# Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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## November 7-8, 2026 ~ 32nd 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, November 8**
8:30 a.m. – + Wes Weeding
10:30 a.m. – The Parishioners
**Monday, November 9 NO MASS**
**Tuesday, November 10** at Sheyenne Crossings
**1:00 p.m.** – Kai Green
**Wednesday, November 11 NO MASS**
**Thursday, November 12**
**9:00 a.m.** – + Manta Goering
**Friday, November 13**
**9:00 a.m.** – + Gaylas Pritchard
**Saturday, November 14**
**4-4:30 p.m.** Reconciliation
**5:15 p.m.** – Justin & Victoria DeKeyser
**Sunday, November 15**
8:30 a.m. – Poor Souls in Purgatory
10:30 a.m. – The Parishioners

## Weekly Offering

*Thank You for Your Support!*

**October 31 - November 1, 2026**
Adult: $11,425.02 Children: $31
Improvements: $1049.75
Poor Fund: $426

| Collected to Date | | Goal |
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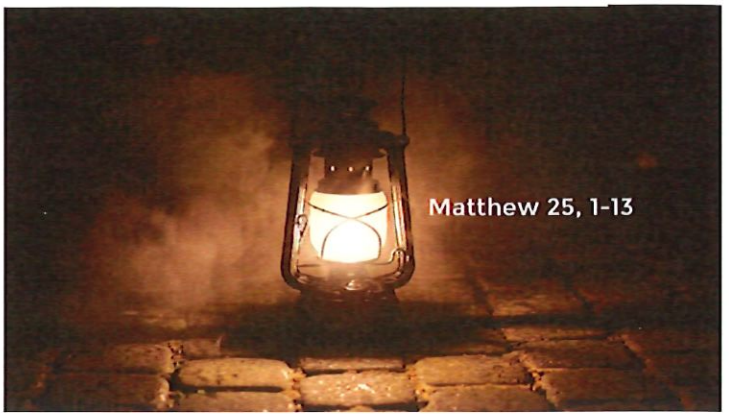
| $333,069.55 | Adult | $369,600.00 |
| $877.00 | Children | $1,320.00 |
| $18,501.68 | Improvements | $44,000.00 |
| $282,151.49 | Living our Faith | $400,807.00 |
| *$78,999.52* | God's Gift Appeal | $74,917.04 |




## This Week

**Tuesday, November 10**
Bible Study 7 p.m.
OCIA 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, November 11**
Parish Office Closed
No Faith Formation

**Thursday, November 12**
Kitchen Konnection 5:30 p.m.

## Faith Formation

**Class Schedule, Grades PK-12**
PreK/K Sunday, November 8 at 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, November 11 – NO CLASS (Veterans Day)

**2nd Grade Parents and Students First Reconciliation Schedule:**
**3rd Student/Parent class: Wednesday, November 18**
**Student/Parent Retreat (mandatory): Saturday, December 5th – 12:00 p.m. to 3 p.m.**
**First Reconciliation: Thursday, December 10th at 7:00 p.m.**

**NEEDED: 1ST GRADE TEACHER BEGINNING IN JANUARY.** Our current 1st grade catechist will be having a baby and we need a replacement catechist from January – May 2027. We have two 1st graders that would love to continue coming. If you are interested, please let Julie know as soon as possible.

**YOUTH CHOIR:** Mark your calendars for the weekend of **November 14th and 15th**. Youth choir will be singing at each mass. If you are in the choir and can make all 3 masses that's great. Otherwise, come sing with Heather at your normal mass. Please let Julie or Heather know if you are able to make it and for which service(s).

**YOUTH SERVERS NEEDED BADLY:** If you are confirmed we need you to be an altar server. Please talk with your parents and prayerfully consider becoming an altar server. Fr. Gary would be so honored to have you up in the sanctuary assisting him.

**ATTENTION MIDDLE SCHOOLERS AND PARENTS:** Sister parishes in the Diocese of Fargo are offering Middle School Lock-Ins. These are from 3:00 p.m. – Midnight and the cost is $20 per student. The schedule is as follows:
Saturday, December 5th @ St. Anthony's Church
Saturday, February 6th, 2027 @ Holy Spirit Church
Saturday, April 3, 2027 @ Holy Cross Catholic Church
***Please see flyers on bulletin boards for more information. Flyers will also be available at Faith Formation classes.

