# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



# February 20, 2022 7th Sunday Ordinary Time

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# **7<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

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"Give, and gifts will be given to you; a good measure, packed together, shaken down, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." - Lk 6:38

#### **PARISH INFORMATION**

#### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil: 4pm Sunday: 7:30, 9 and 11am

Daily Mass Schedule Monday-Wednesday: 5:30pm Tuesday-Saturday: 8:30am

**Reconciliation** 1/2 hour before ALL Masses. Saturday: 3-3:50pm In-person by appointment

#### **Baptism**

Call to register for Baptism prep, before or after the baby is born.

#### Marriage

Contact the parish office at least six months before the wedding date.

**Confirmation/1st Eucharist** For Catholics older than 3rd grade, call for more info.

**Exploring Catholicism/RCIA** Learn more about the faith, or want to become Catholic, call for more info.

**New Parishioner Registration** Visit the website or call for more info.

Anointing of the Sick Available any time. Contact a priest or call the parish office.

Adoration Monday-Saturday: 6:45-8am

**Homebound** Call the office to schedule a visit.

#### **Prayer Chain**

Call Patty Landman at 701-235-0185 or Mary Schmidt at 701-540-7146 to be added to the prayer list.

#### **Office Hours**

Monday: I-5pm Tuesday: 9am-4pm Wednesday: 8am-5pm Thursday: 9am-4pm Friday: 8am-noon

Pastor: Fr. Ross Laframboise Parochial Vicar: Fr. Robert Keller Deacon: Rev. Mr. Paul Schneider

# **MONTHLY SOCIAL TEACHING - Rights & Responsibilities**

The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected, and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected, and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency. Corresponding to these rgiths are duties and responsibilities - to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

## WEEKLY VIRTUE: SINCERITY

#### KNOW IT:

Trustfulness in words and actions; honesty and enthusiasm towards others

LIVE IT: Tell the whole truth; build trust by words and actions; state what one is sorry for **PRAY IT:** O Saint Vincent Ferrer, our guardian, because God our eternal Father has blessed you with an inexhaustible fountain of grace and blessing, we beg you to hear our prayers and to assist us with your powerful intercession which is even more effective now that you are in heaven than it was when you were on earth. Amen.

**St. VINCENT FERRER -** Vincent felt that he was the messenger of penance sent to prepare men for the judgment. For twenty years, he traversed Western Europe preaching penance and awakening the dormant consciences of sinners by his wondrous eloquence. His austere life was but the living expression of his doctrine. The floor was his usual bed; perpetually fasting, he arose at two in the morning to chant the Office, celebrating Mass daily, afterwards preaching, sometimes three hours, and frequently working miracles. After his midday meal, he would tend the sick children; at eight o'clock he prepared his sermon for the following day. He usually travelled on foot, poorly clad. Vincent was a renowned preacher who helped to end the Great Western Schism. He lived to see the election of Pope Martin V in November 1417, whereby the Great Western Schism was officially ended. He was canonized by Calixtus III at the Dominican Church of Santa Maria Sopra Minerva, Rome, 3 June, 1455. "Saint Vincent Ferrer was drawn with a trumpet because when he preached, his voice could reach 3 miles away, and it was a miracle," the caretaker said. The saint was pictured with wings because a number of people have seen him assume wings and fly off to a suffering person while preaching.



