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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

- 4/27-28—Catholic Home Missions Collection
- 4/28—Sunday Faith Formation Classes (9:15—10:15 a.m.)
- 4/28—Solemn Communion (10:30 a.m. Mass)
- 5/1—FUEL Core Team Wrap-up (6:00 p.m.)
- 5/3—Rosary Prayed Before Daily Mass (First Friday of the Month)
- 5/5—Final Sunday Faith Formation Classes (9:15—10:15 a.m.)
- 5/7—Fall Dinner Committee Meeting (7:00 p.m., Conference Room)
- 5/9—No Daily Mass Today (Fr. Jasinski celebrates Trinity School Mass)
- 5/12—HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
- 5/16—No Daily Mass Today (Fr. Jasinski celebrates Trinity School Mass)
- 5/19—May HOLY HOUR (3:00-4:00 p.m.)
- 5/22—No Daily Mass Today (Fr. Jasinski concelebrates Shanley Bacca-laureate Mass)
- 5/27—Have a Blessed Memorial Day!

Mass Intentions

Sat	April 27	(5:00 p.m.)	† Tom Dougherty, Sr.
Sun	April 28	(8:00 a.m.)	Parishioners
		(10:30 a.m.)	Steve Laqua Family
Mon	April 29	(8:30 a.m.)	No Mass Today
Tue	April 30	(8:30 a.m.)	† Susan Richard
Wed	May 1	(8:30 a.m.)	Troy Borowicz
Thu	May 2	(8:30 a.m.)	Steve Laqua Family
Fri	May 3	(8:30 a.m.)	† Rachel Sauvageau by the League of St. Anne
Sat	May 4	(5:00 p.m.)	† Ed Fritel
Sun	May 5	(8:00 a.m.)	Parishioners
		(10:30 a.m.)	† Rachel Sauvageau

MAY 2024

SU	MO	TU	W	TH	FRI	SA
28	29	30	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$6,538

April 21, 2024....\$3,073

Budgeted Collection YTD: \$104,608

Actual Collection YTD: \$103,411

April Second Collection: \$840

Thank you for your generosity and continued support!

Special Prayer Intentions for:

Paul Adams, Micah Erickson,
Darren Feist, Irene Feist,
Adrian Flicek, Mary Ignaszewski,
Nicole Jensen, Juan & Family,
Matt Kreklow, Kathy Loney,
Marvin Miller, James Sauvageau,
Tim Schmidt, Karen Schmitz,
Arielle Stansbury, Carol Trottier

Liturgical Ministers for Next Weekend

	Saturday, May 4, 5:00 PM (Mass)	Sunday, May 5, 8:00 AM (Mass)	Sunday, May 5, 10:30 AM (Mass)
Sacristan	Jon Long	Sharon Arnold	Kristie Sauvageau
Lector	Martha Burns	Steve Dusek	Sandi Piatz
Usher	Jon Long Bob Stalcup	Mike Sikorski Ken Zetocha	Perry Piatz Terry Sauvageau
Altar Server	Logan Mayer NOT FILLED	Olivia McNeil Simon Miller NOT FILLED	Colin Zens Elliot Zens
EMHC	Margaret Klein (Paten) Tom Kenville (Paten-choir)	Joe Arnold (Paten) Kathy Schroeder (Paten-choir)	Kristie Sauvageau (Paten) Barb Rheault (Paten-choir)
Greeter	Linda Long	Mike & Kristi Sikorski	Perry & Sandi Piatz
Gift Bearer	Corey & Jan Mayer	NOT FILLED	Ron & Barb Rheault
Service Group	Service Group Rotation Service Group 4 – April Coffee and Donuts Service Group 5 – May 5 Coffee and Donuts		





CONFIRMATION FIRST EUCHARIST

We congratulate our youth who celebrated their Sacraments of Confirmation and First Eucharist on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at St. Leo's in Casselton. We honor them here today at St. Benedict's.

Ledger Brown
Danica Meyer
Josephine Morgan
Otto Moore
Caleb Parman
Blayne Peschel
Ruger Pokrzywinski
Mila Rheault
Qwynici Richard
Mason Simon
Michael Suda

We are grateful to their parents, catechists and teachers who together worked hard to prepare them for this very special day on their journey of faith! May the love of Jesus forever remain close to you as you receive Him in the Eucharist.

