

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

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*March 17, 2024*  
*Fifth Sunday of Lent*



In the Gospel for the Fifth Sunday of Lent, Jesus proposes a parable to help us understand how to live out our fundamental vocation to give of ourselves to others. Today's parable is the image of a grain of wheat being buried in the ground to die so it can bear much fruit. We can relate to this image even if we are not farmers because we don't have to travel far in our diocese to see lush wheat fields. These fields of wheat did not just become lush magically. A farmer buried these seeds into the ground, resulting in new life. Our Lord uses this image first for his disciples to foreshadow his paschal mystery, and second, this parable helps us understand that Christ's paschal mystery must be incorporated into our lives if we want communion with God.

The paschal mystery, which we prepare all of Lent to celebrate, captures the entirety of Christ's work of evangelization in the Gospels, and it is the mystery by which we are meant to be transformed and renewed. Pope John Paul II first used the term **New Evangelization**, which was encouraged by Pope Benedict XVI and Pope Francis. While Pope John Paul II first employed the expression new evangelization, the Second Vatican Council was deeply rooted in promoting the Church's missionary activity to evangelize all nations. John Paul II understood the new evangelization to be for those who have already heard the Good News and have been initiated into the

Mystical Body of Christ, but who need to listen to the message of the Gospel anew. The **new evangelization** is for us to be faithful to our baptismal identity.

As we continue our journey toward the Triduum, let us live out our baptismal identity daily; let us remember that Christ suffered, died, and rose again so that we might have communion with him and one day experience his eternal glory in heaven.

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

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

**Mass Times:**

Mar. 18<sup>th</sup> Mon 8:30 AM

Mar. 19<sup>th</sup> Tue. Adoration 6-7 PM Mass @ 7

Mar. 20<sup>th</sup> Wed. 8:30 AM Mass

Mar. 21<sup>st</sup> Thur. 8:30 AM Mass

Daniel Rolls & Coffee After Mass on Thursday.

Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> Fri. 9:30 AM Mass Care Center

Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> Sat Mass @ 5:00 PM St. Rose

Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Sun. Mass @ 8:30 AM St. Rose

Members of St. Rose Altar Society

Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Sun. Mass @ 10:30 AM St. Williams

**Intentions**

+ Fr. Gerald Myers

+Roy Meyer

+William Stremick

+Evan Gershtovich

+Lorraine M. Gotteberg

+Jim Beitz

Past & Present

Parishioners



**Ministry Schedule:**

**St Rose of Lima**

**Care Center:** Reader Friday Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup> Meghan Breen  
Mass at 9:30 AM

**Saturday Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup> Mass 5:00 PM**

**There will be a short practice for servers 30 minutes prior to Mass**

**Lector:** Leo Paintner

**Euch:** David Mueller & Leo Paintner

**Altar Servers:** Hannah, Kara, & Eddy Mueller

**Gift Bearers:** Rocky & Kristi Pastian

**Ushers:** John & Nickolas Wright

**Money Counters:** Feb. & March- Sydney & Jody Schill

**Sunday Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Mass 8:30 AM**

**There will be a short practice for servers 30 minutes prior to Mass**

**Lector:** Chuck Breen

**Euch:** Chuck Breen & Cece Cotton

**Altar Servers:** Archer Kritzberger- Ayva, Gabrielle, Miles McNamera,  
Rowdy Boeddeker

**Gift Bearers:** Greg & Kari Cotton **Ushers:** Greg & Kari Cotton

## 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.

**St. William's**  
**Sunday Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> Mass @ 10:30 AM**

**Reader:** Chris Walski & Dcn. Kaufman **EM:** Nicole Ueckert & Nathan Keller

**Servers:** Casey Walski & Tucker Chadduck

**Coffee/Rolls & Cleaning:** Laura Larson & Ashlee Symington

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

\* Wed, March 20: 5:30pm Burger Basket, 6:30 Living Stations of the Cross. The entire community is welcome to join in this fellowship and prayer as we journey with Jesus to Calvary.

\* Registration is open for summer youth retreats

- Camp Summit (current 6-8th gr), July 14-18, \$325 early bird rate

- Steubenville (current 8-11th gr), July 26-29, \$450

Please contact Andrea to register. 319-505-7632, dre@strosehillsboro.church

**St. Rose Parish Events.**

**Collection:** Feb. 18<sup>th</sup> \$1648 Hymn Boards \$2250 Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> \$1693

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

**Upcoming events:**

March 17<sup>th</sup> K-C Pancake Breakfast 9:00-1:00

March 20<sup>th</sup> Burger Basket and Living Station of the Cross.

