



# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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## September 27-28, 2025 ~ the 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

**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, September 28

8:30 a.m. – Lorraine Hager

10:30 a.m. -the Parishioners

#### Monday, September 29 - NO MASS

#### Tuesday, September 30 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – +Bob Creighton

#### Wednesday, October 1 - NO MASS

#### Thursday, October 2

9:00 a.m. – +George Schmidt

#### Friday, October 3

9:00 a.m. – +Darlyne Murray

Adoration 9:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

#### Saturday, October 4

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

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

5:15 p.m. – +Joe Spors

#### Sunday, October 5 Fall Dinner & Bazaar

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - +David Stephan

### Weekly Offering

*Thank you for your support!*

#### September 20-21, 2025

Adult: \$5,610.88

Children: \$16

Improvements: \$113

Poor Fund: \$82

#### Collected to Date

#### Goal to Date

\$288,750.70

Adult

\$327,600.00

\$1,018.00

Children

\$1,140.00

\$18,696.91

Improvements

\$38,000.00

\$173,180.49

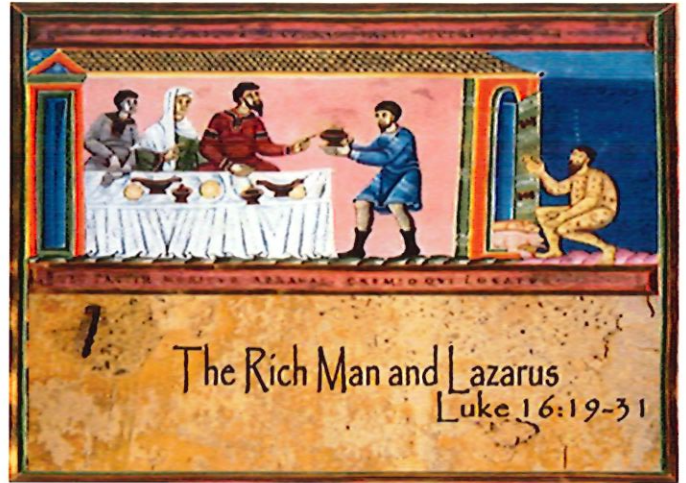
Living our Faith

\$400,807.00

\$64,374.50

God's Gift

\$71,975.59



### This Week

#### Sunday, September 28, 2025

FF-PK, 10:30 a.m.

#### Wednesday, October 1, 2025

Fall Clean-up, 5:30 p.m.

FF-All Grades, 5:30 p.m.

#### Thursday, October 2, 2025

Knights of Columbus Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

#### Friday, October 3, 2025

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

#### Saturday, October 4, 2025

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

## Blessed Sacrament Fall Dinner & Bazaar

### October 5, 2025

### 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

Prayer Cards

Take-A-Chance

2:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Bingo

4:00 p.m.

Raffle Drawings

**Fall Dinner & Bazaar News**  
**Sunday October 5, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.**

**The Fall Dinner & Bazaar is NEXT WEEK!**  
**Will you be here to support your parish?**

*Pray for a Successful Event! Plan to Attend the BEST EVENT OF THE YEAR!* In the past, Our Fall Dinner and Bazaar has been successful because of YOU, our parishioners and community members. Let's make 2025 a bigger and better celebration, even more than we could imagine!

**Bazaar Market Items** should be here NOW. Bring your items as soon as possible.

**BINGO at the Fall Dinner & Bazaar** at 2:30 p.m., following dinner. Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus will host B-I-N-G-O! The prizes are ALL CASH! 10 games for \$10. Two specialty games. \*50/50, the winner gets 50% of the collection, and \*Black-Out for \$150! The specialty games will be \$1 per game.

**Fall Dinner Donation Envelope.** If you are unable to attend the festivities but still want to support Blessed Sacrament, you will find donation envelopes on the Breaking Bread bookcases, in the Gathering Area.

**Fall Dinner Food Donations. THANK YOU!** Please get your food donations in no later than Friday, October 3.

**GAMES**

**FAMILIES/FRIENDS/KIDDOS:** There will be 2 competitive games: corn hole and the ribbon race. Get a team together and sign up to participate now. 1<sup>st</sup> place (and possibly 2<sup>nd</sup> place) winners from both games will receive a gift card. Team sign-ups are in the social hall.

