



**FEBRUARY 21, 2021**

*FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT*

# NATIVITY CHURCH OF FARGO

**1825 11<sup>th</sup> St S, Fargo, ND 58103** Located at the Corner of University Drive and 18<sup>th</sup> Ave S.

**NATIVITY CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FROM  
7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.  
FOR PRIVATE PRAYER SUNDAY TO SATURDAY.**

**PARISH OFFICE: 701-232-2414**  
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:**  
Monday-Friday: 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

**WEBSITE & FACEBOOK:**  
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**EUCCHARISTIC LITURGIES:**  
**SATURDAY: 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM**  
**SUNDAY: 7:45, 9:15, & 11:00 AM**  
**MONDAY: 8:00 AM**  
**TUESDAY: 8:30 AM\***  
**WEDNESDAY: 8:30 AM\***  
**THURSDAY: 8:30 AM\***  
**FRIDAY: 8:00 AM**  
**(\*PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL YEAR TIMES)**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**  
**SATURDAY: 3:30-4:30 P.M.**  
**OR CALL FOR AN APPOINTMENT**

**SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:**  
Infant baptism preparation:  
Contact Chris Steffan 232-2414 (ext. 127)  
to register for sessions.

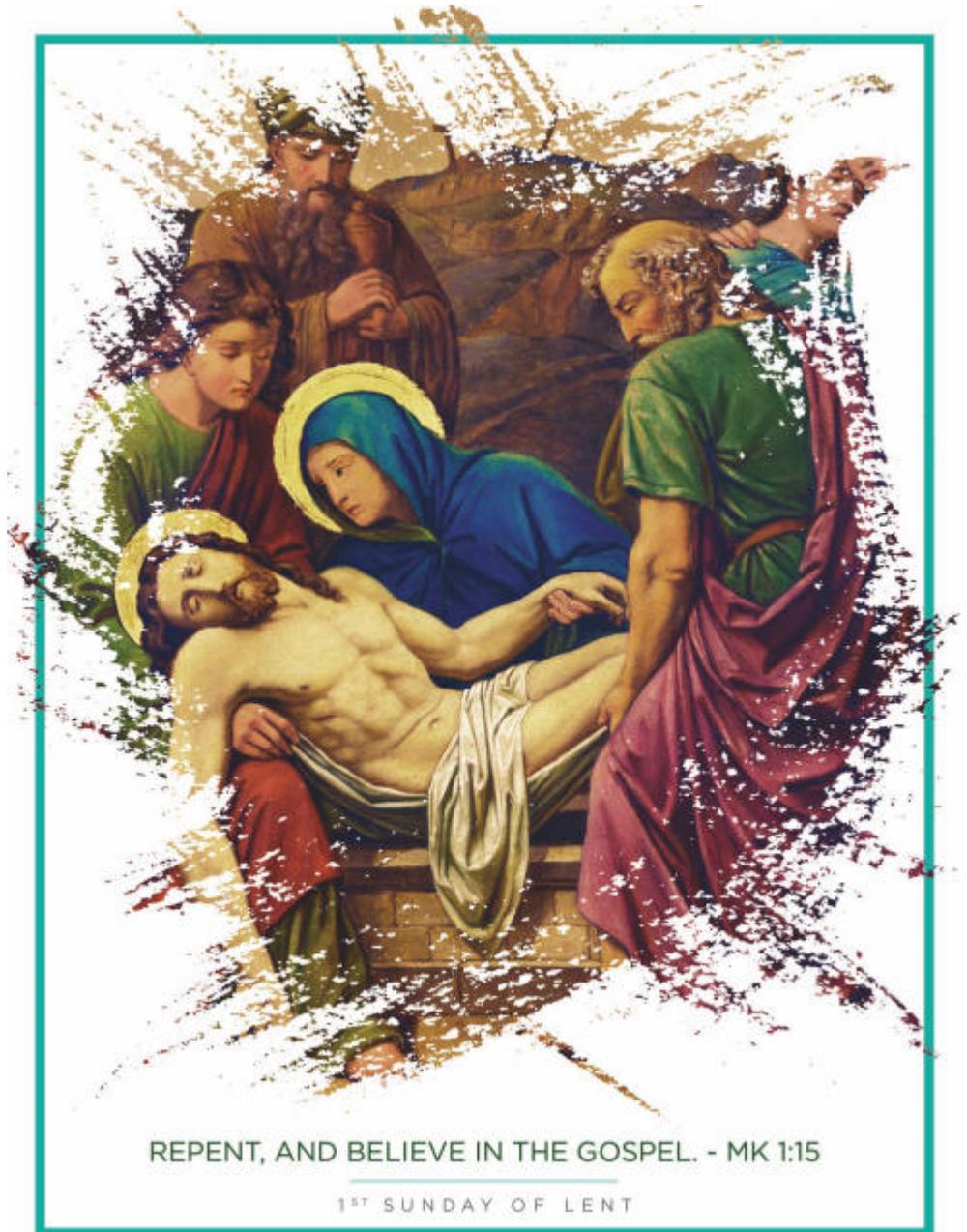
For information regarding the adult  
process, please contact Chris Steffan  
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**MARRIAGE PREPARATION:**  
Contact the parish office (232-2414) at least  
6 months in advance of the wedding date.

