



# NATIVITY CHURCH OF FARGO

**AUGUST 22, 2021**

*TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME*

**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-FRIDAY: 8:00 AM**

**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  
232-2414 (ext. 127)

**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**



*"Taste and see the goodness of the Lord."*

*~ cf. Psalms 34:9a*

## PARISH NEWS

Save the Date  
**Ministry Gift Shop**  
September 18/19, 2021, at Nativity Church

### PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY

We extend our prayers and sympathy to Don and Sally Voeller on the death of their brother-in-law, Joe Fitzgerald.

### BOYS IN GRADES K-5 ARE INVITED TO JOIN CUB SCOUTS PACK 4222

Welcome night is 6:00 p.m. Monday, August 30, at: Center for Scouting - 4200 19th Ave. S, Fargo.

We are a Nativity Church chartered BSA Pack and adhere to the precepts of the Catholic Church. For more information, please email [bsapack4222@gmail.com](mailto:bsapack4222@gmail.com)



### RCIA

RCIA, the process of becoming a Catholic, is moving back to its usual day and time of Sundays from 9:00 to 10:45 a.m. in the Nazareth Room. Sunday classes will begin on September 26 and continue on consecutive Sundays unless otherwise noted. If you are interested in joining the class, please contact Chris Steffan for more information. RCIA is for those who are unbaptized adults, for those who were raised in another faith tradition but are wishing to explore becoming Catholic, or those who are baptized Catholic but have not completed their initiation sacraments. Contact Chris at 701-232-2414 ext. 127 or [chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

### JESUS THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE

*Jesus the Way, the Truth, and the Life* Evening Class will meet beginning Monday, September 13, and continue to November 22 from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Jesus: The Way the Truth and the Life* is a new and fresh look at Jesus—who he is, what he is really like, what he taught, and what he did for our salvation. This encounter with Christ will inspire and empower you to center your entire life around him as you come to know and love him in an ever-deeper and more intimate way. The series presenters are Marcellino D'Ambrosio, Jeff Cavins, and Edward Sri. The series has 10 sessions. Please contact Chris to register. Email at [chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

### 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)

### FALL LITURGY MINISTRY SCHEDULE

The Fall ministry schedule was emailed out this past week. Please note on this schedule, altar servers and 1 EMHC is scheduled at the Masses. If you did not receive your schedule, please email Bev in the parish office at [bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

### SCHOOL STARTS AUGUST 24

Here we go again, another School year is upon us. Just a reminder if you come to the church on a school day, that you do not park in the following locations: the curb directly in front of the school and church entrances; and the two parallel parking lanes north of the island. By not parking in these areas, you help parents safely drop off and pick up their students.

### ADORERS NEEDED

Starting in September, adoration will start up again. The day will still be Monday and will begin at 8:35 a.m. (after morning Mass) to 7:00 p.m. No Tuesday morning. Our goal is to have at least 3 on a time slot.

Please let us know if you would like to be on the adoration list and see what time slots are available. Subs are also needed. Contact Bev in the parish office at 701-232-2414 or [bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:bevn@nativitycatholicchurch.net)

### DREAM MANAGER BOOK READ DISCUSSION

A couple of months ago, the book *Dream Manager*, by Matthew Kelly, was given away to those interested in reading it. Some were intrigued by the concepts of the book and were interested in talking more about them. Because of this, we are setting up a time to discuss the possibility of whether the concepts of the book would be applicable in the church setting as far as helping people reach their life's dreams whatever they may be. Please join us for our book read discussion of *Dream Manager* on Tuesday, September 21, at 6:30 p.m. in the Nazareth Room.

### 'THE CHOSEN' SEASON 2

You are invited to join us to watch the next season of *The Chosen* on Mondays from 9:00 a.m. to approximately 10:30 a.m. in the Bethlehem Room (August 23, 30, September 13, 20, 27, and October 4 and 11). Even if you have not seen the first season, you can be a part of this group. We watch the videos and talk about the video highlights of Jesus's and the disciples' lives. Everyone is welcome.

If you have any questions you can contact Chris at [chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net](mailto:chriss@nativitycatholicchurch.net) or 701-232-2414 ext. 127.

