

Parish Bulletin for St Rose  
& St William's of Norwich



We would like to welcome you to our parish in Hillsboro, North Dakota and Mission in Argusville. We share resources and are associated with the [Catholic Diocese of Fargo](http://www.catholicdioceseoffargo.org).



#### Parish Office Hours

**St Rose –Thursday**  
9:30 – 11:30

**St Williams - .**

#### Welcome Visitors & New Parishioners

Registration forms are available in the church office and at the Information desk in the hallway. Those of you who are MEMBERS - Please let us know if you have a change of address, or if you have a new phone number. Help us keep costs down by letting us know when you move. Thank you!

#### **HOMEBOUND COMMUNION:**

Homebound parishioners unable to come to Mass should notify the parish office so that Holy Communion may be brought to you.

## St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church

**503 3<sup>rd</sup> St SE Hillsboro, N.D 58045**

**Parish Office: 701-636-4541**

[www.strosehillsboro.church](http://www.strosehillsboro.church)

## St William's of Norwich Catholic Church

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**Parish Office: 701-484-5211**

[www.stwilliamschurch.org](http://www.stwilliamschurch.org)

**November 26, 2023**

### **The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe**

With Winter's approach, the leaves on our trees are dying, animals need shelter, and the influence of the sun weakens. As the end of the year closes in upon us, we don't like the darkness, cold, and death of our gardens, flowers and plants. Yet we know that death is natural. Death is part of life.

Death and life go hand-in-hand. That truth is part of what the Church proclaims on the Solemnity of Christ the King. The feast of Christ the King is the last Sunday of the Church year. The Church year itself dies this week, so to speak. Next Sunday a new year begins in order to help us celebrate the birth of God made man.

Yet while Advent—the first season of the Church year—focuses upon the birth of God as man in this world, the last Sunday of the year—today's Solemnity of Christ the King—focuses upon the Last Judgment. At the Last Judgment, Christ the King will call all the peoples of all the nations throughout the course of history to Himself, and judge each person one-by-one.

While we're blessed to know what our final judgment will look like, this blessing is a two-edged sword. Because we have heard

the Gospel proclaimed, we'll never be able to say that we didn't know what God asked from us, and how our faith was meant to shape our earthly days. Jesus makes it very clear that whether we will be admitted into the Kingdom of God depends in large measure upon whether or not the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy were the measure by which we sought to love Christ the King in our needing neighbor.

**Reconciliation: Saturday - 4:00 PM Sunday – 7:30 AM**

By Appt. – Call Msgr. Skonseng @ 636-4541

**Mass Times:**

**Intentions**

Nov. 27<sup>th</sup> Mon. No Mass  
 Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> Tue. Adoration 6-7 Mass @ 7:00PM +Erica Kritzberger  
 Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Wed. 8:30 AM Mass +Claudette Merck  
 Nov. 29<sup>th</sup> Wed. Reconciliation 5:30-6:15 St. Williams  
 Nov. 30<sup>th</sup> Thur. 9:00AM Mass Pauline Slovarp  
 Coffee & Rolls following Mass in Social Hall  
 Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> Fri. 9:30 AM Mass Care Center +Kenneth Vettel  
 Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Sat Mass @ 5:00 PM Hillsboro Past & Present  
 Members of St. Rose Altar Society  
 Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. Mass @ 8:30 AM Argusville Parishioners  
 Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. Mass @ 10:30 AM Adoration following Mass Hillsboro  
 +Ann Colness



**Ministry Schedule:**

**St Rose of Lima**

**Care Center:** Reader Friday Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> Tammy Kaufman  
 Mass at 9:30 AM

**Saturday Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> Mass @ 5:00PM**

**Lector:** Chuck Breen

**Euch. Ministers:** Chuck Breen & Joe Hastings

**Altar Servers:** Anthony & Josiah & Miguel Mootz

**Gift Bearers:** Joe & Bridget Hastings

**Ushers:** Joe & Bridget Hastings

**St William's**

**Sunday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> Mass @8:30 AM**

**Reader:** Tim Keckler

**EM:** Scott Monson & Julie Keckler

**Servers:** Maria Fritel & Clay Ueckert

**Cleaning:** Barbara Olerud & Kristie Monson

**Church Information**

**Staff**

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(DRE St Williams)

(Council Chair St Williams)

Kirk Howatt

**Marriage:**

Contact parish office 6-9 months prior to schedule marriage prep classes.

**Baptism:**

Contact parish office during pregnancy to schedule prep classes.