March 21<sup>st</sup> Church wide cleaning. 5:30 PM

April 1<sup>st</sup> K-C meeting at 7:00PM with supper at 6:30.

April 7<sup>th</sup> Installing of new K-C members after Mass with meal and for families. All K-C members and families are welcome to come and celebrate with our new members. Please sign-up on the sheets on the back table.

**CHOIR PRACTICE** for ALL for Holy Week:

Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> after mass for 30 minutes.

Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 8 p.m.

Music will be ready in binders to practice at those times. Thank you ~ Julie Zerface.

**St. Rose Parish Council**

The members of St. Rose Parish Council will meet on Thursday, March 21st, at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center.

**Stations of the Cross**

Stations of the Cross will take place on Fridays during Lent at 7:00 PM in St. Rose of Lima Church. Let us take up our cross and follow Jesus, the Way to eternal life.

**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

**Church Cleaning:** March 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM Church wide cleaning for the Easter weekend. 5 blue roasters left at the parish center after the turkey dinner. Also 2 jelly roll size bar pans. Please pick up these items if they are yours, or contact Cece Cotton.

## **Baptism of Ivy Lynn Alfson**

Congratulations to Ivy Lynn Alfson, the daughter of Tanner and Brooke Alfson, who received the sacrament of Baptism on February 25, 2024! We rejoice with her and her family that she has received new life in Christ freeing her from original sin and the kingdom of darkness and making her a beloved daughter of God our Father, a disciple of Jesus our Lord, a temple of the Holy Spirit, and a member of Christ's body, the Church.

## **March 24th, 5:30-7:30 Part 4 of "The Mass" video series with Bishop Robert Barron**

Join us 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.**

## **Attention Students in 7th-12th Grade!**

McKenzie County Right to Life invites you to enter its fourth annual speech contest to be held on May 4th in Watford City. Cash prizes and trophies for the top 8 places, with the top prize for first place of \$1,500, second place \$1,000 and third place \$750. Contestants must write and deliver a 5-7 minute original persuasive pro-life speech. Complete details and registration can be found at [McKenzieCoRTL.org/speech-contest](http://McKenzieCoRTL.org/speech-contest).

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**

One of the best ways in which we can observe Lent and prepare for Easter is to participate in the sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession). The celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation includes confessing our sins, expressing sorrow for them, doing penance for them, and receiving absolution of them. The grace of Christ's forgiveness restores and deepens our friendship with Christ, brings about peace between us and Christ and His Church, sets us free, fills us with joy, and makes us holy and merciful people. One of the precepts of the Church is: "You shall confess your sins at least once a year" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, #2042, p. 493). This prepares you to receive the Holy Eucharist at least during the Easter season. The regular times for Reconciliation are a half hour before daily Masses on Monday thru Thursday, and one hour before the 5:00 PM Saturday Mass and the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass. I will schedule extra times for Reconciliation as we come closer to Easter. You can also contact me and schedule a time for Reconciliation. --- Msgr. Skonseng

## **God's Gift Appeal 2024**

We are "Blessed to Give" (Acts 20:35). Thanks to our parishioners who have made your gift to the 2024 God's Gift Appeal. As of March 8, 2024, members of St. William's Parish have pledged \$4,560 from 13 households and have achieved approximately **38%** of our goal of \$11,965. Members of St. Rose of Lima Parish have pledged \$12,317.50 from 31 households and have achieved approximately **48%** of our goal of \$25,478. I hope that each one of you can give a gift to God's Gift Appeal. If you did not receive a letter, brochure, and pledge card from Bishop Folda in the mail this past week, please take a brochure and pledge envelope from the tables in the entrances of the church. Here are five easy ways to give your gift. 1. Drop off your envelope at Mass in the collection. 2. Give online at [fargodiocese.org](http://fargodiocese.org). 3. Text desired amount to 855.850.8463. 4. Mail to 5201 Bishops Blvd. S, Suite A, Fargo, ND 58104. 5. Download the app from the App Store or Google Play. --- Msgr. Skonseng

**Please Pray For Those Who Are Sick & Suffering** **St. Rose:** Yvonne Anderson, Pennie Feickert, Dennis Goltz, Karen Schumacher, Elaina Mueller, Deb Kritzberger, Pat Elliot, Hank Geray, Cel Baumgartner, Sarah Cotton, Paul Breen, Bob Tabatt, Sarah McWilliams, Weston Waters, Marlene Rude, Mark McLean, Peggy Eblen, Dallas Boeddeker, Tom Salzwedel

**St. William's :** Mary Sahl, Kathy Anderson, Jeff McKinnon, Ashley Moore, Larry Goldade

### **Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

We celebrate the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on Tuesday, March 19th. Saint Joseph has been honored on March 19th since the end of the 10th century. He was declared Patron of the Universal Church in 1870 by Pope Pius IX and Guardian of the Redeemer in 1989 by Pope John Paul II. Pope Francis established the Year of Saint Joseph in 2021 to promote devotion to him. He is the patron of workers, carpenters, and fathers. He is also patron of Austria, Belgium, Bohemia, Canada, Mexico, Peru, and Vietnam. Mass will be at 7:00 PM on Tuesday, March 19th. Please come and honor Saint Joseph and ask for his prayers.

