

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

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March 14-15, 2020
3rd Sunday of Lent



Third SUNDAY IN LENT

Daily Mass & Intentions

Sunday, March 15

8:30 a.m. – the Parishioners

10:30 a.m. - + Dolores Wanzek

Monday, March 16 – NO MASS

Tuesday, March 17 at Sheyenne Crossings

1:00 p.m. – + Rev. Albert R. Norcavage

Wednesday, March 18

9:00 a.m. – + Rod Erdmann

Thursday, March 19

9:00 a.m. - + LeRoy & + Joanne Thoenke

Friday, March 20

9:00 a.m. - + Barbara Jarolimek

Saturday, March 21

4 - 4:30 p.m. Reconciliation

5:15 p.m. – + Gena Petermann

Sunday, March 22

8:30 a.m. – + Betty Allmaras

10:30 a.m. – the Parishioners



Sunday...

- No Coffee
- Confirmation / 1st Eucharist Retreat, 1 p.m.
- SCRIP Sales

RCIA: Tuesday, March 17, 7 p.m.

First Day of Spring! Thursday, March 19

Fish Fry: Friday, March 20, 5:30 – 6 p.m.

Stations of the Cross, Fri., Mar. 20 7 p.m.

Easter Basket Sales: March 21-22 & 28-29, before and after Mass.

Lent 2020

Stations of the Cross – 7 p.m.
Every Friday in Lent

Fish Fry – March 20
5:30 - 6:30 p.m. / Free Will Offering

Penance Service - March 26, 7 p.m.

Movie Night – Friday, April 3, 7:30 p.m.

Palm Sunday – April 5

Holy Week – April 9, 10, 11

Easter Sunday – April 12



Offertory Gifts (Sunday Collection)

March 7-8, 2020: \$6,248

Children's Envelopes: \$25.30

Need Per Week \$7,600

Improvements: \$309

Need Per Week \$1,000

Foundation Repair: \$19,880

<u>Collected to Date</u>		<u>Goal to Date</u>
\$ 74,319.00	General Fund	\$ 76,000.00
\$ 304.11	Children	\$ 300.00
\$ 5,146.00	Improvements	\$ 10,000.00
\$164,203.89	Foundation Repair	\$400,000.00
\$ 29,362.00	God's Gift	\$ 73,966.00

Next weekend, the fourth week of Lent, please enhance the environment by wearing the color of the week, **PINK or Rose**.

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.

Faith Formation

Class:

Grades PK-5	3/18/20	5:30 p.m.
B4WOW	3/18/20	7:00 p.m.
Grades PK-5	3/25/20	5:30 p.m.
WOW	3/25/20	7:00 p.m.

Confirmation / 1st Eucharist Retreat, Sunday, March 15, 1 p.m.

RCIA: Will meet on Tuesdays, March 17, 24 & 31, at 7 p.m. in the Library. Classes will run most Tuesdays through April.

Silverware Project: Our Faith Formation students invite you to join them in collecting silverware for Churches United for the Homeless. Please donate new, used or plastic silverware. They will be collecting through March 31. Drop-off in the Social Hall.



Vacation Bible School Coming June 1-5! Mark your calendars and plan on sending your children or grandchildren!



Volunteers are Needed to help with Vacation Bible School (VBS) this year. Parents, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Sisters, Brothers, Young Adults and Students, WE NEED YOU. There are many ways you can help, contact Lucy@bscwf.org or call 282-3321.

Youth-Led Stations of the Cross. We would like to thank our Faith Formation youth who led Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 6. You all did an amazing job in narrating and performing each of the stations in reenacting Jesus last steps on earth. There were 46 people in attendance.

Music Ministry

Practice: (All practices are in the Music Room)

Combined Choir	3/18/20	7:00 p.m.
Sonshine Family	3/24/20	6:30 p.m.
Joyful Voices	3/25/20	7:00 p.m.
Combined Choir = Contemporary & Joyful Voices Choirs.		