**PRAYER AND DEVOTIONS:**  
**EUCCHARISTIC COMMUNAL ADORATION:**  
**SUSPENDED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

**EUCCHARISTIC CHAPEL IS OPEN FOR  
PRIVATE PRAYER 7:00 A.M. TO 7:00 P.M.  
SUNDAY-SATURDAY**

**PRAYER CHAIN**  
**SANDI GRUHOT, 235-6408**



**REPENT, AND BELIEVE IN THE GOSPEL. - MK 1:15**

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT**

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*"Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth  
to those who keep your covenant." ~ cf. Psalms 25:10*

## PARISH NEWS

### LENTEN PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

- \* Lenten devotions booklet "Steadfast Love". Extra copies are available in Mercy Hall.
- \* Lenten Prayer on Fridays. Reflective prayer on the mysteries of Jesus's Passion. 12:00-12:30 p.m., Nativity Church.
- \* Stations of the Cross Friday evenings during Lent at 7:00 p.m., Nativity Church.
- \* Journey with Dr. Tim Gray by signing up for Daily Lenten Reflections. Each day you will receive in your inbox a short video which features Dr. Gray commenting on the daily Mass readings, explaining the Scriptures, and providing you with concrete ideas on how to apply them to your life. Sign up today for free by visiting [formed.org/lent](http://formed.org/lent)
- \* Sign up for Best Lent Ever on the Dynamic Catholic website to receive daily emails reflecting on the book, *I Heard God Laugh*. ([dynamiccatholic.com](http://dynamiccatholic.com))

### PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Peter and Sharon Krhin on the death of their son-in-law, Dale Kinslow and the death of Peter's brother, Eugene Krhin; Charles and Rachelle Lang on the death of Charles' father, Kenneth Lang; and to Shannon Lang on the death of her father Kenneth Lang.



## Nativity Knights of Columbus 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Bottle Project



The Nativity Knights of Columbus Council is again hosting a bottle project fundraiser with a new twist!

This year, the proceeds will be distributed to the **Women's Care Center** as well as **Birthright of Fargo-Moorhead** in support of the pregnancy and infant-focused programs these organizations provide.

### The Baby Bottle campaign begins this weekend, February 20/21.

Families are asked to stop by Mercy Hall where baby bottles will be available after all Masses.

Families can take a bottle home for one month, filling it with change until the collection weekend, *March 20 & 21.*

Together, we can make a difference in the lives of the unborn!

*\* If you elect to take a bottle, please find a way to return it at the end of the project even if you have chosen not to fill it as the bottles are re-used each year for this and other events. \**



## Nativity Knights of Columbus 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Pajama Drive

### Items Needed

*\*New\** two-piece pajamas for sizes 2-18 years of age.