#### **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Weekend of	Feb  2- 3	YTD Budget	Fiscal YTD
Envelopes	\$11,673.00	\$616,221.36	\$613,107.12
Children	\$1.00	\$147.30	\$333.32
Cash Plate	\$852.01	\$26,198.31	\$20,233.32
Total	\$12,526.01	\$642,566.97	\$633,673.76
Monthly Total	\$31,169.77		
Monthly Budge	et \$75,508.34	% of Budg	et 41.28%

Thank you for your generosity! Call Barb with questions. Please consider Holy Spirit in your estate planning Ask Barb about the Holy Spirit Legacy Society

#### Mass readings for the week of February 20

Sunday: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23/ Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13/1 Cor 15:45-49/Lk 6:27-38 Monday: Jas 3:13-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mk 9:14-29 Tuesday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6/Mt 16:13-19 Wednesday: Jas 4:13-17/Ps 49:2-3, 6-7, 8-10, 11/Mk 9:38-40 Thursday: Jas 5:1-6/Ps 49:14-15ab, 15cd-16, 17-18, 19-20/ Mk 9:41-50 Friday: Jas 5:9-12/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8-9, 11-12/Mk 10:1-12 Saturday: Jas 5:13-20/Ps 141:1-2, 3 and 8/Mk 10:13-16 Next Sunday: Sir 27:4-7/Ps 92:2-3, 13-14, 15-16/ I Cor 15:54-58/Lk 6:39-45



Our mission is to invite, form, and equip missionary disciples of Jesus Christ.

# **CHARISMS**

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We find fulfilment in loving others. Charisms are those special gifts given to us at Baptism to build up the Body of Christ. Here is how it works:

I. You are invited to get involved. Charisms are graces that come when we serve others.

2. The discernment begins by taking a Charism workshop. You are taught how to see God working through you. The goal is to have each person discover & use I charism

 Then you're ready to enjoy & can help others discern theirs.

# **Catholic Meditation**

From "Christian Meditation: A Beginners' Guide to Catholic Mental Prayer" beginningCatholic.com

The *meditation* itself is the heart of your prayer time. Let the passage provide material for a *conversation* with God:

ask him questions, tell him things. Above all, **listen** to him, both in the words of Scripture and in how those words guide your thoughts.

If you need help with this part of Christian meditation, try something like:

- Pretend that God wrote these words just to you, right now, to tell you something important. What is it? How will it affect your life?
- Imagine the scene in the reading. Picture yourself there, hearing the words, seeing the action. Follow the Lord, watch him, listen. What is he teaching you?
  - What does the passage tell you about God? What is he like? What does he value? What does the passage say about *you*?
  - Does the reading's message, or a part of it, describe *you*, for good or bad? What specific things should you change in your life to be closer to the Gospel message you're reading?

The goal of Christian meditation is closer union with Christ.

You **don't** want to reduce mental prayer to a simple reflection on the passage you're reading. You should get to know Christ better, *and love him more*. You should learn of his boundless love for you, *so you can grow closer to him*. You should see how he acts and loves and gives his very life for you, *so you can become more like him*. You should see how he seeks and does the will of the Father, *so you can, too*.

The goal of Christian meditation is **not** just to think good thoughts about the passage. What counts is how we **apply** those thoughts to our lives.



God communicates with us through our thoughts. We must take those thoughts, form resolutions, and act on them.

"What? God talks to us through our thoughts?" Yes, indeed!

> In prayer, God most often affects our **thoughts** to communicate with us. Often it's a gentle, normal movement of thought. Occasionally it may be a sudden and strong realization.

You also sense God's voice through your conscience, imagination, and

even your heart and feelings. Christian meditation can use all of these.

Of course, other things besides God affect your thoughts & emotions! Not all of them are good. Make sure that the message you're hearing in Christian meditation is consistent with the truths found in Scripture, the teachings of the Church, and general "good living."

- Don't be afraid to put the ball back in God's court if you're not sure: "Lord, I'm not sure if this is from you or not. If it is, please tell me more clearly at some other time. Until then, I won't act on it."
- Check out any relevant Church teachings. The Holy Spirit guides and forms the Church — he never asks us to act contrary to its genuine teachings! (*Catechism* 1783-5, 2039)
- Ask a priest for help if you're still doubtful about something, or if you think God is asking you to make unusual changes in your life. Most priests will be delighted to help you advance in prayer.

When your thoughts drift during prayer, regain focus with the words of the passage.