Clear your schedules and mark your calendar - **Sunday, December 13th @ 2 p.m.** is our annual Faith Formation Christmas Program. Parents: if you are able and willing to assist with this program, please let Julie know at 701.282.3321, julie@bscwf.org or on the WhatsApp.

**FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT @ NDSU BASKETBALL** Monday, November 23, 2026 @ 7:00 PM. All are welcome and encouraged to attend. The evening will consist of the NDSU MBB playing WI-Stout. NDSU is partnering with FCA, along with current NDSU student-athletes and coaches to share an encouraging message following the game. Bring the entire family for a special night of BB and fellowship. Tickets are: $4/Youth; $9/Adult use promo code: FAITHANDFAMILYNIGHT.

**Bible Study – "*The Gospel of Mark.*" has begun.**
Meet in the social hall on Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

**Upcoming Class Dates**:
November: 10, 17

**OCIA Class Dates**:
November: 10, 17, 24

## Music Ministry

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| November 8 | Joyful Voices | 9:30/10:30 |
| November 29 | Contemporary | 7:45/8:30 |
| | Joyful/Voices | 9:30/10:30 |

**We Need Accompanists & Cantors!**
Accompanist – The accompanist is responsible for providing accompaniment for the hymns and acclamations during the Mass. Knowledge of the Catholic Mass is preferred. *This is a paid position.*

Cantor (Song Leader) – The Cantor is both a singer and leader of the congregational songs. The Cantor has the responsibility in leading the assembly, and inviting them in hymns and acclamations used throughout Mass. You should have a strong singing voice. This ministry is open to high school/adult singers. *This is a volunteer opportunity.*
If you are interested in assisting at weekend Masses, please contact Ronda at Ronda@bscwf.org or call the Parish Office 701-282-3321.

## Parish Life

**Home Bound Communion** – We will be doing communion on November 29th and December 27th. There will be no Friday deliveries. Thanks, Alice Pritchard - Coordinator

**COFFEE TALK** – If you would like to have Coffee Talk and are interested in hosting, please let Julie know. Sign ups for the upcoming weekends will be on the table outside the parish office.

**90th Anniversary Breakfast Celebration!:** Join us for Blessed Sacrament's 90th Anniversary Breakfast on Sunday, November 15th from 9:30 – 12pm. Featuring: Eggs, Sausage, Potatoes, Fruit, Sandy's Donut, other desserts, coffee, water and juice. If you would like to volunteer to help or bring a dessert contact Julie or Mary in the parish office.

**Thanksgiving Food Donation and help sign-ups** are on the tables in the social hall. Carts for non-perishable foods are in the social hall. Please wait to bring cool whip and pies until the week of Thanksgiving.

**ATTENTION: NO MORE TURKEYS NEEDED:** An anonymous donor came forward and will be donating 140 turkeys coming from the SD Hutterites. Those who have committed and already purchased a turkey we will still accept. Otherwise, if you haven't purchased yet, there is no need. Consider donating some other food item for the meal.

**Drivers for fellow parishioners** – Julie will be coordinating rides soon. If you wish to receive a ride to church during the winter months, please call the office and supply your contact information. The office number is 701.282.3321.

**Blessing Box Needs:** Thank you to all that continue to keep the Blessing Box stocked. We appreciate your generosity. When bringing in items please bring them to the office as we do not put everything out at once. Believe it or not we try to keep a somewhat organized placement of items as well. **WE CONTINUE TO NEED:** Canned meats (tuna, chicken, beef, etc), condiments, boxed/complete meals, milk of all percentages (the type that can stay on the shelf until opened), various types of soups, spaghetti sauce/paste/etc, different types of low sugar cereals, granola bars, cereal bars, canned fruits, vegetable oil, baking items (baking chips, flour, sugar, salt, baking soda, baking powder, frosting, etc), hygiene products, laundry stuff. God Bless You All!

**ALL** are **WELCOME. It would be so exciting to see more of our parishioners and families join us at these meals.** It is the perfect opportunity to have fun, meet new people, eat a wonderful meal and not have to cook. Join us on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month (unless otherwise stated)

**Thursday, November 12th – PLEASE JOIN US to honor our veterans.** Veterans: please let us know if you plan to attend and what division you were a part of.

