# HOLY SPIRIT CATHOLIC CHURCH



# May 1, 2022 Third Sunday of Easter

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# **3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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Jesus said to them, "Come, have breakfast." And none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they realized it was the Lord. Jesus came over and took the bread and gave it to them, and in like manner the fish. - Jn 21:12-13

#### **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/lst 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

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

### MONTHLY SOCIAL TEACHING - Care for God's Creation

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environment challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

## WEEKLY VIRTUE: GOOD COUNSEL, JUDGEMENT & COMMAND

**KNOW IT:** Seeking advice from a reasonable person; Thinking rightly about a decision; Directly acting upon a sound decision

LIVE IT: Seek advice from trustworthy people; Carefully consider all the circumstances and ask "What am I to do now"; Take action after thoughtful deliberation **PRAY IT:** May the Martyr Saint Boniface be our advocate, O Lord, that we may firmly hold the faith he taught with his lips and sealed in his blood and confidently profess it by our deeds. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**ST. BONIFACE -** Saint Boniface was an English Benedictine monk who made it his life's mission to convert the Germanic tribes to Christianity. He was born in England about the year 673. Named Winfrith by his well-to-do English parents, Boniface was first professed in the monastic life in Exeter, Devon, England, but in 719 went to Germany to preach the Gospel. He made many converts there and was consecrated bishop, ruling over the church in Mainz. He attracted many companions by whose help he founded or restored dioceses in Bavaria, Thuringia, and Franconia. He also convened councils and promulgated laws. During a final mission to the Frisians, Boniface and 53 companions were massacred by pagans in 754 while he was preaching the Gospel and preparing converts for confirmation. His body is buried in the monastery of Fulda. Boniface is a male given name from a Latin word meaning "doer of good."

# Holy Spirit Volunteers *Thank you* for all you do.

You make a huge difference!

#### **STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE**

Weekend of	Apr 23-24	Fiscal YTD	YTD Budget	
Envelopes	\$12,034.04	\$801,193.85	\$765,376.16	
Children	\$6.00	\$222.58	\$416.66	
Cash Plate	\$902.45	\$39,270.63	\$25,166.66	
Total	\$12,942.49	\$840,687.06	\$790,959.48	
Monthly Total	\$73,176.71			
Monthly Budget	\$78,642.86			
% of Budget 93.05%				

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 May I

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30/Rv 5:11-14/ Jn 21:1-19 Monday: Acts 6:8-15/Ps 119/Jn 6:22-29 Tuesday: I Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19/Jn 14:6-14 Wednesday: Acts 8:1b-8/Ps 66/Jn 6:35-40 Thursday: Acts 8:26-40/Ps 66/Jn 6:44-51 Friday: Acts 9:1-20/Ps 117/Jn 6:52-59 Saturday: Acts 9:31-42/Ps 116/Jn 6:60-69 Next Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/ Jn 10:27-30



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

#### PRAYER

Prayer is the joy of the Christian life. Here are some basic steps to get there:

1. Start simply with 10 minutes each day in prayer or reading the Bible. It is so doable !

2. Transforming your relationship with God is next. The Prayer 101 experience is the concrete step.

3. The final step is complete commitment. This is achieved when we take a 1/2 hour of meditative/ contemplative prayer each day to nurture our relationship with God.

During the month of May the Church honors Mary with special devotions such as processions, crowning her Queen of our lives, through the hymns we sing at Mass, and by praying the Rosary. Through baptism, we are sons and daughters of the Father, and brothers and sisters of Jesus. Sacred Scripture gives us the foundation of our belief that Mary is our Mother. John's gospel takes us to the foot of the Cross and records some of the last words spoken by Jesus before he dies. As you recall, Mary and the beloved disciple, John, were together on

As Catholics, we recognize that Mary is our mother, as well as who she is in God's plan of salvation,

the Mother of God.

Calvary at the crucifixion. John records it in this way, "When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, 'Woman, behold your son.' Then he said to the disciple, 'Behold your mother.'" (Jn 19:26-27) Scholars and theologians throughout the centuries have confirmed that John is symbolic of the members of Christ's body, the Church. So it is that Jesus gives his mother to us, the Church, as our spiritual mother. His words, "Behold your mother." indicate that Mary IS our mother, not becoming our mother. Because she is our spiritual mother, we must imitate Jesus in honoring her, as the IV Commandment directs us.

