

# St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish

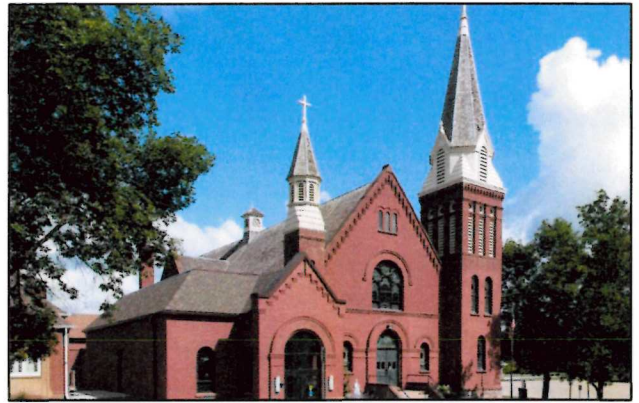
540 3rd Ave NE - Valley City, ND 58072

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

May 11, 2025

[www.catherineofalexandria.org](http://www.catherineofalexandria.org)



## MASS SCHEDULE:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 8:30 am & 10:30 am

## RECONCILIATION:

Monday - Friday 7:30 - 7:50 am

Tuesday 8:15 - 9:30 pm

Saturday - 4:00-4:45 pm

Sunday - 7:30-8:00 am

## Parish Office Hours:

Monday: 8:00am - 3:00pm

Tuesday - Friday: 8:00am - 4:30pm  
Closed from 12:00 - 12:30pm everyday

## Parish Appreciation Dinner

It's that time of year again. The parish appreciation dinner will be Wednesday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the Eagles. Social at 5:30pm, meal at 6:00pm. This dinner is for all volunteers and workers for St. Catherine Church, School, and Nearly Nu. **Please RSVP to the Parish Office by May 15<sup>th</sup>.** 845-0354 or email [stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com](mailto:stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com)



**KCs are serving  
Mother's Day Breakfast!!!  
Sunday, 9:00 am - Noon**

We will be serving French toast, scrambled eggs, and ham. With strawberries, blueberries, whipped cream and Sunny D. Free will Offering.



## Valley Voices Concert

Spring Concert Sunday, May 18 at 2:00pm

United Congregational Church  
217 4<sup>th</sup> St NW

All are welcome!! Free Admission



## May Serving Information:

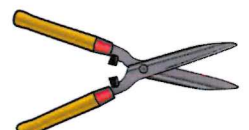
**Change of Temporary Chairperson:**

Deb Gulmon: 701-840-0545

If an event is scheduled, please volunteer.

## Cemetery Spring Clean Up

May 14, 6:00 pm.



## May Calendar of Events

<b>SUN 11</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter Mother's Day</b> 7:55am Rosary 8:30am Mass <b>9:00am to Noon KC's Mother's Day Breakfast</b> 10:00am CDA Candlelight Rosary 10:30am Mass
<b>MON 12</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>
<b>TUE 13</b>	7:25am Rosary 8:00am Mass 8:30am – 10:00pm Adoration 8:30am Tuesday Movie 5:30pm Ed Board Meeting
<b>WED 14</b>	7:25am Rosary 8:00am Mass 5:00pm Nearly Nu Meeting 6:00pm Cemetery Spring Cleaning
<b>THU 15</b>	7:25am Rosary 8:00am Mass 1:00pm Quilters 6:30pm Quilters
<b>FRI 16</b>	7:25am Rosary 8:00am Mass 2:00pm Mass – St Raphael
<b>SAT 17</b>	10:00am Mass – Mercy Hospital 4:25pm Rosary 5:00pm Mass
<b>SUN 18</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> 7:55am Rosary 8:30am Mass <b>9:00am to Noon KC/CDA Breakfast</b> 10:10am Divine Mercy Chaplet <b>10:30am Mass - Senior Recognition Mass</b>

## MASS INTENTIONS May 12 – 18

M 8:00am	<b>NO MASS</b>
T 8:00am	Ralph & Sue Dyrness
W 8:00am	Janet Green
Th 8:00am	† Pope Francis
F 8:00am	Brian Deaver
2:00pm	† TJ McGough
Sa 5:00pm	† Kenneth & Sharon Kinney
Su 8:30am	† Travis Robinson
10:30am	People of the Parish