### BULLETIN ADVERTISER OF THE WEEK

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## PARISH AND AREA NEWS

### PASTOR'S NOTES

This weekend we hear the disciples' reaction to the Bread of Life discourse: some no longer followed Jesus, but for those closest to Jesus, it seems to have strengthened their faith: "We have come to believe," they say. Jesus not only **is** the Bread of Life, but also teaches us **about** the Bread of Life. This teaching role of Jesus is one of the primary responsibilities of the ministerial, or ordained, priest, the final of the four ways I am highlighting in which Jesus is present in the liturgy. Previously in my Notes, I looked at three other ways the Second Vatican Council's document on the Sacred Liturgy, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, speaks of Jesus' presence: in the gathered assembly, in the Word of God, and in the Eucharistic species (which *Sacrosanctum Concilium* calls the "preeminent presence" of Jesus in the liturgy). The role of the ministerial priest in the liturgy is also addressed in another document from the Council, *Lumen Gentium*, the Constitution on the Church. In the person of Christ, he "effects the Eucharistic sacrifice and offers it to God in the name of all the people," who are full participants in the offering. In the broader sense, the ministerial priest leads the community in prayer, while seeking to deepen the community's understanding of the words and actions of the liturgy. *Lumen Gentium* goes on to speak of these two distinct but complementary presences of Jesus, differentiating the common priesthood of the laity, "exercised by the unfolding of baptismal grace—a life of faith, hope, and charity, a life according to the Spirit," from the ministerial priesthood, "at the service of the common priesthood ... directed at the unfolding of the baptismal grace of all Christians." Over these last weeks, Jesus has unfolded his Bread of Life teaching for the crowds, for his disciples, and for us. Together, lay and ordained, we are all "other Christs" in the celebration of the Eucharistic Liturgy. Each have our own part to play in the liturgical action, with all of us striving to understand more deeply the presence of Jesus within, as well as the presence of Jesus in the Word and most especially in the Eucharistic species: the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Jesus under the appearance of bread and wine. *Lumen Gentium* goes on to note: "Then, strengthened by the body of Christ in the eucharistic communion, they manifest in a concrete way that unity of the People of God which this holy sacrament aptly signifies and admirably realizes." We see here again the language of "both ... and ..." regarding the Eucharist: it both signifies **and** realizes unity. I referred to this last weekend when I noted that the Eucharist is both a sign **and** a cause of communion with God and one another. The section of *Sacrosanctum Concilium* that speaks of these presences of Jesus in the liturgy concludes by reminding us that every liturgical celebration, "because it is an action of Christ the Priest and his Body, which is the Church, is a sacred action surpassing all others."

In Christ's Peace,  
Fr. Bill



### BEGINNING EXPERIENCE

Beginning Experience will be offering "Coping with Life Alone". Offered for widowed, divorced or separated persons. Helping to understand the grieving process and the stages of grief. Led by teams of peers who have experienced similar losses in their own lives.

It will be at Liberty Brethren Lutheran Church, 1702 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave S, Fargo. This 10 week program starts on Monday, September 13, 2021. Registration will be at 6:00 p.m. and session will start at 6:30 p.m.

The cost is \$45.00 which includes your Coping book. Information line, please call 701-277-8784 leave message.



### 38<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHOCOLATE FANTASY

It's more than just chocolate — with every bite, you change a life.

YWCA's 38<sup>th</sup> annual Chocolate Fantasy event is a special way to support YWCA Cass Clay, which serves over 250 adults and children each day through shelter, housing, and supportive services. YWCA's Emergency Shelter provided safety and support to over 1,200 women and children last year.

Pre-order a dessert box to go or join attendees of all ages at the Delta by Marriott on Thursday, September 2, from 11:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m. This year's event features delicious desserts and chili served by local celebrities, a silent auction and raffle, and the opportunity to connect with friends and neighbors.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$10 for children ages 6-12 (ages 5 and younger are free!)

For tickets and more information, visit [ywcacassclay.org/chocolate](http://ywcacassclay.org/chocolate) or call 701-232-2547.



