


# St. Benedict Catholic Church

*The third oldest Catholic parish in North Dakota,  
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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.

**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 - [joan.houdek@gmail.com](mailto: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.



Welcome! We are so glad you are here!  
**To become a member of St. Benedict Church:** Simply scan the QR Code on the left, call the parish office, or visit the web site [www.stbensnd.org/forms](http://www.stbensnd.org/forms) to find our **New Parish Member Registration Form.**  
*We look forward to getting to know you!*

## Schedule of Events

- 2/9 - COFFEE & DONUTS (9:00 a.m.)
- 2/9 - Sunday K-5 Faith Formation Classes (9:15 a.m.)
- 2/9 - Holy Hour with Rosary (3:00 - 4:00 p.m.)
- 2/10 - Scripture Study Group meets (5:15 p.m. Multi-Purpose Room)
- 2/11 - First Eucharist Parent Meeting (7:00 p.m. Social Hall)
- 2/12 - FUEL meets (6:15 p.m.)
- 2/13 - Giving Hearts Day
- 2/13 - OCIA (6:00 p.m. - Youth Room)
- 2/14 - Saint Valentine's Day
- 2/16 - COFFEE & DONUTS (9:00 a.m.)
- 2/16 - NO Sunday K-5 Faith Formation Classes today.
- 2/19 - FUEL meets (6:15 p.m.)
- 2/20 - OCIA (6:00 p.m. - Youth Room)
- 2/23 - Men's Group Breakfast after both Masses
- 2/23 - Sunday K-5 Faith Formation Classes (9:15 a.m.)
- 2/23 - Praise and Worship Holy Hour (3:00 p.m.)
- 2/24 - Scripture Study Group meets (5:15 p.m. Multi-Purpose Room)

## February 2025

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### Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$6,586

February 2, 2025: \$6,173

Budgeted Collection YTD: \$32,930

Actual Collection YTD: \$31,272

February Second Collection: \$892

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

## Mass Intentions

Sat	Feb 8	5:00 p.m.	† Ray and † Irene Schmidt
Sun	Feb 9	8:00 a.m.	† Joe and † Alice Schubert
		10:30 a.m.	Parishioners
Mon	Feb 10		NO MASS TODAY
Tue	Feb 11	8:30 a.m.	Stacey Hunt Family
Wed	Feb 12	8:30 a.m.	Indigo Lambert
Thu	Feb 13	8:30 a.m.	† Marcella Volk-Streifel
Fri	Feb 14	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
Sat	Feb 15	5:00 p.m.	† Bill and † Nancy Hunt
Sun	Feb 16	8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
		10:30 a.m.	For all who feel the pain of discrimination

### Special Prayer Intentions:

Brandon Hoenhouse, Irene Feist,  
Adrian Flicek, Jim Krump  
Mary Ignaszewski, Aggie Kister,  
Kathy Loney, Marvin Miller,  
Vern Muscha, Chris Richard,  
Polly Roe, Arielle Stansbury,  
Stewart Sommers, Carol Trottier  
Steve Fischer

## Liturgical Ministry Schedule for NEXT WEEKEND

	Saturday, February 15 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, February 16 8:00 a.m.	Sunday, February 16 10:30 a.m.
<b>Sacristan</b>	Alex Koenig	Twila Nohrenberg	Mary Richard-Johnson
<b>Lector</b>	Cora Suda	Steve Dusek	Kara Leopold
<b>Usher</b>	Bob Stalcup Dale Wyffels	Kevin Stoppeworth Mike Sikorski	Dave Dietz
<b>Altar Server</b>	Oliver and Michael Suda	Aaron and Owen Frank Olivia McNeil	Ashlyn Leopold
<b>EMHC</b>	Nancy Torgerson (Paten) Alex Koenig (Paten) Margaret Klein (Chalice) Sheri Koenig (Chalice)	Regan Frank (Paten) Kara Hagemeister (Paten) Twila Nohrenberg (Chalice) Jodi Buchholz (Chalice)	Mary Richard-Johnson (Paten) VOLUNTEER (Paten) Julie Nudell-Pierce (Chalice) VOLUNTEER (Chalice)
<b>Greeter</b>	Matt and Robin Sheppard	Dave and Lesley McNeil	VOLUNTEER
<b>Gift Bearer</b>	Matt and Robin Sheppard	Dave and Lesley McNeil	Dave and Lori Dietz

## Stewardship Moment

*"Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, 'Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?' 'Here I am,' I said, 'send me!'" - ISAIAH 6:8*

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, "Whom shall I send?" Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or to say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. God is always talking to us; we just need to pay more attention. When you hear God calling have the courage to walk through the door and say, "Here I am, Lord."