## TODAYS READINGS

**First Reading** — Acts 13:14, 43-52

**Second Reading** — Rv 7:9, 14b-17

**Gospel** — Jn 10:27-30

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Acts 11:1-18; Jn 10:1-10

**Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26; Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday:** Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

**Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25; Jn 13:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33; Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52; Jn 14:7-14

**Sunday:** Acts 14:21-27; Rv 21:1-5a;  
Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

## PRAYER NETWORK

Remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends who are ill or are in need of our prayers:

Warren Ventch

Audrey Suhr

Darlene Miller

Renita Westerhausen

Larry Doyle

Tyana Judd

Lucille Winkler

Colleen Musgrave

Marlys Koble

Jeff Gross

Donna Hammond

Shelly Differding

Jerry Sand

Mary Elmore

Krystal Lemer

Katie Anderson

## Cemetery Announcement

St. Catherine cemetery is open from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm, if you need any help, you can call our Sexton Deacon Joe Leitner 701-840-7429.



**KC/CDA are serving Breakfast!!!**

**Sunday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 9:00 am - Noon**

We will be serving Pancakes, scrambled eggs, links, smokies, fruit, and Sunny D.

Free will Offering.





# Pastor's Page

## BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

I was ordained in 1990 (my 35th anniversary will be next month . . . oh my) - and Msgr. Wendelyn Vetter was my one and only mentor pastor during my two years as a Parochial Vicar at St Anthony's in Fargo. Msgr. Vetter was heavily involved with a ministry I had never heard of before: Beginning Experience. He had learned about it many years before, and had brought it to the Diocese of Fargo and was the head-shed with that program in our diocese for decades. (The first confessions I heard as a priest - a week after I arrived at St. Anthony's - was at a Beginning Experience weekend in Fargo - I will never forget how worn out I was after that first experience of administering that sacrament.)

Msgr. Vetter passed away, but the Beginning Experience program has continued, and it has a weekend coming up in June. "BE" (as it is called) is a program for those who are widowed, separated, or divorced. They have experienced an enormous amount of grief in their loss and this one weekend can sometimes make all the difference to get that healing process started that they so much need.

There are some brochures in the narthex of our church on that long table - if you, or someone you know, might be just the person who could use some of that healing and comfort in that kind of loss, get that brochure, read more about it, and take it in. It is not only for Catholics, but it certainly has a Christian bent, and there is a priest there for the weekend.

Every one of us is a wounded soul in some way, aren't we? BE helps those individuals in their woundedness. It is a wonderful program.

\* \* \*

Happy Mother's Day to all the mothers in our parish! It certainly is a special day - *because mothers are special*. May you have a blessed day and know the love of those you have born and nurtured - and also the love of those you may not have born but still nurtured as a mother does!

\* \* \*

Cardinal Francis George was the Archbishop of Chicago many years ago - he passed away in 2015. He was a very holy man - a wonderful shepherd for that big archdiocese. I ran across a quote from him recently, and thought I would share it with you. He was gathered in a room full of wealthy people (there are lots of them out there in Chicago), and he said:

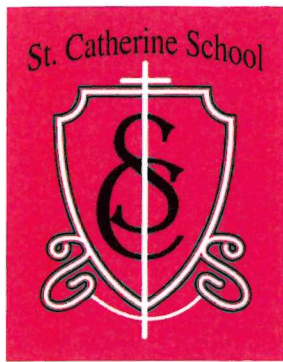
*"The poor need you to draw them out of poverty,  
and you need the poor to keep you out of hell."*

Youch! That could sting a bit, couldn't it? But Cardinal George, as usual, had something important to say. For the most of us, let us never take for granted how richly Our Lord has gifted us.

\* \* \*

As you read this I will have turned the corner on my week away and heading back to our city in the valley. I'll be back in the parish on Monday evening, and ready to go with daily Mass on Tuesday . . . and with two sems with us for the next 8 weeks!

Fr Duchscher  
Pastor



# Principal's Page

## Spring Music Program & Special Recognitions

On Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, we held our **Spring Music Program**, a joyful and well-attended celebration of student talent and creativity. **Mr. Kjelland** and **Ms. Busch** did an excellent job preparing the students. Artwork created by our students was displayed around the gym, and it was beautiful to see a **packed house** supporting them!

