

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

107 Drake Ave Argusville, N.D. 58005

Parish Office: 701-484-5211

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

**January 21, 2024**

**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**



God tells Jonah in Sunday's First Reading to *"set out for the great city of Ninevah, and announce to it the message that I will tell you."* He walked through this *"enormously large city"*, announcing to its people that it would be destroyed in forty days. Jonah's words and action here might seem crazy to someone who knows nothing of God. In the Gospel Reading, Jesus called the fishermen Simon, Andrew, James, and John: *"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."* They left everything—boats, nets, fish, family—and followed Him immediately. This would not seem to a worldly man to be a well thought out, sane action. But consider what motivated them. God in the souls of Jonah and the first apostles moved them to

action.

It's within Jesus—that is, within His Mystical Body—that the Holy Spirit most powerfully works in the world. Within the Church the Holy Spirit calls and empowers us who are members of this Body. Through the Church we know that the Psalmist's call will be fulfilled when we ourselves sing, *"Teach me your ways, O Lord."* Through the Church the Holy Spirit will enlighten and inspire each of us who is willing to allow God to motivate us for the sake of accomplishing His divine will.

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

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

**Mass Times:**

Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup> Mon. 8:30 AM Mass

Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup> Tue. 6-7 Adoration 7:00 PM Mass  
Unborn Children

Jan. 24<sup>th</sup> Wed. 8:30 AM Mass

Jan. 25<sup>th</sup> Thur. 8:30 AM Mass

Coffee & Rolls following Mass in Social Hall

Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Fri. 9:30 AM Mass Care Center

Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> Sat Mass @ 5:00 PM St. Rose

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Sun. Mass @ 8:30 AM St. Rose

Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Sun. Mass @ 10:30 AM St. Williams

**Intentions**

Evan Gershkovich

Legal Protection of

+Kenneth Vettel

+Wilbur & Monica Daniel

+Fr. Al Bitz

Leo Ackerman

Parishioners

+Philip Huck



**Ministry Schedule:**

**St Rose of Lima**

**Care Center:** Reader Friday Jan 26<sup>th</sup> Meghan Breen  
Mass at 9:30 AM

**St. Rose of Lima**

**Saturday Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> Mass 5:00 PM**

**Lector:** Ken Cotton

**Euch:** Ken Cotton & Andrea Dufner

**Altar Servers:** Ava Smith & Archer Kritzberger

**Gift Bearers:** Dawn & Gavin Vadnie

**Ushers:** Cody Kritzberger & John Wright

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

**Sunday Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Mass 8:30 AM**

**Lector:** Rich Gehrke

**Euch:** Rich Gehrke & Tammy Kaufman

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

## Church Information

### Staff

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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.

**Gift Bearers:** Joe & Bridget Hastings

**Ushers:** Greg & Kari Cotton

**St. William's**  
**Sunday Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Mass @10:30 AM**

**Reader:** Tim Keckler   **EM:** Scott Monson & Nathan Keller

**Servers:** Evelyn & Josie Schell

**Cleaners/ Coffee- Rolls:** Judy & Rachel Gingrey

**St William's Church will be hosting Holy Heavenly Hotdish fundraiser,** Sunday January 28th from 1130pm-130pm. Free will offering meal and silent auction event. All proceeds will benefit our Catholic Youth Organization and Altar Society. For questions about the event please contact Lisa Steinberger 701-430-2318 and Amanda Davidson 701-629-0281.

**Candidates for Confirmation**

The Confirmation candidates of St. William's Parish are Emery Davidson, Manuel Chadduck, Hadley Steinberger, Felicity Steinberger, and Rowan Wilner. They will be participating in their Confirmation Retreat with their parents this Sunday, January 21st, from 11:30 AM to 3:00 PM in St. William's Hall and Church. We welcome the candidates from St. Rose of Lima Parish and their parents who are joining us for this retreat. These candidates will also be receiving their First Holy Eucharist in the spring. Please pray for them that the Holy Spirit may lead them to a greater knowledge of Jesus Christ our Lord and a closer union with Him and the Church.

