

St. Benedict Catholic Church

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



March 8, 2026 Third Sunday of Lent

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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.

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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.



Lenten Holy Hour

Come adore the Lord truly present in the Most Holy Eucharist.

**Sunday, March 8
3:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Candlelight Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, March 11, 7:30 p.m.

Our FUEL students will lead us in a moving candlelight presentation of the passion, suffering and death of Jesus Christ. Join us as we follow Him along the Way of the Cross.



**Mass Intentions
March 7 - 15**

Sat	5:00 p.m.	† Virginia Lahr
Sun	8:00 a.m.	† Tim Vetter
	10:30 a.m.	Parishioners
Mon		<i>NO MASS</i>
Tue	8:30 a.m.	Special Intention
Wed	8:30 a.m.	Emma Haberman
Thu	8:30 a.m.	† Delores Burianek
Fri	8:30 a.m.	Jerry & Karen Bindner
Sat	5:00 p.m.	Steve Laqua Family
Sun	8:00 a.m.	Startz-Ries Families
	10:30 a.m.	Parishioners

Special Prayer Intentions

Marvin Miller, Kathy Loney, Jeff Foss, Arielle Stansbury, Phyllis Duval, Pat Fritel

Parish Calendar

3/8 - Third Sunday of Lent
Coffee and Donuts (9:00 a.m. in storage room)
Faith Formation (9:15 a.m.)
Holy Hour (3:00 - 4:00 p.m.)

3/9 - *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* (6:45 p.m.)

3/10 - Scripture Study (4:00 p.m.)

3/11 - FUEL (6:15 p.m.)
Candlelight Stations of the Cross (7:30 p.m.)

3/12 - OCIA (7:00 p.m.)

3/13 - Stations of the Cross (7:00 p.m.)

3/15 - Fourth Sunday of Lent
Coffee and Donuts (9:00 a.m.)
Faith Formation (9:15 a.m.)

3/16 - *Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible* (6:45 p.m.)

3/17 - St. Patrick's Day

3/18 - NO FUEL

3/19 - OCIA (7:00 p.m.)

3/20 - Men's Group Fish Fry (5:30 p.m.)
Stations of the Cross (7:00 p.m.)

3/22 - Fifth Sunday of Lent
Coffee & Donuts (9:00 a.m.)
No Faith Formation

Stewardship

Budgeted Weekly Collection: \$7,115
March 1 Collection: \$2,811
Budgeted Collection YTD: \$64,035
Actual Collection YTD: \$68,556
February Second Collection: \$1,011

Thank you for your continued and generous support!

Stewardship Moment

"Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again." John 4:13

Jesus reminds us that material things, even something as basic as water, can never satisfy us over the long run. When we build our lives around material possessions we will always want more, and no amount will ever satisfy our desire. True joy and peace only come when we follow Jesus - when we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered."

Weekly Prayer of the Faithful

That we become more "God-centered" and less "self-centered" in our daily actions and decisions.

**Stations of the Cross with Bishop Folda
Good Friday, April 3, 10:00 a.m.**

You are invited to join Bishop John Folda for Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, at St. Mary's Cathedral in Fargo, ND. Station booklets will be provided for participants. Please join us for these special Stations for Life with Bishop Folda.

2026 God's Gift Appeal

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2026 God's Gift Appeal. So far, 8% of our parishioners have given. Our goal is 100% participation. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the lobby. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

**Ministry Schedule
March 14 and 15**

Saturday, Mar. 14, 5:00 p.m.

- Sacristan: Alex K.
- Server: Alex K.
- Reader: Martha B.
- EMHC: paten - Nancy T.
paten - Bridgette S.
chalice - **Volunteer**
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- Usher: Dale W.
- Greeter: Matt & Robin S.
- Gifts: Matt & Robin S.
- Music: **Volunteer**

Sunday, Mar. 15, 8:00 a.m.

- Sacristan: Twila N.
- Server: Oliver, Grace & Mia V.
- Reader: Twila N.
- EMHC: paten - Ken Z.
paten - Mark H.
chalice - Bradley J.
chalice - **Volunteer**
- Usher: Mike S. & Mark H.
- Greeter: Mike & Kristi S.
- Gifts: Marcus & Calleigh V.
- Music: Mike S.
- Coffee & Donut Host: **Volunteer**

Sunday, Mar. 15, 10:30 a.m.

- Sacristan: **Volunteer**
- Server: Kayla, Ashlyn, & Lauren L.
- Reader: David D.
- EMHC: paten - Dave D.
paten - **Volunteer**
chalice - **Volunteer**
chalice - **Volunteer**
- Usher: Terry S.
- Greeter: **Volunteer**
- Gifts: Dave D.
- Music: **Volunteer**



K - 5 Faith Formation

Sunday, Mar. 8, 9:15 a.m.
- Stations of the Cross
Sunday, Mar. 15, 9:15 a.m.
Sunday, Mar. 22, No Faith Formation
Sunday, Mar. 29, 9:15 a.m.