We also recognized two very special groups:

### **Business Friend of St. Catherine School – Ivy Real Estate Group**

Owned by **Loni Trapp** and **Alison Kasowski**, Ivy Real Estate Group has been a steadfast supporter of our school. Alison serves as **President of our Board of Education** and chairs the school's largest fundraiser, the Fall Auction. The Kasowski family has one St. Catherine alum and two current students. We thank Loni and Alison for their generous and committed support.

### **Friend of St. Catherine School – St. Catherine Quilters**

This fantastic group not only sews and donates quilts to area service organizations—they also **teach our older students** how to quilt as part of our mission of **faith, learning, and service**. The quilters' patience and love are a beautiful witness to our students. **Our students love quilting—and our school loves the quilters.**

---

### **Construction Progress – A Grateful Update**

We're thrilled to report that **cabinetry and much of the kitchen work** in **Little Saints Childcare** is complete! **LaValle Flooring** has installed a portion of the new flooring, and **Bridgetown Builders** has been working diligently on the construction side.

We are deeply grateful to these **local businesses**, both part of our parish and school community, for their **expertise and generosity**. Their contributions are a tremendous blessing.

---

### **Painting Projects – Help Needed by May 19!**

With our licenser scheduled to visit on **May 19**, we could use help completing several painting tasks in and around the building. Projects include:

- **Rolling and edging** walls in rooms
- **Trim work** on door frames and staircases
- Other **general touch-ups** around campus

We also plan to **paint the lunchroom and hallways** this summer. If you have even an hour to give, please call the **school office at 701-845-1453**.

---

### **Little Saints Childcare – One Crib Left & Enrollment Update**

We've now received **7 of 8 crib sponsorships**—thank you! We need **just one more** (\$250) to complete our infant room setup.

We've also been busy with **enrollment meetings**. Our **Day 1 enrollment goal is 30 children**, and we are **about halfway there**. Spots remain in several age groups.

To sponsor a crib or inquire about enrollment, contact **Beth Nadelin** at [beth.nadelin@k12.nd.us](mailto:beth.nadelin@k12.nd.us) or call **701-845-1453**.

Once the final crib is sponsored, we'll release our **Amazon Wishlist** for additional room setup needs.

---

### **Staffing Update – Childcare & School**

We've hired **two full-time** and **several part-time staff** members for Little Saints Childcare and are still accepting applications.

Continued ➡



We currently anticipate that **St. Catherine School will be fully staffed** for the upcoming 2024–2025 school year—what a blessing!

### Big Ticket Raffle – Let's Get Them Sold!

Our **Big-Ticket Raffle** is underway — and we need your help!

- **Only 300 tickets available**
- **\$100 per ticket**
- **\$5,000 Grand Prize**
- **Five additional \$1,000 cash prizes**

We still have **about 190 tickets left to sell**. This is a critical fundraiser for our school, and every ticket sold helps support our mission.

✓ **Please reach out to your family and friends** — encourage them to purchase a ticket for a great cause and a chance to win big.

✓ Maybe you're able to **purchase an extra one yourself** — every single ticket makes a difference!

Tickets are available by stopping at the **Parish Office**. Let's come together and hit our goal — **thank you for your support of St. Catherine School!**

With gratitude and peace,  
**Nick Lee**  
Principal, St. Catherine School



## St. Catherine's Parish Team

Parish Office ..... 845-0354

### Hours:

Monday 8am - 12pm and 12:30pm - 3:00pm  
Tuesday - Friday 8am - 12pm and 12:30pm - 4:30pm

**Pastor:** Very Rev. Paul Duchscher  
e-mail: paul.duchscher@fargodiocese.org

### Deacons

Rev. Mr. Joe Leitner                      Rev. Mr. Tom Vanorny

**Parish Office Administrator:** Jessica (Jess) Storhoff  
e-mail: stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com

**Liturgy Coordinator:**  
e-mail: st.catherine.liturgy.schedule@gmail.com

**Director of Religious Education:** Carol Jabs  
e-mail: stcatherine.dre.vc@gmail.com

**Lay Directors:** Jeff Bopp & Rhonda Fairfield

**Parish Council:**  
Steve Jorissen                                      Doran Chandler  
Larissa Musgrave                                      Mark Oberlander  
Joe Zubrod

