

PASTOR’S NOTES

KC Corn & Brat Feed — Another Successful year

This past Tuesday evening (August 23rd) over 500 people enjoyed a beautiful evening of fellowship and food at the annual KC Corn & Brat feed. Traditionally this event ‘kicks off’ a year of service projects that our local coucil of Knights of Columbus will do for St. Leo’s and the larger community of Casselton. We look forward to their almost monthly breakfasts, free-throw shooting contest, charitable contributions to many local charitable organizations, etc.

There is a lot of thanks to go around to pull off an event like the Corn & Brat feed. First and foremost, the leadership of grand knight, Micah Bartholomay, the KC members who picked the corn, set up tables & chairs, cooked the food, supplied desserts, served ‘the 500’, cleaned up the event, etc. **To these we say – thank you.**

Then there was the gift of corn and brats by Andy Levos, the use of tables and cooking grate from the Chaffee Lions, roasters from Cass County Wild Life, long serving tables from Maple River Grain & Agronomy, refreshments from D&S Beverages, etc.

A sincere thank you to KC Council 9477 for a wonderful ‘get-together’

Upcoming RE-related events of note –

> Monday, August 29th – 6:30 p.m. in the Spirit of Life Center

+ the last RE Parent and Registration meeting

PARENTS: we will review some upcoming changes in class meeting times because of increasing number of students. Please bring your calendars to sign up for serving Simple Suppers and as hall monitors. Plan on registering your children. Bring your checkbooks to pay for RE classes. First come, first served.

> Wednesday, August 31st – 6:30 p.m. in the Spirit of Life Center

+ St. Leo’s & St. Thomas RE teacher orientation

Teachers will get oriented for this coming year’s curriculum, calendar of events, Diocesan policies and expectations, listing of students, review of discipline and behavior management, resource room of books, videos, etc.

> Wednesday, September 7th – 5:30 p.m. Social and 6 p.m. meal at St. Anthony’s parish in Fargo [710 S.10th St.]

+ Deanery II Catechetical Evening for our RE teachers

St. Leo’s and St. Thomas parishes belong to Deanery II [there are 8 deaneries in the Diocese of Fargo]. The Directors of Religious Education in Deanery II are hosting a meal, a key note speaker and 4 break-out sessions on RE related topics to ‘kick-off’ our 2022-23 RE school year. This evening is meant to gather RE teachers, meet other teachers from this area over a meal, learn some ‘best practices’ in the field of religious education, etc.

> Wednesday, September 14th – 6:30 p.m. at St. Leo’s Church

+ Opening Mass for this year’s RE classes

Each year we begin our Religious Education (RE) school year with an Opening Mass, which is open to all parishioners, asking God to bless our endeavors in the faithful transmission of the faith to our students/your children. We encourage all students and families from both St. Leo’s and St. Thomas parishes to attend. Mass will be followed by an ice cream social in the Spirit of Life Center. **Please mark your calendars!**



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211 Langer Ave North
PO Box 340
Casselton ND
347-4609

St. Thomas Catholic Church
401 Third St. North
PO Box 22
Buffalo ND
633-5150



TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 28, 2022

Weekend Mass Schedule for St. Leo’s and St. Thomas

1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays: 8:30 am St. Thomas, 10:30 am St. Leo’s

2nd & 4th Sundays: 8:30 am St. Leo’s, 10:30 am St. Thomas

Every Saturday: 5:00 pm at St. Leo’s

Mass Intentions for the week of Aug 28:

Mon - Aug 29 – 9:00 am – +**Bruce Dooley** by Theresa Dooley

Tues - Aug 30 – 9:00 am – St. Thomas – +**Souls in purgatory**

St. Leo’s — NO MASS

Wed – Aug 31 – 9:00 am - +**Beth Radermacher** by Bill Radermacher

Thurs – Sept 1 – 9:00 am - +**Marie Hong Tran** by Lisa Tran

Fri – Sept 2 – 9:00 am - **Special intention** by Sandie Nystrom

Sat - Sept 3 - 5:00 pm - ++**Donald & Audrey Sando** by Tom & Myra Nowak

Sun - Sept 4 – St. Thomas - 8:30 am - +**Leroy Dixon** by Keith & Joni Biggers

St. Leo’s - 10:30 am - **For the people of our parishes**

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
at St. Leo’s

4:00 - 4:45 pm Saturday

at St. Thomas

8:00 - 8:15 am

before all 8:30 am Masses

~ Anytime by appointment

~ Communal Services during

Advent and Lent

New Members: If you are new to the area, we would love to have you as a registered member. To register as a new member of the parish, please visit with Fr. Ermer after Mass.

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Please join in praying the Rosary  
25 minutes before the Saturday evening  
and Sunday morning Mass times.

PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Sun., Aug 28 - 9:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Mon., Aug 29 - 6:30 pm - **RE Parent/Registration meeting in the Spirit of Life Center**  
Sun., Sept 4 - 11:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Tues., Sept 6 - 7:00 pm - Liturgy Committee meeting at the rectory  
Sun., Sept 11 - 9:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Tues., Sept 13 - 7:00 pm - Cemetery Committee meeting at the rectory  
Wed., Sept 14 - 6:30 pm - RE Opening Mass followed by an ice cream social  
Mon., Sept 19 - 7:00 pm - Finance Committee meeting at the rectory

This week’s Stewardship moment:

“Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you.” ~ Luke 14:13-14

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in our “consumerist” culture that we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it’s jus a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where you unite your sacrifice with Jesus’, renewing our covenant relationship with Him.

| Upcoming Ministry Schedule                                                         |                                                              |                                                              |                                                             |
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|  | <b>Saturday Sept 3</b><br><b>5:00 pm</b><br><i>St. Leo’s</i> | <b>Sunday Sept 4</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><i>St. Thomas</i>  | <b>Sunday sept 4</b><br><b>10:30 am</b><br><i>St. Leo’s</i> |
| <i>Lector</i>                                                                      | Tricia Gegelman<br>Lois Titus                                | Jackie Vavra                                                 | Anna Garman                                                 |
| <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>                                                       | Lucy Wagner                                                  |                                                              | Kristi Dutchuk                                              |
| <i>Altar Servers</i>                                                               | Tristan Lako<br>Ethan Richard<br>Olivia Richard              | Clay Hovelson<br>Emercyn Killoran                            | Isabelle Dutchuk<br>Garman Family                           |
| <i>Offertory Collectors</i>                                                        | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | Jennaca Killoran<br>Betty Lou Stallman<br>Mike & Lisa Zahnow | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                    |
| <i>Gift Bearers</i>                                                                | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | Aaron Haseleu Family                                         | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                    |
| <i>Lead Rosary</i>                                                                 | Jessica Enge                                                 |                                                              | Anna Garman                                                 |

NEWS AND NOTES

**Looking for Feedback on Summer Events:** Hi, I’m Casey Garman a member of St. Leo’s Educational Committee and the one who spearheaded the pamphlet for this year’s Summer Youth Camps/Events. I have one quick favor to ask of the parents who have children who attend St. Leo’s. Did any of your children attend any Church-related Summer Youth camps, retreats, or events? If so, I would like to hear how they went, which one(s) they attended, and if you’d be okay with me sharing their experiences with our other St. Leo’s youth during a small portion of one of their upcoming Faith Formation classes. It would be to “spread” the word to other St. Leo’s youth on how impactful attending one of these events can be in regards to their Faith and also to share what they all did and learned at the camp/event. Feel free to reach on my cell # anytime. It is 701-373-1531. Thanks!

The 10<sup>th</sup> Annual National Day of **Remembrance for Aborted Children Memorial Prayer Service** will be held at the gravesite of the unborn on Saturday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11 am at Holy Cross Cemetery North, 1502 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave NW, Fargo. For more information see the flyer on the bulletin board or contact Susan at 701-371-5196 or visit [www.abortionmemorials](http://www.abortionmemorials).

**Beginning Experience** of Eastern ND, Fargo Chapter will be offering: *"Moving Forward with Hope...Coping with Life Alone"*. Offered for widowed, divorced or separated persons. Helping to understand the grieving process and the stages of grief. It will be at Liberty Brethren Lutheran Church, 1702 32<sup>nd</sup> Ave S, Fargo. This 10 week program starts on Monday September 12<sup>th</sup>. Registration will be at 6:00 pm and session will start at 6:30 pm. The cost is \$45.00 which includes your Coping book. For more information, visit: [www.beginningexperience-easternnd.org](http://www.beginningexperience-easternnd.org) or contact Bonnie at 701-318-0949 or call the information line at 701-277-8784 and a leave message.

**Catholic Man Night:** Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> 6 – 8 pm at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 2711 7<sup>th</sup> St E, West Fargo. 6 pm - Adoration & Confessions. 7 pm - Meal with talk presented by Fr. Jayson Miller, Priest Secretary to Bishop Folda. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

**Prayers and Sympathy:** Our Parish communities extend our deepest sympathies Corey Hovelson and his family on the death of his mother, Bette. *Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. —Matthew 5:4*



Council 9477

**The Knights of Columbus** would like to thank everyone that provided bars and donated their time to the KC Corn and Brat feed to help make it a huge success. Thanks to all of the people that came out and supported us again this year, without the community support we couldn’t make this happen.

*Thank You From The St Leo’s KC’s*



**Redeemed Eucharistic Conference: Friday, September 23<sup>rd</sup> through Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>,** at the Delta Hotel, Fargo. **Early registration discount of \$50 ends Monday, September 5<sup>th</sup>, after September 5<sup>th</sup> the cost is \$75.** The conference will feature presentations by Bishop Andrew Cozzens of the Diocese of Crookston, MN and head of the National Eucharistic Revival for the USCCB; Monsignor James Shea, President of the University of Mary in Bismarck; Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT; and Dr. Mary Healy, professor of Scripture, author, and international speaker. Have your faith built up through powerful encounters with the Real Presence of Jesus Chris in the Eucharist during Mass with Bishop John Folda, a Eucharist Holy Hour with music provided by Aly Aleigha, and a Eucharistic healing service. In addition to all this, there will also be the rare opportunity to view relics of Blessed Acutis and St. Manuel Garcia. To learn more, please see the flyer on the bulletin board. Register on-line at: [www.fargodiocese.org/redeemed](http://www.fargodiocese.org/redeemed) or call (701) 356-7900.