Middle School/High School FUEL

Wednesday, Mar. 11, 6:15 p.m.
- Candlelight Stations
Wednesday, Mar. 18, NO FUEL
Wednesday, Mar. 25, 6:15 p.m.
Wednesday, Apr. 1, NO FUEL

Pastor's Notes

Dear Parishioners,

Back in December, Pope Leo published his prayer intentions for each month of 2026. The intention for March is "For Disarmament and Peace." With escalating tensions among nations in recent weeks, this prayer intention is very timely.

Pope Leo us invites us to join him in prayer through his "Pray with the Pope" video, in which he provides a reflection on his prayer intention. In the video for this month he prays, "Lord enlighten the leaders of the nations, so they may have the courage to abandon projects of death, halt the arms race, and place the lives of the most vulnerable at the center. May the nuclear threat never again dictate the future of humanity."

He makes the prayer more personal through these words: "Lord of life, you shaped every human being in your image and likeness. We believe you created us for communion, not for war, for fraternity, not for destruction. Grant us the gift of your peace and the strength to make it a reality in history. Disarm our hearts of hatred, resentment, and indifference, so we may become instruments of reconciliation. Help us understand that true security does not come from control fueled by fear, but from trust, justice, and solidarity among peoples." Finally, he turns to the Holy Spirit and prays, "Holy Spirit make us faithful and creative builders of daily peace in our hearts, our families, our communities and our cities."

You can find the "Pray with the Pope" video on the [Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network](http://www.popesprayer.va) (www.popesprayer.va). I invite you to listen to his full reflection and join him throughout the month praying for peace.

Fr. Andrew Jasinski

Our deepest sympathy goes out to Steve and Michelle Losing on the death of Michelle's mother, **DOROTHY DUCHSCHERE**.

Our heartfelt condolences also go out to Rosemarie Duval and Darwin and Sandy Duval on the death of their daughter-in-law and sister-in-law, **PHYLLIS DUVAL**.

May Dorothy and Phyllis both share in the gift and promise of eternal life and may God's comfort and peace be with their families in their time of grief.



Welcome

A warm welcome to our newest parishioner, Derek Olson.

Lenten Reconciliation Services

Thursday, March 12

Blessed Sacrament, WF - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 15

Holy Spirit, Fargo - 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 19

St. Anthony's, Fargo - 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 24

Sts. A & J, Fargo - 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 26

Nativity, Fargo - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 27

St. Leo's, Casselton - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, March 29

St. Benedict's, Horace - 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday, March 31

Holy Cross, WF - 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 1

St. Paul's Newman Center - 7:00 p.m.

We are in need of **couples, families or singles**

to act as hosts for Coffee and Donuts following the 8:00 a.m. Mass on Sundays. If you enjoy staying for fellowship after Mass, would you consider volunteering for 1 or 2 Sundays a year? You would be responsible for the set up and clean up but **NO DISHES!** Contact the parish office to volunteer.



St. Benedict Scripture Study Group

Join us every other Tuesday as we gather to reflect on the upcoming Sundays' readings. We will next meet on Tuesday, March 10, at 4:00 p.m.



Emergency Food Pantry Volunteer Opportunity

The Social Justice Committee is partnering with the EFP to provide much-needed food assistance for families in our communities. The demand for food support has increased significantly, and we are seeking volunteers to help with food packaging at the EFP on March 19 and 20. A sign-up sheet is available in the lobby for anyone who feels called to serve. If you have questions or would like more details, please call Jodi at 701-361-3311. Together, we can share Christ's love and help ensure that no family goes hungry.

Events Around the Area

Lenten Fish Fry, Friday, March 20

5:00 - 6:30 p.m., Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
210 5th Ave W, West Fargo ND.

Everyone is welcome! Free-Will offering.

Fr. Gary Luiten is our executive chef for the evening, serving up tasty fish that will make you want more! Proceeds will go to the Blessed Sacrament 2026 youth mission trip to Lincoln, Nebraska.

Stations of the Cross will follow the meal at 7:00 p.m.

Catholic Man Night

Join us on Monday, March 9

6:00 p.m. at Blessed Sacrament Church (210 5th Ave W, West Fargo). The evening starts with adoration and confession from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m., followed by a free-will offering meal and a talk with guest speaker Paul Wilburn, including a short discussion. Eat, pray, and socialize with the guys. Come and bring a friend!

Retrouvaille: Help for Hurting Marriages

March 13 - 15, Fargo, ND

Do you and your spouse have any disconnection in your relationship? You don't need to wait until you're in crisis to take time to reconnect and rediscover one another as you deepen your love and unity. Instead, you can work to build the kind of joyful, connected marriage you have always desired.

For more information visit HelpOurMarriage.com or contact us at (701) 356-7962 or via email at rrretrouvaille@gmail.com.

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS TO MEET

Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, March 10 at St. Anthony's beginning with 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. Any questions, please send an email to Peggy @ pmmots25@gmail.com or call 701-429-1280 or 701-235-1334.