St. Paul's writings also, (Colossians 1:18, Ephesians 4:15) help us understand the relationship we have with Mary. He teaches that Christ is the Head of His Body, the Church. We understand the Body to be all the members of the Church. If Mary gave

> birth to Jesus, and he is the head of the body (metaphorically) and we are the various parts of the Body, then, it can be said she gave birth to us. ( No one is just a head or just a bodyboth are necessary and belong together.) Jesus received his physical life from Mary's fiat, her 'yes' to becoming the Mother of God at the Annunciation. God chose her as His Mother. and so we are blessed to claim her as our mother as well. It is pleasing to God that we put our trust and confidence in her

because everything she does will always lead us closer to Him.

Many Christians misunderstand this relationship and think that Catholics worship Mary. The Church has never claimed or taught that Mary is equal to God. It would be grave sin to worship her, or anything other than God. We do ask her to intercede for us and to join us in praying to God for many things, as we would our earthly mothers or friends. She always directs us, as she did the stewards at the wedding in Cana to, "Do what ever He tells you." And as her children, it is our duty to obey.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.

Show your love for a special woman in your life... Roses for sale after all Masses May 7&8

# MARY, OUR MOTHER

# News & Events

#### OUTSIDE OUR PARISH

# INSIDE OUR PARISH

#### Mothers & daughters invited to Mother-Daughter Days

The Franciscan Sisters of Dillingen invite you to their 2022 Mother-Daughter Days at St. Francis Convent in Hankinson. There will be two sessions offered this summer: June 19–21 and July 21–23. Come spend time listening to Jesus, getting to know the Franciscan Sisters, praying with the Sisters, and meeting others pursuing a closer relationship with Jesus. To register, call or text Sister Jean Louise at (701) 208-1245. Participation is limited.

#### Women's Care Center

has an opening for a full-time or part-time nurse or sonographer. Seeking special people committed to our mission, who are personable with excellent communication skills. Will train. Please forward your resume to angela@wccnd.com or call 701-532-1928 for more info or questions.

#### **Beginning Experience Weekend**

Hosted at the Retreat Center in Hankinson, June 24-26. Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. For adults grieving the loss of a love relationship through death, divorce, or separation. If you or someone you know could benefit the BE Weekend, please contact: Bonnie 701-318-0949, Marlene 218-998-4300, Msgr Dan (701) 361-2051, or call the BE line at (701) 277-8784 and leave a message. www.beginningexperience-easternnd.org

#### Praise and Worship at Sts Anne & Joachim

Our next Praise & Worship evening will be Sunday, May 15 at 7 pm at Sts Anne & Joachim, 5202 25th St S, Fargo.

# Vitae Memoriam



#### We extend our prayers & sympathies to:

Margaret & Jim Rundlet-Doom and family on the death of Margaret's brother, +Clarence Doom

Family and friends of +Rose Ruud

Vicki & Bruce Larson and family on the death of Vicki's father, +John "Gus" LeRoy Frislie

MAY THEY REST IN ETERNAL PEACE.

#### PARISH EVENTS FOR WEEK OF SUNDAY, MAY I

Sunday, May 1 Mass: 7:30am, 9am, 11am Monday, May 2 Daily Mass: 5:30pm SVdP Meeting: 6:30pm in St Therese Room Boy Scouts: 7pm in Social Hall Tuesday, May 3 Daily Mass: 8:30am & 5:30pm Bible Study: 9:15am in Social Hall KC Meeting: 6:30pm Officers, 7pm All Members, in Social Hall Wednesday, May 4 Daily Masses: 8:30am & 5:30pm FINAL Food & Fellowship of year: 5:45 pm in Social Hall Closing Mass, May Crowning & Family Catechesis: 5:30pm Spirit Choir Rehearsal: 6:30pm in Choir Room Thursday, May 5 AHG End of Year Ceremony: 4pm in Social Hall Daily Mass: 8:30am Friday, May 6 Daily Mass: 8:30am St Monica Prayer Group: 3:45pm in church Saturday, May 7 Daily Mass: 8:30am Sat Vigil Choir rehearsal: 2:45pm in St Therese Room Vigil Mass: 4pm - Rose Sale after Mass

#### REMEMBER THERE ARE CONFESSIONS 1/2 HOUR BEFORE MASS!

#### Mass & Brunch for HS Seniors & Their Family

A brunch for our graduating seniors and their families will follow Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 15 (Mass is at 9am). Please RSVP for the Baccalaureate Mass & Brunch by May 6. Call Cheryl in the office at 701-232-5900 to RSVP.