**St. Catherine School** ..... 845-1453

**Principal:** Nick Lee

**Office Assistant:** Terra Giesen

**Sexton:** Deacon Joe Leitner ..... 840-7429

**Rectory** ..... 845-0725

**Fax** ..... 845-0556

**Nearly Nu Store** ..... 845-1022

**Baptisms:** Contact the Parish Office.

**Marriage:** Contact the Pastor at least 7 months prior to the wedding.

**Home Bound Eucharist:** Darlene Kerzman,  
701-721-1899

**Bulletin Deadline:** 3 PM on Wednesdays

If you have an announcement for the bulletin,  
please email Jess:  
stcatherinesparishoffice@gmail.com

**Newcomers:** WELCOME! Please register at the Parish Office or use the registration form on our website.

## FINANCIAL REPORT: May 4, 2025

### Regular Parish Income

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Last Week	8,169.00	10,265.38	(2,096.38)
Year to Date	462,094.51	451,676.72	10,417.79
Registered families.....	469		

Adult Envelopes	7,609.00
Children	8.00
Plate	447.00
Votive	105.00

**Total Collection**                                      **8,169.00**

**Home Mission Collection \$325**

**Thank you for your generous gifts!!**

**Online Giving available @**  
**[www.catherineofalexandria.org](http://www.catherineofalexandria.org)**

### Prayer Quilts/Shawls Available

Some of our parishioners may be dealing with some very challenging physical, mental, spiritual or emotional situations/needs (a terminal illness, treatments, an accident, severe depression, a miscarriage) To convey the prayers & support of our parish family, Prayer Quilts/Shawls are available for all parishioners who will need them. To request a Prayer Quilt/Shawl contact: Georgia, 840-2737 or Lela, 840-8352.



*Our Lord wishes for us to be whole, body, mind and soul. To be healed, to be complete. There is a group of individuals from the deanery*

*that are offering to pray with you, for healing. We would be willing to come to pray with you as an individual, at your home or parish church. Confidentiality is assured. The St. Catherine's Healing Prayer Group meets on the 4th Monday of the month at 7 PM in the Church our next prayer meeting is Monday, May 26, 2025. We are also asking for individuals who would like to be involved in this healing ministry from around the deanery to join us. We have gotten permission from the priests in the deanery so please visit with your pastor. If you are interested, please contact one of the individuals listed below for more information.*

Doran Chandler 701-840-1257

Deacon Jim McAllister 701-840-1473



**St. Catherine's Religious Education  
Grades K-8, 6:30 pm**



**No RE classed until Fall.  
Have a wonderful faith filled summer!**

**May 18: Honoring our High School Graduates.**  
10:30 Mass and Breakfast

If you have questions or concerns, please contact  
DRE Carol [jabs@stcatherine.dre.vc@gmail.com](mailto:jabs@stcatherine.dre.vc@gmail.com)

*"Only after the Last Judgement will Mary get any  
rest; from now until then, she is much too busy  
with her children." St. John Vianney*

*St. John Vianney, pray for us.*

**St Catherine's Teen Corner  
Grades 9-12, 7:00 pm**

**No Youth Group Class till Fall  
Looking forward to Steubenville!!!**

Classes will be from 7:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m., unless  
noted in teen corner. All youth, grades 9-12 are  
invited to come, have fun and learn about their  
Catholic faith. If you have any questions or concerns,  
feel free to contact Deacon Tom Vanorny  
701-210-0640.

**Tuesday Morning Movies**

Please join the Tuesday Morning Movie  
Group, each Tuesday morning after the 8:00am  
Mass in the Sacred Heart Room for a movie,  
muffins and mighty good fellowship. Showing  
this week: "Fatima" Documentary. All are  
welcome!

**Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court St.  
Gerard # 2518**



**Meet Monthly 2nd Monday**

**NO Meeting** on May 12<sup>th</sup>, it has been rescheduled for  
Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>.