## PARISH AND AREA NEWS

### FAITH COMMUNITY

*The Rich Young Ruler ~ Sister Sharon Houle*

A rich young man comes up to Jesus and asks, "What must I do to inherit eternal life?" Jesus answers him, "If you wish to enter into life, keep the commandments." "Which ones?" Jesus says, "You shall not kill, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not bear false witness, honor your father and mother, and love your neighbor as yourself." Mark 10:17. The rich man responds, "I have kept all these from my youth." The young man was honest, sincere, in the pursuit of living a righteous life. Still, he must have felt there was something missing in his life which prompted him to ask the question. Jesus loved the young man; seeing his goodness of heart, Jesus says, "If you wish to be perfect, sell your possessions, give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven, and come follow me." Mark 10:21.

The rich young man lived up to the standard of the law, so Jesus challenges him: can you measure up to God's holiness? He could not accept the challenge, giving up his wealth. Did he really love the Lord with all his heart, all his strength, all his mind, all his soul? Did he love his money more? Did he live up to all the commandments?

The man in the story was young, rich, possibly a Jewish ruler of the local synagogue. He had great wealth. Was money becoming a stumbling block for him? Did he realize it? In our contemporary society are we in the same position of the rich young man in our relationship with Jesus Christ? What are we willing to say "no" to in our lives in order to accept the invitation of Jesus to follow him more closely?

The Gospel story of the rich young man was one of John Paul II's favorites. He saw three great moral themes: the objectivity of the good, the indispensability of the commandments, and the call to radical self-gift. The rich young man draws back at the call to radical self-gift. He walks away sad. Keeping the commandments is indispensable for salvation. Money objectively is good as long as it is used for the benefit of family and neighbor. When money begins to consume one there is a problem. A life of radical self-giving is a call not all are called to.

Did the rich young man return to take up Jesus' challenge? The Gospel does not say. He is not obliged to; salvation is by grace through faith. "For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not from you; it is the gift of God; it is not from works, so no one may boast." Ephesians 2:8-9.

In the Catholic Church there are numerous examples of people who have responded to the call to live "radical self-gift." The lives of the saints are powerful examples. I am sure you can list a number of them: St. Francis of Assisi, St. Claire, St. Theresa, St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta, to name a few.



### "ENTRUSTED TO YOUR CARE" -FAITH HABITS FOR YOU AND YOUR CHILD

**Find time for quiet.** Balance is so important in life! As a parent, you are pulled in dozens of directions, and it is often easy to overextend your time and energy. Finding a time for quiet reflection, to read the Bible, or to read a good book will help you live a healthy and holy life, and your child will learn from you as he or she matures.

### GET EQUIPPED TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT CLIMATE CHANGE!

Catholic Climate Covenant invites you to a "Season of Creation Training: How to Engage Our Church Leaders for Climate Action" on Tuesday, August 31, from 3:00-4:00 p.m. Eastern.

In this live\* training you will learn more about the Climate Action Letter for Catholic Institutions (open to Catholic institutions, organizations, religious communities to sign), and you will learn step by step how you can faithfully and positively engage your bishop and other leaders to spark bold creation care and climate action. You will walk away with key skills, simple engagement resources and handouts to begin using this Season of Creation and beyond.

To register go to: [https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_C9J1XZp7SUEdn-p\\_1M-6-w?e](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_C9J1XZp7SUEdn-p_1M-6-w?e)

The training will highlight best practices and tools to secure institutional Catholic signatures for the Climate Action Letter, and to promote support for long-term creation care work. While we will focus on engaging our bishops, the strategies and resources you learn can help you connect with your parish priest or other Catholic leaders whose support is essential to our continued faithful climate action! ~ Catholic Climate Covenant  
\*The training will be recorded!

### STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

*"If it does not please you to serve the Lord, decide today whom you will serve...As for me and my household, we will serve the Lord." ~ Joshua 24:15*

When we commit to serve the Lord, we must be willing to become a disciple in the work of the Lord. A disciple is a person who spends time in prayer every day, joyfully participates in charitable works and generously supports their local parish and Church mission. If we say we serve God, we must actually do something and not merely talk about it!