*\*New\** one-piece pajamas for infant - 24 months.

*Please leave tags attached. Thank You.*

### Dates:

**This weekend, February 20/21, is the final weekend for collection.**

*Thank you for all the generous donations of Pajamas!*



**Diocese of Fargo**  
God's Gift Appeal  
Commitment Weekend: February 27-28  
**Nativity's Goal: \$123,286**  
*"Steadfast in Faith, Joyful in Hope"*

### BULLETIN ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

Our Advertiser of the Week is *Rosewood On Broadway*. Thank you for your support.

See back of bulletin for all advertisers. Remember to patronize all the advertisers whenever possible.



### BULLETIN DEADLINE

Articles are due to Bev in the parish office Tuesdays by Noon for the following Sunday. Drop them off in the office or email: [bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

P R O J E C T  
**IGNITE★LIGHT**

## PARISH AND AREA NEWS

### PASTOR'S NOTES

On the First Sunday of Lent each year, we hear the story of the forty days Jesus spent in the desert and the temptation he experienced. This church year we hear the version from Mark's Gospel, which is much briefer than the version in Matthew (which we heard in 2020, on one of three Sundays of Lent we celebrated together before the Coronavirus shutdown began) and the version in Luke (which we will hear next year). Mark mentions that Jesus was tempted by Satan, but provides no details of what the temptations were, and no dialogue is recorded between them. Rather, Mark moves us quickly to the ministry of Jesus. Jesus proclaims to the people: "Repent and believe in the gospel." Belief, faith, is a gift from God. When we recite the Creed, our Profession of Faith in God, we are stating what we believe. The content of faith, a gift from God who loves us, is transmitted through Scripture and through Tradition, the doctrines and truths put forth by the Church. Faith, however, goes beyond what we can express in words. The Second Vatican Council, building on the writings of St. Augustine from the fourth century, speaks of the *sensus fidei*, the supernatural appreciation of faith given to the universal Church. But more profoundly, in the Creed we are professing in whom we believe: faith is a relationship with the living God. God has offered us not only this relationship, but also the means to respond to it: the gift of faith which allows us to say, "Yes! I want to be in a relationship with God!" For most of us, that yes is a series of decisions, beginning with our parents having us baptized as children and forming us in the faith, with the assistance of teachers and catechists. For others, it may occur at one profound moment in their lives. Either way, the Catechism of the Catholic Church calls faith "a personal act – the free response of the human person to the initiative of God who reveals himself." At the same time, the Catechism notes, faith is also an act of the whole Church, for each believer is "a link in the great chain of believers. I cannot believe without being carried by the faith of others, and by my faith, I help support others in the faith." When we come to the Eucharistic liturgy each weekend, we are coming not only to renew our own faith relationship with God, but also to support others in their faith relationships with God. For this reason, as Catholics we have an obligation, though we have been dispensed from it in this time of the Coronavirus pandemic, to partake each weekend in the celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy, unless individual circumstances such as illness prevent us from being able to. Even if you do not feel you "get anything out of Mass" yourself, your presence may be a help for others, and may even help you in ways that you only later come to understand. With the coronavirus pandemic keeping some from being able to join in weekend worship, or uncomfortable in doing so, each Nativity family has been mailed a copy of the booklet, "Steadfast Love: Inspiration from Henri Nouwen." Extra copies of the booklet are available in Mercy Hall. This



will allow us during the Lenten Season to all "gather" around our common reading of the same Scripture verse and reflection upon it with the given devotional text. Knowing that we are doing so as a community can be a mutual support in strengthening our faith relationship with God as a parish family.

In Christ's Peace,  
Fr. Bill

### PARISH DIRECTORY

If you had your picture taken for the Parish Directory, you are entitled to a directory. Please stop by the parish office between 8:00 am and 3:30 pm Monday through Friday before March 1<sup>st</sup> to pick it up.

In regards to purchasing a directory, we will begin selling them on March 1<sup>st</sup> for \$10 while supplies last.

