

PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Tues., Oct 14 – 7:00 pm – Social Concerns committee meeting at the rectory
Wed., Oct 15 – 12:00 pm – Casselton Ministerium meeting in the Spirit of Life Center
Wed., Oct 15 – **NO RE classes** at St. Leo’s or St. Thomas
Sun., Oct 19 – 9:00 am – KC Breakfast in the Spirit of Life Center
Thurs., Oct 23 – 7:00 pm – Inquiry Class on the Catholic faith in lower level of St. Leo’s church
Mon., Oct 27 – 6:30 pm – KC meeting at the rectory
Fri., Oct 31 – 5:30 pm – St. Thomas – All Saints Day Vigil Mass
Sat., Nov 1 – 9:00 am – St. Leo’s – All Saints Holy Day Mass
Sun., Nov 2 – 11:00 am - 1:30 pm – St. Leo’s Annual Fall Dinner

Special prayers and blessings to the faithful couples that help us see the presence and faithfulness of God in our lives:
Don & Audrey Cramer - 55 years on Oct 9
Keith & Barb Marschke - 56 years on Oct 18
Ken & Ida Breidenbach - 60 years on Oct 23
Dennis & Kerry Radermacher - 57 years on Oct 26

Celebrate Baptism - We give thanks to God for the Baptism of Brynnan Margaret Lindseth, daughter of Anthony and Leah.
We pray that the Spirit of Christ may guide her to live as a child of God.

Upcoming Ministry Schedule			
	Saturday Oct 18 5:00 pm <i>St. Leo’s</i>	Sunday Oct 19 8:30 am <i>St. Thomas</i>	Sunday Oct 19 10:30 am <i>St. Leo’s</i>
<i>Lector</i>	Lee Ann Monilaws Mallory Poulson	Keith Biggers	Steve Carvell
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Gary Grommesh Delores Grommesh	Joe Killoran Linda Milbrandt	Micah Bartholomay Jake Lako Collin Miller Deb Werner Jake Werner
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Grant/Ann Burchill Beau Parisien Max Monilaws	Hannah Besette Ali Killoran	Elise/Brynne Bartholomay Kayleigh/Natalie Prochnow
<i>Offertory Collectors</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	Arnie & Barb Buhr Jackie Vavra	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	Joe & Lora Killoran	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>Lead Rosary</i>	Mona Franck		Volunteer Needed

NEWS AND NOTES

Join us to sing from the choir loft! “Choir Sunday” will be **Sunday, October 19th** at the 10:30 am Mass. Anyone middle school and older is welcome is to sing. We will meet in the choir loft from 9:30-10 am that day to run through these songs: #546, #405, #342, #594. YouTube is a great way to practice at home beforehand. Contact Wanda Mangin with any questions.

40 Days for Life: September 24th – November 2nd, 2025. 40 Days for Life is a worldwide mobilization for all Christians to pray and fast for an end to abortion. All are invited to participate in daily vigils being held outside the Red River Women’s Clinic located at 302 Highway 75 N, Moorhead, MN. For more information on how to sign up to volunteer at one of these vigils, please see the flyer on the bulletin board or visit their website: 40daysforlife.com/moorhead

Catholic Man Night: Tuesday, October 14th, at St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church (601 15th Ave N, Moorhead, MN). 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Adoration & Confession; 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm meal and talk. The guest speaker is Fr. James Meyer. Meal is a free will offering. **All men are invited, bring a friend!**

World Mission Sunday: Each year St. Leo’s/St. Thomas, along with the Diocese of Fargo, participate in six national collections. Next **Sunday, October 19th** is *World Mission Sunday*. Joining Catholics worldwide, this collection helps fund foreign missionary needs through the Society for the Propagation of the Faith to the Pope’s mission. The envelope for this collection can be found with your regular offertory envelopes. Please consider giving generously.



Fall Dinners: It’s that time of year again! Please see the flyers on bulletin board for more details on all the area church Fall Dinners.



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Knights of Columbus Breakfast: Serving pancakes and sausage **Sun., Oct. 19th** 
from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Spirit of Life Center. Free will offering.

Medicare Part D open enrollment begins on Wednesday, October 15th and runs through December 5th. Community of Care provides assistance with reviewing your Medicare Part D, appointments are needed for this service. To schedule an appointment please call Community of at Care at (701)347-0032.

Wellness Screening Fair sponsored by Community of Care on Tuesday, October 21st at Martin’s Lutheran Church in Casselton. The open house event for older adults is from 10 am – 2 pm, come at a time that works for your schedule. Screenings are provided by local nurses and college students (pharmacy, physical therapy, speech therapy, etc.).