## Weekly Prayer of the Faithful

That we may eagerly respond, *"Here I am, Lord,"* whenever we hear God call upon us to be His hands, feet, and voice here on earth.



We offer our sincere condolences to the family of Tim and Kary Sandy on the death of Tim's mother, Joanne.

May she be welcomed into the eternal beauty and joy of Christ's heavenly kingdom.

## Faith Formation

### Sunday Faith Formation Schedule

February 9 - FF Classes meet.  
February 11 - **Eucharist Parent Meeting - 7:00 p.m.**  
February 16 - NO FF CLASSES!  
February 23 - FF Classes meet.  
March 2 - FF Classes meet.  
March 9 - FF Classes meet.

### FUEL Schedule

*(Faith Used in Everyday Life)*

February 12 - FUEL meets.  
February 19 - FUEL meets.  
February 26 - FUEL meets.  
March 5 - Ash Wednesday: Mass  
*(FUEL Students in Ministries)*  
March 12 - FUEL meets.  
March 19 - NO FUEL this evening.

## Pastor's Notes

*Dear Parishioners,*

Last week I began to share the Message of Pope Francis for the Thirty-Third observation of the World Day of the Sick, which occurs on February 11, this upcoming Tuesday.

The theme he chose is, "Hope does not disappoint, but strengthens us in times of trial." In reflecting on these words, he said, "These are comforting words, but they can also prove perplexing, especially for those who are suffering. How can we be strong, for example, when our bodies are prey to severe, debilitating illnesses that require costly treatment that we may not be able to afford? How can we show strength when, in addition to our own sufferings, we see those of our loved ones who support us yet feel powerless to help us? In these situations, we sense our need for a strength greater than our own. We realize that we need God's help, his grace, his Providence, and the strength that is the gift of his Spirit." The Pope proposes that God is close to the sick in three ways: "encounter", "gift" and "sharing".

Last week, we were reminded that Jesus shares in our suffering. The Pope concludes, "Sickness, then, becomes an occasion for a transformative encounter, the discovery of a solid rock to which we can hold fast amid the tempests of life, an experience that, even at great cost, makes us all the stronger because it teaches us that we are not alone. Suffering always brings with it a mysterious promise of salvation ...."

Here, Pope Francis shifts to the second way God is close to the sick and suffering: "gift". "More than anything else," he says, "suffering makes us aware that hope comes from the Lord. It is thus, first and foremost, a gift to be received and cultivated, by remaining faithful to the faithfulness of God." The "great hope" of our faith is Jesus' Death and Resurrection, and his promise of eternal life. By recognizing his presence, especially in the Eucharist, "[we] sense that 'greater reality' which, by drawing near to us, restores our courage and confidence."

This Tuesday, the World Day of the Sick, I invite everyone to pray for the sick and elderly of St. Benedict Parish, that their faith and hope in Jesus may increase. May Mary, who stood by Jesus in his suffering, accompany those who suffer on their way to heaven.

*Fr. Andrew Jasinski, Pastor*

### St. Benedict Parish Holy Hours



#### Holy Hour with Rosary

Sunday, February 9  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

#### Praise and Worship Holy Hour

Sunday, February 23  
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

*"A thousand years of enjoying human glory is not worth even an hour spent in sweetly communing with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament." - Padre Pio*

AND WHEN THEY HAD  
BROUGHT THEIR BOATS  
TO LAND, THEY LEFT  
EVERYTHING AND FOLLOWED HIM.  
LUKE 5:11



## Parish News

**The Seven Sisters Apostolate** needs you! Please consider joining us in praying for our beloved priests. They do so much for us, not the least of which is offering us Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist!

Is God calling you to this spiritual work of mercy?

<https://sevensistersapostolate.org>



Call Suellen Dusek for more information. 507) 829-2066.

