

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 3rd St SE Hillsboro, N.D 58045

Parish Office: 701-636-4541

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

November 24, 2024

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



“Jesus is the Alpha and the Omega”, the First and the Last, *“the one who is and who was and who is to come”*. Jesus Christ embodies all the virtues, from humility to divine love. Our Gospel passage leads us to look on Jesus as our King, who shows humility and divine love in submitting Himself to sinful man. Pilate and Jesus stand face-to-face. Pilate bears the power of the Roman Empire and exercises it with the snap of his fingers. Pilate plainly explains to Jesus that he has the power to crucify Him. Jesus responds to all of Pilate’s questions, demands, and threats with what may seem to be disinterested resignation.

In the Nicene Creed that we profess at Holy Mass, there are only three human beings whom we mention by name. Not surprisingly, two of them are Jesus and His Blessed Mother. But the third isn’t even a member of God’s Chosen People. The third is not Abraham or Moses, Peter or Paul, but a pagan by the name of Pontius Pilate. But why? The Fathers of the Church who composed the Nicene Creed in the year A. D. 325 could, conceivably, have written that part of the Creed without mentioning Pontius Pilate. But perhaps they wanted to make a statement about worldly power: that Pontius Pilate is a symbol of all those who put their faith and trust in worldly

power. St. Teresa of Calcutta explained that “God writes straight with crooked lines.” God can use crooked men such as Pontius Pilate as His instruments, just as surely as God can use His faithful people as His instruments. Here again is the topsy-turviness of Good Friday. Pontius Pilate thought he was serving his earthly Caesar by delivering Jesus over to death. In fact, he was serving God’s Providential Will, whether he knew it or not. Human history is the drama of God’s grace warring against human sinfulness. Right in the center is Jesus Christ at the top of Calvary. In Christ, who reigns from the Cross, we have the King who wants us to share in His victory by our entering into His life and imitating Him through His grace. Yet God only offers you His grace: He does not force it upon you. God’s grace will flow around you, if you divert it from your life. But on the other hand, God’s grace is always there, ready to flood your life, to destroy only sin and the power of death. No matter how many times we divert God’s grace, God has another plan for allowing His grace to reach its goal, and for allowing each of us, living in that grace, to rest in God’s divine love for all eternity.

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

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

Mass Times:

Nov. 25th Mon 8:30 AM Mass

Nov. 26th Tue. 6-7 PM Adoration Mass @ 7

Nov. 27th Wed. 8:30 AM Mass

Nov. 28th Thurs 9:00 AM Mass

Nov. 29th Fri.. 9:30 AM Mass @ Care Center

Nov. 30th Sat. Mass 5:00 PM St. Rose

Dec. 1st Sun. Mass @ 8:30 AM St. William’s

Waltzing

Dec. 1st Sun. Mass @ 10:30 AM St. Rose

Intentions

+Mary Breker

+Fred Forde

+ Fern Schill

+ Francis Kritzberger

+Hank Geray

+Lorraine Tibert

+Andrew & Barbara

Parishioners



Ministry Schedule:

St Rose of Lima

Care Center: Reader Friday Nov. 29th

Meghan Breen

Mass @ 9:30 AM

Saturday November 30th

Mass 5:00 PM

Lector: Amber Podoll

Euch: Amber Podoll & Jordan Hjelle

Altar Servers: Jack & Brianna Podoll, Miguel Mootz

Gift Bearers& Ushers: Bill & Austin Cotton

Money Counters: Dec. Jan: Rich & Nancy Gehrke

Church Information

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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.

Sunday December 1st

Mass 10:30 AM

Lector: Chuck Breen

Euch: Chuck Breen & Leo Paintner

Altar Servers: Jillian, Cade, Gracie Mueller

Gift Bearers & Ushers: Cody & Jen Kritzberger

St. William's

Sunday December 1st

Mass @ 8:30 AM

Reader: Tim Keckler

Euch. Minister: Scott Monson & Julie Keckler

Altar Servers: Maria Fritel & Clay Ueckert

St. William's Religious Education

Elementary class 6:30-7:30 High school class 6:45-7:45

Wednesday November 27th No Class

RE Meal Servers:

St. Rose Religious Education

* **No CCD classes this Wed (Nov 27), Happy Thanksgiving!**

* Dec 1, Sun. St Rose Christmas Caroling: all ages & singing abilities welcome! Meet in social hall at 5pm. We'll drive/carpool to various locations around Hillsboro. Dress for the weather, but we'll be spreading cheer indoors most of the time. Supper generously provided by Altar Society when done (around 7pm).

