

PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Sun., Aug 23 – 1:00 pm – St John Vianney Priest’s Residence (Fr. Ermer’s new home) Open House, Fargo
Tues., Sept 1 – 7:00 pm – Liturgy Committee meeting at the rectory
Tues., Sept 8 – 7:00 pm – Cemetery Committee meeting at the rectory
Wed., Sept 9 – 6:30 pm – RE Opening Mass at St. Leo’s; all parishioners are welcome to attend
Tues., Sept 15 – 7:00 pm – Finance Committee meeting at the rectory
Tues, Sept 22 – 7:00 pm – St. Leo’s Pastoral Council meeting at the rectory



Religious Education Volunteers Needed: Have you been praying about how God is calling you to serve? Consider sharing your faith with our children and youth, helping them grow in their relationship with Christ and experience God’s love. Our parish is seeking dedicated volunteers to serve as Religious Education **teachers** and **support volunteers** for the 2026-2027 school year. Whether you feel called to teach or to assist behind the scenes, your time and talents can help make our program successful and run smoothly. If you feel called to be a part of this ministry, please stop by the **Parish Office** for more information. We would love to welcome you to our Religious team!

Upcoming Ministry Schedule			
	Saturday Aug 29 5:00 pm <i>St. Leo’s</i>	Sunday Aug 30 8:30 am <i>St. Thomas</i>	Sunday Aug 30 10:30 am <i>St. Leo’s</i>
<i>Lector</i>	Megan Bolda	Keith Biggers	Lois Titus
<i>Eucharistic Ministers</i>	Mona Franck Delores Grommesh	Joni Biggers Keith Biggers	Virjean Cramer Susan Kempel Richard Muscha Deb Werner Jake Werner
<i>Altar Servers</i>	Lako Family Bolda Family	Carly Hovelson Tucker Killoran	Volunteers Needed
<i>Offertory Collectors</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	Dennis & Cristie Killoran	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>Gift Bearers</i>	<i>Volunteer needed</i>	Jurgen & Barb Suhr	<i>Volunteer needed</i>
<i>Lead Rosary</i>	Richard Muscha		Alexia Kieffer

NEWS AND NOTES



Shades of Autumn Fashion Show: Please join us at Holy Cross Catholic Church in West Fargo for our "Shades of Autumn" women's style show to be held on Sunday, September 13th at 1 pm in the church Social Hall. Fashions by Christopher & Banks and will feature fashions for women and high school girls. A desert bar and beverages will be provided along with door prizes. Tickets are \$20 and are available at the church office or by calling 701-282-7217. No tickets will be sold at the door on the day of the event. Get your tickets now as only a limited number of tickets are available. Credit Card and Venmo are accepted by visiting or calling the church. If you charge your tickets over the phone, your tickets will be waiting for you at the registration table on the day of the event.

Catholic Formation Initiative this Fall: Discover Faith and Culture through the Diocese of Fargo’s new Catholic Formation Initiative, featuring comprehensive five-hour classes on the Human Person-The Foundation of All Rights and Dignity. The two day classes will take place on Friday, September 18th from 7-9 pm and Saturday, September 19th from 9 am to 1 pm (lunch at 12 pm) at the Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City, ND. This class instructed by Tim Mosser from the Diocese of Fargo, will simply and clearly address the uniqueness of each person created in the image and likeness of God with infinite dignity and desire but with limited power and freedom. For more information, class structure and to register, visit: www.fargodiocese.org/cfi-classes

This week’s Stewardship moment:
“Or who has given the Lord anything that he may be repaid?” ~ Romans 11:35
St. Paul reminds us of a central fact of stewardship. We cannot give God anything – He already owns it all. God made everything, including us. Since we are made in His image, we too, are called to be generous. How we use our God-given gifts becomes our gift back to Him. Gratitude for all we have been given opens our hearts to joyful generosity! And, through our generosity, we just may be the answer to someone else’s prayer.

Fall Festival and Supper: St. Boniface Catholic Church, Wimbledon, ND will hold it’s Fall Festival Supper on Sunday, September 20 from 4:00 to 7:00 pm. A freewill meal offering meal will feature turkey and roast beef with all the trimmings. The event will also feature a bazaar, famers market and bounce house for children. Take-out meals will be available by calling (701) 435-2310. Everyone is welcome.

UPDATE-CHANGE OF TIME- An evening with Dr. George Weigel: Bishop Folda has arranged an evening event with Dr. George Weigel, author of many works including: “To Sanctify the World” on **Sunday, September 27th at 4:00 pm** at Sts. Anne & Joachim Church Social Hall, 5202 25th St S, Fargo. The discussion will be focused on Pope St. John Paul II, Pope Leo XIV and the Church in our Day. The event is free and open to the public. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

Senior Citizens Day: Tuesday, September 29th, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at St. Leo’s Church Spirit of Life Center, Casselton. **Please do not arrive before 10 am.** Enjoy presentations on topics that support your well-being – plus great company, good food, and fun giveaways. Sponsored by the Casselton Business Association and Community of Care. Free Lunch will be provided, but you need to **RSVP by Friday, September 18th at (701)347-7115.** Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for the event schedule details.

Are you missing your baking dishes and containers: A number of baking dishes and containers have accumulated in the past few weeks from funerals/events that have taken place at St. Leo’s. They are available for pick up anytime in the Spirit of Life Center of kitchen. Thank you.

St. Leo's Well Read Mom Book Club is seeking women who are striving for spiritual growth, friendship, and desire to read more. