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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

(Changes in the schedule noted inside)

Monday through Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Adoration

Adoration
First Friday of the Month
9:00 am - 6:00 pm

Reconciliation Monday - Friday 11:45 am - 12:15 pm Sat 3:30 pm, Sun 7:00 am

Sunday Mass Schedule Vigil Mass (Saturday): 4:30 pm Sunday 7:30 am, 9:00 am, 11:00 am, 6:00 pm Weekday Masses Monday-Friday 12:15 pm

WELCOME VISITORS & NEW PARISHIONERS

PARISH REGISTRATION:

Registration forms are available in the church office and at the Information desk in the hallway and online at www.holycrosswestfargo.com

Those of you who are MEMBERS - Please let us know if you have a change of address, or if you have a new phone number. Help us keep costs down by letting us know when you move. Thank you!

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION:

Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the parish office so that Holy Communion may be brought to their homes.

MARRIAGE:

Couples intending to marry should contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to the desired wedding date.

BAPTISM:

Scheduled as needed. May need to take a Baptism class. Please call the office to register for a date and time.

BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Tuesday by 5:00 pm in writing or email hheger@holycrosswestfargo.com

RCIA:

If you are interested in joining the Catholic Church or are interested in learning more about the teachings of the faith, please call the parish office at 282-7217.

HOLY CROSS MOBILE APP:



The Holy Cross mobile app is available to download. Find us in the app store. Search My Parish App. Stay connected with our parish throughout the week with instant

notifications, and an easy-to-access event calendar. Enjoy additional features like prayers, daily readings, helpful reminders to silence your phone before Mass or confession, and much more.

PRAYER INTENTIONS

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Carol Jensen Michele
Joe Mickelson Tommy Carroll
Bob Amy Young
Manisha D'Sousa Miguel

Ceusita Pinto Tim Mutchler

Jeremy Cohrs Al
Debbie Bartholomay Lisa
Marilyn Curry Jim K
Micah Erickson Patty

Judy Elless Richard Elless

And all who are experiencing illness and are not listed by name. If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound or would like to have a family member included in the prayers for the sick, call the parish office at 282-7217.

PRAYERS FOR THE ARMED FORCES

Remember in prayer:

Casey Jones, Major Diann Olson, Major Liea Misialek, SSGT Daniel Lee Cariveau, Specialist E4 Brandon Clifton, Petty Officer First Class Nick Allred, SFG Stephanie Burdick Thielges, GT Jakob Burdick, SFC Fields Olson, SRA Anthony Heise, David Morse, Technical Sgt E6 Andres Gonzalez, Technical Sgt E6 Leah Gonzalez, Tech Sergeant Chris Harris, Patrick Eldridge, Brian Richter, Lieutenant Commander Kevin Furst, Jacob Haring, Staff SGT David Nygaard, Michael Durkin, SSgt, NDANG, Captain Mark Buske, Army Specialist E4 Zachary Anderson, E4 Sean Eldridge.

If any family has people in the Armed Services that they would like to be prayed for, please contact the church office.

	Readings for the Week
MONDAY	Ex 32:15-24,30-34/Mt 13:31-35
TUESDAY	Ex 33:7-11,34:5b-9,28/Mt 13:36-43
WEDNESDAY	Ex 34:29-35/Mt 13:44-46
THURSDAY	Ex 40:16-21,34-38/Mt 13:47-53
FRIDAY	Lv 23:1,4-11,15-16,27,34b-37/Mt 13:54-58
SATURDAY	Lv 25: 1,8-17/Mt 14:1-12
SUNDAY	Dn 7:9-10,13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9

EVENTS & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, July 31st

8:00 am - 12:00 pm VBS

11:00am Confessions 11:05 am Rosary 11:30 am Mass

TUESDAY, August 1st

8:00 am - 12:00 pm VBS

11:00 am Confessions 11:05 am Rosary 11:30 am Mass

2:00 pm Mass at Bethany on 42nd 4:45 pm Mass at the Good Samaritan

WEDNESDAY, August 2nd

8:00 am - 12:00 pm VBS

9:00 am Mass at the Cooperative Living Center

10:00 am Communion Service at New

Perspective

11:00 am Confessions 11:05am Rosary 11:30 am Mass

2:00 pm Mass at Eventide

2:45 pm Communion at Edgewood Vista

THURSDAY, August 3rd

8:00 am - 12:00 pm VBS

11:00 am Confessions 11:05 am Rosary 11:30 am Mass

5:00 pm McNutt/Kasper Wedding Rehearsal

FRIDAY, August 4th

Holy Cross Offices Closed

8:00 am - 12:00 pm VBS

11:00 amConfessions11:05 amRosary11:30 amMass (Gym)