* Dec 15, Sun. 10:30 Mass, followed by youth Christmas program, then KC pancake breakfast.

St. Rose Parish Events.

Collection: Oct. 27th \$2124 Nov. 3rd \$1242

Men's Group: **No men's group meeting this week. Nov. 27th**

Communion for the homebound: If you know of anyone who is weak of health and would like to receive communion at home, please let us know, as we are starting to resume this practice. Contact Dave Schill 701-436-6227 or Msgr. Skonseng.

Up Coming Events:

The K-C's will meet December 2nd at 7:00 PM will supper at 6:30.

K-C pancake breakfast December 15th after the 10:30 Mass and Christmas program.

Church cleaning:

Monday, November 25th at 5:30 PM. All men and women welcome to help clean in preparation for the holidays.

Shelden's Azure Cards:

After Mass everyone please sign the card on the back table in support of Sheldon's serving overseas in Africa for the next 10 months.

Fall Dinner results:

Thank you to all own St. Rose parishioners who helped in so many ways with our Turkey Dinner! We served 1140 meals, 337 meals in the dining room and 763 take-out meals. The youth were greatly appreciated and so many comments on their parish work! Expenses still pending but approximate income of \$13,000. We look forward to Blessing our church and community with these funds!

Thanksgiving

We will celebrate Mass on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 28th, at 9:00 AM at St. Rose of Lima Church. We give thanks to God for all His blessings in our lives, our families, our parish, our community, and our country, the United States of America. One of the names for the Mass is the Eucharist. Eucharist means to give thanks. At Mass we give thanks to God for all the graces that He has given us in Christ, His Son, by the power of the Holy Spirit. United to Christ, we make of our lives an offering of thanks to God. In thanksgiving for the food on our tables, we will take up the collection for the Traill County Food Pantry so that others may have food on their tables.

Coordinator of Religious Education

St. Rose of Lima Church in Hillsboro, ND, is currently accepting applications for a Coordinator of Religious Education for Pre-K through 12th Grade. This position is part-time and will be responsible for the religious education program and youth activities of the parish. Qualifications for the person applying for this position are actively practicing the Catholic faith, sound knowledge of the Catholic faith, experience in teaching the Catholic faith, ability to organize, ability to communicate well by multiple means of communication, and availability on Wednesday afternoons and evenings and other times as needed. Interested applicants should send: a cover letter addressing the qualifications as listed above, resume, and three professional references with contact information via email to dennis.skonseng@fargodiocese.org. If you have any questions regarding this position, please call Msgr. Dennis Skonseng at (701) 636-4541.

Adoration

On next Sunday, December 1st, 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. This is the last year of the Eucharistic Revival throughout the Catholic Church in the United States. We are focusing on the Mission of Christ and the Church. We are asking Jesus Christ our Lord, who gives His "flesh for the life of the world" (John 6:512), to strengthen us through the Holy Eucharist to carry out the Mission which He has given us. --- Msgr. Skonseng

<p><u>Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick & Suffering</u> <u>St. Rose:</u> Yvonne Anderson, Pennie Feickert, Dennis Goltz, Karen Schumacher, Elaina Mueller, Cel Baumgartner, Sarah Cotton, Tom Salzwedel, Marie (Artz) Henderson, Howard Cotton, Dallas Boeddeker, Char Reinpold, Weston Waters, Deb Kritzberger, Morgan Ptacek, Liz Doherty, Millie Ann McLean, Jack Schummer, Becky Siebels, Bob Green, Jase Coubal</p>

<p><u>St. William's :</u> Mary Sahl, Kathy Anderson, Jeff McKinnon, Ashley Moore,</p>
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Black and Indian Mission Collection

Thank you to everyone who participated in the 139th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support! If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give! At St. Rose of Lima Parish, please use the envelope in your box of offering envelopes. At St. William's Parish, please use the envelopes on the table in the entrance of the church.