**Prayer - Fellowship - Quilting  
Join the Fun!**



**St. Catherine Quilters make  
quilts for those in need in  
our area every**

**Thursday 1-4:30pm & 6:30-9pm  
next to the school cafeteria.**

**Everyone is welcome for any  
length of time. No experience  
necessary & supplies provided.**

**Questions call:  
Christine, 840-2580 or Lela, 840-8352.**

**formed™**  
Forming Catholics for Life.



**The Day the Sun Danced: The True Story  
of Fatima**

In 1917, three children in Fatima, Portugal, saw the Blessed Mother, shared  
her message, and witnessed the miracle of the sun dancing in the sky.  
Their faith inspired the world. Experience this miracle in this great film the  
entire family will enjoy.

Our parish has a Formed subscription.  
Visit [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup) and select our parish.  
Scan the QR code to download the Formed app to your phone.







## Invitation to the 40th Anniversary of Priesthood

Dear St. Catherine's Parishioners,

With a heart full of gratitude to our Father in heaven, I warmly invite you to join me in commemorating the Fortieth Anniversary of my ordination to the Priesthood of Jesus Christ. It brought joy to my heart to serve the community of St. Catherine's for seven grace filled years as God guided me through your prayers and loving support. I hope many of you will be able to celebrate my anniversary with me.

- Date: Sunday June 8
- Location: Sts. Ann and Joachim
- Holy Mass of Thanksgiving: 4:00 p.m.
- Reception: A banquet meal will be served in St. Ann & Joachim's social hall. [Please RSVP](#)



I would be honored by your presence and ask your prayers for God's gracious blessing for the path ahead.

[Please RSVP](#) by Monday May 26<sup>th</sup> to Deidra Lies at [deidra@stanthonyfargo.org](mailto:deidra@stanthonyfargo.org), or call 701-237-6063.

In Christ's love and service,

*Fr Gerard Braun*

*"I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, that He considered me trustworthy, appointing me to His service."*  
1 Timothy 1:12

## St. Catherine Little Saints Childcare Center



*little*  **SAINTS**  
CHILDCARE CENTER



Scan the QR Code for full position description

Now Hiring Lead and Assistant Teachers (Both Part-Time and Full-Time Positions Available)

St. Catherine School & Little Saints Childcare

Opening June 2 | Multiple Positions Available

• Competitive Wages • Benefits Packages (depending on full-time or part-time)

• Faith-Based • Paid Training, Flexible Scheduling, Established Curriculum for Each Classroom, Supportive Team Atmosphere, Spacious Renovated Classrooms

<https://www.stcatherine.k12.nd.us/>

Start Date: May 15th (or sooner depending on needs of facility)

How to Apply:

Submit a cover letter, resume, and three professional references to:

• Beth Nadelin - Childcare Director

• [beth.nadelin@k12.nd.us](mailto:beth.nadelin@k12.nd.us)

• 540 3rd Ave NE, Valley City, ND 58072

## BIG TICKET RAFFLE!



City of Valley City  
Permit #1507

**St. Catherine School - 2025**  
540 3rd Ave. NE, Valley City, ND 58072

**\$100 PER TICKET. ONLY 300 TICKETS PRINTED.**

Grand Prize - \$5,000
• 2nd Place - \$1,000
• 3rd Place - \$1,000
• 4th Place - \$1,000
• 5th Place - \$1,000
• 6th Place - \$1,000

*Drawing to be held Monday, May 19, 2025 at 2:30 p.m. in school gym. Winners will be notified. Need not be present to win. Not a charitable donation.*

(Prize money already gifted)  
All proceeds go to St. Catherine's School

**ONLY 300 TICKETS SOLD!**  
— \$100 per ticket —

All-cash prizes: Grand Prize - \$5,000

2<sup>nd</sup> - \$1,000

3<sup>rd</sup> - \$1,000

4<sup>th</sup> - \$1,000

5<sup>th</sup> - \$1,000

6<sup>th</sup> - \$1,000

**Tickets can be purchased at the Parish Office!!**



# Upcoming Retreats

## 1. Diocese of Fargo Jubilee Collectable Coins & Pilgrim Guide



There are six Jubilee sites in the Diocese of Fargo and the faithful are encouraged to visit these sites and gain the Jubilee Year Indulgence. At each site the faithful are welcome to collect a coin unique to that site as a reminder of their pilgrimage. Make sure to find the Jubilee poster at each site with a QR code for pilgrims to log in their visit. If you visit all six sites, you can receive the Diocese of Fargo coin. There are brochures about the coins at each site. A free will donation is requested for the coins. In addition, there is an on-line pilgrim guide available as a PDF and eBook. <https://www.fargodiocese.org/jubilee-pilgrim-guide>