**What is a ribbon race??** It is a large 20' continuous ribbon in which 4-6 teammates stand inside the ribbon like being in a tire. Feet stay on the bottom; arms are raised to hold the top up. You then race to walk/run moving the ribbon under and above you to try to beat the other team to the finish line!! Much coordination and teamwork is needed!!

**Guess the Amounts:** We will have guess the amounts in jars – all ages are welcome to participate.

Thank you to our Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus!! They are sponsoring our games this year. God Bless you all for being our GAME SPONSOR!!

**Thank You Fall Dinner Sponsors!**

**Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus**

**Boulger Funeral Home**

**Diversified Wealth Management**  
(Brad & Kari Novak)

**Eric & Karen Hanson**

**John & Jody Jones**

**Gerald & Jean Kern**

**Bill & Gloria Larson**

**Isabel Liska**

**Fr. Gary Luiten**

**Roger & Beth Mammenga**

**John & Kathy Reichert**

**Sleep Wellness Center**  
(Jamie & Maria Regner)

**The Groundsman**  
(Tim & Jeanine Allmaras)

**Top Notch Carpet Cleaning**  
(Wayne & Jason Suchla)

**Tina Tweeter**

**Jeff & Kathy York**

**ONE Silent Auction Prize:** Dinner with Father Gary Luiten.

**Raffle Drawing,** Sunday, October 5, 4 p.m. (following Bingo). Tickets will be sold in the Parish Office until the drawing. 15 CASH Prizes from \$100 to \$3,000 and 1 handmade quilt (valued at \$200).

**Take A Chance Baskets Items** should be here NOW. Bring your items as soon as possible. Winners will be drawn beginning at 2:00 p.m. Sunday, October 5.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED** for MANY areas during the Fall Dinner & Bazaar. Please join in and help support the largest fundraiser of the year.

### Take-A-Chance Baskets.

- \$1 Take-A-Chance baskets are in the Gathering Area
- \$5 & \$10 Baskets are in the Social Hall  
\$10 Chances are for 2 brand new bikes: a men's and an adult tricycle with basket. Included will be 2 helmets and a tire pump AND a Blackstone 28" griddle with accessories.

Tickets for Take-A-Chance will be on sale beginning this weekend, before and after Masses. Look around and take a chance!

Turn In Those Sold Raffle Tickets and money to the Parish Office as soon as possible. **All stubs and money should be here by Friday, October 3. DO NOT MAIL YOUR TICKETS INTO THE OFFICE THIS WEEK!!** There is no guarantee they will be delivered by Friday, October 3. (We do not get mail on Saturday.)

### Area Fall Dinners

<u>September 28</u>	St. Mary, Grand Forks St. Agatha, Hope St. Anthony, Fargo
<u>October 5</u>	Blessed Sacrament, WF St. William, Argusville St. Francis de Sales, Mhd
<u>October 12</u>	St. Agnes, Hunter
<u>October 19</u>	Holy Cross, WF
<u>October 26</u>	Holy Spirit, Fargo St. Elizabeth, Dilworth MN
<u>November 9</u>	Nativity, Fargo

Check the bulletin board for posters.

## Faith Formation

### Class Times, Grades PK through 12

Wednesday October 1, 2025

ALL GRADES 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 5, 2025

PK No Class

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Grs 1-5 5:45 p.m.

B4WOW 7:00 p.m.

WOW 7:00 p.m.

All Grades Will be Involved in Fall Clean-Up, Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 p.m. Adult parishioners are also welcome to help. After our job is done, we got to Fr. Gary's firepit and roasting hotdogs, smores and enjoy visiting.

Bishop Folda came to eat and speak to our Middle School & High School Students on Wednesday, September 17. The Bishop explained how once you are confirmed; students are truly a part of the church. Just as much as adults are. He spoke on being a missionary. Missionaries are people who go to



poor countries and help build homes and feed people. Missionaries are people who do God's will. Who are disciples, helping others in need. A couple of areas that Bishop Folda stressed was that our youth should really reach out and help the elderly. Another point made was to help the hungry and the homeless in our own community. It was wonderful and educational to listen to Bishop Folda speak!!