Parish Life / Volunteerism

Contact Karen (282-3321) Karen@bscwf.org, if you would like to volunteer for the following:

- Coffee & Goodies – Most Sundays
- Soup & More – March 26
- Churches United – March 26
- Fish Fry – March 20
- Stations of the Cross – March 20, 27

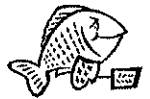
Birthday: We pray for those celebrating a birthday this week:

- Robert Johnson (3/18) Happy Birthday!

Easter Baskets: will be on sale March 21-22 & 28-29 before and after Mass.

Fish Fry Friday, March 20, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Fr. Gary is the Chef of the evening, using his 'secret recipe'! Free Will Offering.



Colds, Flu and Coronavirus In this season of colds, flu, and now concerns about the coronavirus, many have asked about the sign of peace and taking communion from the chalice. If you are ill, please do not shake hands and do not drink from the chalice. If you are running a fever, stay home and do not expose others. We will try to have bottles hand-sanitizer in the Gathering Area for use as you come and go from Blessed Sacrament. If someone does not want to shake your hand during the sign of peace, do not be offended. You can say "Peace be with you" without a handshake.

God's Gift Appeal 2020 Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2020 God's Gift Appeal. Blessed Sacrament is 40% towards our goal of \$73,966. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the bookrack in the Gathering Area. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

Lent Penance Service, Thursday, March 26, 7 p.m. Several priests will be here to hear confessions that evening. Prepare yourself for Easter.

Lent Regulations:

- Catholics 14 years of age or older must abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday and all the Fridays of Lent.
- Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59 are required to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. There is a limit of one full meal and no food between meals on those days. Two smaller meals are permitted as needed to maintain one's strength.

Newcomer Brunch. If you received an invitation, please RSVP, to the parish office, by March 15, 4 p.m. 2823321 or Karen@bscwf.org

Our Sympathy to Frank Lenzmeier and Kathleen Creighton, on the death of their sister, Melanie Oberg. May Melanie rest in the arms of our Lord.

Pack the Pew We will collect non-perishable food items in a pew of the church. Food will be collected through March 29. As the weeks pass, the pew will become full of groceries for our hungry neighbors. We keep 1/3 of the food for our Blessing Box and 2/3 will go to the Emergency Food Pantry. Last year we collected 950 pounds of food!



RAFFLE Building a Firm Foundation 2020!

Please sell your tickets! Please return all unsold tickets to the parish office. So far 165 households have sold their 3 tickets. Several people have sold more. If each household sells their 3 tickets, we will raise over \$13,000!

Prizes:

- Weber Smokefire EX6 Wood Fire Pellet Grill including, 2 bags of smoker pellets, grill utensils, grill cover, and Wi-Fi accessibility. (\$1,360 value).
- Weber Genesis Gas Grill II S-310 including, grill utensils, grill cover, and Wi-Fi accessibility. (\$1,025 value)
- 2 - \$500 Cash.
- 2 - \$250 Cash.
- 10 - \$100 Cash.

The drawing will be held Saturday, April 18, 2020. Fr. Gary Luiten will draw at 6:30 p.m.

Readings the week of March 15, 2020

March 15: Ex 17:3-7; Rom 5:1-2, 5-8; Jn 4:5-2-42

March 16: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b; Lk 4:24-30

March 17: Dn 3:25, 34-43; Mt 18:21-35

March 18: Dt 4:1, 5-9; Mt 5:17-19

March 19: 2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16; Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22; Mt 1:16-22

March 20: Hos 14:2-10; Mk 12:23-34

March 21: Hos 6:1-6; Lk 18:9-14

Remembering Those Who've Passed Away.

March 15: Phyllis Cavegn, Donald Beach

March 16: Joseph Hebert, Mabel Hayek, Rose Rohrich

March 18: Alfred Noe, Lawrence Gustin

March 19: William Thies, Clara Carroll

Sick List: Please join us in praying for all our ill parishioners. *Janice Leidal, Debbie Brand, Kathleen Creighton, Bob Creighton, Shirley Murphy, Joe Kirchoffner, Bob Moen.*

SCRIP Gift Card Sales – This Weekend.

Debit cards for everyday shopping needs of gas, groceries, clothing and dining or as gifts. The next time you need a gift, purchase a card from Blessed Sacrament. Scrip order forms are available in the parish office. Blessed Sacrament will receive a percentage of the proceeds of each sale.