May Second Collection



Your donation to next weekend'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!

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

For the Role of Women: "We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world."

Pastor's Notes

Dear Parishioners,

Last week was Good Shepherd Sunday and the annual World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Here are a few excerpts from Pope Francis' annual message.

To young people, and especially those who feel distant or uncertain about the Church, I want to say this: Let Jesus draw you to himself; bring him your important questions by reading the Gospels; let him challenge you by his presence, which always provokes in us a healthy crisis. More than anyone else, Jesus respects our freedom. He does not impose, but proposes. Make room for him and you will find the way to happiness by following him. And, should he ask it of you, by giving yourself completely to him.

This [World Day of Prayer for Vocations] is dedicated in a particular way to imploring from the Father the gift of holy vocations for the building up of his Kingdom: "Ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest" (Lk 10:2). Prayer, as we all know, is more about listening to God than about talking to him. The Lord speaks to our heart, and he wants to find it open, sincere and generous. In this present year, devoted to prayer and preparation for the Jubilee, all of us are called to rediscover the inestimable blessing of our ability to enter into heartfelt dialogue with the Lord and thus become pilgrims of hope. For prayer is the first strength of hope. You pray and hope grows, it moves forward. I would say that prayer opens the door to hope. Hope is there, but by my prayer I open the door.

This is, in the end, the goal of every vocation: to become men and women of hope. In our day, then, it is decisive that we Christians cultivate a gaze full of hope and work fruitfully in response to the vocation we have received, in service to God's kingdom of love, justice and peace.

To read Pope Francis' entire message, click the link on the parish website (www.stbensnd.org). Continue to pray that our young people will be open to the promptings of the Holy Spirit calling them to a special vocation in Christ.

Congratulations to our 11 children who received a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation by Bishop Folda on Saturday. Today they make their First Solemn Communion with us. Make them continue to grow in the knowledge and love of the Blessed Trinity.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

Our New Spiritual Home

The centerpiece of our new facility is the Social Hall. Since it doubles as our new church, everyone needs to be aware of when Jesus is present in the Eucharist, and when he is not. This is the meaning and purpose of the sanctuary light. When the candle on the wall to the right of the tabernacle is a lit, Jesus is present in the tabernacle. Show him appropriate reverence when you enter and leave the hall. Recently students in FUEL (the Middle School and High School program) have had events in the hall. On these two occasions, the Eucharist was moved to a different location. The sign that Jesus was not present is that the candle was not lit and the red globe was removed from the holder.

Everyone is free to come to St. Benedict at any time of the day and pray before Jesus in the tabernacle. If the lights are not turned on, you may turn them on. There is a panel of four buttons at the entrance to the social hall. Each button controls a different set of lights in the hall. The top button turns on the main hall lights, while the third button turns on the lights in the sanctuary.

Come to our new spiritual home and pray before Our Lord and Savior present in the tabernacle for the holiness of everyone in our community.

Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life Retreat



Tim Mosser, Director of the Fargo Diocese Respect Life Office, will lead a retreat entitled **Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life** on May 9-11, 2024, at the Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City, ND. The retreat will focus on St. John Paul II's teaching on the human person known as the "Theology of the Body" and its connection to the Church's teaching on such issues as marriage, contraception, abortion, euthanasia, artificial reproduction, gender and the Eucharist. There will also be Mass, confessions, adoration, praise and worship music and time for prayer and reflection. You can register as a married couple, single person or as a parent with a teen at least 16 years old. Come learn the "why" behind the "what" of all these important issues and how to share it with others! For more information and to register go to [Retreat 4 - Maryvale - Valley City, ND \(maryvalend.org\)](https://maryvalend.org) or contact Tim Mosser at tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org

Upcoming Retreats at Maryvale

- ♦ May 2-4, 2024: "Beloved Sister" Women's Retreat led by Fr. Lefor
- ♦ May 9-11, 2024: Theology of the Body & Culture of Life led by Tim Mosser
- ♦ June 13-15, 2024: "Come Away With Me" Women's Retreat led by Stella Marie Jeffrey
- ♦ June 20-22, 2024: Men's Silent Retreat led by Monsignor Goering
- ♦ July 1-21, 2024: "Come To Me" Retreat led by Sr. Anne Germaine Picard, SMP
- ♦ August 8-10, 2024: "Beloved Spouse" Women's Retreat led by Fr. Lefor
- ♦ October 3-5, 2024: "Beloved Mother" Women's Retreat led by Fr. Lefor

For more information or to register, visit Maryvalend.org/attend-a-retreat or call (701) 845-2864



The Franciscan Sisters will again have two sessions of "Mother Daughter Days" at their convent in Hankinson, ND: June 13-15 and July 11-13. Contact Sr. Jean Louise, OSF, for more information at ndfranciscan@yahoo.com.