**St. William's Parish Council**

We will have a Parish Council meeting on Wednesday, January 24th, at 7:30 PM in the Parish Hall. The ex-officio members are Msgr. Dennis Skonseng, Pastor, Deacon Curt Kaufman, Deacon, Lacey Steinberger, Coordinator of Religious Education, Nicole Ueckert (Altar Society), and Kirk Howatt (Men's Club). The appointed members are Jay Metzger (Lay Director), Joel Herman (Lay Director), Christ Walski (Social Justice), Dan Gingrey (Buildings and Grounds and Synod Delegate), Kayla Henderson (Turkey Dinner), and Liz Thompson (Liturgy). If you have any needs, concerns, or projects which you would like the Parish Council to address, please contact one of the members of the council. Please pray for us who are on the Parish Council to serve well Christ and St. William's Parish.

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

- \* Confirmation retreat this Sun, Jan 21 at St William's in Argusville starting with 11:30 lunch until 3pm. Please pray for our six 3rd gr confirmands: Holden Breidenbach, Blakely Lee, Breanna Podoll, Vivian Riemer, Myah Schildberger, Gabriel Smallbeck
- \* Wed, Jan 24: Circle of Grace safe environment lessons during CCD time. Watch for letter to be sent home with students.
- \* Wed, Jan 31: parent meeting for 2nd gr Reconciliation 6:30-7:30pm in family room
- \* Sun, Feb 4: Reconciliation retreat for 2nd gr + parents 11:30 lunch - 3:00 at St Rose
- \* Sun, Feb 11 (NOTE DATE CHANGE): 10:30 Youth Mass, followed by parish potluck!
- \* UND Fighting Hawks hockey game. Friday, Mar 1, 7pm vs Western Michigan. St Rose has secured discounted tickets: \$15/youth, \$20/adult. Open to all parishioners + friends! Reserve through Andrea (cell 319-505-7632) before Jan 26.

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

**Collection:** Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> \$1527 CCD youth \$1500 K-C rolls \$194

**Men's Group:** Meet Wednesday at 6:30AM full breakfast with discussion on the handout "Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy". .

**Free folding tables:** There are 2 free Masonite folding tables to give away, were used for the manger and are no longer needed. They will be in the Centers hallway, first for the taking.

**K-C Calendar drawing winners:** Jan. 8 \$100 Justin Mueller Jan. 9 \$100 Mya Belrich Jan. 10 \$100 Becca Dufner Jan. 11 \$100 Mike Kozojed Jan 12 \$100 Brandon Muller Jan. 13 \$400 Bryce Miller Jan. 14 \$200 Tim Kozojed

**Real Presence Radio Banquet:** Monday, Feb. 26, 2024 Fargo Delta Hotel 5:30-6:30 social hour 6:30 program & dinner. Cy Kellett speaker (host of "Catholic Answers Live"). If interested contact Msgr. Skonseng or Leo Painter.

### **February 4th, 5:30-7:30 Part 2 of "The Mass" video series with Bishop Robert Barron**

Even if you missed last month, join us this month to walk through the Liturgy with Bishop Barron and be transformed through insights on this most privileged and intimate encounter with our Lord Jesus Christ. "The Mass" series will help you understand how to fully, consciously, and actively participate in the source and summit of the Christian life. **Accompanying lesson packets can be found in the green folder in the back of the church if you wish to study the materials before the video showing.**

Potluck begins at 5:30, followed by the video, lesson, and discussion at the Parish Center. All ages are welcome-a movie will be provided for younger children.

## **St. Rose Parish Council**

We will have a Parish Council meeting on Tuesday, January 23rd, at 7:45 PM in the Parish Center. The ex-officio members are Msgr. Dennis Skonseng, Pastor; Deacon Curt Kaufman, Deacon; John Wright and Dave Schill, Lay Directors; Andrea Dufner, Coordinator of Religious Education; Chris Mueller, Grand Knight of Knights of Columbus; and Cece Cotton, President of Altar Society. The appointed members are Jordan Hjelle, Bill Kritzberger, Bridget Hastings, Rocki Fiebigler, Maria Bach, and Nicholas Wright (youth representative). If you have any needs, concerns, or projects which you would like the Parish Council to address, please contact one of the members of the council. Please pray for us who are on the Parish Council to serve well Christ and St. Rose Parish. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## **Special Collection Totals for Second Half of 2023**

Black and Native American \$227.00

World Mission Sunday \$879.00

Religious Retirement \$397.00

Holy Land Special Collection \$664.00

Building Thanksgiving Collection \$8,805.00

We also deposited \$765.00 into the Cemetery Fund from the sales of lots and memorials given in 2023.