Slipper Challenge. The Blessed Sacrament Staff are challenging you to match the staff member with their slippers. Pay \$1 to vote. You can guess as many times as you want. The prizes are:

\$100 certificate to Meats by John & Wayne, \$50 cash, and \$25 cash

Pictures of the slippers are on a board in the Gathering Area. Get a ballot from a staff member. Vote today! Who do those bumble bee slippers belong to?



Stations of the Cross are representations of the path Jesus took on his way to be crucified. Jesus endures suffering, insults, moments of support. Stations relay the intense sacrifice that Jesus undertook for human salvation. Blessed Sacrament presents Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent at 7 p.m. in the church. All are invited to attend.

Trivia

Some of Jesus' last words on the cross include...

- "I am thirsty"
- "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing"
- "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- all of these

(d) All of these were Jesus' words from the cross. All of them are good for us to ponder.

Community / Diocesan Events

Seven Last Words of Jesus & Stations of the Cross. Fridays Mar. 20, 27, and April 3; 3 p.m., Riverview Chapel. Special Lenten event with Fr. Duane Pribula, Pastor Wayne Quibell & Mary Jo Zacher. For more information, call 701-237-4700.

March Dinner at St. Andrew's, Sunday, March 15, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., St. Andrew's Catholic Church, Hawley MN. Turkey & all the trimmings, assorted salads and desserts. Adults \$12, 6-12 \$5, preschool free.

Lenten Suppers at St. Benedicts. March 20 and 27, 5:30 p.m. followed by Stations of the Cross at 7 p.m. St. Benedict's Church of Wild Rice (11743 38 St. S, Horace) Dinner includes pike perch fish, baked mac and cheese, coleslaw, dinner roll, dessert, coffee and lemonade. Free-will offering.

Rejoice! On Laetare Sunday, March 22, St. Edward's in Drayton is hosting a classical piano performance by Jay Hershberger, professor of piano at Concordia, featuring Chopin and Schubert. The performance will begin at 2PM with a dessert buffet and beverages to follow. There will be gluten-free deserts available, too. A free-will offering is being asked for to help with the cost of major repairs to our geothermal system.

Baked Potato Bar (and Ice cream sundaes) Sunday, March 22, 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m., Flame of Faith, 1222 6 St E, West Fargo. Free will donation.

One week left to register for the REDEEMED Women's Conference! Sunday, March 22 marks your last chance to register for this exciting event. After that, registration will close. Don't miss this unique opportunity to meet in Fargo on March 27-28 together with women from across our region. We will have the chance to encounter Christ deeply, aided by the stirring music of *The Vigil Project* during Eucharistic adoration; to be refreshed through powerful keynotes by Helen Alvaré, Dr. James Link, and others; and to grow in friendship as Trusted Sisters in Christ. Visit www.fargodiocese.org/redeemedwomen to find all the details and get registered now.

Teams of Our Lady – A Gift to Your Marriage Have you been looking for a way to grow in holiness in your marriage, meet other like-minded Catholic couples, and have a special "date night" once a month? Teams of Our Lady is an international marriage movement begun in the 1940's in France and is growing in the United States. The Fargo-Moorhead sector of Teams of Our lady is celebrating its 13th year and now has eleven teams of five to seven couples each and we are inviting other Catholic couples to come and check out Teams of Our Lady by attending one of our two information meetings to see if it might be something your marriage might be enriched by. Team Couple Matthew and Laura Devick will present a 45-minute information session with time for questions on the following dates:

- Sunday, March 29th, at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church (710 10th St. S, Fargo) at 2 pm., in Room 206.
- Sunday, May 3, at Nativity Catholic Church, (1825 11th St. S, Fargo) at 2 pm, in the Bethlehem Room.

Mark your calendar and plan to attend one of these two meetings and check out Teams of Our Lady!

West Fargo Lions – Pancake Feed Saturday, March 28, 7 a.m. – 1 p.m., Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church, West Fargo. \$7 Admission, kids 5 yrs. & under free. Donate your old glasses for a change to win \$100!