If you have specific questions please contact, Margaret at 701-232-2414 (Mon & Tue)  
or [margaretz@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:margaretz@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

### PREPARING FOR LITURGY AT NATIVITY: A REMINDER FROM FR. BILL

\*I appreciate the efforts of our Nativity community to wear masks, as this is a sign of charity: the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has stated: "a cloth face covering may not protect the wearer, but it may keep the wearer from spreading the virus to others." Knowledge that all are wearing masks may help some to overcome their fears and return to Mass.

\*Please wash your hands before leaving home, or here at Nativity after you arrive, or both.

\*Bring along your own hand sanitizer to use before and after communion.

*updated: 2/16/2021*

### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store is in need of working hands; if you would like to volunteer 4-5 hours a week or more, it would be very much appreciated. If you would like to work as a paid employee, we do have openings at times; the hours for those positions are 20-35 hours per week. Additionally, if you have good, used furniture items you no longer need, please contact us for free pickup for these items. We also accept other items you no longer need; those items can be dropped off at the store.

Please contact Melissa at 701-364-9404, for additional volunteer or application information, or stop in at 2796 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. S Suite C in Fargo.

### EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS

are picked up from Nativity each week. Please leave any non-perishables on the cabinet near the northwest entrance to the church. Donations are needed and much appreciated.

## PARISH AND AREA NEWS

### FAITH COMMUNITY

*Love One Another ~ Sister Sharon Houle*

"The way we came to know love was that he laid down his life for us; so, we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers." 1 John 3:16. To lay down one's life, one's self-will, is truly genuine love. Genuine love is an attitude of selflessness. Love requires sacrifice; it always costs something but not to love costs even more. Laying down your life for a friend requires some kind of death to self. There are many ways we lay down our life for others, some small and some big. Most importantly, we must foster an attitude of love and concern for the good of others. Acts of kindness, a word of affirmation, a listening ear, and lending a helping hand are a few ways we can give of ourselves. Greater acts may be forgiveness, love when you do not feel like loving, being merciful when it appears undeserved, or going out of your way to be there for a person. Look to the needs of others before your own. This requires true sacrifice and selflessness.

Today we have many examples of self-giving; people are laying down their life for others. Since Covid-19 numerous nurses and doctors and other health care workers have put themselves in harm's way for the benefit of others. As a result, they suffer from physical, mental, and emotional stress. Some contracted Covid-19 and died from the virus. They gave the ultimate sacrifice. They gave their life for another. Others have been on the front line preparing and distributing food and other necessities, supporting those who are grieving, and still others are giving donations. These are all acts of love and self-giving. Wearing a mask, social distancing, and avoiding crowds are also ways of being selfless and loving your neighbor.

A biblical story of self-giving is the Good Samaritan. The person who was compassionate, stopping to help the injured person by the side of the road, was a Samaritan. This Samaritan put his traveling on hold to help the injured man. He used his own supplies to bandage him, brought him to an inn on his own donkey, and paid for his keep. This is an example of selflessness, compassion, love.

Let us pray to our patron saint of many diseases and plagues, St. Roch. St. Roch was born in 1295 with a deep red mark on his chest in the shape of a cross. His mother attributed the mark as a sign of prayers answered. She had been praying to the Blessed Virgin Mary for healing. St. Roch was born into a wealthy family. When his parents died, he gave his inheritance to the poor, handed over the government of the city to his uncle, joined the Third Order of Franciscans, and set out on a pilgrimage to Rome. On his trip he came to a town being ravaged by the Black Plague. He began caring for the sick, curing them by making the Sign of the Cross over them. This miraculous healing continued in every plague infested town that he passed, including Rome itself. It is appropriate to pray to St. Roch for an end to the pandemic we are experiencing. St. Roch heard this Gospel passage and followed it, "If someone who has worldly means sees a brother in need and refuses him compassion, how can the love of God remain in him? Let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth." 1 John 3:17-18.

