



Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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May 31-June 1, 2025 – the Solemnity of the Ascension

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 June 1 Ascension

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

Monday, June 2 - NO MASS

Tuesday, June 3 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Mary Brecker

Wednesday, June 4- NO MASS

Thursday, June 5 - NO MASS

Friday, June 6 - NO MASS

Adoration - Cancelled

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, June 7

Holy Hour with Adoration, 3:30 p.m.

4-4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. – +Gene F. Lenzmeier

Sunday, June 8 Pentecost

9:30 a.m. – the Parishioners



This Week

Wednesday, June 4

No Daily Mass

Thursday, June 5

No Daily Mass

Friday, June 6, 2025:

No Daily Mass

Parish Office Closed

Saturday, June 7, 2025:

Holy Hour with Adoration 3:30 p.m.

Weekly Offering

Your Support Keeps Us Going!

May 24-25, 2025

Adult: \$5,505.76

Children: \$7

Improvements: \$363

Poor Fund: \$285

Collected

\$178,404.07

Adult

GOAL
\$184,800.00

\$637.00

Children

\$660.00

\$10,609.44

Improvements

\$22,000.00

\$150,992.40

Living our Faith

\$400,807.00

\$51,971.75

God's Gift

\$71,975.59

Faith Formation

Thank You for Your Time and Dedication!

A special thank you to all of our Catechists, parents and, helpers that stepped up and taught our youth to Grow In Their Faith.

Abi Horner & Jamie Marvin: Pre-K/K

Teri Anundson: 1st Grade

Mallary Schiele: 2nd Grade

Heather Madson: 3rd Grade

Gloria Richard (classroom helper): 3rd Grade

Randy Glandt: 4th Grade

Kathleen Jalbert: 5th Grade

Ally Wentz and Chris Diver: B4WOW (grades 6-8)

John and Jody Jones: WOW (grades 9-12)

Amanda Buettner; Jimmy & Kayla Walter:

Substitutes

And ALL of the parents that came and helped.

2025-2026 B4WOW & WOW Time Change. Class time will be 7-8 p.m. with a simple meal before class at 6:30 p.m.

Now is the Time to Register Your child for Fall Religion Class. Don't Wait Until the Last Minute!

Youth from Preschool through grade 12 are welcome in our Faith Formation classes. Early registration allows us to plan and purchase supplies prior to the beginning of classes. There are forms in the Parish Office and, you can register on our website,

<https://www.bscwf.org/childrens-registration/>

If you have questions, contact Julie, 701-282-3321 Julie@bscwf.org.

Preschool and Kindergarten Roundup! *Will your child be 4 years old by July 31? We'd love to have them attend the Preschool class. *If your child is registered for Public or JP11 Kindergarten, in the fall, we will welcome them with loving arms. If you have questions, contact Julie in the Parish Office 701-282-3321, Julie@bscwf.org

OCIA (Order of Christian Initiation of Adults) Classes will begin in the fall – OCIA is the process through which adults enter the Catholic Church. These classes are open to those interested in knowing more about the Catholic faith or those considering becoming Catholic. To register for the classes, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten at Gary@bscwf.org or 701-282-3321.

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- Visit formed.org.
- Click Sign Up (as a parishioner)
- Enter your parish zip code (58078)
- Enter your name and email address – You're In!

Music Ministry

Lord, Prepare Me (Sanctuary). This song is sung prior to Communion:

*Lord, prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy,
tried, and true. With thanksgiving,
I'll be a living sanctuary for You.*

Instrumentalists Welcome. If you play an instrument and are interested in occasionally accompanying the piano during Mass, please contact Ronda or Mary Beth. They will answer any questions you might have. Violin, flute, guitar, accordion, kazoo, etc.

Parish Life

Becoming Catholic: If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten, 701-282-3321 or Gary@bscwf.org.

Blessed Sacrament Directories are HERE!! Pick yours up today in the Parish Office.

Blood Drive! Our blood drive is Monday, June 30, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. PLEASE be a part of making our blood drive successful. You can access our drive at donors.vitalant.org and use sponsor code: **bswf** or call Julie in the Parish Office to get scheduled 701-282-3321.

Busy-Bag for Busy Children. If you need something to occupy your child(ren) during Mass, please take a Busy-Bag from the red 'tree' near the coat rack. **Please return the Busy-Bag to the 'tree' when Mass is over.** Take home the activity and coloring pages. The crayons and books remain in the bag.