**PRAY FOR THE SICK...**



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|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Jerry Mehlisch          | Gloria Bougie      |
| Roger Schwinghammer     | Roland Luken       |
| Danuta Krasniewska      | Diane Genoch       |
| Christopher Durenky, Jr | Sheila Duebbert    |
| Greg Lacroix            | Audra Norton       |
| Shari Stoa              | Jim Foley          |
| Joe Swiontek            | Pam Schneider      |
| Dave Barnick            | Loretta Schumacher |
| Jim Graalum             | Sami Mack          |
| Lillian Meyer           | Tom Nistler        |
| Daniel Schlicht         | Inez Rath          |
| Jean Kelso              | Joanie Gronso      |
| Jim Kappel              | Rita Becker Peet   |
| Peggy Welle             | Bill Wiekamp       |
| Betty Barnacle          |                    |

*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, August 23**  
8:00 AM - Kathy Graham †
- Tuesday, August 24**  
8:00 AM - Larry Sweeney †  
The Meadows - (Residents only)
- Wednesday, August 25**  
8:00 AM - Kathy Olerud  
Villa Maria - (Residents only)
- Thursday, August 26**  
8:00 AM - Jay Papacek †
- Friday, August 27**  
8:00 AM - Gary Tandsater †
- Saturday, August 28**  
8:00 AM - Roger & Judy Schwinghammer Family  
5:00 PM - Tom Wold †
- Sunday, August 29**  
7:45 AM - Intention of Parish  
9:15 AM - Bev Nesler  
11:00 AM - Bob & Betty Barnacle Family

**OUR GIVING OF THANKSGIVING  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 15, 2021**

Adult Envelopes (74 envelopes) .....\$11,244.00  
Plate ..... \$286.25  
Auto Deposit (Weekly Average)..... \$4,386.17  
**Total..... \$15,916.42**

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There are 3 easy steps for new parishioners to Sign Up on FORMED:

- Visit <http://signup.formed.org/>
- Enter our parish zip or name
- Enter your name and email



**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

- Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22
- Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/Jn 1:45-51
- Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/Mt 23:27-32
- Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/Mt 24:42-51
- Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/Mt 25:1-13
- Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 /Mt 25:14-30
- Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/  
Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/  
Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

**SERVING THE ASSEMBLY AUGUST 28/29, 2021**

|                           | 5:00 PM   | 7:45 AM  | 9:15 AM  | 11:00 AM  |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|---|
| <b>Altar Server</b>       | <b>Altar Server Needed</b>  | <b>Altar Server Needed</b>                               | Josephine Schwind<br>Maggie Schwind<br>Simon Schwind                         | Bennett DiAllesandro  |
| <b>Greeter</b>            | James Pilat   | <b>Greeter Needed</b>                                    | Ed Schwind Family  | <b>Greeter Needed</b>   |
| <b>Usher</b>              | Willy Lies<br><b>Usher Needed</b><br><b>Usher Needed</b><br><b>Usher Needed</b> | Ausma Reul<br>Lyle Reul<br>Joel Simons<br>Margaret Zeren | Jeff Bartholomay<br>Leonard Rath<br>Anthony Schumacher<br>Loretta Schumacher | Mike DiAllesandro<br>Paula DiAllesandro<br>Anna Welder<br><b>Usher Needed</b> |
| <b>EMHC</b>               | At this time No Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be scheduled     |  |  |   |
| <b>Proclaimer</b>         | Agnes Harrington—1<br>Janice Kester—2   | Larry Boulger—1<br>Brenda Lang—2                         | Jennifer Schwind—1<br>Judy Petermann—2                                       | Jason Schwengler—1<br>Patricia Greenshields—2                                 |
| <b>Sacristan</b>          | Paul Leier<br>Sheila Leier  | Shannon Mehlisch   | Jean Hannig  | Jean Hannig   |
| <b>Musicians</b>          | Chenise Tandsater   | Jens Andersen<br>Laura O'Rourke                          | April Maertens<br>Brent Hermans  | Joey Wilhelmi<br>Elizabeth or Brent   |
| <b>Coffee &amp; Rolls</b> | At this time No Socializing after Masses-this includes no coffee and rolls.     |  |  |   |

## AREA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES - JPII SCHOOLS** **Teaching Positions**

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions for the Fall of 2021:

- Elementary School Counselor – Nativity Elementary
- Elementary/PhyEd Teacher – Holy Spirit Elementary
- Elementary Teacher – Nativity Elementary
- Smart Lab Teacher – Trinity Elementary
- Resource Teacher – Trinity Elementary

### **Support Positions**

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- Evening Custodian – Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- Assistant Cook – Shanley High School/Sacred Heart Middle School
- After School Program Coordinator – Trinity Elementary
- After School Program Workers – All Elementary schools