### EXAMINING THE DECLARATION ON NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGIONS (NOSTRA AETATE) OF THE SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL

WHERE: Online via Zoom

WHEN: Monday, March 8 (7 PM - 8 PM)

COST: \$10 donation

RSVP to Scott at [presentationprayercenter@gmail.com](mailto:presentationprayercenter@gmail.com); 701-799-2076

The Declaration on Non-Christian Religions (Nostra Aetate) of the Second Vatican Council states that "the Catholic Church rejects nothing of what is true and holy" in Hinduism and Islam and has "a high regard for Muslims." It emphasizes the "common spiritual heritage" of Christians and Jews; thus, "the Church cannot forget that she received the revelation of the Old Testament by way of that people with whom God in his inexpressible mercy established the ancient covenant." Fr. Bill Gerlach will examine some core teachings of this document issued 55 years ago, as well as his own experiences of encounter with various religious traditions.

Workshop leader Fr. Bill Gerlach is a Roman Catholic priest of the Diocese of Fargo, ND. He was ordained to the ministerial priesthood in 2004. He is currently pastor of the Church of the Nativity in Fargo. He previously served at Nativity, as well as at St. Michael's in Grand Forks, St. Charles Borromeo in Oakes, and St. Mary's in Forman. Born in St. Paul, MN in 1962, he studied at the University of Minnesota and the University of Illinois. He served as a librarian at North Dakota State University from 1988 to 1998. During that time, he was active in parish life as well as community theater and chorales in the area. He studied theology at the St. Paul Seminary and received the Master of Divinity and M.A. in Theology in May 2004.

Check out the bulletin board for the February online classes from the Presentation Prayer Center.

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

*"After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God..." - Mark 1:14*

Do you ever think about how difficult it must have been for Jesus to come into Galilee, knowing that John had just been arrested for teaching the same message that Jesus was proclaiming? It must have taken great love and trust for Jesus to do what the Father had sent Him here on earth to do. In the same way, following a life of stewardship takes great love and trust from us. We must be willing to surrender completely to God, trusting that God will always give us all that we need to fulfill His plan for us.



**PRAY FOR THE SICK...**



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|-------------------------|-----------------|
| Jerry Mehlisch          | Jean Kelso      |
| Roger Schwinghammer     | Jim Kappel      |
| Danuta Krasniewska      | Peggy Welle     |
| Christopher Durenky, Jr | Betty Barnacle  |
| Greg Lacroix            | Mary Kelly      |
| Shari Stoa              | Gloria Bougie   |
| Joe Swiontek            | Roland Luken    |
| Dave Barnick            | Diane Genoch    |
| Joanne Adamski          | Kevin Wolf      |
| Jim Graalum             | Sheila Duebbert |
| Lillian Meyer           | Audra Norton    |
| Daniel Schlicht         | Dorothy Nichols |
| Irene Miller            |                 |

*If you or a loved one are hospitalized or homebound or would like to have a family member included in the prayers for the sick, call the parish office at 701-232-2414.*

**MASS INTENTIONS**

- Monday, February 22**  
8:00 AM - Beste Family
- Tuesday, February 23**  
8:30 AM - Bo Schaetz  
No Mass until further notice at The Meadows
- Wednesday, February 24**  
8:30 AM - Mary Boechler †  
No Mass until further notice at Villa Maria
- Thursday, February 25**  
8:30 AM - For the Holy Souls †
- Friday, February 26**  
8:00 AM - John Michael †
- Saturday, February 27**  
8:00 AM - Gordon Cagley †  
5:00 PM - Filotea Sabeniano †
- Sunday, February 28**  
7:45 AM - Daniel Richard †  
9:15 AM - Intention of Parish  
11:00 AM - Marge Iverson †

**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-3a, 4, 5, 6 /Mt 16:13-19
- Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19 [18b]/Mt 6:7-15
- Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19 [19b]/Lk 11:29-32
- Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cd-3, 7c-8 [3a]/Mt 7:7-12
- Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-7a, 7bc-8 [3]/Mt 5:20-26
- Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8 [1b]/Mt 5:43-48
- Sunday: Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17, 18-19 [9]/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

**OUR GIVING OF THANKSGIVING  
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2021**

- Adult Envelopes (85 envelopes) ..... \$6,038.00  
Plate ..... \$220.50  
Auto Deposit (Weekly Average)..... \$4,531.17  
**Total..... \$10,789.67**

**CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES**

With COVID and Mass not obligatory at this time, the children's envelopes will not be handed out this year. We have them available in the office or you may pick them up in Mercy Hall on the information center.