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March 19 - 21

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Learn more at jpiihealingcenter.org

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Men's Retreats at The Abbey of the Hills

Men's Lenten Retreat

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March 13 - 15

*Deadline for registration - March 11

Men's Silent Ignatian Retreat

Introduction to Ignatian Prayer and Learning to Follow God's Divine Will

May 15 - 17 *Deadline to register - May 13

For more information or to register visit

<http://www.abbeyofthehills.org>

Marriage Encounter Weekend March 20 - 22

Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City, ND

Gift your spouse with a Marriage Encounter Weekend!

For more information about Marriage Encounter, or to register for the upcoming weekend, visit

[Worldwide Marriage Encounter \(wwme.org\)](http://WorldwideMarriageEncounter.org).



Trinity Elementary Spotlight



St. Benedict's
is a sponsoring
Parish of JP II
Schools.

During this Lenten season, our students are spending quiet time in Adoration, growing closer to Jesus through prayer and reflection. Even our youngest learners, including PK, are learning how to sit peacefully in His presence. It is a beautiful reminder that no one is too young to begin building a relationship with Christ.

Women's Silent Preached Retreat Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City, ND 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 is led by Fr. Sean Mulligan.

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

**Camp Summit - Middle School Summer Camp,
Red Willow Bible Camp, July 12 - 16**

Join us for an unforgettable Catholic Youth Camp where we step away from the noise of everyday life and draw closer to God. This is your time to pause, reflect, and experience His presence in nature, prayer, fun and fellowship. Come and discover the peace that only He can give, as we grow together in faith and friendship. Come join us, be still, and let God speak to your heart!

Open to all youth entering grades 7 - 9.

Please register at

www.fargodiocese.org/campsummit



**Retreat Conference
with Fr. Wade Menezes**
Maryvale Retreat Center
Valley City, ND **May 29 - 31**

For more information
and to register, go to
<https://maryvalend.org/frmenezes>

Overall Title and Theme of Retreat:

“Work Out Your Salvation!” (Philippians 2:12)
The theology of faithfulness to daily duty.

Individual Titles of Retreat Conferences:

1. “Be Faithful to Your Daily Duty”
2. “Be Other-Centered”
3. “Understand the Reality of Vice and Virtue”
4. “Practice and Live the Sacraments”

Rachel’s Vineyard Retreat: Hope and Healing

Have you, or someone you know, suffered from the physical, emotional, or spiritual effects of a past abortion? Rachel’s Vineyard offers a safe, non-judgmental and confidential weekend retreat for anyone – including women, men, couples, grandparents or siblings - who struggle with the feelings of loss or guilt that can accompany an abortion experience.

The weekend begins on Friday evening and concludes on Sunday afternoon. The next two Rachel’s Vineyard Retreats in the Diocese of Fargo are scheduled for

April 17 - 19 and **November 6 - 8**. For more information, contact, Sherry at 701-520-1229 or Tim at 701-799-2051 or email rvregister@yahoo.com.

All inquiries are strictly confidential.



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

You are invited on a pilgrimage to Greece & Turkey with Bishop John Folda. Visit the holy sites of Kusadasi, Patmos, Athens, Meteora, Thessaloniki, Kavala, and Istanbul. Trace the path of St. Paul, reflect on his letters, grow in fellowship, and deepen your personal encounter with Christ. More detailed information can be found at www.fargodiocese.org/pilgrimages-greece or <https://www.lpjp.org/trips/gr26>

Employment Opportunities

The Sisters of Mary of the Presentation (Maryvale convent), Valley City, ND is seeking a full-time (32 hours/week) **Administrative Assistant / Bookkeeper** to provide routine clerical duties, HR, payroll tasks, health insurance, etc.

Candidate needs to be knowledgeable in word processing, be well-organized, a clear communicator, and able to work well in a team. Knowledge of Medicare, Excel, Publisher, and Quickbooks Online is a plus. Excellent pay and benefits. Send resume to David at maryvalemanager@gmail.com For more information, call 701-840-3512.

Women’s Care Center is seeking a PT or FT Counselor. Degreed or non-degreed candidates are encouraged to apply. Contact Angela at angela@wccnd.com or 701-532-1928 for more information

JPII Catholic Schools Open Positions: For more information on all jobs, visit <https://www.jp2schools.org/careers>.

- **Executive Administrative Assistant, President’s Office** (1.0 FTE) - The candidate will provide a wide variety of complex and confidential support.
- **Advancement Officer** - The Advancement Officer will increase the school’s capacity for fundraising major gifts and serve as an ambassador for the St. John Paul II Catholic Schools.
- **Head Volleyball Coach** - Shanley High School (Fall 2026)
- **Kindergarten Teacher** – Nativity Elementary School (Fall 2026)
- **Religion Teacher** - Sacred Heart Middle School (Fall 2026)
- **Math Teacher** - Sacred Heart Middle School (Fall 2026)
- **English Language Arts Teacher** - Sacred Heart Middle School (Fall 2026)
- **Little Deacons Substitutes** – Holy Spirit Elementary School

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