

PASTOR’S NOTES

A ‘heads-up’ —

As people start looking ahead, here are some church events of which to be aware:

- 1) Monday, August 15th is the **holy day** of **Mary’s Assumption into heaven**.
Holy Day Masses will be:
Sunday evening (August 14th) 7:00 p.m. at St. Thomas in Buffalo;
Monday evening (August 15th) 7:00 p.m. at St. Leo’s in Casselton
- 2) A couple of dates regarding this year’s **Religious Education (RE) program** have been set. Because of class sizes we have had to make some adjustments as to class times for some of our upcoming classes. This information will be presented as well as conducting RE registration for this year’s program will be done at one of two (2) parent/registration meetings:
> **Wednesday, August 17th at 6:30 p.m** in the Spirit of Life Center
or
> **Monday, August 22nd at 6:30 p.m.** in the Spirit of Life Center
Once again parents are being asked to bring their calendar to schedule themselves in helping to serve our ‘*Simple Suppers*’ and act as hall monitors.
All RE parents will soon be getting a letter with more details regarding this matter, but this is an opportunity to get one of these two meeting dates on your calendars.
- 3) If there is sufficient interest, I am willing to do an Inquiry Class series on the Catholic faith starting in late September. An ***Inquiry Class*** attempts to explore the beliefs, teachings and practices of the Catholic Church. **This is a great class for:**
> any Catholic interested in learning more about their faith **(or)** a Catholic who has been baptized, but never confirmed and would like to be confirmed;
> any non-Catholic who is simply interested in knowing more about the Catholic Church **(or)** who may be interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Church.
Let me know your interest and watch the bulletin for more details in the weeks ahead.

St. Leo’s Prayer Chain

St Leo’s parish has a Prayer Chain made up of parishioners who will offer prayers on your behalf. Prayer requests can be of many kinds *(e.g.- for people who are sick, for persons/families who have suffered the loss of a loved one, for people going through troubled times, etc.)*
All prayer requests are to be directed to Bea Bachmeier, who will gather pertinent and necessary information and forward each prayer request to all members of the Prayer Chain. If Bea is unable to be contacted people are asked to direct their requests to Kelsey Lako, who will, in turn, forward any prayer requests.

Telephone numbers for Bea {701-347-5555} and Kelsey {701-793-7088} can be found on the front page of the church bulletin in the box listing staff persons.
If anyone has any questions about the ‘ins and outs’ of how this Prayer Chain works, please contact Bea.
If anyone would like to become a member of the Prayer Chain, please contact Delores at the parish office.



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St. Thomas Catholic Church
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NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 7, 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 7:

Mon - Aug 8 – 10:00 am - **Funeral Mass for Paul Spooner**
Tues - Aug 9 – 9:00 am – St. Thomas – **+Souls in purgatory**
St. Leo’s — NO MASS
Wed – Aug 10 – 9:00 am - **Andrew Garman** by Casey & Anna Garman
Thurs – Aug 11 – 9:00 am - **Adam Garman** by Casey & Anna Garman
Fri – Aug 12 – 9:00 am - **++Randall & LaVerne Miller** by Gary & Delores Grommesh
Sat - Aug 13 - 5:00 pm - +Kenny Habiger by Mary Kempel
Sun - Aug 14 – St. Leo’s - 8:30 am - For the people of our parishes
St. Thomas - 10:30 am - +Don Gruman by Keith & Joni Biggers

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St. Thomas Directors: Larry Zaun & Gary Milbrandt

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 7 - 11:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Sun., Aug 14 - 9:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Sun., Aug 14 - 7:00 pm - St. Thomas - Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary Vigil Mass  
Mon., Aug 15 - 7:00 pm - St. Leo’s - Assumption Blessed Virgin Mary Mass  
Wed., Aug 17 - 6:30 pm - RE Parent/Registration meeting in the Spirit of Life Center  
Sun., Aug 21 - 11:30 am - Beverage and Bite after Mass  
Tues., Aug 23 - 5:30 pm - KC Corn and Brat Picnic  
Wed., Aug 24 - 7:00 pm - St. Thomas Pastoral Council meeting  
Fri., Aug 26 - 9:00 am - Catechist Retreat at Maryvale, Valley City  
Sat. Aug 27 - 9:00 am - Catechist Retreat at Maryvale, Valley City  
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