Breakfast & a Silent Auction Sunday March 29, 9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., St. Benedicts, 11743 38 St S, Horace).

“The Deacon Builder” is a Brand-New Scholarship A new scholarship is now available to all current and new JP2 Catholic School students in grades 6-12. This scholarship is renewable, needs-based, for students through graduation! Contact Lori Hager, Director of Admissions, for more information at 701-893-3271. The Deacon Builder is in addition to other scholarships available at all the JP2 Catholic Schools. Your child/ren can enjoy the rich faith-filled environment and personalized attention that our St. John Paul II Catholic Schools offer! Visit our website at JP2schools.org.

**Area Lent Penance Service
7:00 p.m. unless noted.**

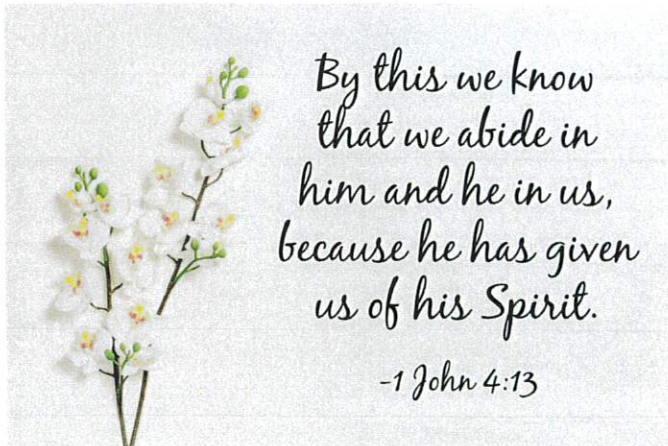
March 22 - Holy Spirit **4:00 p.m.**
March 24 - Holy Cross
March 26 - Blessed Sacrament
March 31 - Sts. Anne & Joachim
April 1 - St. Maurice (Kindred)
April 2 - Nativity
April 3 - St. Leo's (Casselton)
April 5 - St. Mary's **4:00 p.m.**
April 5 - St. Benedict's **4:00 p.m.**
April 7 - St. Anthony's
April 8 - Newman Center

Stewardship Moment

“Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again.”

John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us for long. When we build our lives around material possessions, we always want more. True Joy and Peace only comes when we follow Jesus; when we become more “God-centered” and less “self-centered”.



Easter Flowers

Please use this form to make donations for the Easter environment.

Donations are due by Friday, April 3.

Please print clearly

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(Name of deceased)

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(Name of living person)

Requested by: _____
(Your name)

**Suggested donations:
\$25, \$35, \$50 per name**

Make check payable to Blessed Sacrament. Drop this form and donation in the collection basket, take to the parish office or mail it to 210 5th Ave W, West Fargo ND 58078

Please publish my gift in the bulletin:

Yes No

March 21-22, 2020 – 4th Sunday of Lent Ministries of Service

Masses	5:15 p.m. Saturday	8:30 a.m. Sunday	10:30 a.m. Sunday
Proclaimers	J. Jones	M. Doster	K. Hanson
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	K. Jalbert, J. Jones, K. Beets, M. McNamee, *G. Walz	**L. Grosz, D. Chapek, L. Sample, M.A. Schuster, *D. Nechiporenko	E. & *K. Hanson, A. Buettner, L. Wegner, B. Lenertz
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Servers	J. Herzog	D. & J. Hartze	D. Hunsicker, A. Althoff
Ushers	D. Herzog, J. Jones	S. Hartze, J. Aberle	E. Hanson, K. Hunsicker
Greeters	R. Coleman, K. Beets	J. Aberle Family	N. Althoff Family
Rosary Leader	J. Iverson	D. Nechiporenko	Volunteer
Sacristan	J. Jones	L. Sample	K. Hanson
Media Minister	M. Sloan		
	*Bread Minister	**takes communion to the shut-ins and sick	

Feast/Holy Day the week of March 15, 2020
 March 17: St. Patrick's Day March 18: St. Cyril of Jerusalem
 March 19: St. Joseph March 19: 1st Day of Spring

Blessed Sacrament Directory

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