#### Time and Talent

What are your gifts and how is God calling you to use them for your Parish? Let us know your interests and how you would like to share your gifts by filling out a Time and Talent form. Paper copies available at the Welcome Desk. Online form found on our website under Volunteer Opportunities.

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

Thanks to all our parishioners who made their gift to the 2022 God's Gift Appeal. Holy Spirit is 92.4% towards our goal of \$128,710. If you have not yet participated, please fill out a commitment card located at the Welcome Desk. Please participate and support our diocesan church.

#### May Crowning Closing Mass

The 1st-5th Grade Catechesis year will close with May Crowning Mass this Wednesday, May 4 at 5:30 pm. Families are invited to join for supper at food and fellowship in the social hall following Mass.

#### **Catechesis and Youth Discipleship Appreciation Supper**

There will be an appreciation supper for all 1 st -5th Grade catechists and helpers, along with youth discipleship mentors and lead parents next Wednesday, May 11, at 6pm in the social hall. Families of these volunteers are invited to the dinner as well. Thank you for all that you do for the youth of our parish! Please RSVP to Ashley if you have not already done so. ashley@holyspiritfargo.com.

#### **Catholic Summer Fun at Trinity Youth Camp**

Summer will soon be here and so will Trinity Youth Camp. "I will call upon the Lord" is this year's theme. Kids entering 4th through 8th grade are invited to join in a fun, faith-filled camping experience at one of three sites. For more info and registration for this great camping experience, visit **trinityyouthcampnd.com**. Register early, camp spots fill up fast! Holy Spirit will cover \$150 toward the cost of registration per camper for our parishioners. For more information about the reimbursement, contact Ashley at ashley@holyspiritfargo.com.

#### **Pinochle Party**

Sunday May 8, at 1:30pm in the Social Hall. Bring a snack to share if you desire. Bring a friend!

#### St Monica Prayer Group

Know someone who has fallen away from the Church? Have your adult children stopped coming to Mass? Join this group of Prayer Warriors whose goal is to pray for those who have stopped coming, or left the Church, to come back. Meets every Friday at 3:45pm in the church.

#### The Cross of Infertility

Infertility is a suffering endured by one out of every six couples in the United States. In the face of this trauma, the Church wants to reassure couples that Jesus Christ is with them, and his plan is for them to have life to the full. For more info on support and medical resources, visit https://fargodiocese.org/infertility

#### Mother's Day Rose Sale May 7 & 8

The Holy Spirit Pro-Lifers are hosting their annual Rose Sale after ALL Masses to raise funds to support pro-life efforts at Holy Spirit, including the gift cards in the Baptism Baskets and a scholarship to help send a student to the March for Life in January. Free-will donation!

#### Eater Flower Memorial

An addition to the Easter Memorials is from Mary Brady in memory of her husband, +Wally Brady.

## PARISHIONER HIGHLIGHT: THE POWER OF PRAYER BY SCOTT SOBOLIK

The reason of my writing to you, my Holy Spirit family, is first and foremost, to say thank you.

This is my ten-year anniversary since my stroke. Some of you who know me are aware of the ruptured brain aneurism that nearly ended my life. Some encouragement from our Pastor, Father Ross, has given me the courage to write my story. It is all about the power of prayer.

To all who prayed for my recovery I say thank you for your prayers, most notably the Holy Spirit prayer circle. (I use the prayer blanket every day that was crafted by a Mary's Mantle member).

I have been told of the many people and places that were praying for me. Prayer circles in Bismarck, Devils Lake, Minot, Park River (where both the Catholic and Lutheran Churches were praying for me).

Now for the wonder and amazement of my story!

Cindy, my wife, was of course praying for me. My mother had died from the same type of brain aneurism I was suffering from, 5 days before my 13<sup>th</sup> birthday. Now Cindy had never known my mother except from stories told by my

family and me. Being aware of my mother's young death and the love a mother has for her children, Cindy prayed to my mother for help.

