

St. Benedict Catholic Church

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*"Receive all guests as Christ."
St. Benedict*



January 11, 2026 The Baptism of the Lord

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Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday by 10:00 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday,

8:00 a.m. - 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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday from 4:00 - 4:45 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 have a serious illness or will 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 at 701-730-5828 or joan.houdek@gmail.com

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.

Phone: 701-588-4288

Email: office@stbensnd.org

Website: stbensnd.org

Facebook: benedictofwildrice

Welcome to St. Benedict Church!
We are so glad you are here!

To become a member of our parish, simply submit a New Parish Member Registration Form, which can be found on the counter in the church lobby, on our website, or by using this QR code.



Caramel Roll Sales!

Fresh caramel rolls will be available next weekend after all Masses.

Support our youth going on a Summer Mission Trip to Lincoln, NE!
Free will offering!



Sunday Holy Hour
January 11, 3:00 p.m.

*Come adore our Lord,
truly present in the
Most Holy Sacrament
of the Altar.*

**Mass Intentions
January 10 - 18**

Sat	5:00 p.m.	† Curtis Vangsness
Sun	8:00 a.m.	Parishioners
	10:30 a.m.	† Jack and † Margaret Preston
Mon		NO MASS
Tue	8:30 a.m.	Abby Brost Family
Wed	8:30 a.m.	In Thanksgiving
Thu	8:30 a.m.	† James and † Sally Gaustad
Fri	8:30 a.m.	Startz-Ries Families
Sat	5:00 p.m.	† David Trottier
Sun	8:00 a.m.	† Leo Cossette
	10:30 a.m.	Parishioners

Special Prayer Intentions

Marvin Miller, Kathy Loney, Jeff Foss,
Arielle Stansbury, Bob Klein,
Phyllis Duval

Parish Calendar

- 1/11 - Coffee & Donuts (9:00 a.m.)
Faith Formation (9:15 a.m.)
HOLY HOUR (3:00 p.m.)
- 1/12 - Social Justice Committee Mtg.
(6:30 p.m.)
- 1/13 - Scripture Study (4:00 p.m.)
- 1/14 - NO FUEL
- 1/17 - Confirmation Retreat (9:00 a.m.)
- 1/18 - Coffee & Donuts (9:00 a.m.)
Faith Formation (9:15 a.m.)
- 1/20 - Reconciliation Parent Mtg.
(7:00 p.m.)
- 1/21 - FUEL (6:15 p.m.)
- 1/22 - Parish Council Mtg. (7:00 p.m.)
- 1/24 - 25 - Peter's Pence Collection
- 1/25 - 31 - Catholic Schools Week
Men's Group Breakfast -
serving after both Masses
Faith Formation (9:15 a.m.)
- 1/27 - NO DAILY MASS
Scripture Study (4:00 p.m.)
- 1/28 - NO DAILY MASS
FUEL (6:15 p.m.)
- 1/29 - NO DAILY MASS

Stewardship

2025 Final Collection Total:
\$339,598

2025 Budgeted Collection Total:
\$342,500

2025 Monthly Charity Donations
Total: \$13,665

*The following charities were
blessed by your selfless giving:*

- o St. Benedict's Youth Social
Justice Projects,
- o Birthday Bag Bag Program,
- o Fix It Forward Ministry,
- o Crayons For Kids,
- o New Life Center,
- o Matthew's Voice Project,
- o Women's Care Center,
- o First Link,
- o Emergency Food Pantry &
Peanut Butter Donations

**Sincere THANKS for your
generosity throughout 2025!**

2026 Budgeted Weekly Collection:
\$7,115

January 4, 2026 Collection: \$4,367

Budgeted Collection YTD: \$7,115

Actual Collection YTD: \$4,367

January Second Collection: \$923

**Thank you for your continued
support in 2026!**

Stewardship Moment

*"John tried to prevent him, saying, "I
need to be baptized by you, yet you are
coming to me?" MATTHEW 3:14*

The Catholic Catechism states that
"Jesus' immersion in the water is a
sign for all human beings of the need
to die to themselves to do God's will."
In other words, as baptized Catholics
there is only one gift that we need to
give to Jesus – the gift of ourselves.
Surrender yourself to God, place
your trust in Him and allow the Holy
Spirit to work through you for the
greater glory of God.