And don't forget: Form some **specific** resolutions based on your Christian meditation. Know how you are going to apply these thoughts to *your* life, *today*.



# News & Events

## OUTSIDE OUR PARISH

#### Sacred Heart Parent Information Night

Monday, February 28, 2022 @ 6:30pm Sacred Heart Middle School, 5600 25th Street South, Fargo Join us for some practical information and discussion on what to expect as your child transitions to Sacred Heart Middle School and how best to support the next step in your child's life. For more info, Lori Hager: lori.hager@jp2schools.org, 701-893-3271

#### Marian Eucharistic Retreat for Women

St. Boniface Catholic Church in Lidgerwood, Sat, Feb 26 from 8:30am to 8pm. Day features, Mass, Adoration, 7 talks, Confession, meals & healing service. Cost: free will offering. Call or text 701-640-6050 to register.

#### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

In-person retreat on March 18-20, 2022. Live your best life in love! For more info, call Rob & Angie at (701) 347-1998 or apply at ndwwme.org.

#### Mardi Gras Sunday

Saint Maurice, 5313 165 Ave SE in Kindred, is hosting Mardi Gras Sunday on February 27 from 11am to 1:30pm. The day's events include a potluck lunch, Silent Auction, and raffle. Raffle drawing at 1:30pm.

#### FT or PT Newman House Director

The Newman House (www.newmanhouse.org) on UND Campus in Grand Forks, is looking to hire a full or part-time Director for the 2022-2023 school year. Apply immediately. Send cover letter, resume and two references to: luke.meyer@undcatholic.org.

#### **REDEEMED Women's Conference "Trusted Sister"**

March 4-5, 2022. Visit www.fargodiocese.net/redeemedwomen to find out more information. Cost \$75.

#### Spring Authentic Italian Spaghetti Dinner

St. Elizabeth's in Dilworth, 207 Main St N, is going to be a bit different this year. With COVID-19, the Delta Variance & the Omicron Variance, we are unable to hold our regular sit-down meal, but we will be selling Sauce & Meatballs on Sunday, April 24, 2022. Order at parish office or call 287-2705 to pre-order by March 20, 2022. Curbside pickup by the north door 10am—2pm.

#### **PARISH EVENTS FOR WEEK OF SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20** Sunday, February 20

Mass: 7:30am, 9am, 11am Monday, February 21 Daily Mass: 5:30pm SVdP Meeting: 6:30pm in St. Therese Room Boy Scouts: 7pm in Social Hall Tuesday, February 22 Daily Mass: 8:30am and 5:30pm Bible Study, Gospel of John: following 8:30am Mass, Social Hall Book Club: 10:45am in St Therese Room Wednesday, February 23 Daily Masses: 8:30am & 5:30pm Ave Maria Bible Study: 9:15am in NW Conference Room Food & Fellowship: 5:45pm in Social Hall 1st Communion Parent Meeting #2: 6:30pm in Social Hall Family Night Catechesis Classes Grades 1-5 Spirit Choir Rehearsal: 6:30pm School Music Room Thursday, February 24 Daily Mass: 8:30am AHG Fun Day: All Grades in Social Hall Friday, February 25 Daily Mass: 8:30am St. Monica Prayer Group: 3:45pm in church Saturday, February 26 Mass: 8:30am, 4pm Sat 4 pm Choir Rehearsal: 2:45 pm in church **REMEMBER THERE ARE CONFESSIONS 1/2 HOUR BEFORE MASS!** 

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Eucharist Parent Meeting

There is a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade parent First Eucharist meeting this Wednesday, February 23. Families are invited to Mass at 5:30, followed by supper in the social hall. The parent session will take place from 6:30-7:30pm in the social hall.