## 2. Worldwide Marriage Encounter

[April 25-27, 2025, Diocesan Pastoral Center, Crookston, MN](#)

[May 30-June 1, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)

[November 7-9, 2025, Medora, ND](#)



**Uncover the secrets to a lasting, supportive, transformational marriage!**

For more than 50 years, **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** has helped over 3.5 million couples in almost 100 countries 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 just 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 (507) 227-8229 for Minnesota or (701) 347-1998 for North Dakota for more information.



## 3. Holy Spirit Retreat with Msgr. Robert Laliberte

[June 13-15, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)

The Holy Spirit Retreat with Msgr. Laliberte—"For Those who are Led by the Spirit of God are the Children of God," June 12-14. Held at Maryvale Retreat Center. The retreat begins with check-in at 6:30pm on Thursday and ends with supper at 5pm on Saturday. For more details, and registration, visit <https://maryvalend.org/06-14-25-holy-spirit-retreat>

## 4. Adventures in Marriage Couples Retreat

[June 20-22, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)



Take a weekend retreat with your spouse and join us for Adventures in Marriage. This is a highly interactive marriage education program that provides practical skills to build healthy, joyful, and successful relationships! Adventures in Marriage is appropriate for couples at any age or stage, from happy and highly motivated to struggling and highly stressed. The AIM couples retreat will be held at beautiful Maryvale Retreat Center on June 20-22, 2025. Find out more information or register by visiting <https://www.livethelife.org/event-details/st-mary-cathedral-adventures-in-marriage-at-maryvale>.



## 5. Women's Weekday Retreat – Twelve Women of the Bible

**June 23-25, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center**

We invite you to this mid-week retreat to have a closer look at twelve specific women from the Bible and what they can teach us today. Father Paul Duchscherer will be the retreat director. The Retreat will begin at 12pm on Monday and end at 3pm on Wednesday and will feature daily Mass and holy hours. Find out the details or register at <https://maryvalend.org/6-25-25-twelve-women>.

## 6. The Corpus Christi Camino

**June 22-25: Dazey, ND to Maryvale Retreat Center**



Join Msgr Joseph Goering for a hiking pilgrimage from Dazey, ND to Maryvale, Valley City. A total of 23 miles with an overnight camping stop at Mel Reiman Campground. This pilgrimage will begin on the feast of Corpus Christi with Mass and procession at St. Mary's in Dazey, ND in late afternoon. A shuttle will be provided from Maryvale. The Camino is an ancient walking pilgrimage route in Spain, but the word Camino means "the way". The "way" this pilgrimage will take is on the North Country Trail, most of it along lake Ashtabula. You must bring your own camping equipment, tents, etc. but you will not have to carry it, it will be transported for you. All meals provided. You must be 12 years old or older, minors must be accompanied by adults. The cost is \$95 per adult and \$75 per teen, ages 12-17, plus an additional \$15 for the camp site. More information and registration

<https://www.fargodiocese.org/jubilee-camino>



## 7. Made for Greatness Winter Men's Retreat – *Personal Prayer: The Way of Receiving the Father's Love*

**July 18-20-2025, Maryvale Retreat Center**

Men, do you ever feel intimidated by prayer? You know it is important, but it's hard to maintain a regular habit of prayer that actually seems meaningful. Or, perhaps your prayer life is steady, but you also desire to grow in your ability to know the Father's voice more plainly and experience more deeply His love and guidance in your life. Whatever your experience of prayer is, the Made for Greatness Men's Retreat *Personal Prayer: The Way of Receiving the Father's Love* promises to open new avenues of meeting God in truly life-changing ways. One of the most prominent spiritual guides in the Church today, **Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB** will lead us as sons of God to becoming masters of prayer.

The **Made for Greatness Men's Retreat** will be held on **July 18-20, 2025** at Maryvale Retreat Center. Details are available at [www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-retreat](http://www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-retreat).