**OCTOBER 8 DEADLINE!** Middle and High School Students interested in going on the **Mission Trip to Lincoln, NE in June 2026**, need to have a **\$100 non-refundable deposit in. The Faith Formation program** will pay \$50 of that deposit for each student going. Any questions contact Julie 701.282.3321 or [julie@bscwf.org](mailto:julie@bscwf.org)

**PARENTS:** Don't forget to download the *WhatsApp* and join the 2025 Faith Formation group. If you need the link or QR code reach out to Julie

**Adult Formation / Matthew 'The King and His Kingdom'.** This bible study will meet most Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Shawn DeKeyser is leading this Bible Study. If you have any questions call the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

**Class Dates:** September 30

October 7, 14, 21, 28

November 4, 11, 18, 25

December 2, 9, 16, 23

2026 dates TBD

**OCIA Class**, led by Fr. Luiten, meets most Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. OCIA is for adults wanting to become Catholic, and for Catholic adults who would like a refresher course about their faith.

**Class Dates:** October: 7, 14, 21, 28

## Music Ministry

Choirs will Begin in October!

<b>Contemporary Choir</b>	<u>Practice</u>	<u>Sing</u>
October 12	7:45 a.m.	8:30 a.m.

<b>Joyful Voices</b>	<u>Practice</u>	<u>Sing</u>
October 19	9:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

## Parish Life

**Becoming Catholic:** If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact Fr. Gary Luiten about OCIA classes, 701-282-3321 or [Gary@bscwf.org](mailto:Gary@bscwf.org).

### Daily Readings – Sept. 28-Oct. 4, 2025

September 28: Am 6:1a,4-7, 1 Tm 6:11-16,

Lk 16:19-31

September 29: Dn 7:9-10,13-14, Jn 1:47-51

September 30: Zec 8:20-23, Lk 9:51-56

October 1: Neh 2:1-8, Lk 9:57-62

October 2: Neh 8:1-4a,5-6,7b-12, Mt 18:1-5

October 3: Bar 1:15-22, Lk 10:13-16

October 4: Bar 4:5-12,27-29, Lk 10:17-24

**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:

- First Friday: 9:30 a.m.–12: p.m. October 3
- Saturday Holy Hour: 3:30:4:30 p.m. October 4.

**Fall Clean-up, NEXT** Wednesday, October 1, 5:30 p.m. We are getting everything prepared for the fall dinner and winter. We encourage everyone to come to beautify our church. Afterwards, we will be roasting smores, hotdogs, etc. at Fr. Gary's firepit. Bring a chair, blanket, coat, etc. If inclement weather, we will eat in the Social Hall.

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

- Sandy Koffler, September 29

**Humanitarian Aid for Gaza.** Bishop Folda has asked all parishes, in the Fargo Diocese, to take up a collection for those suffering from the effects of war in Gaza. Blessed Sacrament will have a collection basket available, in the Gathering Area, the weekend of October 13-14.



**Kitchen Konnection**  
Upcoming dates, and themes:

October 23 – Chili Cook-Off

November 13 – Honoring Our Veterans

\*Menus are subject to change.

**Kitchen Konnection is hosting its 2<sup>nd</sup> Chili Cook-Off** on October 23. If you wish to participate by cooking your own chili, please fill out the form on the table by the Parish Office. The top 3 choices will receive a prize.

**Nativity Showcase** is coming December 6 & 7. This will be a display of a variety of nativity scenes. Free standing, wall hangings, ornaments, etc. Do you have a Christmas nativity that you would like to display at the event? Contact the Parish Office and reserve your showcase space.

**No Daily Mass on Wednesday, October 1, 2025.** Mass intentions have been rescheduled.

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

\*Those who are sick or have medical problems:

*Cathy Weiser, Wes Weeding, Alice Cumber,  
Bruce McCartney, Cathy Short, Marlys Mattson,  
Wendy Retterath.*

\*Those who are healing:

*John Anderson, Rodney Loberg, Kerry Stroik,  
Joann Moody, Kolby Hunsicker, Gary Lammer*

\*Other prayer requests:

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

### Receive Notifications of our Masses on

**YouTube.** Subscribe to the Blessed Sacrament YouTube channel!

<https://youtube.com/channel/UCPIK7Ix77I6WWtNNUQxt5rw>. Subscribe and click the bell, you will get notified of our broadcasts and videos.

**Thank you** to all you marvelous gardeners for sharing your produce with us. So many delicious and bountiful vegetables have come in and out!