Collection for Disaster Relief

Bishop Folda together with the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops have asked us to take up a collection on this weekend, November 23-24 to assist with the many weather-related disasters in recent months, especially the hurricanes which have hit the Southeast. We will have a second collection immediately after the regular parish collection at the Masses. Please write out checks to St. Rose of Lima Church or St. William's Church. We will forward the money from this collection to the Diocese of Fargo, who will send it to where it is needed.

Living Our Faith, Building Our Future

Members of St. Rose of Lima Parish and St. William's Parish, I thank those of you who have given gifts to the Campaign: "Living Our Faith, Building Our Future." The money raised from this campaign will be used for the needs of our priests in their retirement, including a new retirement home in Fargo, and for the renovation and future maintenance of the Maryvale Retreat Center near Valley City. As of November 21, 2024, members of St. Rose of Lima Parish have given \$57,090 in pledges and gifts toward our goal of \$107,440, which is about 53% of our goal. Members of St. William's Parish have given \$35,400 in pledges and gifts toward our goal of \$54,933, which is about 64% of our goal. Remember that 30% of the money given will be used for the needs of our parishes. If we exceed our goal, 70% will go back to our parishes. I hope that more members of our parishes will join me and others who have given to this campaign in making a pledge over the course of four years or what time frame which you choose or making a one-time gift. Please put your envelope with your pledge and/or gift in the collection basket at Mass, or mail it in to the Diocese, or give your pledge or gift online. There are extra envelopes with the pledge form attached on the tables in the entrances of the church. For more information, visit fargodiocese.org/lof. --- Msgr. Skonseng

November 24, 2024 - Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

"Jesus answered, 'My kingdom does not belong to this world.'" (JOHN 18:36) Life is short. How much time, energy and money do you put into building "your" kingdom here on earth? We all know we can't take it with us. The real kingdom is in the next life. Yet, how much time, energy and money do you invest in working for that eternal kingdom? Ask God for His guidance. Detach from earthly possessions. Generously share your material goods with others for the greater glory of God.

Prayer and Reflection on the Holy Eucharist

What titles and wonders of Jesus can you express to him in prayer? Lord, let me sing your praises for your Body and Blood on earth with renewed zeal and love.

Nativity Showcase:

Blessed Sacrament, West Fargo ND is hosting their 2nd Nativity Showcase in December and welcomes everyone to bring their nativities (manger) to display. Call the Parish Office with any questions or to reserve your space. Showcase setup is December 5 – 6. The Showcase is December 7-8. See poster on board.

Upcoming Retreats at Maryvale, Valley City

1. Women in Advent by Stella Jeffreys December 5-7, 2024
2. Men's Silent Retreat December 13-15, 2024
- “Spiritual Combat: A Biblical Perspective” by Fr. Eric Seitz
3. A Fun Get-Away Weekend for Catholic Married Couples January 10-12, 2025
- “Who Am I? Who Are You? Who Are We?”

If you have questions about upcoming retreats, please contact Amanda at 701-845-2864 or Amanda.Kunze@MaryvaleND.org. You can register online for these retreats at the Maryvale website or the Diocese of Fargo website.

Moral Courage and Mercy:

Join the University of Mary for the third annual Saint Gianna Medical Professionals Conference on December 6-7, 2024. Explore the theme "Moral Courage and Mercy: Nurturing Authentic Encounter through Health care" through expert insights and meaningful discussions. This conference inspires health care professionals to transform their practice by upholding the dignity of every person with compassionate, courageous, ethical, and joyful care. Register today at umary.edu/StGiannaConference!

Retreat at Hankinson

Advent Retreat: Our Forebears in Hope St. Francis Retreat Center, Hankinson, ND
Contact Sr. Christiana at 701-242-7195. You can register for this retreat at the St. Francis website or the Diocese of Fargo website.

Made for Greatness Men's Retreat

On February 7-9, 2025, Devin Schadt will be presenting “Get Your House in Order”, a Made for Greatness Winter Men's retreat. This retreat will engage men to make their faith life, families, and parishes as being a priority. Made for Greatness retreats have been pivotal turning points in the lives and hearts of men throughout our diocese and have served to launch local men's groups in various parishes around the diocese. Find out more information by visiting www.fargodiocese.org/mfg-winter or contact Brad Gray at (701) 356-7903 or via email at brad.gray@fargodiocese.org.