Weekly Prayer of the Faithful

That are daily actions reflect our goal of good discipleship.



Faith Formation



Grades K-5
SUNDAYS



Catechesis Corner

Upcoming Faith Formation Sundays:

April 28: Classes (9:15-10:15 a.m.)
May 5: Final day of classes (9:15-10:15 a.m.)

Upcoming Schedule

- 5/1 Core Team Wrap-up
5/19 Blessing for High School Seniors (at the Masses)



FUEL News

Faith Used in Everyday Life



Grades 6-12
WEDNESDAYS

Blessing for High School Graduates

Fr. Jasinski will celebrate our graduating high school seniors with a special blessing at the Masses on May 19.

Upcoming Events



JPII Catholic Schools Summer Adventures Program

Sign up weekly: May 28 - August 9
Monday - Friday 7:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.
Located at Trinity Elementary School
2811 7th St E - West Fargo

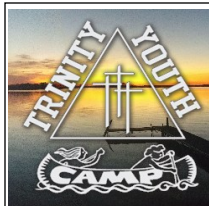
A fun and active, faith centered summer program for students entering K - grade 5

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

Middle School Camp July 14-18, 2024

Red Willow Bible Camp, Binford, ND

Camp Summit is for all youth entering grades 7, 8, & 9 who have a desire to deepen their relationship with the Lord. Throughout camp, campers will dive deeper into prayer, spend time in small group discussion, enjoy social and recreational breaks, and encounter the Lord through the Sacraments. This five-day experience is designed to encourage and equip the youth for discipleship to their family, friends, and communities. Cost: \$375.00/camper. Family rates and diocesan scholarships are available. To learn more visit: www.fargodiocese.org/campsummit or contact Brady Borslien at brady.borslien@fargodiocese.org.



Let Us Receive Our King! Summer 2024

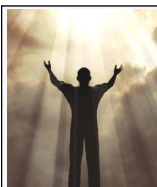
Trinity Youth Summer Camp Dates:

Pelican I: July 10-14, 2024

Pelican II: July 24-28, 2024

We are so excited for our summer 2024 camp sessions! Campers will participate in five days of fun, faith-filled experiences in the natural environment. Campers will expand Christian friendships, create wholesome memories, strengthen Catholic values, and experience a closer relationship with God through sacraments, friendships, nature, songs, games and more! Campers must be entering grades 4 through 8 for the '24-25 school year. For more information or to register now, visit: trinityyouthcampnd.com.

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, May 14th, at St. Anthony's beginning with the Mass at 5:15 p.m., meal to follow, and meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to bring non-perishable food item donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. For any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com.



Join Us for Catholic Man Night!

Thursday, May 16th at St. Joseph's in Moorhead (218 10th St S, Moorhead). 6:00 p.m. is Adoration and Confessions. 7:00 p.m. is Meal and talk with short discussion. Featured speaker is Brad Gray, Fargo Diocese Office of Catholic Education and Formation. Free will offering. Come and bring a friend!

Prayer & Spiritual Direction Program

The University of Mary's graduate certificate program in prayer and spiritual direction, consisting of three courses you can take over one to three summers, will equip you to lead yourself and guide others deeper into relationship with the Triune God. Under the mentorship of **Monsignor James Shea, Monsignor Thomas J. Richter, and Father Wayne Sattler**, you'll explore the Catholic spiritual and mystical tradition, attune your mind and heart to the Spirit's voice, and prepare to meet the Church's—and the world's—need for faithful, joyful witnesses to Christ's redeeming love. Classes meet Tuesday and Thursday evenings, starting May 7. Certificate recipients can easily stack their earned credits into a master's degree plan. Reserve your place or learn more at umary.edu/Prayer.