**Joining the Catholic Church:**

If you are hoping to become Catholic, please contact Msgr. Skonseng. He will meet with you, discuss the process and help you get started on your journey to becoming Catholic.

## **St. Rose of Lima**

**Sunday Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Mass 10:30 AM**

**Lector: Rose Crotty**

**Euch: Rose Crotty & Leo Paintner**

**Altar Servers: Archer Kritzberger, Jack Podoll, Rowdy Boeddeker**

**Gift Bearers: Jeff & Rita Mootz**

**Ushers: Cody Kritzberger & Leo Paintner**

**Money Counters: Dec. & Jan. Rich & Nancy Gehrke**

### **St. Williams Parish Events**

**We are starting a service project for the month of November.**

*Give thanks for all we are given. Support Local Non-Profit, Down Home, and Give the Gifts of Dignity and Stability! Down Home empowers lives for families and individuals emerging from homelessness in our community through transforming their space into a place to call home. Be a part of the incredible impact by purchasing items from their wish list to be used in Welcome Home Baskets for the families they serve. Learn more about Down Home by visiting their website at [down-home.org](http://down-home.org). Wish list items are printed on the turkey feathers at the church entrance.*

### **St. Rose CCD & DRE corner:**

Dec 3, Sun evening: St Rose Christmas caroling around community!

Dec 17, Sun: 10:30 Youth mass, 11:30 CCD Christmas program, KC Pancake Breakfast

### **St. Rose Parish Events.**

**Collection:** Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> \$1010 Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> \$894

**Men's Group:** Meet Wednesday at 6:30AM full breakfast with discussion on the book "Protestantism"

**Food Pantry:** The Food Pantry is looking for any food items anyone can give right now as they are very short on food and other items also. Please consider the needs of others during this Holiday season.

**K-C's Calendars:** The 2024 St. Rose K-C calendars tickets are in and may be purchased; see a K-C member with tickets or Stuart McCoy at NAPA.

**K-C's Members & deceased member spouses:** The Knights will be having a appreciation supper for members and **deceased member spouses** on Monday December 4<sup>th</sup> after a 5:30 Mass. Please see signup sheet on back table to sign up for this event. All K-C members and spouses are included. We need to know how many will be coming to this to plan the meal. Mark your calendar and hope to see you on the 4<sup>th</sup>.

### **Making Room for Donated Piano**

The piano in the Parish Center is not able to stay in tune, and we are removing it. St. Rose Parish is blessed to be given a used piano from Bonnie Mueller. The piano originally belonged to her grandmother. It is in beautiful condition and plays well. We thank Bonnie for this piano. It will replace the worn out piano. If you would like the wood from the piano which we are removing or the piano bench, please contact Julie Zerface at 701-430-3347.

## Changes in Celebration of Mass

Following advice from the members of St. Rose Parish Council, I will be making changes in a couple of practices during our celebration of Masses which can be changed. Beginning on this Saturday evening, November 18th, at the Youth Mass, the children who are in pre-kindergarten and the elementary grades will be invited to come before the altar and put their gifts of money into the collection basket which I will be holding. The participation of the children in this manner will take place at Saturday Vigil Masses and Sunday Masses. A second change is that we will have less announcements before Mass. We will not announce the Mass intentions for the week because they are printed in the bulletin and included in the Prayer of the Faithful at Mass. We will not announce the names of those who are sick and suffering because they are printed in the bulletin, and we often have prayers for the sick and suffering in the Prayer of the Faithful. We will not announce the names of the adults who are exercising liturgical ministries because their names are printed in the bulletin. We will announce the names of the children and youth who exercise liturgical ministries to give them encouragement and support. Another change is that we will have less announcements after the prayer after Holy Communion. Almost all announcements are already publicized in the bulletin. We will make the most important announcements and keep them shorter. I hope that these changes will help to make a more prayerful environment for Mass and help us to better participate in receiving the Word of God and the Holy Eucharist and responding with reverence and gratitude to God. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## Msgr. Skonseng Away for Funeral of Father Bitz

I will be away for the Funeral Mass of Father Al Bitz on Monday, November 27th. The Mass will take place at St. Philip Neri Church in Napoleon. There will be no 8:30 AM Mass at St. Rose of Lima Church on Monday. Please pray that God may grant eternal life to Father Bitz, and that Jesus, our eternal Good Shepherd, may welcome Father Bitz to the sanctuary of heaven. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## God's Gift Appeal 2023