### **Coaching Positions**

St. John Paul II Catholic Schools is looking to hire the following positions:

- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade girls basketball coach (2 positions) – Trinity Elementary and Holy Spirit Elementary
- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade volleyball coach (2 positions) – Sacred Heart Middle School
- 9<sup>th</sup> Grade volleyball coach – Shanley High School

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

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

#### **FT Child/Adolescent Psychotherapist**

Redeeming Grace Counseling, located at 1351 Page Drive Suite 202 Fargo, ND, is now accepting applications for a full-time Child/Adolescent Psychotherapist. The purpose of this position is to provide Catholic, faith-based, child/adolescent therapy to clients of Redeeming Grace Counseling. To reduce symptoms, provide insight, and improve a child or adolescent's functioning and quality of life. The candidate must hold a master's degree or PhD in the field of Psychology, Counseling, or Social Work, hold an LCSW or LPCC license in North Dakota, have a minimum 2 years' experience, have experience working with children and adolescents, be a faithful and practicing Catholic, have understanding for correct doctrine and integrity of life, Roman Catholic in good standing with the Church and must be loyal to the Church and her teachings. For more information, or to submit a resume and cover letter, please email [info@redeeminggracecounseling.com](mailto:info@redeeminggracecounseling.com)

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY -** **Director of Sacred Music**

St. Joseph Catholic Church in Williston, ND, is looking for a Director of Sacred Music for the weekend and special liturgies. A qualified candidate will be a skilled organist/pianist and conductor, capable of developing ensembles and cantoring and able to organize, coordinate and communicate with various ensembles. We are looking for someone conversant with the broad spectrum of sacred music and interested in developing a program that features chant, sacred polyphony, traditional hymnody and contemporary congregational music. The candidate should be trained with a bachelor's degree or preferably a master's degree in music. Base salary will be dependent on a part/full-time position as well as experience/qualifications. We offer an attractive benefits package including health insurance, 401(K), and life insurance. Fluency in Spanish, while not required, would be helpful as we have a substantial Hispanic Ministry program. Also, there will be additional opportunities to earn compensation by providing music at weddings and funerals. For more information about our parish, please visit our website at [stjparish.com](http://stjparish.com) Please submit your resume in confidence to Fr. Russ Kovash at the following email: [rkovash@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:rkovash@bismarckdiocese.com) or you could also drop it off at our parish office located at 106 6th Street West.

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

#### **FT Director of Finance and Administration**

St. Paul's Newman Center (bisonCatholic) in Fargo, ND, is currently accepting applications for a full-time Director of Finance and Administration. The successful candidate will manage all finances, payroll, and will lead and develop an internal team to support the following areas: maintenance, Faith Based Housing, and the bC Coffee shop. The Director of Finance and Administration will play a critical role partnering with leadership in strategic decision making and operations as the Newman Center continues to enhance its faith-based programming and build our capacity to serve the student body of NDSU and the tri-college community. This is a tremendous opportunity for a finance and operations leader to maximize and strengthen the internal structure of a well-respected, high impact faith-based organization. Submit cover letter, resume and three references to Rev. James Cheney at [frcheney@bisoncatholic.org](mailto:frcheney@bisoncatholic.org)  
Apply immediately, position open until filled.

### **JOB OPPORTUNITY**

#### **FT Business Office Assistant**

Real Presence Radio has an exciting Business Office Assistant opening in Fargo, ND. The Assistant's core responsibility is to ensure accurate and timely Accounts Receivable processing. Assistant will also perform day to day operations assigned by the Business Manager, including financial & clerical functions to ensure proper, timely & accurate record-keeping. If you sense a call to serve God in this capacity please send a cover letter, resume and references to [brittany@realpresenceradio.com](mailto:brittany@realpresenceradio.com) Or if you would like more information on the position, please call Brittany at 877-795-0122.

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**Administration Team**

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**Office Manager:** Frank LaLonde (ext. 120)  
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**Parish Secretary:** Bev Nesler (ext. 129)  
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**Nativity Parish Support Team**

**Kitchen Coordinator:** Dorothy Thiessen

**Cleaning Service:** Spaeth Cleaners

**Nativity School Team**

**701-232-7461**  
**Principal:** Christopher Dalton

**Administrative Assistant:** Natalie Johnson

**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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