The Horace Lions will
be serving a
Pancake Breakfast
on Sunday, Jan. 11
9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.
at the Senior Center.



**Ministry Schedule
January 17 and 18**

Saturday, Jan. 17, 5:00 p.m.

- Sacristan: Jon L.
- Server: Oliver & Michael S.
- Reader: Joan B.
- EMHC: paten - Bev M.
paten - Bridgette S.
chalice - Alex K.
chalice - **Volunteer**
- Usher: Dean M. & Dale W.
- Greeter: Jon & Linda L.
- Gifts: Nancy T.
- Music: Tahnee M.

Sunday, Jan. 18, 8:00 a.m.

- Sacristan: Madelyn M.
- Server: Calleigh, Grace V. &
Maggie M.
- Reader: Steve D.
- EMHC: paten - Kara H.
paten - Ken Z.
chalice - Julien R.
chalice - **Volunteer**
- Usher: Dean C. & Ken Z.
- Greeter: Kathy S.
- Gifts: Dave & Lesley M.
- Music: Mike S.
- Coffee & Donut Host: Mary R-J.

Sunday, Jan. 18, 10:30 a.m.

- Sacristan: Kristie S.
- Server: Colin Z.
- Reader: Patti A.
- EMHC: paten - Kristie S.
paten - Patrick R.
chalice - Julie N-P.
chalice - Dave Dietz
- Usher: Patrick R. & Terry S.
- Greeter: Patrick & Bree R.
- Gifts: Dave Dietz
- Music: Dave & Susan W.



K - 5 Faith Formation

- Sunday, Jan. 11, 9:15 a.m.
- Sunday, Jan. 18, 9:15 a.m.
- Tuesday, Jan. 20, 7:00 p.m.
Reconciliation Parent Meeting 2
- Sunday, Jan. 25, 9:15 a.m.
- Thursdasy, Jan. 29, 7:00 p.m.
Eucharist Parent Meeting 1

Middle School/High School FUEL

- Wednesday, Jan. 14, No FUEL
- Wednesday, Jan. 21, 6:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, Jan. 28, 6:15 p.m.

Made for Greatness Men's Winter Retreat

God calls every man to continuously grow and mature toward the authentic greatness that each of us was made for. This retreat will provide an honest analysis of the challenges to greatness that men face at each of the stages of life. We will also identify foundations upon which we can build a flexibility that allows us to adapt and thrive.

Retreat Presenter: Keith Nester,
Executive Director of Down to Earth Ministry.
Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City, ND
January 23 - 25

<https://www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-winter>

THE SANCTIFIER Retreat

January 23 - 25

Sts. Anne and Joachim Church, Fargo
(No overnights)

The Sanctifier Retreat places a special focus on the Holy Spirit, inviting participants to encounter His presence in a deeper way and to be renewed by His guidance, peace, and power in daily life. This is not an overnight retreat.

Learn more, and register by going to

<https://stsaa.org/events/sanctifier-retreat/>



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46th Annual Clergy Appreciation Dinner

January 27

St Frances de Sales Church, Moorhead

Social starts at 5:30 p.m.

Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

Keynote Speaker will be Chloe Kramer
from the Women's Care Center

Sponsorship is \$250 for a table of 8, or
individual tickets are \$30.

RSVP to Grand Knight Robert Shaw
robshaw1964@gmail.com or 701-361-4254

Begin the New Year Rooted in Faith!

Let your New Year soundtrack be Real Presence Radio, connecting you to Christ and your Catholic community!

Tune in to 1280 AM / 98.3 FM in Fargo, ND.

Pastor's Notes

Next Sunday begins the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The unity of the Church has been on Pope Leo's heart since the beginning of his papacy. In the homily he gave at his inauguration as pope on May 18, 2025, he spoke on the two "dimensions" of the mission of the pope: love and unity.

Pope Leo began his reflection on unity by saying, "Brothers and sisters, I would like that our first great desire be for a united Church, a sign of unity and communion, which becomes a leaven for a reconciled world." He continued, "In this our time, we still see too much discord, too many wounds caused by hatred, violence, prejudice, the fear of difference, and an economic paradigm that exploits the Earth's resources and marginalizes the poorest. For our part, we want to be a small leaven of unity, communion and fraternity within the world. We want to say to the world, with humility and joy: Look to Christ! Come closer to him! Welcome his word that enlightens and consoles! Listen to his offer of love and become his one family: in the one Christ, we are one." He concluded this section of his homily, saying: "This is the missionary spirit that must animate us; not closing ourselves off in our small groups, nor feeling superior to the world. We are called to offer God's love to everyone, in order to achieve that unity which does not cancel out differences but values the personal history of each person and the social and religious culture of every people."

