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Office Hours: Monday—Friday 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

#### PARISH SERVICES

#### Mass Schedule:

Weekend:

Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. Sunday: 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Weekdays:

Monday: No Mass Tuesday-Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Days:

7:00 p.m. (unless otherwise noted)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and upon appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism: A Baptism preparation class must be taken prior to the birth of the child. Please contact the Parish Office for more information and to schedule a baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Please contact Fr. Jasinski at least one year in advance.

Sacrament of the Sick: You are encouraged to seek the Sacrament of the Sick if you are suffering from a serious illness or are going to be admitted to the hospital for surgery. Please contact Fr. Jasinski or the parish office if you would like to be anointed.

**Becoming Catholic:** If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic, please contact the parish office.

**Prayer Support:** If you need prayers for any intention or wish to become a member of the Prayer Apostolate, please contact Joan Houdek by email or phone at joan.houdek@gmail.com or 701-730-5828.

### Faith Formation:

Grades K-5: Sunday, 9:15-10:15 a.m.

Grades 6-8, Middle School FUEL: Wednesday, 6:15-8:15 p.m. Grades 9-12, High School FUEL: Wednesday, 6:15-8:15 p.m.

New Members: If you are new to the area, we would like to welcome you aboard. To register as a new member of the parish, please introduce yourself to Fr. Jasinski after Mass.



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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 5/18—No Daily Mass Today (Fr. Jasinski celebrates at Trinity School)
- 5/18—Core Building Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m., Social Hall)
- 5/21—Blessing of High School Seniors at the Masses
- 5/21—May Holy Hour (3:00-4:00 p.m.)
- 5/24—No Daily Mass Today
- 5/29—MEMORIAL DAY (8:30 a.m. Mass; 9:30 a.m. Cemetery Ceremony)
- 6/6, 9-10—Church Photo Directory Sessions (Social Hall)
- 6/11—SAVE THE DATE! Fr. Jasinski's 25th Anniversary Celebration of his Ordination to the Priesthood!
- 6/15—Core Building Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m., Social Hall)
- 6/18—FATHER'S DAY
- 7/11—St. Benedict's Feast Day!
- 8/17-20—City of Horace 150th Celebration and Annual Bean Days (Thursday Kicks Off with the St. Joseph School Reunion Event, Horace Senior Center)

| Mass Intentions |        |              |                              |  |  |  |
|-----------------|--------|--------------|------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Sat             | May 13 | (5:00 p.m.)  | † Jerry & † Pat Desotel      |  |  |  |
| Sun             | May 14 | (8:00 a.m.)  | † Yvette Stalcup             |  |  |  |
|                 |        | (10:30 a.m.) | Parishioners                 |  |  |  |
| Mon             | May 15 | (8:30 a.m.)  | No Mass Today                |  |  |  |
| Tue             | May 16 | (8:30 a.m.)  | † Margaret Woll              |  |  |  |
| Wed             | May 17 | (8:30 a.m.)  | † Robert Woll                |  |  |  |
| Thu             | May 18 | (8:30 a.m.)  | No Mass Today                |  |  |  |
| Fri             | May 19 | (8:30 a.m.)  | † Don & Sarah Mastel & Girls |  |  |  |
| Sat             | May 20 | (5:00 p.m.)  | Kurt & Barb Witteman         |  |  |  |
| Sun             | May 21 | (8:00 a.m.)  | Peter Morgan                 |  |  |  |
|                 |        | (10:30 a.m.) | Parishioners                 |  |  |  |

| MAY 2023 |    |    |    |    |     |    |  |
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### Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$5,961 May 7, 2023....\$10,047 Budgeted Collection YTD: \$113,259 Actual Collection YTD: \$94,202 May Second Collection: \$987

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

### **Special Prayer Intentions for:**

Tracy Bruce, Marlene Daniels,
Marlene Ensrud, Micah Erickson,
Irene Feist, Adrian Flicek, Laurie Hart,
Nicole Jensen, Juan & Family,
Bob Klein, Russ Koenig, Kathy Loney,
Marvin Miller, Peter Petz, Dean Pfifer,
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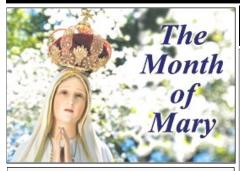
## **Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend**