**Thursday, December 10th - Christmas Celebration**

****Let Julie know ahead of time if you would like to help at the meal or if you would like to bring a dessert****

**DELIVERY DRIVERS FOR CHURCHES UNITED!** We need more individuals to commit to delivering the pre-made meal for CUH. We deliver on the 4th Thursday of the month. If there is a 5th Thursday, we also make a meal and deliver that day as well. These meals get delivered to Micah's Mission (part of CUH) in Moorhead. Let Julie know if you are interested.

**Daily Readings – November 8-14, 2026**
November 8: Wis 6:12-16, 1 Thes 4:13-18/Mt 25:1-13
November 9: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12, 1Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17/Jn 2:13-22
November 10: Ti 2:1-8,11-14/Lk 17:7-10
November 11: Ti 3:1-7/Lk 17:11-19
November 12: Phlm 7-20/Lk 17:20-25
November 13: 2 Jn 4-9/Lk 17:26-37
November 14: 3 Jn 5-8/Lk 18:1-8

**We Pray In Remembrance of…**
November 8: Florence Schlick, Robert Gaughan
November 9: Donald Groth
November 10: Emelie Lisburg, LaVerne Wetzstein
November 11: Joseph Hersch, Marcella Bernier
November 12: Joan Barta, Jackilyn Tuchscherer, Virginia Westman, Linda McGuire
November 13: Mary Ann Hockert
November 14: Leonard Pulkrabek, Mark Derrig, Leland Hockert, Rosemary Gaden

**Prayer Requets:** We pray for our parishioners and family members.
***Those who are sick or have medical problems:**
*Louden Swain, (son of Tacinca Laducer)*
*Marvin Short, Kim MacCrone, Irene Horner,*
*Cindy Horner,Ted Hartung, Becky Brezniak,*
*Tyler Schlenvogt, Joann Moody, Rodney Loberg,*
*Alfons Allmaras, Rowan Johnston, Rick Cwikla,*
*Veronica Zorn, Jim Mattson*

***Those who are healing:**
*Gary Lammer*
***Other prayer requests:**
*The Bosch Family, Drew Birrenkott*
*Marlene Brown*

**Happy Birthday! We pray for those who are celebrating a birthday this week.**
- Elsie Keller

**Emergency Contact Information, Email Addresses and Phone Numbers:** Has your address, phone number or other personal contact information changed recently? Have you updated the parish office? If not, please contact Mary in the parish office at 701.282.3321 or mary@bscwf.org

## Reflections by Fr. Gary Luiten

**Reflections on the Gospel for the 32nd Sunday of the Church Year**
**November 8, 2026**
Jesus in the gospel parable of the wise and foolish virgins gives us an example of how He wants us to live. This is an interesting parable, because here we have ten bridesmaids: five were foolish and five were sensible. But whom do you think were the wisest, who were the most Christ-like? Certainly the foolish bridesmaids were not prepared for the long-night stay. But it also appears, at closer look, that the wise bridesmaids were not really being as wise as they could be. They, in some ways, weren't being Christian!

When asked for oil, the wise bridesmaids said no. The

foolish bridesmaids just asked for a little, to keep their torches burning. But the wise bridesmaids said, "Forget it, get your own oil." So whatever happened to the teachings of Jesus that those wise bridesmaids should have remembered, like, "If someone asks for your shirt, give him your coat as well?" or If anyone requires of you to go one mile with him, go two miles as well, or "Give to anyone who asks you, and do not turn them away." Yet that is just what the wise bridesmaids did!

Sometimes we can be like that, too. We wind up thinking about only ourselves and our own needs and forget the needs of others. That really isn't the Christ-like thing to do, is it? Sometimes we forget about the needy of our own community or the needy of the world, whether they be the physically mal-nourished or the spiritually hungry or the lonely, or Mom or Dad or Grandma or Grandpa in the nursing home.