### **8. Art of Accompaniment Training with Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB**

**[July 21-25, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**

Has God placed on your heart a desire to help others know Him? Do people in your life (family, friends, coworkers, or even random people you meet) seem to gravitate toward you seeking your thoughts or insights on the complexities of their lives and especially their relationship with God? Perhaps you are a member of the clergy, a religious, or a church worker who is often in a role of leading others in their spiritual lives and you would like to know how you can do this even more effectively.

Then come to the [Art of Accompaniment Training](#) at Maryvale Retreat Center on July 21-25, 2025 to be formed by one of the most prominent spiritual formators in the country **[Fr. Boniface Hicks, OSB](#)**. Fr. Boniface founded the Institute for Ministry Formation out of his conviction that one of the greatest needs in the Church today is to have many more people skilled in guiding others along the way of perfection. The 5-day [Art of Accompaniment Training](#) will equip participants to be able to assist others as they seek to grow in their relationship with God. This can be taken either as a stand-alone course or as the first course within the larger Spiritual Direction certification offered by the Institute for Ministry Formation. Full details are available at [www.fargodiocese.org/aoa](http://www.fargodiocese.org/aoa).

### **9. Praying with the Shroud: A Message of Hope**

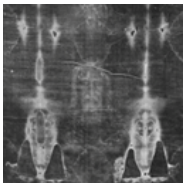
**[August 22-24, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**



Come and seek to enhance your prayer life by learning how the Holy Shroud of Turin can provide you with additional options for contemplation and meditation. Retreatants will receive a comprehensive array of Shroud information from speaker Jim Bertrand, who has 10 years of experience of sharing the message across more than 45 dioceses. He will be offering five conference sessions and will be available to answer individual questions. Mass, adoration, and Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available. Check it out at <https://maryvalend.org/8-24-25-shroud>.

### **10. Man of the Shroud Exhibit**

**[August 24-31, 2025, Cathedral of St. Mary](#)**



St. Mary's Cathedral will be hosting a traveling exhibit on the Shroud of Turin. The Shroud is believed to be the burial cloth of Jesus Christ. The exhibit will include an exact replica of the Shroud along with panels of historical and scientific information. The exhibit will be in the social hall of St. Mary's Cathedral all week, please check the Cathedral website for open hours. No cost or registration necessary. On Sunday, August 25 and Monday Aug 26, there will be special presentations by Jim Bertrand, an expert on the Shroud. It will be live streamed. More info: <https://www.fargodiocese.org/shroud-exhibit>



### **11. Diocese of Fargo Prairie Pilgrimage**

**[August 25-26, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**

Come join us on a two-day pilgrimage to the six Jubilee sites in the Diocese of Fargo. We will begin at Maryvale, Vally City, and end back at Maryvale. All meals and overnight lodging included. The cost is \$285 per person, double occupancy; or \$385 for a single room. Overnight stay at the Jasper Hotel downtown Fargo. Includes reserved seating for the Man of the Shroud presentation at Mary's Cathedral on Aug 25. For registration and more information:

<https://www.fargodiocese.org/prairie-pilgrimage>



### **12. Young Men's Retreat with Bishop Folda**

**[September 5-7, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**

This retreat is for men ages 21-38 wanting to deepen and strengthen their faith with the Lord. What is your purpose in life? Can you persevere with all the distractions of the world? Do you feel sometimes you simply do not know what to do? Come...walk with me...to be a follower of Christ! Bishop Folda will lead young men in pursuing the answers to these important questions. Find the full schedule and register at <https://maryvalend.org/young-mens-retreat>.



### **13. On Retreat with St. Therese of Lisieux: Women's Silent Retreat**

**[September 12-14, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**

In this retreat, Ashley Njaa (wife, mother, DRE, and spiritual disciple of St. Therese of Lisieux) will help women unpack some of key pieces of this French spiritual giant's wisdom on living a life of complete trust, confidence in God, and cultivating a spiritual childhood. The retreat will include conferences, Mass, adoration, confession, and spiritual direction, as well as time to pray, rest, and enjoy the beautiful grounds of Maryvale. All details available at <https://maryvalend.org/9-12-25-st-therese-of-lisieux>.



### **14. Women's Reading Retreat**

**[October 17-19, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center](#)**

This weekend-long reading retreat is filled with group and silent reading times, small and large group discussions, prayer time, daily Mass, adoration, evening social, and the building of lasting friendships. Participants will be reading and discussing *God's Bucket List* by Teresa Tomeo. Details and registration available at

<https://maryvalend.org/3-30-25-gods-bucket-list-1>.