I, now in a coma for the 4<sup>th</sup> day, am experiencing something very special. I see my mother above me; she is very small, standing behind someone pointing down at me. I look at the other person. It is Mary, the mother of our Lord. She



SCOTT & CINDY SOBOLIK

looks down at me, hands held in front of her as if in prayer, nods her head yes, and I woke up.

Now I can't tell you if this was a dream, or a vision, or something else. I'm not trying to say that a miracle happened. But I will say it was something very special. I do believe it was from the power of prayer!!!

In conclusion, pray and believe! With appreciation, Scott Sobolik

As Jesus said in Matthew 19:14, "Let the children come to me."

> Holy Spirit welcomes new babies into the Holy Spirit Family with a Bless a Baby Basket.

If you are expecting or have a new child in your family, please contact the parish office for baptism preparation.



A big thank you to the talented parishioners who help create the Bless a Baby Baskets!



Let us know your interests and how you would like to share your gifts by filling out a Time and Talent form. Paper copies will be available at the Welcome Desk. The online form can be found on our website under Volunteer Opportunities.

holyspiritfargo.com/volunteer-opportunities

Use your smart phone to scan to the Time & Talent Form!



Stewardship of Treasure		Budget Year to	Previous March
July - March 2022	Fiscal YTD	Date	YTD 2021
Sunday Giving	\$770,408.35	\$712,316.62	\$704,425.97
Other Income	\$166,049.88	\$176,323.00	\$305,744.42
Total Month	\$936,458.23	\$888,639.62	\$1,010,170.39
Expenses			
Administration Totals	\$334,793.35	\$410,927.90	\$275,597.66
Liturgy	\$26,870.15	\$24,622.00	\$19,202.32
Facilities	\$136,375.54	\$124,027.74	\$136,383.70
Education	\$303,819.23	\$303,318.13	\$301,604.99
Total Expenses	\$801,858.27	\$862,895.77	\$732,788.67

Thank you for your generosity! Donations are 5% over the budgeted amount for the fiscal year (July-June). Last year we received a special donation of \$100,000 so last year's giving exceeds this year so far. Despite the cold and snowy winter, we were over budget on snow removal and utilities, but overall the expenses are in line, due to a smaller staff in the office.

Any questions, please contact Barb in the office.

Thank you for all who donate electronically on our website https://www.holyspiritchurchfargo.com.

Also, thank you for all who contribute with cash every Sunday.

**Giving Stats for the month of March:** Recorded Contributors: 325; Total Cash plate for March: \$3931.00 Average gift: \$232; 34% of giving was done electronically for the month.



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#### **Stewardship Moment**

"...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep."" - John 21:17

How often do you actually say the words "I love you" to Jesus, to family members, or to friends? We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all crave love. Tell someone you love them every day.



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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 this Sunday's Gospel, the disciples in their struggle finally recognize Jesus and proclaim, "It is the Lord!"

Have you considered answering the call to "help the poor recognize the Lord in their life" by joining the Society of St. Vincent de Paul? Or would you pray in a regular way for our Vincentians as they minister to the needy?

> Stop in and Shop at the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store! 2796 5th Avenue S., Suite B, Fargo

. Store Hours: T-F 10 a.m. - 5 p.m. Sat. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, 5-2 5:30pm: +Gladys Hilsendeger Tuesday, 5-3 8:30am: +Margaret Cheney 5:30pm: +Jim Seeba Wednesday, 5-4 8:30am: +Charles Feeney 5:30pm: +Conrad Kaffler Thursday, 5-5 8:30am: +John Fornes I Iam St Catherine: +John Moraghan

Friday, 5-6 8:30am: Erin Crommett and Family

Saturday, 5-7 8:30am: Marvin & Cora Stenberg 4pm: Mike & Donna Nowatski

#### **Sunday, 5-8** 7:30am: +LCDR William Muscha 9am: Parishioners 11am: +Verna Fausel



## KC Corner Council #10982

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

## Meeting Date Changed! Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 2022

Officers meet at 6:30pm All Members meet at 7pm

#### March Awards:

Knights of the Month: Father Keller Family of the Month: Mike & Shawn Hagstrom Server of the Month: Zach Paul

> **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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