Another strike against the wise bridesmaids as well as the foolish ones is that they all fell asleep. If you take a look at modern society, it seems that we have fallen asleep as well. Instead of receiving the Sacrament of Penance every month or two, we wait and go once or twice a year. And we come out of the reconciliation room in a cold sweat, thinking, "Boy, is this hard!" Yes, it's going to be hard, if we wait that long. So, if you think the Sacrament of Reconciliation is tough, I urge you to receive that special grace not just once or twice a year, but even monthly and see how one's attitude can change concerning Confession.

And that's the one saving quality that made the five wise bridesmaids wise: they were prepared in the sense that they kept the groom first in their lives. Hopefully, we will be prepared for when Jesus comes again to take us to heaven. And that is really the message of the gospel. So may we be open to God's grace, each day of our lives, so we can be ready to meet Him when He comes again.

**Parish Fall Dinner and Bazaar**. Thank you to everyone who gave of their time, talents, and treasures to help make our Fall dinner and bazaar a success this year. A lot of people worked very hard. It was a success not just financially, but in helping to build community. Like many other churches who had Fall dinners, our attendance was down a little this year, but we did make more than we did last year. We netted approximately $37,500 for the dinner, bazaar, and raffle, not including the bingo. Congratulations to those who won the raffle drawings and bingo.

**Happy 90th birthday to Blessed Sacrament!** Some people didn't think our parish was that old. Actually, the building itself was built in the early 1970's, but the parish had its beginning in a Quonset hut on the corner just west of here. Some of you might remember that building, which was moved to a location on the south side of 12th Avenue North just west of the railroad tracks. The actual date is November 22, but we will observe our parish birthday on November 15 with sausage, potatoes, fruit, egg bake and Sandy's donuts and other desserts on Sunday morning the 15th after the Masses.

**Thanksgiving Dinner**. Blessed Sacrament will once again hold a Thanksgiving Dinner, which will be served in the social hall Thanksgiving Day from 11 am to 2 pm, following Mass at 10 am. We hope to serve 2,000 meals and cook 100 turkeys. We will need many volunteers once again. By the grace of God and your help, we have always been able to serve all who come. Please watch the bulletin for upcoming details in the near future.

May God bless us and help us to grow in his grace during this month of All Souls as we finish up the church year and begin a new church year November 29 with the First Sunday of Advent.

## Volunteerism - Stewardship

**TIME & TALENT SHEETS:** There are updated time and talent sheets on the bookshelves and the table outside the parish office. Please take one, complete and return to the office. We **NEED** volunteers in all areas.

## Community & Diocesan Events

**The Salvation Army** is looking for hats, caps, gloves, socks, coats, blankets and other things for the upcoming winter months. These can be homemade, gently used or brand new. People have already begun to ask for winter items. **Greatest need is larger men's coats.** Please bring your donations to the office. One of our fellow parishioners will deliver these items.

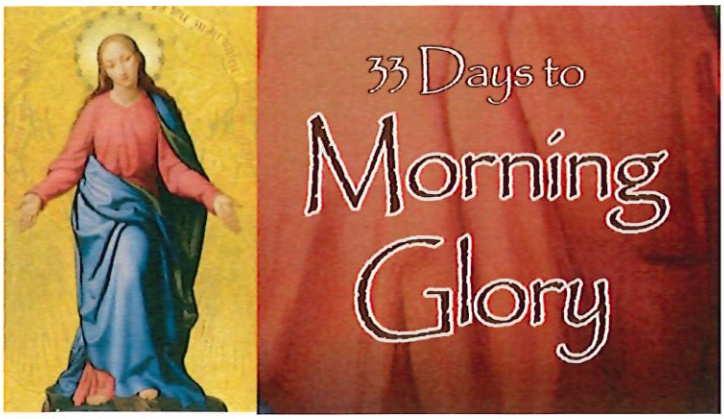
The Salvation Army serves both breakfast and lunch to those who come in need.

Join us for **Catholic Man Night**!

**Tuesday, November 10th**

**6:00–8:00 PM**
Nativity, Fargo
Our featured speaker will be Fr. Ternes

A **free-will offering** will be accepted for the meal. Bring a friend and start the season with faith, fellowship, and great conversation!




**Evening Group Sharing Opportunity - 33 Days to Morning Glory**

You are invited to join us as we pray through Fr. Michael Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory, a preparation for Marian Consecration.

