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Bulletin Deadline: Wednesday by 10:00 a.m.

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

- 2/3-4—February Second Collection for the Birthday Bags Program
- 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 Kickoff
- 2/11—February HOLY HOUR (3:00-4:00 p.m.)
- 2/13—RCIA Session (7:00 p.m., Peschel Room)
- 2/14—ASH WEDNESDAY (Mass Times: 8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.)
- 2/16—Stations of the Cross (7:00 p.m.)
- 2/17-18—God's Gift Appeal Education Weekend
- 2/18—No Sunday Faith Formation Classes Today
- 2/18—Horace Lions/Boy Scouts Breakfast (9:00 a.m.—12:30 p.m., Horace Senior Center)

Mass Intentions

Sat	February 3	(5:00 p.m.)	† Yvette Stalcup
Sun	February 4	(8:00 a.m.)	† Gloria Schmidt
		(10:30 a.m.)	Parishioners
Mon	February 5	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Tue	February 6	(8:30 a.m.)	† Janeal Knox
Wed	February 7	(8:30 a.m.)	Peace to rule our hearts
Thu	February 8	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Fri	February 9	(8:30 a.m.)	League of St. Anne
Sat	February 10	(5:00 p.m.)	† Janeal Knox
Sun	February 11	(8:00 a.m.)	Parishioners
		(10:30 a.m.)	† Arnold Weber

FEBRUARY 2024

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Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$6,538

January 28, 2024....\$2,395

Budgeted Collection YTD: \$26,152

Actual Collection YTD: \$18,150

January Second Collection: \$733

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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 Vandrovce

Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

	Saturday, Feb 10, 5:00 PM (Mass)	Sunday, Feb 11, 8:00 AM (Mass)	Sunday, Feb 11, 10:30 AM (Mass)
Sacristan	Joan Houdek	Catie Vetter	Kristie Sauvageau
Lector	Cora Suda	Marcus Vetter	Dave Dougherty
Usher	Curt Bjertness Dale Wyffels	Mike Sikorski NOT FILLED	Patrick Reinke Terry Sauvageau
Altar Server	Oliver Suda NOT FILLED	Grace Vetter Mia Vetter Oliver Vetter	Lydia Lange Ila Reinke
EMHC	NOT FILLED (Paten) NOT FILLED (Paten-choir)	Julien Richard (Paten) Catie Vetter (Paten-choir)	Patrick Reinke (Paten) Kristie Sauvageau (Paten-choir)
Greeter	Jack & Carol Fjelstad	Mike & Kristi Sikorski	Chris & Molly Lange
Gift Bearer	Jim & Marie Laufenberg	NOT FILLED	Patrick & Bree Reinke
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		

Stewardship Moment

"Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, 'Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.'"

- MARK 1:35, 38

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.



February Holy Hour

Sunday,
February 11
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.
*Join us as we adore
the Lord present in
the Eucharist.*

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."

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,

This past summer, as I reflected on the 25 years I have served as a priest, I noticed the pattern that I moved every 3-4 years. During this time, I have lived in ten rectories (priest houses) across the Diocese of Fargo. I have been at St. Benedict Parish for 3½ years. You may have heard the rumor that I am moving. It is true. It is time for me to move (again!).

This news, however, should not come as a surprise. We, the whole parish of St. Benedict, are moving. St. Benedict Parish purchased a new house on Saint Ann Avenue, across the street from our new building. It will serve as my rectory until a permanent rectory is built on our new site (at a later date).

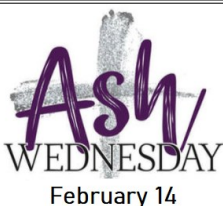
As I announced a few weeks ago, the first Masses in our new building will be on Easter, that is, Saturday, March 30, and Sunday, March 31. To get ready for that date, we will hold training sessions for Liturgical Ministers (sacristans, readers, ministers of Holy Communion, altar servers, ushers, hospitality) in the new building in mid-March. Those dates and times will be announced soon.

The parish office, social hall, kitchen, Faith Formation resources, rectory furniture, etc., will be moved on March 20 and 21. The parish office will operate at the new building from that day forward. FUEL will be held at the new site beginning March 20. Sunday Faith Formation will be held at the new site after Easter. Finally, Bishop Folda will come on Monday, April 8, to bless the building. He will celebrate the Mass of the Annunciation at 7:00 p.m. There will be a light reception afterward.

It is an exciting time at St. Benedict. Spread the word that we are moving. Invite people to join us at our new site. Pray that the transition be smooth.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

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Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent

Mass Times:

8:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m.

Stations of the Cross

Fridays of Lent - 7:00 p.m.

It's time to bring your blessed dried palms to church to be burned for Ash Wednesday. Please place them in the basket in the church entry.

February Second Collection

Your donation to this month's second collection will benefit the Birthday Bags Program and help complete a "Birthday Bag" for a child on their special day. Thank you for your generosity!

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.



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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.



Upcoming Schedule

- 2/7 FUEL meets (with Adoration at the end)
- 2/14 Ash Wednesday (7:00 p.m. Mass)
- 2/21 FUEL meets (Living Stations Practice)



FUEL News

Faith Used in Everyday Life



Grades 6-12
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Tactus Vocal Ensemble
Concordia College

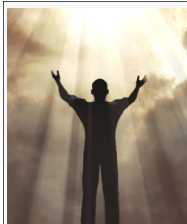
MUSIC 

A Sacred Midwinter Showcase



Sunday,
February 11 at 2 pm

A concert of sacred choral works highlighting various parts of the Liturgical year from the student-led octet.



**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 Encoun-
ter Weekends** in the region are February
9-11 in Mandan and March 22-24 in
Valley City. For more information, visit
ndwwwme.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 administra-
tive 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 appli-
cants 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

SOUPER SUPPER

The Catholic Daughters of Court St. Ann #261 will be cooking
up some yummy homemade soups, breads, and desserts on
Saturday, February 24, at the Cathedral of St. Mary (basement)
to give you the night off from cooking for you and your
family! Time: 4:00-7:00 p.m. Cost: Free will offering. We
look forward to you joining us!



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 tradition-
al 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.

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 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.

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:

- ◆ Accounts Payable Clerk – JP2 Business Office
- ◆ Elementary Teacher – Nativity Elementary School
- ◆ Physical Education Teacher (Part-time) – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- ◆ Physical Education Teacher (Part-time) – Sacred Heart Middle School
- ◆ Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Trinity Elementary School
- ◆ Trap Coach (Spring 2023) – Shanley High School
- ◆ Head Girls Volleyball Coach (Fall 2024) – Shanley High School
- ◆ After School Program Worker – Multiple locations
- ◆ Substitute Bus Drivers

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

St. John's School in Wahpeton, ND is looking for a dynamic elementary teacher to join our team. Candidates must have
knowledge of curriculum development and be able to effectively communicate with students, staff, and parents. We are looking
for someone with a passion for Catholic education and strengths in literacy and math instruction. Candidates must hold or be able
to obtain a current ND Educator's Professional License. Expected Start Date: August 2024. Deadline for applying: Open Until
Filled. To apply submit a cover letter, resume, three (3) letters of recommendation, and copies of college transcripts to Kaja
Kaste, Principal at Kaja.Kaste@k12.nd.us

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1 THESS 5:11

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