Join Bishop Folda on a Pilgrimage to the shrines in Fatima, Spain and Lourdes, October 21-31, 2024.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I would like to personally invite you to join me on a pilgrimage where we will visit the holy sites of Fatima and Lourdes where Our Lady appeared to young people with her messages of conversion, peace, and healing. We will visit the birthplace of St. Anthony in Portugal and see the burial place of St. Teresa of Avila along with many other saints and martyrs. There will also be a special stop to visit a church with a Eucharistic miracle. To visit and worship in these holy places can bring a renewal in our spiritual lives and a greater understanding of the universal Church. I am grateful to offer this opportunity to you, and I hope you will join me. Price \$4,900 based on double with flights out of Fargo. For more information and registration, www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages or contact Mary Hanbury at 356-7909, mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org

Upcoming Events

Teams of Our Lady for Your Marriage

Are you interested in enriching your couple/marriage spirituality on a journey with other Catholic like-minded couples? The F-M Sector of Teams of Our Lady now has 12 TEAMS comprised of 72 area couples, 11 chaplains, and has been going strong for 19 years! Join us to learn more at our next information session, Tuesday, April 30, at 7:00 p.m., at Sts. Anne & Joachim, Fargo. For more information, e-mail fargosectorinformation@gmail.com or visit the TEAMS website at www.teamsofourlady.org.

Real Presence Radio's Spring Live Drive is May 14-16. Tune in as we broadcast from throughout our five-state listening area and bring you inspiring stories of faith and hope. Listen anytime or wherever you go by downloading the RPR mobile app from the Google or Apple Play Store.



Call 877-795-0122 or donate online and you will be entered into a drawing for one of the many great prizes awarded throughout the drive. Phone lines will be open from 7:00 AM – 7:00 PM CT! RPR is 100% listener supported and our mission continues only because of you!! Scan the code above or visit RealPresenceRadio.com to find out more.

On Tuesday, April 30 at **St Cecilia's in Sabin** there will be an open house for Amici Aquinas. It's a new hybrid school that will open this fall, where Catholic homeschooled students can receive tutoring for up to two days per week. Please email Sally at amiciaquinashybrid@gmail.com for more information or to sign up to attend the open house. Note: we are seeking tutors - see sites.google.com/view/amiciaquinas/employment.

Join locally in the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage

on May 20! This National Eucharistic Procession is coming from four directions of the US and ultimately descending on Indianapolis for the National Eucharistic Congress in July. This is a day trip and will include walking with the pilgrims along part of the north Marion Route, which will have begun the day before in Itasca, MN. A charter bus will be leaving on the morning of May 20th from St. Anthony's in Fargo with participants from across our diocese. We will stop in Two Inlets for Mass, and then join the pilgrimage in Bemidji (along with participants of the Crookston diocese) for a 6.9 mile walk along the Paul Bunyan State Trail to Walker, MN. The bus will return in the evening at approximately 6:30 p.m. The charter bus is sponsored by the Cathedral of St. Mary's in Fargo and the cost is \$35 per person. For more details or to register visit, www.cathedralofstmary.com or email Naomi at naomi@cathedralofstmary.com.

Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools Open Positions

- ◆ Art Teacher (Part-time) – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- ◆ English Teacher – Sacred Heart Middle School
- ◆ Physical Education Teacher (Part-time) – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- ◆ Physical Education Teacher – Nativity Elementary School
- ◆ Pre-Kindergarten Teacher – Nativity Elementary School
- ◆ Smart Lab/4th Grade Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- ◆ Student Services – Nativity Elementary/Holy Spirit Elementary Schools
- ◆ School Nurse
- ◆ Evening Custodian – Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle 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 Catholic Church in Wahpeton, ND is accepting applications for a Parish Secretary. The position will provide receptionist, secretarial, and office services for the parish. This individual must have a minimum of one year of office experience and computer skills. This individual needs to be well organized, flexible, able to handle numerous interruptions, must work well with many personality types, be a self-starter, and have an outgoing personality. A high level of confidentiality is required for this position. Cover letter and resume can be emailed to Joan Steckler at joansteckler@gmail.com. Apply immediately, position open until filled.

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1 THES 5:11

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