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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

- 1/28—Breakfast hosted by the Men's Group (9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.)
- 1/28—Sunday Faith Formation Classes (9:15—10:15 a.m.)
- 1/28-2/3—CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK!
- 1/28—Trinity Family Fun Fair (Noon-3:00 p.m., Trinity School)
- 1/30—Liturgy Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m., Church Basement)
- 1/30—RCIA Session (7:00 p.m., Peschel Room)
- 1/31—FUEL Meets
- 2/1-2—No Daily Mass
- 2/4—Sunday Faith Formation Classes (9:15—10:15 a.m.)
- 2/6—Eucharist Parent Meeting (7:00 p.m., Church Basement)
- 2/6—RCIA Session (7:00 p.m., Peschel Room)
- 2/7—FUEL Meets (with Adoration at end of evening)
- 2/8—No Daily Mass Today (Fr. Jasinski celebrates with Trinity School)
- 2/8—Reconciliation Parent Meeting (7:00 p.m., Church Basement)
- 2/10-11—State of the Parish Address/God's Gift Appeal Weekend

Mass Intentions

Sat	January 27	(5:00 p.m.)	† Fr. Gerald Myers
Sun	January 28	(8:00 a.m.)	† Susan Richard
		(10:30 a.m.)	Parishioners
Mon	January 29	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Tue	January 30	(8:30 a.m.)	End to gun violence
Wed	January 31	(8:30 a.m.)	Marylou Witteman
Thu	February 1	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Fri	February 2	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Sat	February 3	(5:00 p.m.)	† Yvette Stalcup
Sun	February 4	(8:00 a.m.)	† Gloria Schmidt
		(10:30 a.m.)	Parishioners

FEBRUARY 2024

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Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$6,538

January 21, 2024....\$6,330

Budgeted Collection YTD: \$19,614

Actual Collection YTD: \$15,756

January Second Collection: \$708

***Thank you for your generosity
and continued support!***

Special Prayer Intentions for:

Paul Adams, Micah Erickson,
Darren Feist, Irene Feist, Joe Fleck,
Adrian Flicek, Mary Ignaszewski
Nicole Jensen, Juan & Family,
Matt Kreklow, Kathy Loney,
Marvin Miller, Everest Moore,
Karen Schmitz, Arielle Stansbury,
Carol Trottier, Wendy Trottier,
Alicia Vandrovec

Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

	Saturday, Feb 3, 5:00 PM (Mass)	Sunday, Feb 4, 8:00 AM (Mass)	Sunday, Feb 4, 10:30 AM (Mass)
Sacristan	Alex Koenig	Twila Nohrenberg	Kristie Sauvageau
Lector	Bev Marsh	Steve Dusek	Sandi Piatz
Usher	Dean Marsh Bob Stalcup	Dean Corcoran Ken Zetocha	Perry Piatz Mark Schiltz
Altar Server	Logan Mayer NOT FILLED	Olivia McNeil Cassidy Meyer Connor Meyer Simon Miller	Colin Zens Elliot Zens
EMHC	Sheri Koenig (Paten) Margaret Klein (Paten-choir)	Kathy Schroeder (Paten) Twila Nohrenberg (Paten-choir)	Kara Hagemester (Paten) Perry Piatz (Paten-choir)
Greeter	Corey & Jan Mayer	Matthew & Kari Meyer Greg & Tahnee Miller	Dave & Lori Dietz
Gift Bearer	Corey & Jan Mayer	Dave & Lesley McNeil	Dave & Lori Dietz
Hospitality	Service Group Rotation Service Group 1 – February Coffee and Rolls Service Group 2 – March Coffee and Rolls Service Group 4 – April Coffee and Rolls		

PARISH BREAKFAST

TODAY, JANUARY 28
9:00 AM-12:30 PM

Join Us!

Hosted by the
 St. Benedict Men's Group

Stewardship Moment

"Brothers and sisters: I should like you to be free of anxieties." - 1 CORINTHIANS 7:32

How much anxiety do we bring upon ourselves by constantly worrying about not having enough or attaining more things? God won't necessarily give you everything you want, but He will provide everything you need. Try this – use the word "pray" instead of the word "worry" in the future. Then spend your time praying instead of worrying.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

For the terminally ill: "We pray that those with a terminal illness, and their families, receive the necessary physical and spiritual care and accompaniment."

Weekly Prayer of the Faithful

That we may open our hearts to receive more fully all of God's simple and abundant blessings.

God our Father,
 you are the source of all goodness and of every blessing under heaven.
 We praise and thank you
 for the gift of our Catholic faith,
 and the living of and witnessing to that faith
 at St. Benedict Church for over 150 years
 As we strive to live the Gospel
 and look to our future,
 we ask for your blessings upon us.
 May we respond with hope and generosity
 as we embrace our new spiritual home
 in Horace.
 With thanksgiving for all we have received,
 may the sacrifices we now make together
 bear fruit in the faith of future generations.
 We ask this through Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

**Pastor's Notes****Dear Parishioners,**

The other day I saw a report on the local TV news about students on a field trip. It made me recall some of the field trips I took when I was in school. In grade school we went to the museum, the zoo and city hall. In high school we visited the state capitol, attended a professional baseball game, and a symphony orchestra concert. However, what I saw on the news the other day was different; it was unlike any field trip I took.