The day after this celebration, he met with representatives from other Christian Churches. In his address to them, he said: "My election has taken place during the year of the 1,700th anniversary of the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea. That Council represents a milestone in the formulation of the Creed shared by all Churches and Ecclesial Communities. While we are on the journey to re-establishing full communion among all Christians, we recognize that this unity can only be unity in faith. As Bishop of Rome, I consider one of my priorities to be that of seeking the re-establishment of full and visible communion among all those who profess the same faith in God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit."

He continued on a little more personal note: "Indeed, unity has always been a constant concern of mine, as witnessed by the motto I chose for my episcopal ministry: 'In Illo uno unum' ['In the One we are one'], an expression of Saint Augustine of Hippo that reminds us how we too, although we are many, 'in the One — that is Christ — we are one'. What is more, our communion is realized to the extent that we meet in the Lord Jesus. The more faithful and obedient we are to him, the more united we are among ourselves. We Christians, then, are all called to pray and work together to reach this goal, step by step, which is and remains the work of the Holy Spirit."

As we prepare for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, please keep Pope Leo's desire for a united Church in your prayers.

May Mary, the Mother of the Church, assist us with her maternal guidance.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

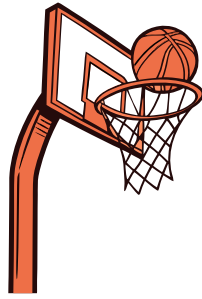
Cursillo Weekend Retreats

A Cursillo retreat, also known as a "short course in Christianity," is a three-day spiritual retreat designed to help participants deepen their Christian faith and become effective leaders in their communities. There are two upcoming Cursillos in the Fargo Diocese.

A Women's Cursillo - February 5 - 8, at Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City. To register, contact Rosalie at 701-341-1962.

A Men's Cursillo - March 5 - 8, 2026, at St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson. To register, contact Tim at 218-791-3937.

BASKETBALL FREE THROW CHAMPIONSHIP CONTEST



Boys and girls ages 9 to 14 (as of Jan. 1, 2026) are invited to take part in the Holy Cross Council #9642 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship. This local level competition will be held Sunday, February 1, 2026 at the Trinity Elementary School gym, located at 2811 7th St E., West Fargo, ND. Practice and registration is from 1:00 to 1:30 p.m. The competition starts promptly at 1:30 p.m. and lasts about one hour.

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Basketballs will be furnished but you may bring your own. There is no charge to participate in this event. Boys and girls ages 9 through 11 may shoot 12 feet from the basket or from the 15-foot regulation foul line. Boys and girls ages 12 through 14 must shoot from the regulation foul line 15 feet from the basket. Boys ages 12 through 14 must use a men's regulation-size basketball, all others may use a women's regulation-size basketball. Each contestant will receive 3 warm-up tosses followed by 15 consecutive free throw attempts. Ties are settled with a second round of 5 free throws with no warm-up tosses. Normal rules of basketball apply; contestants may not step on or over the line prior to the ball reaching the rim or bouncing off the backboard or out of bounds area. Awards will be given to all first place winners and certificates of participation and patches will be given to all participants. Winners will advance to the District competition with the chance to move on to the Regional, State and International levels. All participants are asked to bring a parent or guardian to sign the registration form and verify proof of age. First place winners will be required to furnish proof of age before advancing to the District competition. Questions can be e-mailed to Chad Engels at chad.engels@mooreengineeringinc.com.



St. Francis Retreat Center Hankinson, ND Feb. 27 - Mar. 1

This new ministry for adult children of divorce and separation has been hugely successful in our area. It guides retreat attendees in processing the grief and wounds they suffer from the breakdown of their parent's relationship. Often, people do not even recognize the impact of this trauma on their relationships with others and even with God. For more information or to register, visit

www.fargodiocese.org/lgw

Retrouvaille Marriage Retreat

There will be a Retrouvaille Retreat in Fargo
March 13 - 15

Retrouvaille is an international community committed to helping couples heal their marriages. Couples do not need to be in dire straights to benefit greatly from Retrouvaille.