**The Word Among Us.** A copy of the October issue of *The Word Among Us* is available for pickup on the Breaking Bread bookshelves and on the table near the entry. *The Word Among Us* shares Catholic Mass Readings and Daily Meditations. Pick one up while supplies last.

### We Pray In Remembrance of...

September 28: Marlys Miller

September 29: Frank J. Lenzmeier, Sandra Balster

October 4: James Potter, Adeline Quaschnick,  
Elizabeth Clark, Marlys Wilson

## Volunteerism - Stewardship

**THANK YOU** and please continue to get your food donations in and sign-up to help!! We are still in need of food donations. As well as volunteers for many areas during the Fall Dinner.

## Join Our Welcoming Team of Parish Ushers!

We're inviting dedicated men and women of Blessed Sacrament Parish to become part of our ushering team—a ministry that's essential to creating a safe, welcoming, and organized environment during our weekend liturgies. As an usher, you'll be a friendly face, a helpful guide, and a reassuring presence for all who gather to worship. This is a meaningful way to serve our parish family and make a real impact. If you feel called to contribute in this important way, please speak with Julie after Mass or email her at [julie@bscwf.org](mailto:julie@bscwf.org). Usher Training will be held on Wednesday, October 15 at 6:00 p.m., beginning in the Social Hall. We'd love to welcome you to the team!

**WEEKEND MINISTERS:** Volunteers, please continue to be viewing the schedules on *SchedulerPro* and sign-up where able. I will try hard to make sure the schedules in the sacristy are up-to-date in real time so there is no confusion during mass on who signed up. Thank you for your continued patience!! Julie

## Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten

### 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time-Sept. 28, 2025

If we take a look at the readings this weekend, in particular the Old Testament from Amos and the Gospel, we see the focus on complacency. When we combine the gospel with the first reading, we see that in order to get to heaven we must believe in Jesus and trust him, and avoid complacency by not becoming blind to the needs of others such as the poor. The rich man failed to do this, and therefore ended up in hell, separated from Abraham, God, and the saints in heaven.

The Lord in the Second reading this weekend from Paul to Timothy gives us ideas on how to either come out of complacency or how to avoid complacency, thereby bringing us down the narrow path that leads to eternal life. He calls us to listen to Moses and the Prophets. He also calls us to pursue righteousness, devotion to God, faith, patience, and gentleness. Notice in that list, Paul also calls Timothy and us to pursue love.

I think we would all agree that when we put Love into action, those actions done out of love are called "good deeds" or "good acts." It is essential, then for us as believers, to love God and to love others, including the poor. Loving others is pretty

much impossible to do without good acts. Acts as simple as praying for those who are homeless and hungry, and to help them even monetarily when we can. The poor may not just be those who are monetarily poor, but those who have not heard of the Good News of the gospel. We can reach out to them by our words, deeds, and example and help to lead them to Christ and His church.

And so, may the grace of God in the scriptures and in the sacraments we receive give us the strength and grace to truly avoid complacency and rather be attentive to the needs of those around us.

## Living Our Faith, Building Our Future

Blessed Sacrament Goal: \$400,807.00

Collected to Date: 173,180.49 (as of 9/11/25)

147 households have pledged.

43.75% of our parish families.

Would you consider making a pledge and help us reach 50% participation?

Contact the Parish Office if you have questions.

## Community & Diocesan Events

**Men of the Cross Meeting.** Thursday, October 2, 6:30 p.m. at Nativity Church, Fargo. This meeting is for all current members and anyone who is interested in becoming a Man of the Cross.

Why do the Men of the Cross wear a Saint Benedict Crucifix?

1. To remind us to pray more.
2. To remind us to act like Christian disciples.
3. To bring Christ into our secular culture.

If you would like to receive a Saint Benedict Crucifix, contact any of the men you see wearing one, and they will get you one or you can stop by the Nativity Church office and get as many as you would like.