Daily Readings – June 1-7, 2025

June 1: Acts 1:1-11, Eph 1:17:23, Lk 24:46-53

June 2: Acts 19:1-8, Jn 16:29-33

June 3: Acts 20:17-27, Jn 17:1-11a

June 4: Acts 20:28-38, Jn 17:11b-19

June 5: Acts 22:30,23:6-11, Jn 17:20-26

June 6: Acts 25:13b-21, Jn 21:15-19

June 7: Acts 28:16-20,30-31, Jn 21:15-19

Fence Building Assistance Needed. Fr. Luiten would like to have a fence built on the east side of the property. Would you be able to help build this fence? We will purchase the materials. Volunteers Needed to put up the fence!!! Please contact Mary Beth in the Parish Office if you are able to assist!!

Happy Anniversary! We pray for those celebrating a wedding anniversary this week.

- Dennis & Kerry Finn, June 7, 50 yrs.
- Stephen & Mae Tinguely, June 7, 50 yrs.

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

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.

REGISTER NOW AND

Pilgrimage Information: We have hired a COACH bus for the Blessed Sacrament Jubilee Pilgrimage. The bus holds 50 people. We currently have 23 people signed up. If we don't fill the bus, we might have to cancel the pilgrimage! We need you to sign up NOW, if you are interested in attending!



Knights of Columbus Raffle - 15 cash prizes, BUY YOUR TICKETS TODAY!! \$100 each - Grand Prize is \$5,000! 4- \$1,000, 10- \$500 prizes! Your \$100 ticket might bring a significant return. Most importantly, the proceeds will go directly to our beloved Blessed Sacrament, to fund vital capital improvements. 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+)



Kitchen Konnection
Upcoming dates, and themes:

June 26 – Cold Salad Bar, bring a salad to share

July 10 – 4th of July Celebration, Hamburgers

July 24 – Polish Night

*Menus are subject to change.

Kitchen Konnection – Cold Salad Bar, June 26.

Would you like to contribute to the menu for this evenings Kitchen Konnection? We are looking for all different types of cold salads. If you are interested in bringing a salad please call the Parish Office to sign up, grab a sign-up slip from the table by the Parish Office or fill out the included form and turn in. Please sign-up by Friday, June 21.

Kitchen Konnection – Cold Salad Bar, June 26

I Plan to bring the following salad:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Please bring your salad to Blessed Sacrament by 12:00 Noon on Thursday, June 26. Clearly mark your container with your name. Call Julie in the Parish Office with questions, 701-282-3321.

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/>

Liturgical Readings & Responses. For those who want to follow the prayers, readings, and psalm response... You can access those readings on your smart phone from the Blessed Sacrament website. bscwf.org. From the homepage scroll down to "Daily Readings."

Lost and Found. Items not picked up by June 30 will be donated. We collect items that have been left behind and place them in the tote above the coat rack.

Low-Gluten Hosts Available. For those suffering from sensitivity to gluten, low-gluten hosts are available. To request a low-gluten host, please see Fr. Gary in the sacristy at least 15 minutes prior to mass beginning. We ask that you sit in the first section closest to the Family Room. Fr. will see that you get the low-gluten host at communion time.

Mass at Sheyenne Crossings, Fr. Luiten celebrates Mass at Sheyenne Crossings every Tuesday at 1:00 p.m. There is no Mass at Blessed Sacrament on Tuesday.

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

***Those who are sick or have medical problems:**

*Sandra Nowacki, Kevin Frovarp,
John Anderson, Larry Kelly*

***Those who are healing:**

*Michelle Polries, Pauline Klinger, Larry Ellner,
Veronica Zorn, Kerry Stroik, Joann Moody,
Kolby Hunsicker, Gary Lammer*

***Other prayer requests:**

*Drew Birrenkott, Jason Stone, Cindy Wulff,
The Bosch Family*

Traveling This Summer? Remember... We are still here while you're on vacation! Please continue to support us by using *online giving* from your computer or smart device. To schedule one-time or recurring donations in your absence.

www.bscwf.org/donate/

We Pray in Remembrance of...

June 1: Timothy Remillard

June 2: James Larson, Evelyn Belling,
Debra Kozojed

June 3: Ted Nilles

June 4: Eilene McCarthy, Mary Hoganson

June 6: Clarence Pulkrabek

Vital Statistics – May 2025

Baptisms:

Deaths: Jesse Vargas Sr., Dorothy Hanson

Newcomers:

Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten

the Solemnity of the Ascension - June 1, 2025

Our thoughts this weekend are turned to Jesus' ascension to heaven. This solemnity provides a good opportunity to think of the afterlife. There is a spiritually healthy way of thinking of the afterlife. It is an element of our faith that there is a hell, where those who have been unfaithful to God without repenting place themselves. It is not a good place. It is a place of eternal separation from God. It is not spiritually healthy to be preoccupied with such a place, but to know that it is there, so we can avoid placing ourselves there. And it would be quite presumptuous for me to think that, after I die, God will take me straight to heaven. And hell, and purgatory are good for us to think of from time to time, just to remind us they are there.