3:30 pm McNutt/Kasper Wedding

5:00 pm Drummond/Carlson Wedding Rehearsal

SATURDAY, August 5th

10:00 am Lewis Baptism

2:30 pm Drummond/Carlson Wedding

3:30 pm Confessions 4:00 pm Rosary 4:30 pm Mass

SUNDAY, August 6th

7:00 am Confessions
7:30 am Mass
9:00 am Mass
11:00 am Mass

12:30 pm Kenny Baptism

6:00 pm Mass

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, July 31st

11:30 am +Helen Holub by Carol & LeRoy Holub

TUESDAY, August 1st

11:30 am +Mary Pat Fitzgerald 2:00 pm Priest's Intention

Bethany on 42nd

4:45 pm Priest's Intention

Good Samaritan

WEDNESDAY, August 2nd

9:00 am Pat Barnett

Cooperative Living Center

11:30 am +Carlene Mastel by Ken & Pam Mastel

Astrup family

2:00 pm Priest's Intention

Eventide

THURSDAY, August 3rd

11:30 am Eva Hochalter by Roni Smart

FRIDAY, August 4th

11:30 am +Joseph D. Brossart by Joan Vareberg

SATURDAY, August 5th

4:30 pm +Harold Schneider by Arlene Schneider

SUNDAY, August 6th

7:30 am +Geneva Miranowski by Gail Nelson 9:00 am David Richard by Bea & Marv Johnk

11:00 am Priest's Intention 6:00 pm Priest's Intention

Weekly Offering

Contributions

Checks or cash \$9,655.00

Credit Cards (E-offerings) \$3,253.45

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Checks or Cash \$3,877.00

Credit Cards (E-offerings) \$5,096.71

Poor Fund

Checks or Cash \$52.00

Credit Cards (E-offerings) \$87.55

A Message from Father



Parable of the Treasure: The Kingdom of Heaven

Today's Gospel (Matthew 13.44-52) has twin parables about what the Kingdom of Heaven is like. Both teach us the same message.

In each parable, discovering something of great value comes as a surprise and even shocking. There is excitement in the discovery of a pearl of grace price and a net thrown into the sea which catches a large net of fish of every kind.

Today's lesson is clear. The greatest treasure of all in this life is the Kingdom of God. When one finds the greatest treasure, other things don't seem so important. Everything else is without real value. We can part with those things because we are

fully satisfied with the greatest treasure of all.

Living in this world can be compared to a sick person lying in bed. He sees other beds that seem more comfortable. He seeks a better rest on them. As he moves to another bed, he discovers one with hard lumps, another with sharp objects in it. There isn't any difference between his bed and the other ones. We don't have to look beyond for happiness. It is within us because of Christ.

So, what is the "moral of the story?" It is better to stay where you are and aim at doing well than being well.

The Kingdom of Heaven is pure joy, contentment, satisfaction, fulfillment. We will never find that in this world. Our happiness will never be complete. The grass is not greener on the other side. In avoiding jealousy and wanting more, we can place our goal in life at doing well. We can express gratitude for our faith and all God has done for us. We can seek to provide for the needs of others rather than to focus on ourselves.

In doing so, we are following the model of life that Christ showed us. Christ does not focus on Himself. He focuses on us! We are to do the same.

Christ embraced the Cross, suffered and died for us. He conquered sin and death. He freed us by paying the price on the Cross. Even in suffering can our lives be filled with meaning, joy and freedom. What is the greatest treasure? To be filled with gratitude and joy; to be thankful for what God has done for us; to be Christ for others.

This is the pearl of great price for which we seek.

Vacation Bible School Takes Place This Week

We are grateful to Kristina Metcalfe and the countless volunteers who are here this week for Vacation Bible School. We have 107 children attending VBS this week. Thank you for your hard work and dedication!

August 5 - August 6

	Altar Server	Usher	Greeter	EMHC	Proclaimer	Sacristan
Saturday, 4:30 PM	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Patrick Brown Darrek Crissler	Heather Heger Brian Heger Steve Kraushaar NOT FILLED	John Dobbins NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Linda Borkenhagen (1) NOT FILLED (2)	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 7:30 AM	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Donna Hentges Roger Hentges	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Elizabeth Peterson NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED (1) NOT FILLED (2)	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 9:00 AM	Hannah Liebl Piper Roster Sloan Stoltz NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Jason Benson Vickie Gentzkow Thomas Gentzkow Lauren & Nick Mertens Family	Keith Wilson NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Julie Benson (1) Sarah Stenson (2)	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 11:00 AM	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Mark & Melissa Schlader Family NOT FILLED NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Christina Hargiss Ron Hemberger Nathan Knudsen	NOT FILLED (1) NOT FILLED (2)	NOT FILLED
Sunday, 6:00 PM	Rhett Smith Jillian Smith	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	NOT FILLED NOT FILLED	Susan Klabunde Shantelle Smith NOT FILLED	Susan Klabunde (1)	NOT FILLED

CHANGE IN DAILY MASS SCHEDULE

This week, due to VBS, confession and Daily Mass times are changed.