The news report was about students from Shanley High School. Fifteen years ago Shanley High School started the tradition of inviting their students to travel to Washington D.C. to participate in the annual March for Life. Yes, in the middle of winter they make a cross-country trip in support of life. It is better to call it a pilgrimage than a field trip. It is a spiritual journey, an expression of their faith to the sanctity of human life.

This is a distinctive feature of Catholic education: students are formed to express their faith in public. This is what I experienced at the Catholic High School I attended. We never protested against abortion, but we prayed before our sporting events, had Eucharist processions outside, and walked down the street to the local parish church on Holy Days. These experiences and other ways were expressions of our identity as Catholics.

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week, a time when students and parents show their gratitude to the benefactors who make Catholic education possible. St. Benedict is a sponsoring parish of the St. John Paul II Catholic Schools. Our parish families who make the sacrifice to send their children to Catholic schools, thank us for supporting the unique opportunities they are given to grow in faith.

May St. Benedict, our patron—who considered each community he established "a school of the Lord's Service"—pray for the flourishing of our Catholic schools.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

Today begins the celebration of Catholic Schools Week!

- ♦ See the special bulletin insert from St. John Paul II Catholic Schools.
- ♦ Stop by our informational table in the social hall, visit with families, and enjoy the breakfast!

We thank all parishioners for your continued support of our Catholic schools.

**Real Presence Radio Fargo Banquet, Feb. 26**

Real Presence Radio invites you to attend the annual fundraising banquet in Fargo, ND on Monday, February 26th at the Delta Hotels by Marriott. This year's keynote speaker is Cy Kellett from "Catholic Answers".

Cy formerly hosted "The Bright Side with Cy Kellett" on the Immaculate Heart Radio network. For more than a decade Kellett was editor of San Diego's diocesan newspaper, *The Southern Cross*. Before that, he taught at Xaverian Brothers High School outside of Boston and spent several years living in Boston's Catholic Worker house working with individuals experiencing homelessness and poor mental health. Kellett and his wife, Missy, have three children.

For more information about the event or to register as a guest, visit our website RealPresenceRadio.com or scan the QR code. To become a table host or event sponsor call Blake Rittenman or Lori Kalgard at 701-795-0122 or email them at blake@realpresencerradio.com or lori@realpresencerradio.com.





Nativity Elementary School - Into the Wild Carnival is Friday, February 2, from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Please join us for a fun evening of games, magic, face painting, and prizes! Pizza and Jimmy John's sandwiches, along with chips, cookies, cotton candy, and bottled water will be available for purchase starting at 5:30 p.m. There will be games for all ages, including Games to Go, bounce houses, magic show, cake walk, face painting, silent auction, and so much more! Carnival tickets are available at the door for \$5.

Faith Formation



Grades K-5
SUNDAYS



Catechesis Corner

Important Dates for Sacramental Preparation

Eucharist Parent Meeting

Tuesday, February 6, at 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Parent Meeting:

Thursday, February 8, at 7:00 p.m.

These meetings are mandatory for all parents of students who are preparing to receive these sacraments this school year. If you have any questions, call Linda at 701-588-4288.

**SAVE
THE DATES!**

Upcoming Schedule

- 1/31 FUEL meets
- 2/7 FUEL meets (with Adoration at the end)
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday (7:00 p.m. Mass)



FUEL News

Faith Used in Everyday Life



Grades 6-12
WEDNESDAYS

Catholic Schools Week is Jan. 28 - Feb. 3

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- > SILENT AUCTION
- > FACE PAINTING
- > GAMES
- > BAKE SALE
- > PIZZA
- > MAGIC SHOW

SUNDAY
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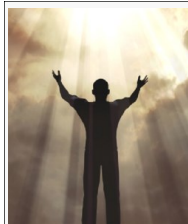
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Spaghetti Dinner

Saturday
February 3
6:00 - 7:00 P.M.

The Blessed Sacrament Knights of Columbus
invite you to a Spaghetti Dinner
to celebrate Catholic Schools Week!

Proceeds to benefit BSC - JPPI Stipend Account



**Join Us for
Catholic Man Night!**
Wednesday, February 7th
at St. Francis de Sales
in Moorhead (601 15th
Ave N). 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Adoration & Confes-
sion. 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Meal and talk with short
discussion with featured speaker Deacon
Mark Krejci. Come and bring a friend!

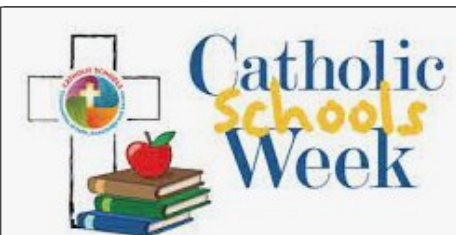
All are welcome to an **Encounter Night**, on February 7, from 6:30-7:30 p.m., at St. Joseph's Catholic Church (218 10th St S, Moorhead). Join us for an evening of music, prayer, and Adoration. Families with small children, please feel free to stay as long as you would like for your family's needs and schedule. Please enter through the gathering space doors.