Thank you for your generosity in giving to these collections to respond to the needs of our parish, the Church in the United States, and the Church throughout the world

## **Welcome to Parish Meeting about the Synod of the Diocese of Fargo with Cody Kritzberger, Delegate**

All members of St. Rose of Lima Parish are welcome to meet with Cody Kritzberger, our parish delegate to the Synod Assembly of the Diocese of Fargo, this Sunday, January 21st, after the 8:30 AM Mass in the Parish Center. The meeting will begin after the drawing held by the Knights of Columbus around 9:45 AM. You can share with him the needs of our parish, the ministries and services which will respond to these needs, and what the Holy Spirit is saying to you about what is most important for the mission of the Church today. You may also write up a proposal on the proposal sheet available in the synod materials at the entrances of the church and give it to Cody.

<p><b><u>Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick &amp; Suffering</u></b> <b>St. Rose:</b> Yvonne Anderson, Pennie Feickert, Dennis Goltz, Karen Schumacher, Francis Kritzberger, Elaina Mueller, Deb Kritzberger, Jackie Lovas, Pat Elliot, Cel Baumgartner, Hank Geray, Sarah Cotton, Paul Breen, Bob Tabatt, Tom Salzwedel, Howard Cotton</p>
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<p><b><u>St. William's :</u></b> Mary Sahl, Kathy Anderson, Jeff McKinnon, Ashley Moore, Larry Goldade</p>
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### **Week of Prayer for Christian Unity**

The week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on Thursday, January 18th, and ends on Thursday, January 25th, on the Feast Day of the Conversion of St. Paul, the Apostle. Please pray for unity among Christians, as Jesus prayed: "I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one, as you, Father, are in me and I in you, that they also may be in us, that the world may believe that you sent me" (John 17:20-21).

### **Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children**

Monday, January 22nd, is the anniversary of the Supreme Court decision, Roe vs. Wade (1973). On this date, all dioceses of the United States shall observe "a day of prayer for the full restoration of the legal guarantee of the right to life and of penance for violations to the dignity of the human person committed through acts of abortion" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, no. 373). On June 24, 2022, the Supreme Court in the case of Dobbs vs. Jackson Women's Health Organization ruled that the states should determine whether abortion should be legal. Since that decision, some states, such as North Dakota, have made laws to protect the unborn from abortion, and other states, such as Minnesota, have legalized abortion for all nine months of pregnancy. Some states have even made it legal to commit infanticide, that is, to kill babies who survive abortion. Therefore, it is important that we continue our prayers and penances for the legal protection of unborn children throughout the United States.

### **Sunday of the Word of God**

On September 30, 2019, Pope Francis declared: "The Third Sunday of Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity (Aperuit Illis, #3)." "Aperuit illis" comes from this Scripture verse: "He opened their minds to understand the scriptures" (Luke 24:45). January 21, 2024, is the Third Sunday of Ordinary Time. Let us open our minds and hearts to the Sacred Scriptures as we hear the Word of God proclaimed at Mass, meditated upon in our daily prayer, and studied for a greater understanding of its truth and for living according to God's Word in our daily life.

**9 Days for Life:** Pray to Protect Human Life! 9 days for life starts this week on Tuesday January 16<sup>th</sup>. 9 Days for Life is the US Catholic bishops annual novena surrounding the Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children. [prolife@usccb.org](mailto:prolife@usccb.org) [undefined:prolife@usccb.org]

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

In what ways do I seek to give myself to Christ entirely as he gives himself to me in Holy Communion? Lord Jesus, I desire to know your divine personality in the sacrament of the Most Holy Eucharist

### **Beautiful Eucharist**

Beautiful Eucharist is a book produced by Matthew Kelly. The book is made up of reflections on the Holy Eucharist by several Catholics to tell us how Jesus is wonderfully present in the Eucharist to nourish and transform our lives. There are plenty of books remaining at the entrances to the church. Please take them for your family members, friends, other parishioners, and any Catholics whom you desire to have a close and grace-filled relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist.

### **Friends of Chimbote**

The Friends of Chimbote is an organization which has its beginnings in the missionary work for Father Jack Davis, a priest from the Diocese of Fargo who served the poor in the city of Chimbote, Peru, most of his priesthood. The mission of the Friends of Chimbote is to transform the lives of the poor through education and action. The new Executive Director of Friends of Chimbote is Mike Smith, who is succeeding Todd Mickelson. Katie, Mike's wife, will be working closely with him on the mission of the Friends of Chimbote. Katie's maiden name is Breen, and she is from Hillsboro. Copies of The Journey, a publication for the community of Friends of Chimbote supporters, have been placed on the tables in the entrance of the church for you to take and read to think about how the Lord may be calling you to be part of this mission to transform the lives of the poor in Chimbote, Peru.