Are you missing baking dishes/cake pans? A number of baking dishes have accumulated during the last few weeks in the kitchen. Please stop by any time to pick them up. Thank You.



St. Leo’s Fall Dinner sign up sheets are located on the tables in the office hall way. Many hands are needed to help make our Fall Dinner a success. Thank you.

This week’s Stewardship moment:

“Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God.”~ Luke 17:18

Most of us live relatively “easy” lives. We have food, shelter, clothing, and money. We go on vacation every year and own a car or two. Most of us take this all for granted. Did you ever notice that people with the least amount of possessions are usually the most grateful? Shouldn’t this be the other way around? Take time every day and thank God for all He has given you and discern how He is calling you to share your gifts.

PASTOR’S NOTES

1700 years ago —

1700 years ago [325 A.D.] in present-day Iznik, Turkey a most significant event took place. At that time, the place was known as **Nicaea**. Bishops from throughout the Christian world gathered to discuss and resolve a very vexing problem that had arisen in the life of the Christian world.

Prior to that time Roman persecutions had dominated the life of Christianity, but in 313 A.D. the Roman emperor, Constantine, declared the acceptability of Christianity. This decision is known as the Edict of Milan. For the first time in over 200+ years Christians experienced stability and were able to seriously deliberate about the person of Jesus Christ. In those previous years numerous understandings about Christ floated around the Christian world.

Some had come to understand Jesus as being so divine that he was unable to really suffer and die. *He only appeared to be human*. These people became known as Docetists. **Some** saw Jesus as simply human but in the course of time *was adopted* by God to be his son. These people became known as Adoptionists. **Some** saw Jesus as a great teacher who brought *special and saving knowledge* to the world. These who come to possess such knowledge would be saved. These people became known as Gnostics. **Some** saw Jesus as closely *associated with God* -- a special creature, higher than the angels -- but not God. These people became known as Arianists.

These various movements and teachings about Jesus within Christianity needed to be addressed and resolved. Therefore, the Council of Nicaea was convoked. It was the Church’s first ecumenical council where bishops from throughout the Christian world gathered to discuss, debate and resolve confounding presentations about the person of Jesus Christ.

This Council gave us the Nicene Creed. This is the Creed most often recited in our churches at Sunday Mass. This Creed declares that Jesus is God. He is of the same substance as the Father. More precisely the Creed says Jesus is –

“... *Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;*”

From that time to this very day this teaching stands as the heart of Christian belief about Jesus of Nazareth. The very next ecumenical **Council of Constantinople (381A.D.)** will declare the Holy Spirit as being constitutive of God. Therefore, Church teaching about the Trinity. The next ecumenical **Council of Ephesus (431 A.D.)** will declare Mary to be the Mother of God. The next ecumenical **Council of Chalcedon (451 A.D.)** will declare Jesus Christ to be a divine person, who possesses both a human nature and a divine nature {known as the hypostatic union}. These four ecumenical Councils established the bedrock teaching of the Christian faith. This is what all Christians believe about one God being a Trinity of persons and Jesus being a divine person with two natures. Christianity rises and falls upon these convictions of faith.

During this Holy Year and Jubilee of hope, people are asked make pilgrimages to designated Jubilee sites and partake of a Jubilee indulgence. The Nicene Creed is one of the prayers being requested to be recited in conjunction with gaining the Jubilee indulgence.

Fall Dinner & Raffle notes:

- 1) Remember to sell or buy your **Raffle tickets** and turn the proceeds into the parish office
- 2) **Sign up** to help set up, serve and clean up for the Fall Dinner (Sunday November 2nd), sign-up sheets are located in the parish office hallway
- 3) We need your **goodies** – *nice desserts for our dessert table; home-made food items for our Country Store; prize items for out kids games.*



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TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
October 12, 2025

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 Oct 12:

Mon – Oct 13 – 9:00 am – +**Theresa Dooley** by Her children
Tues – Oct 14 – 9:00 am – St. Thomas – +**Souls in purgatory**
NO 9 am Mass at St. Leo’s
Wed – Oct 15 – 9:00 am – +**Lorraine Kensok** by Carol Nilles
Thurs – Oct 16 – 9:00 am – +**Frank Kasowski** by Sue Knoll
Fri – Oct 17 – 9:00 am – +**Souls in purgatory**
Saturday – Oct 18 – 5:00 pm – +**Janice Miller** by **Bob Miller**
Sunday – Oct 19 – St. Thomas - 8:30 am - For the people of our parishes
St. Leo’s - 10:30 am – +**Don Nilles**

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St. Leo’s Directors: Dave Glennon & Micah Bartholomay
St. Thomas Directors: Gary Milbrandt & Flint Kasowski

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

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 or by appointment.

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