Confession will be held at 11:00 am Mass will be held at 11:30 am



*On Friday, Daily Mass will be held in the Trinity Gymnasium



Registration is open for the 2023-2024 school year! Forms can be found in the church office or on our website.

Deadline is August 15th!

WANT TO GET TO KNOW OTHER MEN AND THEIR **FAMILIES AT HOLY CROSS CHURCH?**



KNIGHTS Consider joining the Knights of

It's a great way to meet other Catholic gentlemen and their families. Please call Brian at 281-1905 or e-mail kofc9642@yahoo.com for more information.

July Knight of the Month: Russell Fletschock

July Family of the Month: Daryl & Phyllis Knutson

Check out our website: www.kofc9642.org for activities and more information!

The Knights of Columbus Holy Cross Council #9642 meets on the 2nd Monday of every month starting at 7pm. Watch the bulletin for location.

> "Like" us on Facebook! Knights of Columbus Council #9642



DID YOU KNOW?

We have Venmo! With this, you can make a contribution, pay for an event, make a building payment or donation of any kind!

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION No Adoration in August due to VBS.

First Friday of the month, 9:00 am - 6:00 pm in the Chapel.

Please email Arlene at aschneider@far.midco.net to sign up for a time.

RIDE TO MASS

There is gentleman that lives in the Wilds Addition of West Fargo that is looking for a ride to Mass, on either Saturdays or Sundays.

If you would be willing to help out, please contact Margaret in the church office at 282-7217,



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All women ages 18+ are welcome to join.

Next Meeting: August 24th at 7:00 pm

WEDDING BANNS

God grant you many joyful years together and bless your home with health and happiness! Congratulations and Best Wishes!

Nicholas Kasper & Vanessa McNutt August 4, 2023

Aaron Carlson & Madison Drummond August 5, 2023

Hailey Bucholz & Minda Caillier August 11, 2023

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Geneva Miranowski

Mother of Phyllis (Daryl) Knutson Grandmother of Karissa (Dan) Flieth

Marie Ternes

Grandmother of Lindsey Ternes Sister in Law of Darlene (Jim) Soucy

Bernadine Schiele

Aunt of Margaret (Darin) Keller

Community News

Notice - For all parents & students who are/will be attending the University of North Dakota. St Thomas Aquinas Newman Center at UND invites all students, parents and families to come and worship with us at the Newman Center during Welcome Weekend and Move-In. Move-In takes place on August 19th from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm. Mass schedule at the Newman Center for that weekend is; Saturday August 19th @ 4:30 pm, Sunday August 20th @ 10:00 am and 7:00 pm. There will be coffee & donuts after the 10:00 am Mass and Rootbeer floats served following the 7:00 pm Mass on Sunday. We invite all students to come and register that weekend and become involved at the Newman Center. We look forward to seeing you on campus!

50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION Msgr. Robert L. Laliberte will celebrate his 50th anniversary of the priesthood **August 6, 2023**, **with Mass at 4:00 PM**, at St. Anthony of Padua Catholic Church (710 10th Street South, Fargo). A dinner will follow. *Limited seating*, please RSVP by July 31 by calling Cindy at 701-429-4888. Cards of congratulations can be sent to Monsignor Laliberte at 619 7th St N, Fargo, ND 58102.

Teaching Positions

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for Fall 2023:

- Art Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- Elementary Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary School
- PhyEd Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- PhyEd Teacher Sacred Heart Middle School (Part-time)
- Pre-Kindergarten Teacher Nativity Elementary School
- School Counselor Trinity Elementary School

To apply visit https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/ or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

Support Positions

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- Assistant Cook Trinity Elementary
- Administrative Assistant, Activities Department
- Girls Golf, Assistant Coach Shanley High School
- Evening Custodian Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School

To apply visit https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/ or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

Back to School & Arts and Crafts Supply Project

The Social Action Group is having their annual school supply, art and craft supply drive. We will be delivering the items to organizations and businesses that support the development of children. Your generous efforts have helped so many children over the years. We will be collecting new and used items.

We are looking for the typical things you see on a child's back to school list. Markers, glue, crayons, rulers, glue sticks, scissors, folders, zippered pouches, cubbies and backpacks.

In addition to those items we are looking for dry erase markers, printer paper, colored paper, packaging tape, masking tape, duct tape, zip lock baggies of all sizes, pom poms, giggly eyes, pipe cleaners, feathers, felts, scrapbook paper and stickers.

Storage containers to sort and store the supplies. Craft kits that were purchased but never used or started and never finished. We can rehome them to a place and space in which children can use the items instead of taking up space in your home.

Please bring your items to the church between July 22nd and August 6th.











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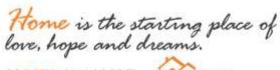
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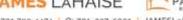
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