And, finally, last but certainly not least, it is an element of our faith that there is also a heaven, a reward for those who have been faithful in this life. Paul tells us, "Eye has not seen, ear has not heard, nor has it so much as dawned on us what God has ready for those who love him."

One question that everyone asks at one time or another, is "What is heaven like?" Heaven is where we see the God who created us: to meet the one who made us who we are! It is a chance to meet the Lord who redeemed us, face to face! In heaven, we will be able to see Jesus clearly. It is where we can meet Jesus in his glorified body. The first reading from Acts talks about Jesus' ascension very vividly when Jesus rose up before them in a cloud. And it is where we can meet his mother, Mary, and all the saints, including those people we have asked for intercessory help. Heaven is where we hope to meet our friends who have gone before us in faith. Heaven is where we can enjoy all the things we like to do, and more!

Jesus has set the example for us, by ascending into heaven. May we continue to be people who live with heaven as our goal.

Volunteerism - Stewardship

KITCHEN KONNECTION: We are always looking for more people to get involved at our Kitchen Konnection nights. It is TWO Thursdays a month (sometimes only ONE). It is Guaranteed that you will build friendships and have fun. If you are Interested or have questions, please contact Julie in the Parish Office 701-282-3321

FAITH FORMATION: 3 teachers are needed for the 2025-2026 school year. Grades needing teachers this coming year are FIRST, THIRD and FIFTH. Please let Julie know as soon as possible if you are interested in teaching or team teaching with a friend. Not only will you teach Blessed Sacraments youth, but you will learn more about your faith as well. Julie will guide you every step of the way.

ENVIRONMENT NEEDS: Pentecost Sunday is coming, and we are looking for volunteers to help plan and execute the ideas in the church on Thursday, June 6. Please let Julie know if you have any ideas for the Sanctuary or Gathering Area to represent Pentecost. Call the Parish Office 701-282-3321 julie@bscwf.org or catch her at church.

SAVE THE DATE: FALL DINNER/BAZAAR:

Sunday, October 5, 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. Will be meeting in June – date and time will be announced soon. Get your thinking caps on and bring ideas.

BLOOD DRIVE IN JUNE: Monday, June 30, 3-6 p.m. Link to follow. If you would like to get scheduled now without the link, please reach out to Julie at 701-282-3321 or julie@bscwf.org.

Community & Diocesan Events

Job Openings:

FT Music Educator - St. Michael's Catholic School in Grand Forks, seeks a full-time Music Educator to teach and inspire students in grades Pre-K through 6. The ideal candidate will have a strong background in music education, a love for teaching, and a commitment to the values of Catholic education. Qualifications include bachelor's in music education or a related field, teaching certification in music education, experience working with elementary and middle school students, strong communication and interpersonal skills and commitment to the mission and values of a Catholic education. To inquire please contact Sara Dudley, Principal at sara.dudley@stmichaelsgf.com with a letter of interest and resume.

Elementary Classroom Teacher - St. Michael's Catholic School in Grand Forks, is seeking a dedicated and passionate Elementary Classroom Teacher to join our vibrant educational community. The ideal candidate will be responsible for creating a nurturing and engaging learning environment for students. This role involves developing and implementing a comprehensive curriculum that integrates academic excellence with the values of Catholic education. The teacher will foster a love of learning, promote spiritual growth, and encourage students to develop their unique talents and abilities. Collaboration with colleagues, effective communication with parents, and active participation in the school community are essential components of this position. To apply, please email Jessica Haga at jessica.haga@stmichaelsgf.com or call 701-772-1822.

Jubilee Year of 2025



International Pilgrimage Site
Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Washington D.C. The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, located in Washington, D.C., is the Largest Catholic Church in North America and its most visited place of pilgrimage. The Basilica is home to more than 80 chapels and oratories honoring the Mother of God, reflecting the ethnic heritage and diversity of the Catholic Church in the United States.

Mary our Mother, Knowing that you, our Mother, are totally free from sin is a consolation to us. Inspired by this hope, today we invoke your motherly protection for us, our families, this city, and the world. Pray of us, our Immaculate Mother!
Pope Francis, Prayer on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, December 8, 2014

June 7-8, 2025 ~ Pentecost Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	9:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	C. Fischer	M. A. Schuster
EMHC	*J. & J. Jones, P. Pritchard, K. Jalbert, B. Opoien	*L. Wegner, **N. Peterson, M. Kern, Volunteer, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	K. Jalbert, Volunteer	G. Plummer, K. Plummer
Servers	Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer
Ushers	W. Suchla, J. Jones	Volunteer, Volunteer
Greeters	T. Tweeter, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer
Rosary Leader	P. Pritchard	M. Kern
Sacristan	J. Jones	L. Wegner
Media Minister	Volunteer	
*Eucharist Minister ~ **Volunteer, takes to home bound		