**SERVING THE ASSEMBLY FEBRUARY 27/28, 2021**

	5:00 PM	7:45 AM	9:15 AM	11:00 AM
<b>Altar Server</b>	At this time No Altar Servers will be scheduled			
<b>Greeter</b>	Paul Leier Sheila Leier	Ausma Reul Lyle Reul	Connie O'Leary Mike O'Leary	Fritel Family
<b>Usher</b>	Kathy Godon Maurice Godon Gerald Lauer Karen Lauer	Carol Hanson David Hanson Michael Steiner Teresa Steiner	Nancy Kochmann Paul Kochmann <b>Usher Needed</b> <b>Usher Needed</b>	Katherine Appel Duane Moos <b>Usher Needed</b> <b>Usher Needed</b>
<b>EMHC</b>	At this time No Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be scheduled			
<b>Proclaimer</b>	Steve Conrad - 1 Janice Kester - 2	Suzanne Opperman - 1 Larry Boulger - 2	Judy Petermann - 1 Lynn Motteberg - 2	Rhesa Hanson - 1 Jean Hannig - 2
<b>Sacristan</b>	John West Naomi West	Shannon Mehlisch	Michelle Powers	Michelle Powers
<b>Musicians</b>	Bruckbauers Chenise Tandsater	Jens Andersen LaVonne Rustad	Karl Nesler Nate Amundson	April Maertens Brent Hermans
<b>Coffee &amp; Rolls</b>	At this time No Socializing after Masses-this includes no coffee and rolls.			

## AREA NEWS





**March 6th, 2021**  
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
St. Anthony of Padua Church

A day retreat empowering young women  
ages 13 - 21+ to live happy and healthy lives  
by embracing the gift of their femininity

-MIND, BODY, AND SOUL-

Mass - Breakfast - Keynotes - Breakouts - Lunch - Guy Panel

Cost: **FREE** for students  
\$35 for non-students

Scan here to register now or  
visit [bisoncatholic.org](http://bisoncatholic.org)  
deadline to register is February 28th



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### **JOB OPENING: JPII CATHOLIC SCHOOLS Assistant Girls Softball Coach**

Shanley High School is looking for an assistant coach for Girls Softball for the Spring 2021 season to work under the direction of the Head Coach. Candidate must have an understanding of the individual skills, team strategies and implementing game plans for all opponents. NDHSAA coaching certificate is preferred. Deadline for applying: Open Until Filled. Submit cover letter, resume, general application and three letters of recommendation to [human.resources@jp2schools.org](mailto:human.resources@jp2schools.org)

### **Teaching Positions**

JPII Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for the Fall of 2021:

- Religion Teacher - Shanley High School (1.0 FTE)
- Choir Teacher - Shanley High School/Sullivan Middle School (1.0 FTE)
- Science Teacher - Shanley High School (1.0 FTE)
- Kindergarten Teacher - Trinity Elementary (1.0 FTE)
- Pre-Kindergarten Teacher - Trinity Elementary (1.0 FTE)

For more information on these positions or how to apply visit <https://www.jp2schools.org/central-office/careers/> or call 701-893-3231.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

My name is Kate Busek. I am a senior at Shanley High School and the daughter of Kent and Corinne Busek. I am hosting a blood drive.

To schedule an appointment go to:  
<https://learn.vitalant.org/LP=156?studentemail=busekkate@gmail.com&division=MOUNTAIN%26%region=FAR>

Upon pledging to donate, please join us at the mobile blood drive on Wednesday, February 24, in West Fargo. You can sign up for your donation time with the following blood drive: Kate's Epic/West Fargo Community Suite #105

Spicy Pie Pizza and drinks provided for all donors along with drawings for prizes.