INSIDE OUR PARISH

#### First Eucharist Retreat Next Saturday

The 1<sup>st</sup> Eucharist retreat for all 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students and parents is next Saturday, February 26. The day will begin with Mass at 8:30am and will be followed by a light breakfast. The retreat sessions end at noon. Contact Ashley Njaa with any questions. <u>ashley@holyspiritfargo.com</u> 701-232-5900

#### Anointing of the Sick

Seriously ill? Old age? Danger of death? Having surgery? You should receive this sacrament! Call the office to make arrangements; receive at the Church, at a home visit, at the hospital, etc. 701-232-5900

#### New camp for Middle School students this summer.

Camp Summit is for all youth entering grades 7, 8, & 9 who have a desire to deepen their relationship with Jesus and to share it with others they encounter. Youth will engage in prayer, worship, fellowship, leadership formation, recreation, and fun. This five-day experience is designed to encourage and equip the youth for discipleship to their family, friends, and communities. Camp Summit will take place at Red Willow Bible Camp in Binford, ND, July 10-14, 2022. The cost is \$325.00/camper or \$300.00/camper with two or more from the same family. Visit: https:// www.fargodiocese.org/campsummit Holy Spirit will cover \$200 towards the cost of registration per camper for our parishioners. Contact Ashley at ashley@holyspiritfargo.com for more info.

#### Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

Holy Spirit parish will be celebrating Ash Wednesday Masses at 7 and 8:30am and 5:30pm on Wednesday, March 2. Although, it is not considered a holy day of obligation, we hope you join us in celebration at one of these Masses as we enter into Lent.

#### Spring is coming! Have a building project in mind?

Let JPII Catholic Schools be a part of your DIY project. SCRIP Cards are available for Lowe's, Home Depot, Menard's, and Fleet Farm. Questions or to order cards, contact Janelle Pederson at 701-371-0512 or janelle.pederson@jp2schools.org

#### Prayer Chain

The Prayer Chain is a group of people who pray for the needs of those who ask for prayer. Many prayers go out each day. Prayer changes the world! If you or someone you know needs prayers call: Mary Schmidt at 701-540-7146 or Patty Landman at 701-235-0185.

#### God's Gift Appeal to start

Next Weekend, Feb 27, is Commitment Weekend for the 2022 God's Gift Appeal. Please bring your card you received in the mail to Mass with you as we join together to support our Catholic Church.

Vitae Memoriam

We extend our prayers & sympathies to:

Jim Reynolds and family on the death of Jim's wife, +Sandra Reynolds

and

Leonard and Pat Kotta on the death of Leonard's mother, +Leonella Kotta

MAY THEY REST IN ETERNAL PEACE.





Cody Hamilton

## HOLY SPIRIT PARISHIONER HIGHLIGHT: CODY HAMILTON

Holy Spirit parishioner Cody Hamilton is a super volunteer. What does that mean? He donates lots of his time helping out at Holy Spirit! Currently he is the Environment Coordinator for our parish. Doesn't sound like much? It is surprising how many jobs need to be done around our church to keep it looking great and in time with the church 'seasons.' Most obvious is the Christmas and Easter seasons. Everyone sees the beautiful flowers on display. Cody takes the lead in placing the flowers, coordinates the volunteers needed to decorate the church spaces, and then helps schedule volunteers to water them. He also makes sure the correct liturgical colors, corresponding to the liturgical calendar, are in place in the church. (There are six liturgical seasons: Advent, Christmas, Lent, Sacred Paschal Triduum, Easter and Ordinary Time.)

He helps prepare the spaces for the penance services and for any Marian devotions and November's month of remembrance. In addition, Cody helps with the Wednesday night Food & Fellowship, with the parish archives, and is a past Catechist Assistant. Cody says "When I am helping with the cleaning of the church, I get to dust the tabernacle off; it feels like I am dusting Jesus off, getting him all cleaned up. Also, my friends and neighbors really like the photos I take of the church flowers and decorations in the church, especially the Christmas pictures."

Cody joined Holy Spirit in 2014. He says, "I feel like Holy Spirit is more of a family than just a church, especially with having the school attached. That really makes it more of a family. I love kids!"