This program has been effective for healing marital disconnection big and small. For more information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the retreat, go to

<https://helpourmarriage.org>



Marriage Encounter Weekend March 20 - 22 Maryvale Retreat Center Valley City, ND

Give the gift of your time and love by taking your spouse on a Marriage Encounter!

For more information about Marriage Encounter weekends, or to register for the upcoming weekend, visit [Worldwide Marriage Encounter \(wwme.org\)](http://Worldwide Marriage Encounter (wwme.org)).



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March 19 - 21, 2026

St. Joseph's Church
218 10th St S, Moorhead



Learn more at jpiihealingcenter.org

"Walk in the Footsteps of St. Paul" October 5 - 17

Join Bishop Folda on a 2026 pilgrimage to Greece and Turkey. Price per person (sharing a room): \$5,990. We will be walking in the ancient cities of Ephesus and Corinth on uneven pavement and climbing up and down hills and steps. See the Diocese of Fargo website for more information and a link to the registration site.

www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages-greece

PLEASE JOIN US AND BRING A FRIEND



CATHOLIC MAN NIGHT

EAT, PRAY & SOCIALIZE WITH THE GUYS

Thursday, January 15th
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Held at:
St. Anthony
710 10th St S
Fargo, ND

6:00 pm -7:00 pm Adoration & Confession
7:00 pm – 8:00 pm Meal and talk with short discussion
(Free Will Offering)
Guest Speaker: Fr Robert Keller

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Real Presence Radio Fundraising Banquet

Real Presence Radio warmly invites you to our
Fargo Banquet on Monday, February 2.

We are honored to welcome Dr. David Anders as
our keynote speaker! Consider being a host and
reserving a table at this special evening.

To register, navigate to

realpresencerradio.com/banquets

and click on "Register Now" under the Monday,
February 2 event. If you have any questions, please
contact Sunshine Diem at 701-960-0453 or email

sunshine@realpresencerradio.com.

Maryvale Retreat Center Into the Desert with Fr. Eric Seitz -Silence, Fasting and Prayer- March 6-8, 2026

You are invited to step away from the noise and enter a
sacred space of stillness. This retreat offers you the
chance to quiet your mind, renew your spirit, and draw
closer to God. You are invited to step away from the
noise and enter a sacred space of stillness. Let this
retreat be a time of transformation and encounter.

To learn more, and to register, go to

<https://maryvalend.org/silentfastingretreat>

Music Scholarships Available!

Auditions accepted until February 13

The University of Mary is seeking serious and accomplished
singers or organists that have a special
skill and devotion to sacred music. We are providing
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Bismarck and share their musical gifts in service to God.
For more information, visit www.cappellaumary.com.

Women's Silent Preached Retreat

Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City

May 7 - 9

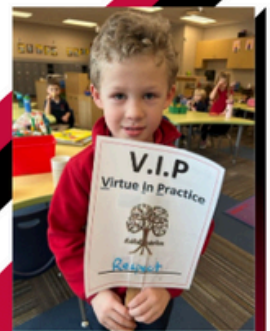
Take some time to enter into a sacred silence to renew
body and spirit. This women's retreat is inspired by the
prayer methods and exercises of St. Ignatius, and will
be led by Fr. Sean Mulligan.

<https://www.fargodiocese.org/womens-retreat>



Trinity Elementary Spotlight

We are excited to welcome our students back as we
begin the second semester! We hope you all enjoyed a
joyful and restful Christmas. As we step into the new
year, we wish everyone a Happy New Year filled with
blessings, growth, and continued learning. We look
forward to a wonderful year ahead!



Employment Opportunities

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

- Head Volleyball Coach – Shanley High School (Fall 2026)
- Little Deacons Substitutes – Holy Spirit Elementary School
- Substitute Teachers
- Executive Administrative Assistant, President's Office (1.0 FTE)

Candidate will provide a wide variety of complex and confidential support including communicating information on behalf of and as acting as a liaison for assigned Administrators with JPII Schools, staff and families, Board of Directors, and other internal groups. Confidentiality, professionalism, and efficient and effective organizational skills are essential. Deadline for applying: Open until filled.

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