teamsofourlady.org.

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, May 13, 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.

Job Opening:

Redeeming Grace Counseling is seeking to hire an Office Manager for our Catholic Christian Mental Health clinic in Fargo. Are you a motivated, organized, and passionate individual? We are looking for someone to manage our office operations. If you believe in our mission and vision, and have the experience we are looking for, please send your letter and resume to

Info@RedeemingGraceCounseling.com

For further information about the position, go to our website:

https://RedeemingGraceCounseling.com/employment/office-manager

Deadline to apply is May 15, 2025

Blessed Sacrament Mass on Cable TV through West Fargo Public Access Channel

A Blessed Sacrament Media Minister takes a DVD with the recorded Mass to West Fargo City Hall, places the DVD in a player that is programmed to broadcast on Sunday mornings at 10:30 a.m. For several months now, our weekend Mass has not been broadcast on the West Fargo Public Access Channel. We've been in contact with the City of West Fargo Technology Department to discuss the troubles we are having.

- The City is aware that their equipment is getting older and because of its age, experiences technical difficulty.
 - We have discussed with West Fargo staff, the possibility of a technology upgrade but discussion has gone nowhere.
- There have been changes in staff in the city IT department within the past few years. The
 most recent staff members don't seem to be too familiar with the current DVD system.
- The West Fargo City Offices have moved to a new location.
 - o The IT Department feels that the system, used to broadcast our Sunday Mass, is not worth moving to the new location.
- The City does not consider this a high priority issue and may do away with the service all together rather than produce a solution using today's upgraded technology.

If you feel that the Blessed Sacrament Mass should remain on West Fargo Public Access Channel CALL THE WEST FARGO CITY COMMISSIONERS!

Mayor: <u>Bernie Dardis</u>, 701-367-2784 Commissioners:

<u>Brad Olson</u>, 701-715-2177 <u>Roben Anderson</u>, 701-831-7489 Amy Zundel, 701-831-7272 Rory Jorgensen, 701-831-7273

If you would rather send an email, go to: https://www.westfargond.gov/365/City-Commission

May 10-11, 2025 – 4th Sunday of Easter Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	B. Kirkeby	P. Jorgensen	M. Curfman
EMHC	*M. Schiele, C. Paintner, D. & B. Krogen, M. Pierce	*A. Pritchard, S. Perreault M. A. Schuster, N. Peterson, F. McCann	*M. Curfman, B. Opoien, S. Richman, A. Buettner, M. Kern
Gift Bearers	B. & D. Christl	J. & C. Hunsicker	D. & S. Richman
Servers	H. & W. Schiele, M. Pierce	E. Esposito, S. Neva, Volunteer	E. Buettner, J. Norton, Volunteer
Ushers	C. Diver, E. Krogen	L. Sample, S. Hartze	R. & C. Fischer
Greeters	A. Larson, G. Kirkeby	L. Sample, J. Yourczek	R. & C. Fischer
Rosary Leader	M. Polries	S. DeKeyser	M. Kern
Sacristan	M. Schiele	A. Pritchard	M. Curfman
Media Minister	L. Martin	*Eucharist Minister **T. E	nglish - Eucharist to home bound



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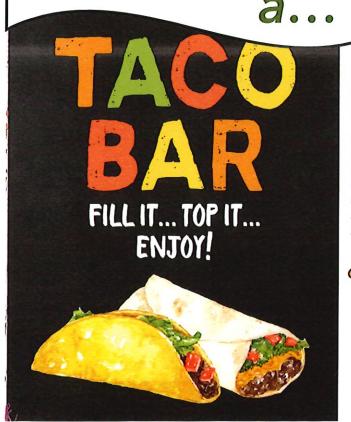


Presents

Thursday, May 8, 2025 in

the Blessed Sacrament Social Hall





Enjoy all the fixins' that make up a taco bar

Plus the normal: desserts, coffee, water and friendship



SERVING FROM

5:30 TO 6:30 pm

menu subject to change

FREE OR FREE WILL

OFFERING

210 5th Ave W—West Fargo



Saturday, May 10 ~ 9:00 a.m.

A light lunch will be provided to volunteers

Please sign up by calling the Parish Office 701-282-3321

All Parishioners!

Outdoors: Grab your garden gloves and round up those garden tools! It's time to get the church grounds ready for summer.

Indoors: Dusting, window cleaning, sweeping, washing & wiping throughout the building. Let's make it shine!





Spring Cleaning Inside and Out

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Please join us as we honor

Graduating <u>High School Seniors</u> AND

Confirmation/1st Eucharist Students

Sunday, May 18, 2025 ~ 10:30 a.m. Mass

All parishioners are welcome to attend the reception following Mass.







Directory

Address: 210 5th Ave W. West Fargo ND 58078

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Name Email Address Position Pastor: Fr. Gary Luiten - Gary@bscwf.org

Parish Life/Volunteerism/Director of Religious Ed.

Julie Yourczek - Julie@bscwf.org

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Music Coordinator:

Ronda Voss - Ronda@bscwf.org

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Feast/Holy Day

May 12: Sts Nereus & Achilleus

May 13: Our Lady of Fatima

May 14: Apostle Matthias

May 15: St. Isidore

Dear Lord, Thank You for fearfully and wonderfully creating each of us. Thank You for giving us worth in Your eyes. Help us live as the one You uniquely intended us to be. Help us abide instead of strive, living peacefully and joyfully as heirs to Your Kingdom and co-heirs with Christ. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Blessed Sacrament 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.

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