Although Cody was born and raised in Fargo, he spent a lot of time with his Grandma and Grandpa. Summers were spent at his grandparent's lake home near Detroit Lakes. Then when they retired, it was six months in Florida during the winter and six months at the summer lake home. After his grandparents died, Cody really became closer to Jesus. He said Grandma was always telling him, "You go to Church!"

Cody likes to go to the 9am Mass because "the choir is great and it is a central time, not too early and not too late... plus the donuts are great!" He also likes to do adoration (at the Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel near St. Mary's Cathedral) at Noon because "it is like having lunch with Jesus."

What does Cody do with any spare time? He works at the Fargodome to pay the bills, and he enjoys paper crafts and makes greeting cards to send to his family and friends in his free time.

Cody looks forward to when he can move to be closer to his family. He has one brother who is in the Army National Guard living in Colorado Springs and is engaged to be married. He wants to live close to them and any future nieces and nephews they may have. "I hope they have lots of kids... I just love kids!"



# Camp Summit

For youth entering grades 7-9 JUJY 10-14, 2022 Red Willow Bible Camp - Binford, ND

# Cost: \$325 Family rates available

Holy Spirit will cover \$200 towards the cost of registration per camper for our parishioners

Contact Ashley at ashley@holyspiritfargo.com

"THE HIGHER WE GO, THE BETTER WE SHALL HEAR THE VOICE OF CHRIST." - BL PIER GIORGIO FRASSATI



For more information: fargodiocese.org/campsummit

## Stewardship Moment

"But rather, love your enemies and do good to them, and lend without expecting anything back..." - Luke 6:35

Easier said than done, right? However, if we are to imitate Christ, most of us need to practice mercy and compassion more frequently. Start with the little daily annoyances that we experience, the unkind word or hateful glance we receive. Instead of plotting revenge on that person, try saying a quick prayer for that person. Praying for our enemies doesn't change them, it changes us. Mercy and compassion will keep us on the path to holiness.



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## St. Vincent de Paul Society Holy Spirit Fargo Conference

Meetings @ 6:30 p.m. 1st & 3rd Mondays SVDP Helpline 701-638-3800 visit www.holyspiritfargo.com to make an online donation

In today's Gospel Jesus gives us the challenge to: "Love your enemies... Give to everyone who asks of you...Do to others as you would have them do to you...Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

In the last weeks, through your generous support, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul has assisted several parishioners amongst our friends in need. Many have been blessed to receive items from our pantry, new bath towel sets and kitchen linens and toys/ books for the children. Thank You!

#### MASS INTENTIONS

**Monday, 2-2 I** 5:30pm: +Marcella B. Braun

**Tuesday, 2-22** 8:30am: +Virginia Carter 5:30pm: +Cora Gerardy

Wednesday, 2-23 8:30am: +Dorothy Magelky 5:30pm: +Theresa Wittrock

**Thursday, 2-24** 8:30am: Sharon Sauvageau



# KC Corner Council #10982

4pm:

9am:

Ham:

Thursday, 2-24, cont.

II am St Catherine:

8:30am: Tom & Jean Picard

Friday, 2-25

Saturday, 2-26

Sunday, 2-27

8:30am: Judy Joeb

7:30am: +John Schons

Parishioners

+Marie Hogrefe

+Kenneth Senn

+Frank & +Magdalene

Huschka Family

We are men who lead, serve, protect and defend.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, March 1, 2022 Officers meet at 6:30pm Members meet at 7pm

Thank you to all who supported and helped with the Superbowl Breakfast and Bake Sale!!

**January Awards:** Knights of the Month: Gene, Phil & Chris Simon Family of the Month: Dave & Brenda Craft Server of the Month: Carolyn Magelky

**Remember it is never too late to be a Knight!** Please call Jack Gaa at 701-320-1975 for more information.



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