If you should have any questions, call or text me at 701-261-5565. Thank you, it's going to be an EPIC day!

### **WEEKLY ROSARY AND ADORATION**

Join us every week for the rosary and adoration for our country—every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., Cathedral of St. Mary's. Pray for the United States.

### **RETROUVAILLE: HELP FOR HURTING MARRIAGES**

Retrouvaille is an international, peer-run program that has helped hundreds of thousands of hurting married couples turn the tide, find new hope, and rediscover the love that initially brought them together. Surveys have shown that 3 out of 4 couples who complete the entire program are still married five years later with stronger, healthier marriages.

Retrouvaille will be held locally March 5-7, 2021 in Fargo. For more information visit [HelpOurMarriage.com](http://HelpOurMarriage.com) or contact us at (701)356-7962 or via email at [RedRiverRetrouvaille@fargodiocese.org](mailto:RedRiverRetrouvaille@fargodiocese.org)

### **SPIRITUAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES**

Maryvale Spiritual Life Center in Valley City has several opportunities for spiritual growth and deepening of one's relationship with God, self, and others. For information on what Maryvale has to offer, dates of their retreats, or spiritual direction, contact Sr. Dorothy Bunce at [dorothy.bunce@fargodiocese.org](mailto:dorothy.bunce@fargodiocese.org) or at 701-845-2864. Brochures are available on the bulletin board.

### **BECOME PART OF OUR PARISH FAMILY**

To help serve our parish family in the best possible way, we encourage people to become registered members of Nativity. It is simple and quite painless. If you are new to town and have been here to worship a few times or attend Mass regularly at Nativity, please consider registering. You can pick up a registration form from the Information Center in Mercy Hall or download the form from our parish website ([www.nativitycatholicchurch.net](http://www.nativitycatholicchurch.net) and then click on *Get Involved*). This information is kept private and is for parish ministry use only.

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**Pastoral Care Team**

**Priest:**

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**Deacon:**

Deacon Bruce Dahl (ext. 132)  
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**Pastoral Minister/ Parish Nurse Coordinator:**

Sr. Sharon Houle (ext. 126)  
sharonh@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Liturgy Team**

**Liturgy & Music Coordinator:** Brent Hermans (ext. 125)  
brenth@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Faith Formation Team**

**Director of Faith Formation (Grades 1-8):** Kathy Bourdon (ext. 124)  
kathyb@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Adult Faith Life Coordinator:** Chris Steffan (ext. 127)  
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**Youth Ministry (LinC) & Young Adult Coordinator:** Brent Hermans (ext. 125)  
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**Administration Team**

**Accounting/Payroll Manager:** Margaret Zeren (ext. 135)  
margaretz@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Office Manager:** Frank LaLonde (ext. 120)  
frankl@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Parish Secretary:** Bev Nesler (ext. 129)  
bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net

**Nativity Parish Support Team**

**Kitchen Coordinator:** Dorothy Thiessen

**Cleaning Service:** Spaeth Cleaners

**Nativity School Team**

**701-232-7461**

**Principal:** Kimbra Amerman  
Kimbra.Amerman@jp2schools.org

**Administrative Assistant:** Nicole Hofer

**Emergencies**

In the case of an after hours emergency, you may contact a priest by calling the parish office, and pressing one (1) when the answering machine picks up.

**BEFRIENDER MINISTRY**

BeFriender ministry is a lay volunteer ministry. BeFrienders offer a confidential compassionate listening presence to people in difficult transitional situations. If you are in need of a BeFriender or would like to become a BeFriender, contact Sister Sharon Houle.

**LOW GLUTEN HOSTS**

If you are gluten intolerant or allergic to wheat, oats, barley or rye, our parish has low gluten hosts. Please arrive at mass early and speak with the sacristan if you wish to receive communion in this form.

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