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

Do I nourish my life with the Eucharist? Is my life set on the Eucharist as on heaven? My God, grant that I may always respond to the grace you give me to desire to receive the Eucharist.

### **Mother Daughter days at St. Francis Convent in Hankinson** (see posters)

This summer, we Franciscan Sisters will again have two sessions of "**Mother Daughter Days**" at our convent in Hankinson, North Dakota: June 13-15 and July 11-13. Contact Sr. Jean Louise, OSF for more information at [ndfranciscan@yahoo.com](mailto:ndfranciscan@yahoo.com).

### **Mission Trip with Friends of Chimbote**

Ed and Rose Crotty, Rita Mootz, and a few of their grandchildren will be going on a Mission Trip to Chimbote, Peru, this summer from June 24-July 4, which is sponsored by the Friends of Chimbote. They will be joining a group from St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Fargo. Father Gerard Braun will be with the group and offer Mass daily. They will be building two new houses for families who are so poor that they live in huts made of reeds and sleep on the ground. They will also furnish these new houses with furniture, such as beds, chairs, and stoves, and other furnishings, such as pots, pans, dishes, and blankets. It costs \$5,000 for the materials to build one house. It costs \$1,000 to furnish each house. They already have \$5,000 to build one house. They are asking the members of St. Rose of Lima Parish to support them with our prayers and donations to obtain \$5,000 to build a second house and to obtain \$2,000 for the furnishings for two houses. Friends of Chimbote will send us pictures, before and after photos of them and their homes, of the families that we are helping. If you would like to give a donation, please make your check out to St. Rose of Lima Church, put Friends of Chimbote in the memo, and place your donation in an envelope marked "Friends of Chimbote". If you have any questions, please contact Rita Mootz at 701-430-1677.

### **Good Friday Stations with Bishop Folda**

Everyone is invited to join Bishop John Folda of the Diocese of Fargo for Stations of the Cross on Good Friday at 10:00 am at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in Fargo, ND. The meditations for the stations will be taken from Pope St. John Paul II's encyclical The Gospel of Life. Station booklets will be provided for participants.

## **Chrism Mass**

You are welcome to participate in the Chrism Mass on Tuesday, March 26th, at 11:00 AM at Sts. Anne and Joachim Church, Fargo. During this Mass, Bishop Folda blesses the holy oils which are used for the celebration of the sacraments and the priests renew their vows to the Priesthood which they first professed at their ordination. This Mass is a wonderful experience of the unity of the Church because priests, deacons, religious, and lay people are all gathered with Bishop Folda to celebrate it. The Chrism Mass is usually celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral. This year, it will be celebrated at Sts. Anne & Joachim because the Cathedral is undergoing renovations.

## **Life-Giving Wounds**

The Diocese of Fargo will be hosting the Life-Giving Wounds retreat for adult children of divorce at Maryvale Retreat Center on April 19-21. For many people the wounds of their parents' divorce is something that continues to impact their lives and relationships for decades, often in ways that they do not even notice. Life-Giving Wounds provides the opportunity for adults to encounter Jesus in the midst of these wounds and for him to bring new life. See [www.fargodiocese.org/lgw](http://www.fargodiocese.org/lgw).

## **Theology of the Body and the Culture of Life Retreat**

Tim Mosser, Director of the Fargo Diocese Respect Life Office, will lead a retreat entitled Theology of the Body and Culture of Life from May 9-11, 2024 at the Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City, ND. The retreat will focus on St. John Paul II's teaching on the human person known as the "Theology of the Body" and its connection to the Church's teaching on such issues as marriage, contraception, abortion, euthanasia, artificial reproduction, gender and the Eucharist. There will also be Mass, Confessions, Adoration and Praise and Worship music. Come learn the "why" behind the "what" of all these important issues and how to share it with others! For more information and to register go to Retreat 4 - Maryvale - Valley City, ND ([maryvalend.org](http://maryvalend.org)) or contact Tim Mosser at [tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org](mailto:tim.mosser@fargodiocese.org).