|              | Saturday, May 20, 5:00 PM<br>(Mass)                     | Sunday, May 21, 8:00 AM<br>(Mass)                    | Sunday, May 21, 10:30 AM<br>(Mass)                         |  |
|--------------|---|--|--|--|
| Sacristan    | Curt Bjertness  | Twila Nohrenberg                                     | Mary Richard-Johnson                                       |  |
| Lector       | Joan Bjertness  | Cora Suda  | Jodi Buchholz  |  |
| Usher        | Dean Marsh<br>Dale Wyffels                              | Mike Vandrovec<br>Ken Zetocha                        | Joe Fleck<br>Gerald Richard                                |  |
| Altar Server | Logan Mayer   | Aaron Frank<br>Owen Frank                            | Brody Richard<br>Cole Richard<br>Evan Richard              |  |
| ЕМНС         | Margaret Klein (Paten)<br>Connie Erickson (Paten-choir) | Kathy Schroeder (Paten)<br>Regan Frank (Paten-choir) | Barb Rheault (Paten)<br>Mary Richard-Johnson (Paten-choir) |  |
| Greeter      | Russell & Sheri Koenig                                  | Leo & Shirley Richard                                | Joel & Jessica Haugen                                      |  |
| Gift Bearer  | Nancy Torgerson   | Julien & Janet Richard                               | NOT FILLED   |  |
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Thank You For Your Hospitality

We extend our sincerest gratitude to the St. Benedict's service groups, FUEL Core team, Men's Group, parish committees, and families for your wonderful hospitality this past year! You have so graciously hosted Wednesday night youth suppers, Sunday morning coffee and donuts, fish suppers, and other events of the parish. A special thank you to Jon and Linda Long for picking up Sandy's donuts each week for our Sunday fellowship.

THANK YOU ALL for your warm welcomes, service, deliveries, and the amazing dishes!



### Stewardship Moment

"For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that be God's will, than for doing evil." 1 PETER 3:17

The old line says, "If you want to make God laugh, tell him your plans." Many of us are diligent in our planning and making sure things are progressing smoothly. Then disaster strikes, we do not get the result we anticipated or an unforeseen problem arises. Many times we may respond negatively and ask, "Why me? I did everything right!" Here is the thing – adversity humbles us and reminds us of our dependence on God and not on our own self-reliance. Rest assured, God has a better plan in store for you.

### **Pope Francis' Prayer Intention** for May



"We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the

service of needs in the world.

### Weekly Prayer of the Faithful

That we recognize that things do not always go the way we plan and God has a better plan in store for us.

### **Blessing of High School Graduates**

Fr. Jasinski will celebrate our graduating high school seniors with a high t special blessing at the Masses on Sunday, May





### **May Holy Hour**

Sunday, May 21 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Come and join us as we pray the Rosary, the Litany of Loreto and adore the Lord present in the Eucharist.

Intention:

For a successful diocesan synod

### Pastor's Notes

### Dear Parishioners.

May is the month of Mary, the Mother of Jesus. Last Sunday, we concluded our Faith Formation classes for the year by crowning the statue of Mary and praying the Litany of Loreto with our students. On that same day, Pope Francis concluded his weekly address by saying, "In this month of May let us pray the Rosary, asking the Blessed Virgin for the gift of



Throughout his papacy, Pope Francis has frequently invoked Our Lady for her heavenly assistance. For example, throughout the Covid-19 pandemic, he repeatedly called on her to protect people from illness and to heal those suffering from the virus; to shield doctors and nurses from contagion and to inspire researchers; and to comfort those who suffered loss. Last year, at the outbreak of war between Russia and Ukraine, he consecrated those nations to Our Lady and encouraged everyone to pray the rosary for the end of the conflict.

In 2020, Pope Francis offered a reflection on the month of May. He wrote, "It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. ... For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow."

As we mark Mother's Day today, let us especially remember Mary, our spiritual mother, and frequently call on her for help. May she be the mother of our families.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

### With thanksgiving to Almighty God, Fr. Jasinski invites you to the Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood



**Sunday, June 11, 2023** 

10:30 a.m. Celebration of Jubilee Mass, St. Benedict's

3:00 p.m. Holy Hour, St. Benedict's

4:30 p.m. Social, Sts. Anne & Joachim Parish, Fargo

5:30 p.m. Dinner, Sts. Anne & Joachim Parish, Fargo

For more information or to R.S.V.P. for the dinner, visit <a href="www.stbensnd.org/j25">www.stbensnd.org/j25</a> or contact the parish office.

Please respond by June 2.



### **Cemetery Bench for Sale**

The St. Benedict's Cemetery Board purchased and placed three new benches in our cemetery last summer. Two benches have already sold and we have ONE left for sale. The cost is \$3,300. Custom design and/or lettering can be completed for an extra charge (beginning at \$350 for basic lettering and increasing depending on design chosen). If you are interested in purchasing the bench, please contact Claude Richard at (218) 790-9118 or the parish office.