**Traveling Statue of Fatima in Fargo,** October 12 & 13, Cathedral of St. Mary, and the Adoration Chapel. The statue has been traveling since 1947 to bring the graces of Fatima to those who may not otherwise have the opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself. See the attached poster for details. To sign up for adoration please go to <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BA5AB2FABF4C61-58397147-allnight>

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**, November 7-9, Medora, ND. Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage! Worldwide Marriage Encounter has helped over 3.5 million couples unlock the power of their relationships with new ways to do the "I do." The Marriage Encounter experience helps you listen, share, and connect more deeply. There's no group discussion. It's about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. Nine in ten couples who attend a Marriage Encounter recognize a long-lasting positive effect on their lives. Check out more about WWME or apply for the weekend by visiting <https://wwme.org/> or call (701) 347-1998 for more information.

**Undone: Freedom for the Feminine Heart (Women's Healing Retreat)**, November 20-22, Sts. Anne and Joachim Church, Fargo. Join us for the Undone Women's Conference where you will experience a weekend of truth, beauty, and transformation, as the knots of Eve's disobedience are "undone" through Mary's model of radical receptivity. Bring yourself, your mother, your sister, your adult daughters, and friends. This event is being offered in person OR via livestream! Find for more information at [www.fargodiocese.org/undone](http://www.fargodiocese.org/undone).

**Pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey in 2026.** Join Bishop Folda on a pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey as we walk in the footsteps of St. Paul. We will visit the holy sites of Corinth, Philippi, Thessaloniki, Ephesus, Meteora, Athens and Istanbul - places forever marked by the Apostle's mission and witness. Dates: October 5-17, 2026. Price per person sharing a room: \$5,990. Please see the Fargo Diocese website for more information and a link to registration: <https://www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages-greece>

**Job Openings:**

**FT Communications Assistant/Assistant Editor**

The Diocese of Fargo is seeking a full-time Communications Assistant/Assistant Editor to provide professional support for the diocesan magazine and other communications. This person writes, edits, proofs, and designs layout for New Earth as well as managing advertising, website, and social media. Responsibilities include afternoon receptionist three afternoons a week. The ideal candidate is detail-oriented, organized, and skilled at multitasking in a professional environment. Proficiency with Microsoft Office and Adobe products including InDesign, Photoshop, and Illustrator preferred. A bachelor's degree in communications, a related field or sufficient experience is required. To apply email cover letter, resume and three references to [Barbara.augdahl@fargodiocese.org](mailto:Barbara.augdahl@fargodiocese.org) Position open until filled.

**October 4-5, 2025 – 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Ministries of Service**

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	K. Jalbert	P. Jorgensen	M. Kern
EMHC	*J. Jones, K. Jalbert, B. Opoien, Volunteer, Volunteer	*/**M. Doster, Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer	*L. Wegner, M. Kern, E. & K. Hanson, Volunteer
Gift Bearers	Volunteer, Volunteer	T. & S. Durbin	C. Hunsicker, Volunteer
Servers	Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer, Volunteer
Ushers	J. Jones, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer
Greeters	Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer	Volunteer, Volunteer
Rosary Leader	M. Kern	S. Durbin	M. Kern
Sacristan	K. Jalbert	Volunteer	L. Wegner
Media Minister	Volunteer	*Eucharist Minister / **Takes to home bound	

# The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Our Lady of Fatima

## *Tour of Peace 2025*

in the Diocese of Fargo

Hosted by WAF/BlueArmy-Fargo Division

Traveling since 1947 after being blessed by the Bishop of Leiria-Fatima, on October 13, 1947, the statue left Fatima and was flown to America to begin its tours to bring the graces of Fatima to those many millions of people who may not otherwise have the opportunity to make a pilgrimage to Fatima itself. The bishop prayed that Our Lady's presence would travel with it wherever she went.



It was blessed again in 1952 by Pope Pius XII, who had crowned the original statue in Fatima as Queen of the world just a few years earlier. The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue has visited more than 100 countries, bringing Mary's powerful message of salvation and hope to millions. Countless favors and graces have been reported wherever the Virgin Statue has traveled.

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### *St Mary's Cathedral Schedule:*

- Sunday, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>:** 5pm Talk by Thomas Ross, *Statue Custodian from Blue Army National*  
5:30pm Vespers in the Cathedral, procession to the Adoration Chapel beginning the *All Night Vigil of Gratitude*.  
6pm-6am **All Night Vigil of Gratitude** in the Adoration Chapel
- Monday, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>:** 7am Mass in the Cathedral, all day access, 12:10pm Mass,  
6pm Closing Mass with Bishop Folda 7pm light dessert social *in the Cathedral Hall*