The next **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends** in the region are February 9-11 in Mandan and March 22-24 in Valley City. For more information, visit ndwwme.org or contact Rob and Angie at 701-347-1998.

Theology on Tap

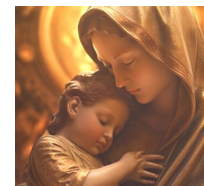
The Diocese of Fargo Young Adult Ministry is hosting Theology on Tap on Monday, February 19, from 7:00-9:00 p.m., at the Crooked Pint Alehouse (3340 13th Ave S, Fargo, ND 58103). Theology on Tap is open to anyone ages 21-39 who wants to relax, grab a beer and talk God! For more information, visit fargodiocese.org/youngadults.

St. Mary's Cathedral in Fargo, ND is currently accepting applications for a **part-time and/or full-time administrative assistant/reception/parish secretary position(s)**. This position could be responsible for reception and administrative tasks such as scheduling, event coordination, bulletin preparation, bookkeeping, sacramental recording, communications, etc. An integrated life of faith, a spirit of hospitality, the ability to engage other staff and volunteers as a team, and good computer skills are desired. Some evening and weekend work will be required. Interested applicants should send: a cover letter (no longer than 1 page), a resume (no longer than 2 pages), and contact information for two references. All materials should be sent to Msgr. Joseph Goering, the rector at joseph.goering@fargodiocese.org.



Upcoming Events

Ecclesia Domestica Retreat for Women
Handmaid of the Lord: My Heart for My Son
February 2-4, 2024
Franciscan Retreat Center, Hankinson, ND
For more information and to register:
www.EcclesiaDomestica.net/Registration
or call St. Boniface Parish at 701.538.4604.



High School Seniors! Cappella is a new choir at the University of Mary made up of skilled student musicians who have a special devotion to sacred music. The students are scholarshiped like college athletes to come and sing sacred music at the University of Mary. The university is currently accepting auditions from students (as a singer or an organist) until February 19. More information can be found at www.cappellaumary.com. Get a 4 year scholarship and become part of the vibrant Catholic community at the University of Mary!

Married Couple's Retreat Opportunities

Are you looking for a chance to get away for the weekend to spend some one-on-one time with your husband/wife? Deacon Ben and Jennine Seitz will be offering Married Couples Retreats that will not only give you the opportunity to spend time with each other, but also grow closer in your relationship with Jesus Christ!

"I Am" - God's Plan for Life and Love from the Gospel of St. John

February 2-4 — Crookston Retreat Center, Crookston, MN

February 9-11 — Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City, ND

April 5-7 — Franciscan Retreat Center, Hankinson, ND

Visit www.sixstonejars.org for more information and registration.

Join us as we celebrate Mardi Gras on Sunday, February 11, at St. Francis de Sales Church, 601 15th Ave N, Moorhead. The celebration will include a traditional meal, entertainment, parade, and singers and dancers. The entertainment starts at 11:15 a.m. and the meal at 12 noon. Ticket prices: adults -\$15; children-\$10. Please buy tickets by Feb. 5 if possible. For questions, call the parish office at (218) 233-4780.

Diocese of Fargo will offer a Pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress: July 16-22, 2024 in Indianapolis, IN. The Congress will include five days of talks, Mass, Eucharistic procession, Adoration and much more. Begins on July 16, 2024 and includes an overnight stop in Mundelein, IL at Our Lady of the Lake Retreat Center and a visit to the shrine of Maximilian Kolbe. The bus route back to Fargo includes meal stops as well as an overnight stay in Mauston, WI. Arrival back in Fargo on Monday, July 22. Only 100 spots available for the pilgrimage. For more information or to register, visit fargodiocese.org/congress-pilgrimage.

St. James Basilica in Jamestown, ND is seeking a full-time qualified and experienced individual to serve as the Director of Advancement for the parish and sponsored school, St. John's Academy. The Director of Advancement should be an enthusiastic and motivated individual who is passionate about the Catholic faith and committed to the mission of the parish and school. This individual should excel in the ability to organize, engage, and inspire individuals, businesses, and foundations to support the mission. The Director of Advancement will be responsible for the development and execution of a strategic fundraising plan to meet annual and long-range fundraising goals for the parish and school that includes but is not limited to: staff wages, educational resources, youth and adult faith formation programs and capital projects. Applicants please send a letter on interest and resume to jeff.trumbauer@k12.nd.us

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

- ◆ 1st Grade Teacher – Nativity Elementary School
- ◆ 1st Grade Teacher – Trinity Elementary School
- ◆ Part-time PhyEd Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary
- ◆ Math Long-term Substitute Teacher – Sacred Heart Middle School
- ◆ Accounts Payable Clerk – JPPII Business Office
- ◆ Head Girls Volleyball Coach (Fall 2024) – Shanley High School
- ◆ After School Program Worker – Multiple locations

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

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and build each other up."
1 THESS 5:11

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