### June Photo Sessions for 2023 Parish Directory

If you haven't already done so, please sign up online to have your picture taken for our 2023 Parish Photo Directory. We would like to have as many of our parishioners pictured as possible. The final photo session dates are June 6 and June 9 from 2:00 - 8:30 p.m. and June 10 from 10:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. There is no cost plus you will receive a free 8x10 photo and copy of the newest directory for your time.

# To schedule your photography appointment online, simply...





- Click on Photography Appointment Scheduling Login
- Enter church code: nd127; password: photos
- Schedule your appointment time. If you have 5 or more in your family please use two consecutive time slots.
- The photo sessions will take place in our social hall.

Our new photo directory will not be complete without you!

### "I Thirst" Women's Retreat July 7-9, 2023

The Sisters of Mary of the Presentation will be sponsoring an "I Thirst," women's retreat at Maryvale in Valley City. Come for the weekend and enter the spirit of St. Teresa of Calcutta through prayer, dialogue, adoration and input session led by Sr. Anne Germaine Picard, SMP and Sharon Eversvik, SMP Associate. Cost: \$130. To register, please call Amanda at (701) 845-2864 or email maryvalesmp@gmail.com

"God is thirsting for you. Are you thirsting for God?" ~ *St. Teresa of Calcutta* 

#### Made for Greatness Men's Retreat July 14-16, 2023

For the first time ever in the Diocese of Fargo, Bishop Folda will be presenting the Made for Greatness Men's Retreat on July 14-16 at Stiklestad Lodge near Fort Ransom, ND. Made for Greatness retreats are known for their invigorating brotherhood, great food, and profound spiritual insights, all within a fully masculine context.

Situated in the midst of the National Eucharistic Revival, the theme for the retreat will be "My flesh for the life of the world" (John 6:51). Come and be formed by the spiritual father of our diocese, and encounter our Eucharistic Lord in a way you never have before. You can find out more information or register at <a href="https://www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-retreat">www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-retreat</a>. We expect this retreat to fill up quickly, so be sure to secure your spot today.

### **Faith Formation**



# THANK YOU for a great faith formation year!

We are very blessed to have such wonderful catechists here at St. Benedict's who are so dedicated in their mission to teach our children, youth and adults about God's love and nurture their faith.

Linda Skjerseth, Director of Faith Formation, Catie Vetter, Director of Youth Ministry, Lesley McNeil, Jessica Haugen, Dove Richard, Kara Leopold, Kimberly Peck, Sam Knapik, Heather Peschel, Jessica Brown, Regan Frank, Jodi Buchholz, Jessica Osland, Mark Schiltz, Joan Bjertness and the volunteers who substituted when needed.

### **Upcoming Events**



Celebration!

Camp Summit is for all youth entering grades 7, 8, & 9 who have the desire to deepen their relationship with Jesus and to share it with others they encounter. Throughout camp, youth will engage in prayer, worship, fellowship, leadership formation, play, and fun. This five-day experi-

ence is designed to encourage and equip the youth for discipleship to their family, friends, and communities. For more info: <u>fargodiocese.org/campsummit</u>.

**Location:** Red Willow Bible Camp, Binford, ND **Dates:** July 9 -13, 2023 | **Cost:** \$350; Family rates available.



Scan for more info!

### **JPII Catholic Schools**

## Summer Adventures Program

Sign up weekly: May 30 - August 11 Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Located at Trinity Elementary School 2811 7th St E - West Fargo

A fun and active, faith centered summer program for students entering K – grade 5

For more information or to register email: summercamp@jp2schools.org

#### Holy Land Pilgrimage Fall of 2024

Join Bishop Folda for a pilgrimage to the Holy Land Oct 21-31, 2024. For more information and registration information, visit <u>fargodiocese.org/events/holy-land.</u> Call Mary Hanbury with questions: 701-356-7909. Limited spots available



#### Fun, faith-filled camping experience for youth entering 4th-8th grades

The Trinity Youth Camp directors and staff are looking forward to our

summer 2023 camp sessions! This summer we will Go Make a Difference, and learn about how people like you and me changed the world through their lives as missionaries. Together, we'll encounter the stories of the saints who went before us and showed others how to give their lives to Christ and the Church. God is calling YOU to be a modern day saint, are you up for the challenge? Throughout the five days of fun, faith-filled experiences in a natural camping environment, campers will learn important values and experience a closer relationship with God through sacraments, friendships, nature, songs, games and more.