*"Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves."*  
*Romans 12:10*

The St. Benedict Scripture Study Group will meet on Monday, February 10, at 5:15 p.m.

You are always welcome to join our study as we prepare our hearts and minds for Sunday's readings. For more information, contact Joan at 701-238-3256.

The full liturgical ministry schedule for February and March can be picked up in the Sacristy or accessed online on our website: [www.stbensnd.org/ministries](http://www.stbensnd.org/ministries)

Mark your calendars - you are invited to our next Men's Group Breakfast scheduled for Sunday, February 23rd!

Delicious Food!



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## Retreat Opportunities

### **Retrouvaille: Help for Hurting Marriages**

**February 28-March 2, 2025**

Do you and your spouse experience any disconnection in your relationship? Don't wait until you're in crisis to take time to reconnect and rediscover one another as you deepen your love and unity. You can work to build the kind of joyful, unified marriage you once envisioned.

Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has helped hundreds of thousands of married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and reclaim the love that initially brought them together. The Red River Retrouvaille program will be held locally on February 28-March 2, 2025 in Fargo. For more information visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com) or contact us at (701) 356-7962 or [rrretrouvaille@gmail.com](mailto:rrretrouvaille@gmail.com).

### **SEARCH Retreat**

**March 7-9, Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City**

The deadline to register is February 17.

Experience the joy and vibrancy of the young Catholic community! SEARCH weekend retreats are for youth and young adults, age 16 and older. They provide time and experiences for young people to mature in their faith, and grow in their relationship with Christ.

There is time for fun, reflection, study, recreation and discussion. Give yourself, or a young person you love, the gift of a Search Weekend!

For more information, go to [fargodiocese.org/search4cm](http://fargodiocese.org/search4cm)

To see a full list and descriptions of retreat opportunities at

Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City ND  
go to [marvalend.org/attend-a-retreat](http://marvalend.org/attend-a-retreat)

### **Ecclesia Domestica Men's Retreat:**

***"Defend us in Battle:"***

***Basic Training for Spiritual Warfare"***

March 14-16, at the Sisters of St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson, ND. Join us for a weekend of dynamic speakers, worship, prayer ministry, and more

For details & to register, please go to

**[www.ecclesiadomestica.net](http://www.ecclesiadomestica.net)**

or contact Deacon Thane Barnier at [ecclesiaretreates@ecclesiadomestica.net](mailto:ecclesiaretreates@ecclesiadomestica.net).

### **Life Giving Wounds Retreat**

**April 4-6, 2025, Maryvale Retreat Center**

Divorce always represents broken dreams and broken hearts. While much of the attention goes to the men and women trying to navigate the tidal wave of loss and hurt, often those left in the wake are the children whose sense of security and identity have been shattered. This can be true even for those who were adults when their parents divorced. Life-Giving Wounds is a new ministry to help adults who have experienced the breakdown of their parents' relationship, no matter at what age it happened, to allow Christ to bring new life through those very wounds. For more information or to register visit **[www.fargodiocese.org/lgw](http://www.fargodiocese.org/lgw)**.

### **"At the Feet of St. John Paul II"**

Tim Mosser, the director of the Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Fargo is offering a retreat at Maryvale Retreat Center, April 10-12 (Thursday evening through Saturday morning), on St. John Paul II's vision of the human person and how to prayerfully apply this vision to your life. For more information, visit [www.maryvalend.org/04-12-25-st-john-paul-1](http://www.maryvalend.org/04-12-25-st-john-paul-1)

## Around the Area

### CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS TO MEET

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, February 11th at St. Anthony's beginning with the Mass at 5:15 PM, meal to follow, and meeting at 6:30 p.m. Members are invited to bring nonperishable food item donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to [regentctstann@gmail.com](mailto:regentctstann@gmail.com).



Join the Women's Care Center on February 13 for a golf scramble featuring contests, games, and prizes as you golf 9 holes on a simulation of California's Pebble Beach Golf Links. Hosted at Suite Shots, there will be three tee times available: 3:00, 5:30, and 8:00 p.m. Each golfer will receive heavy hors d'oeuvres and one door prize ticket, with prizes awarded to the best of each tee time.

To register, text WCC Fargo Golf to 41444, or email [lisa@wccnd.com](mailto:lisa@wccnd.com).