### **Retrouvaille: A Lifeline for Married Couples**

A Retrouvaille weekend will take place on March 2-3 in Fargo. Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information, call (701) 356-7903 or visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com).

### **Peter's Pence Collection**

Today, Sunday, January 21st, is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. At St. Rose of Lima Parish, use the envelope in your box of offering envelopes. At St. William's Parish, use one of the envelopes placed on the table at the entrance of the church. Please write checks out to St. Rose of Lima Church or St. William's Church. Please be generous today. For more information, visit [www.obolodisanpietro.va/es.html](http://www.obolodisanpietro.va/es.html).

## **Synod Assembly for the Third Synod of the Diocese of Fargo**

Bishop Folda called for this synod of the Diocese of Fargo on Pentecost Sunday, June 5, 2022. The last diocesan synod was in 1951. When Bishop Folda called for this synod, he said: I believe we can all see that we are living in an era of change both in our world and in our culture. Some of those changes are positive, and some of them are not. But in the face of those changes, the Church must come to a renewed understanding of her identity as a communion in Christ, the People of God, animated by the grace and gifts of the Holy Spirit. Our diocesan Church is one with the universal Church, and we share in the mission that Jesus gave to his apostles, to “go make disciples of all nations.” Through this diocesan synod, we will gather in communion and charity to reflect upon the times in which we live, with all their opportunities and challenges. We will discern the grace of the Holy Spirit at work in our diocesan family, and we will accept once more the invitation of our Lord to proclaim the Good News of our faith to the world. Since the opening of the synod, the Diocese of Fargo has been preparing for the Synod Assembly through listening sessions throughout the diocese and in other ways. The Synod Assembly for the Third Synod of the Diocese of Fargo will soon take place on April 11-13, 2024, in Fargo. The Synod Assembly will include all active priests and deacons of the diocese, delegates from all parishes of the diocese, and other delegates chosen by Bishop Folda. The Directory for the Third Synod of the Diocese of Fargo states: “The purpose of the diocesan synod is to assist the bishop in the exercise of the office proper to him, namely, that of governing the Christian community” (p. 1). It states further: “This diocesan synod is not a parliament which puts the teachings of the Church up for a vote. Rather, it is an instrument for discerning the best way to make available the gifts of the Church, including her timeless doctrines, sacramental life, and pastoral care, to the people of Eastern North Dakota in our concrete circumstances” (p. 1).

Copies of the focus areas and questions to consider which Bishop Folda presented to us and a synod proposal sheet with a sample proposal are on the tables at the entrances of the church. You may take a copy and write up a proposal for the synod. If the Holy Spirit has placed some instruction or some action on your mind and heart for the diocesan synod to consider, please contact the priest, the deacon, or the delegate of your parish, or if you have written a proposal give it to one of them. The delegate of St. Rose of Lima Parish is Cody Kritzberger. His phone number is 701-430-3267. His email address is codykritz@gmail.com. The delegate of St. William’s Parish is Daniel Gingrey. His phone number is 701-219-4698. His email is degingrey@hotmail.com. Bishop Folda has asked all of us to pray for this synod during our Eucharistic Revival. Copies of the Synod Prayer are on the tables at the entrances of the church. Please pray for the Holy Spirit to guide this Synod Assembly.

--- Msgr. Skonseng

## **Cursillo Retreat Coming This Winter**

Cursillo is a simple program to help you get to know your Catholic faith and help you grow as a Christian spiritually, mentally, actively and in community with other faith-filled Catholics. Cursillo is offering a men’s retreat at the St. Francis Retreat Center in Hankinson on February 29-March 3, and a women’s retreat at the Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City on March 14-17. For more information, men contact Gary Bausch at (701) 490-0679, and women contact Natasha Volchenko at (701) 849-2040.

## **The Catholic Leader**

You are welcome to take a copy of the magazine, The Catholic Leader, home for your spiritual reading. The Catholic Leader is a family magazine dedicated to providing wholesome and inspirational reading for the enjoyment and enrichment of Catholics. It is free. Copies are given and shipped to our parishes for no cost.