Whether you have never made a Marian Consecration or you would like to prepare to renew yours, this is an opportunity to grow in your relationship with Our Lady. You may join in person in Hankinson or by Zoom.

**We will gather each Monday evening (November 9 - December 14) from 7 to 8:30** to discuss our reading and prayer from the previous week.

**Contact Sr. Mary Ruth at (701) 242-7195 or email srmaryruth@sfcretreats.org.**

**Navigating US Marriage Retreat**

- Direct registration and information link: https://stsaaj.org/event-calendar/navigating-us/
- What: Navigating US - a marriage retreat
- When: November 20-22nd
  - Friday: 7-9PM
  - Saturday: 8:30 -12:30PM
  - Sunday: 8:30-10:30AM
- Where: Sts. Anne and Joachim church
- Hosts: Melissa and Mark Perez
- Childcare provided

**CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS TO MEET**

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, November 10th at St. Anthony's beginning with the Mass at 5:15 PM, meal to follow, and meeting at 6:30 PM. 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 Karla at karla.seibel@yahoo.com or call 701-541-7775.

**9th Annual Family Christmas Ball!** - Friday, December 18th 6:00pm-10pm, St. Mary's Cathedral Basement.

Come join us for a fun, FREE night of Waltzes, Foxtrots, and Swing! Bring a snack to share. All ages are welcome, attire is formal. If you want a few lessons to brush up on your skills, **Free lessons** in the Cathedral Basement will be offered: Sun. Nov. 15th 11:15am - Foxtrot/Waltz; Nov. 22nd 11:15am – Swing/Shim Sham; Sun. Nov. 29th – Lindyhop 11:15am; Sun. Dec. 13th 11:15am – Spanish Circle/Laendler

If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Goering: goeringtiffany@gmail.com, 701-388-6362

**A Stewardship Moment**

***"Therefore, stay awake, for if you know neither the day nor the hour."***

*Matthew 25:13*

Many of us have put off doing something because we think we are too busy. We've all said, "I'll do it later when I have time." Unfortunately, too many of us apply this attitude to our Faith. Jesus' call is urgent, in the here and now, in your current circumstances. How is God calling you to use your gifts today? Don't delay. None of us is guaranteed tomorrow.

# FAITH AND FAMILY NIGHT

**NOVEMBER 23, 2026 @ 7:00 PM** **NDSU MBB VS WISCONSIN - STOUT**

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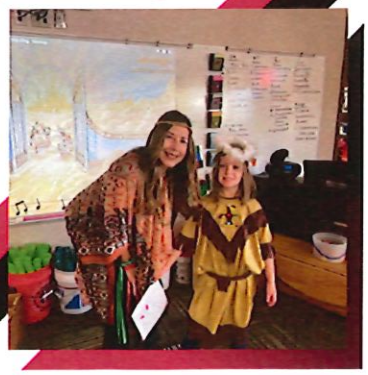
# Trinity Elementary Spotlight

Trinity celebrated All Saints Day by honoring the saints who inspire us to live holy lives! Students dressed up as their favorite saint and had the opportunity to share about the saint they represented. It was a wonderful day celebrating our Catholic faith and remembering that we are all called to be saints!



# Ninety

## Join us In Celebrating 90 Years

**Join us for a celebration breakfast!**

**Featuring: egg bake, sausage, potatoes, fruit, Sandy's donuts, coffee, juice, and most importantly fellowship**

# Sunday, November 15

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

Free-Will Offering

**Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, 210 5th Ave W, West Fargo**

47th Annual
Thanksgiving Dinner
Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
210 5th Ave W, West Fargo ND
Thursday, November 26
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Enjoy a complete turkey dinner with all the fixings.
Free-will Offering

# WE DO NOT NEED TURKEYS

# AN ANONYMOUS DONOR IS GENEROUSLY GIVING 140 TURKEYS

## Directory

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**Music Coordinator**:
Ronda Voss - Ronda@bscwf.org

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## Feast/Holy Day

Week of Nov 8th:
November 9: The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
November 10: Saint Leo the Great
November 11: Saint Martin of Tours
November 12: Saint Josaphat
November 13: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini

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*"Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity."*

*Pope Leo XIV*

**Blessed Sacrament Mission Statement**

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