**This week’s Stewardship moment:**  
“For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be.” ~ Luke 12:34

Jesus encourages us to build up our treasure in heaven. The world encourages us to build up our treasure in real estate, investments, and material goods. How much time are you investing in building up a worldly treasure? How much time are you investing in building up a heavenly treasure? To invest more in the things of heaven, you must let go of some of the things of this world.


| Upcoming Ministry Schedule                                                         |                                                              |                                                            |                                                              |
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|  | <b>Saturday Aug 13</b><br><b>5:00 pm</b><br><i>St. Leo’s</i> | <b>Sunday Aug 14</b><br><b>8:30 am</b><br><i>St. Leo’s</i> | <b>Sunday Aug 14</b><br><b>10:30 am</b><br><i>St. Thomas</i> |
| <i>Lector</i>                                                                      | Mark Voss                                                    | Shari Kensok                                               | Keith Biggers                                                |
| <i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>                                                       | Nicole Scherweit                                             | Ann Faught                                                 |                                                              |
| <i>Altar Servers</i>                                                               | Addison/Noah Hushka<br>Sophie/Emma Scherweit                 | Sarah Kempel<br>Melody Kempel<br>Lucas Miller              | Ali Killoran<br>Rudi Wendel                                  |
| <i>Offertory Collectors</i>                                                        | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                   | Dennis & Cristie Killoran                                    |
| <i>Gift Bearers</i>                                                                | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                     | <i>Volunteers needed</i>                                   | Frank & Laura Biggers                                        |
| <i>Lead Rosary</i>                                                                 | Richard Muscha                                               | Deb Werner                                                 |                                                              |

NEWS AND NOTES


**Prayers and Sympathy:** Our Parish communities extend our deepest sympathies to Pam Spooner and her family on the death of her husband, Paul.  
*Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.*  
—Matthew 5:4

**Special prayers and blessings** to the faithful couples that help us see the presence and faithfulness of God in our lives:  
**Ralph & Barb Nelson - 68 years on August 12**  
**Robert & Judith Von Bank - 60 years on August 25**

**66<sup>th</sup> Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Prairies:** Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, at Carmel of Mary Monastery, 17765 78<sup>th</sup> St SE, Wahpeton, ND. The days events will include:  
2 pm - Conference on the Blessed Mother  
3 pm - Rosary  
5 pm - Holy Mass with Bishop John Folda  
6 pm - Picnic  
For more information, please see the flyer on the bulletin board or visit their website at: [carmelofmary.org](http://carmelofmary.org)

 **Help Support our Cameroon Card Mission:**  
Cards are available for purchase in the magazine rack in church entry. There is a wonderful selection for all occasions available for purchase. Cost of cards is 50¢, please place money in envelope provided and return to parish office. All proceeds go to the mission.

Mass Schedule for  
**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary**  
Sun., Aug 14<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm Mass at St. Thomas  
Mon., Aug 15<sup>th</sup> - 7 pm Mass at St. Leo’s

  
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St. Leo’s  
Knights of Columbus  
**Corn & Brat Picnic**  
Tuesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>  
5:30 - 7:30 pm  
Free will offering  
Proceeds will support Community of Care and the Rural Cass Food Pantry.

**One – Day Catechist Retreat:**  
Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> or Saturday August 27<sup>th</sup>. Both retreats will be held at Maryvale Retreat Center, Valley City, ND. Come away for a day of retreat at Maryvale, Valley City where Fr. Andrew Jasinski will direct a retreat with a series of talks reflecting on the Eucharistic Rival. These retreats are primarily for those involved in catechesis, however, all are welcome. The day will begin at 9:00 am and end at 4:00 pm. Cost is \$25 per person. Deadline to register for these retreats is Friday, August 19<sup>th</sup>. Please register on-line at: [www.fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat](http://www.fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat) Any questions please contact [mary.hanbury@fargodioces.org](mailto:mary.hanbury@fargodioces.org) or (701)356-7909

**REMINDER - St. Leo’s/St. Thomas Weekly Bulletins** are on line! To view the weekly bulletin go to:

- [stleosnd.org](http://stleosnd.org)
- click on the **Weekly Bulletins** link
- click on bulletin you wish to view

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