## **Canticle of Praise**

You are invited to Canticle of Praise, an evening of thanksgiving and celebration sponsored by the Saint Gianna & Pietro Molla Maternity Home on their 20th Anniversary. Special guests will be his Eminence Raymond Cardinal Burke and Doctor Gianna Emanuela Molla. The celebration will take place on Tuesday, April 16th, beginning with Mass at 4:00 PM at St. Michael's Church, Grand Forks, and continue with the Reception and Banquet at 6:00 PM at the Alerus Center, Grand Forks. The event is only for adults. A ticket is \$100 per person and can be purchased at [www.sgpmollahome.com](http://www.sgpmollahome.com).

## **Cor Christi ("The Heart of Christ") Institute**

Cor Christi (The Heart of Christ") invites high school students to a living encounter with Jesus and the foundational teachings and practices of the Catholic faith. This initiative was born from the desire of a group of young priests and other dedicated believers to offer a new generation – through an intensive summer experience – the basics of the adventure of faith. Cor Christi is open to students who will be entering grades 9, 10, 11, or 12 in the fall of 2024. It will take place on July 8-12, 2024 and July 15-19, 2024 at the University of Mary, Bismarck, ND. The registration fee is \$200 (non-refundable) per person, covering all expenses while on campus. Registrations are due by Friday, May 24, 2024. If you are interested in attending Cor Christi, please contact Monsignor Skonseng.

## **Good Friday Collection**

Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential to help the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth, and Bethlehem, to name only a few. The pandemic had hit Christians in the Holy Land particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. Please be generous! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit [www.myfranciscan.org](http://www.myfranciscan.org) or [www.custodia.org](http://www.custodia.org).

## **Beloved Sister Retreat**

This retreat for women will take place on May 2-4 at Maryvale, Valley City, ND. "Fearfully and Wonderfully Made!" The natural relationship of sister will be used as a springboard towards maturing in a life of grace. Opportunities for personal reflection, praise and thanksgiving, Eucharist, and

Reconciliation will be given. A basic introduction to the working of the Holy spirit is part of the retreat experience. This is an opportunity to grow in self-knowledge and intimacy with the life of grace. This retreat will be directed by Father Jason Lefor, a priest of the Diocese of Fargo. Registration costs \$50, and the total cost is \$200 to \$250. Please bring a Bible and a journal. It will begin with lunch on Thursday at Noon and end with lunch on Saturday at Noon. Register one week prior to the start of the retreat. Register at [www.Maryvalend.org](http://www.Maryvalend.org). For more information, contact [Amanda.Kunze@Maryvalend.org](mailto:Amanda.Kunze@Maryvalend.org).

## **Schedule for Holy Week for St. William's and St. Rose of Lima Parishes**

### **Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, March 24**

Vigil Mass St. Rose 5:00 PM

Mass St. Rose 8:30 AM

Mass St. William's 10:30 AM

### **Holy Thursday, March 28**

Mass of the Lord's Supper St. Rose 5:30 PM - followed by Transfer of Blessed Sacrament and Adoration

Mass of the Lord's Supper St. William's 7:30 PM - followed by Transfer of Blessed Sacrament and Adoration

### **Good Friday, March 29**

Passion of the Lord St. Rose 3:00 PM

Passion of the Lord St. William's 5:00 PM

### **Holy Saturday, March 30**

Easter Vigil St. Rose 8:30 PM - Liturgy of Light, Liturgy of the Word, Liturgy of Baptism, and Holy Eucharist

### **Easter Sunday, March 31**

Mass St. Rose 8:30 AM

Mass St. William's 10:30 AM



## **Lent: Preparation for Holy Week**

The prayers and penances which we do during Lent will help us to prepare for the celebration of Holy Week and the new life of Easter. During Holy Week, we celebrate the great saving events of the suffering, death, and resurrection of Jesus our Lord. We enter His Passion with Him. We suffer and die with Him so that we can rise to new life and be glorified with Him. Please make your best effort to participate in the liturgies of Holy Week.

### **Married Couple's Retreat**

Are you looking for chance to get away for the weekend to spend some one-on-one time with your husband / wife? Deacon Ben and Jennine Seitz will be offering Married Couples Retreats that will not only give you the opportunity to spend time with each other, but also grow closer in your relationship with Jesus Christ!

**"I Am" - *God's Plan for Life and Love from the Gospel of St. John***  
**April 5-7 — Franciscan Retreat Center**

Hankinson, ND Go to [www.sixstonejars.org](http://www.sixstonejars.org) for more information and registration.