I thank you who have given to God's Gift Appeal in 2023. The God's Gift Goal for St. William's Parish is \$11,174.00. The amount which the members of St. William's Parish have pledged is \$9,960.00, which is about 89% of our goal. The God's Gift Appeal Goal for St. Rose of Lima Parish is \$25,217.00. The members of St. Rose of Lima Church have pledged \$23,340.00, which is about 93% of our goal. It would be great, if you who have not yet given a gift to God's Gift Appeal could still give a gift in 2023 to help us reach our goals for St. William's and St. Rose of Lima Parishes. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## Adoration

On next Sunday, December 3rd, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the prayer after Communion at the 10:30 AM Mass. After the prayer after Communion, I will expose the Blessed Sacrament, and we will be in the presence of Jesus, adoring Him and praying to Him. Adoration will last a half hour. You can pray for a few minutes and go, or you can pray for the whole half hour and receive the Benediction at the conclusion. During the Eucharistic Revival, all parishes in the United States are encouraged to deepen their faith in and devotion to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. --- Msgr. Skonseng

<b><u>Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick &amp; Suffering</u></b> <b><u>St. Rose:</u></b> Sarah Cotton, Stacey Paintner
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Yvonne Anderson, Pennie Feickert, Dennis Goltz, Karen Schumacher, Francis Kritzberger, Elaina Mueller, Deb Kritzberger, Jackie Lovas, Pat Elliot, Cel Baumgartner, Dave Schill, Hank Geray, Bob Tabatt
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<b><u>St. William's :</u></b> Mary Sahl, Kathy Anderson, Jeff McKinnon, Ashley Moore, Larry Goldade
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## **Solemnity of Christ the King**

We celebrate the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, on this Sunday, November 26th. This is the 34th Sunday and last Sunday in Ordinary Time, and it is fitting to celebrate by worshipping Christ the King of all people of every time and place for all ages. “The Lord is our shepherd (Psalm 23). He will ‘judge between one sheep and another, between rams and goats’ (Matthew 15:32), between those who have lived lives for others, and those who have lived for themselves” (Order of Prayer in the Liturgy of the Hours and Celebration of the Eucharist, p. 275). Let us bow down and worship Christ the King!

## **Prayer and Reflection on the Holy Eucharist**

When I am feeling oppressed and overwhelmed, do I seek the Blessed Sacrament, either by going to Mass or by finding my way to adoration of the Sacrament? Lord Jesus, thank you for bringing heaven to earth in the Holy Sacrament. Draw me to yourself that I may be loosed from the fetters that weigh me down.

## **Made for Greatness Men’s Winter Retreat**

This retreat for men will take place on January 19-21, 2024, at Maryvale, Valley City. It will be particularly focused on equipping men to be dynamic, godly leaders in their homes. Internationally renowned speaker, author, husband, and father, Devin Schadt, will unpack the means for men to lead their families to the fullness of life that God intends for them. In addition to profound insights and transformative sacramental encounters, this retreat will feature lots of meat, adult beverages, times of recreation, and will forge lasting bonds of brotherhood. Made for Greatness retreats commonly fill up months in advance, so secure your spot today at [www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-winter](http://www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-winter). Contact Brad Gray at (701) 356-7903 with any questions you might have.

## **Retreat Opportunities at Maryvale:**

- **Men’s Retreats with Fr. Jason Lefor Beloved Husband Retreat**, November 30-December 2, 2023

- **Beloved Father Retreat**, February 1-3, 2024

- **Couples Retreats** with Deacon Ben and Jennine Seitz Virtues: Building Blocks for Great Lives and Joy Filled Marriages December 8-10, 2023 and February 9-11, 2024

- **SEARCH for Youth**, January 11-14, 2024

- **Women’s Silent Ignatius Retreat**, April 4-7, 2024

For more information and registration go to the website of the Diocese of Fargo and find “Retreats at Maryvale,” or contact the website of Maryvale Retreat Center.

## **March for Life: Washington, DC**

The Dobbs decision a little over a year ago reversed 50 years of legalized abortion under Roe v. Wade. This was a great victory, and we are very thankful for this important decision for life. However, Dobbs did not outlaw abortion, it merely said that each state can decide their own abortion laws and regulations. Because of that, we still march to raise awareness to the dignity and value of life. This year’s march will look different for the Diocese of Fargo. Historically, we have flown, but to reduce costs we will partner with the Diocese of Bismarck and take a bus. Trip details for the March for Life are: it is for all 9-12 grade students, it will take place on January 15-20, 2024, at Washington, DC, and it costs \$675.00/person (scholarships available). To learn more, visit [www.fargodiocese.org/marchforlife](http://www.fargodiocese.org/marchforlife).