Camp Sessions:
Pelican I: July 12-16
Camp of the Cross: July 19-23 (FULL registration closed)
Pelican II: July 26-30

## For more information and to register, trinityyouthcampnd.com

Holy Spirit Catholic Parish in Fargo, ND, is seeking a motivated couple or individual to work with the pastor to be on the forefront of implementing parish renewal flowing from Jesus' command to go and make disciples of all nations. The position is dedicated to evangelizing efforts. We are looking for applicants with a missionary heart and passion for bringing others into relationship with Christ. Previous discipleship experience is preferred. This position requires some evening and weekend availability. Competitive salary and benefits are provided. To apply, contact Fr. Ross Laframboise at pastor@holyspiritfargo.com or 701-404-5411.

Women's Care Center has job openings and is seeking special people committed to our mission, who are personable with excellent communication skills. There is an opening for a part-time and/or full-time Counselor and a part-time Client Care Education Coordinator. Degreed and non-degreed candidates are encouraged to apply. Will train. Please forward your resume to <a href="mailto:angela@wccnd.com">angela@wccnd.com</a> or call 701-532-1928 for more information.

### **Upcoming Events**

Celebrating the 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Msgr. Brian Donahue to the Priesthood

You are invited to the Mass, followed by dinner on June 4, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. This Mass and Dinner will take place at: Franciscan Sisters of Dillingen Convent, 102 6<sup>th</sup> Street SE, Hankinson, ND. 58041. Please RSVP to 701-242-7327 (Parish Office) and leave a voicemail. You also can RSVP by email to <a href="mailto:SaintPhilip@fargodiocese.org">SaintPhilip@fargodiocese.org</a>. Msgr. Donahue served at St. Benedict's from 2006-2008



**Join us for Catholic Man Night** on Monday, May  $15^{\rm th}$  at Holy Cross Church, West Fargo. 6:00-7:00 p.m. Adoration and Confession. 7:00-8:00 p.m. Meal and talk with short discussion. Speaker is Mark Hollcraft from Real Presence Radio. Come and bring a friend!

**Suicide Survivors Support Group** 

St. Anthony's is hosting an introductory session for those who have lost loved ones through suicide. If you, or someone you know, has suffered the loss of a loved one who died by suicide, you are welcome to attend a support group gathering on Thursday, May 18, at St. Anthony's, upstairs in Room 206, at 7:00 p.m. Call Fr. Braun at 701-237-6063 with questions.

Real Presence Radio is accepting applications for a FT Business Manager/ Executive Assistant. This position ensures the operating integrity of the station office from all perspectives, including the timely and accurate record-keeping of all financial accounts and preparation of financial statements. The candidate will also work closely with the Executive Director managing and planning activities and taking minutes at Board Meetings. Qualifications include: accounting background/work experience or degree, Google Suite and Microsoft Office experience. For a complete job description, ask questions or to submit your resume please email joyce@realpresenceradio.com.

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

- Art Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- PhyEd Teacher Holy Spirit Elementary School (Part-time)
- PhyEd Teacher Sacred Heart Middle School (Part-time)
- Religion Teacher Sacred Heart Middle School
- Science Teacher Sacred Heart Middle School
- Science Teacher Shanley High School
- School Counselor Trinity Elementary School

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

- Dishwasher Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- Evening Custodian Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- Girls Basketball Coach ("C" Team & 9<sup>th</sup> Grade) Shanley High School
- Summer Adventures Childcare Worker Trinity Elementary

To apply visit <a href="https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/">https://www.jp2schools.org/careers/</a> or call 701-893-3231 for more information.

Sacred Heart Parish in East Grand Forks, MN is seeking a full-time Coordinator of Youth and Young Adult Formation. We are seeking a self-motivated and teamoriented Catholic professional of high integrity who possesses a great work ethic, a love for ministry, and a passion for fulfilling the Catholic Church's mission. This person will coordinate the parish Religious Education and Youth Ministry programs for grades 6-12 and facilitate opportunities for young adult formation, to help our youth and young adults deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ and his Church and grow in their discipleship. Rather than engaging primarily in direct relational ministry, this person will primarily assemble and coordinate teams of parents and parishioners to provide for these ministries. The ideal candidate will have excellent organization, communication, and collaborative skills and will work well with committees and teams. Salary and benefits commensurate with background and experience. To apply, e-mail a resume and cover letter to Fr. Matt Schmitz at mschmitz@sacredheartegf.net

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