### Music Scholarships!

**Cappella**, the University of Mary Chapel Choir is made up of skilled student musicians who have a special devotion to sacred music. Students in the choir receive generous tuition scholarships, comparable to those offered college athletes, to come and sing sacred music at the University of Mary chapel.

The university is currently accepting auditions from prospective students (singers and organists) until Friday, February 14. More information can be found at [www.cappellaumary.com](http://www.cappellaumary.com).

### Join us for the next Catholic Man Night!

Thursday, February 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm at St. Anthony's (710 10<sup>th</sup> St S, Fargo).

Enjoy a Meal and a talk with a short discussion featuring Father Lorsung as the speaker! Come and bring a friend! Free will offering.

### JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGES in the Diocese of Fargo

If you cannot attend a pilgrimage to Rome to gain the Jubilee Indulgence, the Fargo Diocese has planned two pilgrimage opportunities that will take place right here close to home!

**Corpus Christi Camino:** a 3-day walking pilgrimage in June, along the North Country Trail, ending at Maryvale, Valley City,

**Prairie Pilgrimage:** a 2-day bus tour of the six Jubilee sites in the Diocese of Fargo, August 25-26, 2025



For more details, or to sign up go to [www.fargodiocese.org/jubilee](http://www.fargodiocese.org/jubilee) or contact Mary Hanbury at 701-356-7909 [Mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org](mailto:Mary.hanbury@fargodiocese.org)



### The 67th Annual Kiwanis Pancake Carnival!

This family-friendly event will be held on Saturday, February 8 from 7:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

There will be pancakes, and of course our famous Kiwanis sausage! There will also be Bouncy Houses!

Tickets are only \$10 (children 2 and under are free) and available for purchase at any Fargo-Moorhead area Hornbacher's or Cash Wise location, or at the door the day of the event.

*"It might reasonably be maintained that the true object of all human life is play. Earth is a task garden; heaven is a playground." G.K. Chesterton*

## Catholic Women in Business In-Person Meetup!

Brewhalla

1701 1st Ave N Fargo ND

4:30-6:30 Feb 19th

Welcome entrepreneurs & professionals!

Whether you work full time, part time, in the home, or outside it, you're invited to connect with other Catholic women in business in the FM area!

### Dr. Samuel Backman Organ Recital

Sts. Anne & Joachim Church,  
Friday, February 21st, 7:00pm

This event is free & open to the public!  
"Music at A&J" Performing Arts Series proudly presents Dr. Samuel Backman for a solo organ recital, featuring works based on Gregorian Chant, with music by Guy Weitz, Maurice Duruflé, Samuel Backman, and more.

### Catholic Daughters Soup and Pie Dinner

The annual Catholic Daughter Soup and Pie Dinner is scheduled for Thursday, February 27 from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. in The Gathering Place (door #7) at St. Joseph's in Moorhead. Homemade soup and pie served with fresh baked popovers lovingly made by members of the Catholic Daughters of America Court St. Mary. A fast and delicious dinner, perfect for a Thursday evening! Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for children 5-10, and can be purchased at the door.

## Employment Opportunities

### JPII Catholic Schools Open Positions:

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

- Assistant Softball Coach – Shanley High School (Spring 2025)
- JV Girls Tennis Coach – Shanley High School (Spring 2025)
- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball Coach – Shanley High School (Fall 2025)
- Administrative Assistant – Shanley High School
- Custodian – Trinity Elementary School
- After School Program Workers – Multiple locations
- Substitute Bus Drivers

The **Women's Care Center** is currently hiring **NURSES**. RN and LPN

Please forward your resume to [angela@wccnd.com](mailto:angela@wccnd.com) or call 701-237-6530 with questions or for more details.

**St. John's Catholic School in Wahpeton ND**, is seeking an elementary school counselor. The counselor is responsible for implementing a K-6 comprehensive school counseling program that focuses on student outcomes, teaching student competencies, and providing services to students, parents, and school staff including classroom lessons, individual and small group social skill lessons, and providing classroom teacher support. To apply, submit a letter of application, resumé, transcripts, ND Licensure, and references to:

Kaja Kaste, Principal  
[kaja.kaste@k12.nd.us](mailto:kaja.kaste@k12.nd.us)  
 For more information call 701-642-6116.

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1 THES 5:11

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