*St. Catherine's Cemetery  
Annual Newsletter*



*May 2025*

*Valley City, North Dakota*





## Burials at St. Catherine's Cemetery

**May 2024 to April 2025**

\* Francis Hafner

Yri Keilman

\* Richard Clarens

Marjorie Keaveny

Mary Quinn

Don Lemnus

Frank Quinn

James Winkels

Shane Callahan

\* Walter Clement

Avis Klinkhammer

Diantha Scherr

Ann Vandrovec

William Magee

Joanne Riederer

Marilyn Beach

Edith Betting

TJ McGough

Mark Ludwig

*\* Denotes Military  
Service*





## Rosary Walk Project

This summer one of our local Boy Scouts will be doing a project at the cemetery adding a Rosary Walk for visitors to enjoy. This project is being overseen by Fr. Paul and the St. Catherine Cemetery Board, and we are very excited about it. We are looking for donations to help offset the cost of the materials for this project and can't wait to share pictures of the finished project! Donations for this project can be made online or mail them to St. Catherine's Cemetery, 540 3rd Ave NE, Valley City, ND 58072. We thank you for your generosity and help with this project.

## Headstone/Monument Cleaning

Mel Klingenberg will now be offering headstone/monument cleaning for St. Catherine's Cemetery.

Please contact Mel for more information and pricing at 701-840-2262



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Arch Gate at the Cemetery, it turned out beautiful!!



### Gate Hours:

**Summer gate hours  
are 8:00 am to 8:00  
pm.**





## **St. Catherine's Cemetery Donations 2024 - 2025**

**Thank you for your continued generosity...**

Stephen & Dorothy Dehaan	Jo Anne G Dalhoff	Don & Jean Hardy
John & Adeline Schwehr	Perry Lorenz	Keaveny Memorial
Gene Lemer	Jeffrey Vandrovec	Larry & Margaret Doyle
Michael Mahrer	Michael & Patricia Conlon	Mary Svenningsen
Ginny McCright	J T & Maryellen Homan	John E Wagner
Gail Nelson	Landis	Marion Magee
Mary Beauclair	George & Sharon Gratz	Michael Nelson
Dr. Dave & Betsy Rowekamp	Chuck & Mary Ann Riedman	Verna Masterson
		Elaine Lundberg



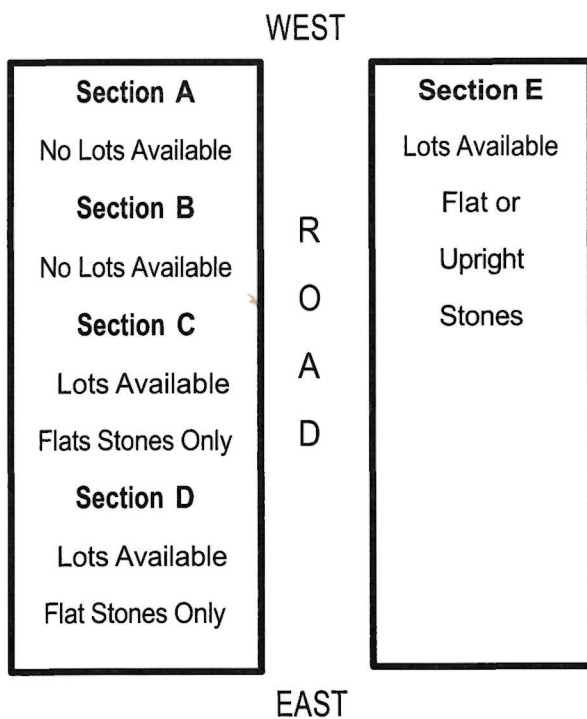
**\$32,656.68**



**St. Catherine Church & REACH Program  
540 3rd Avenue NE  
Valley City, ND 58072**

**Return Service Requested**

**Non-Profit  
Organization  
U.S. Postage  
Paid  
Permit 22  
Valley City, ND**



**To purchase a lot please contact  
Deacon Joe Leitner,  
St. Catherine's Cemetery Sexton,  
at 701-840-7429  
Lot prices \$200.00 per lot**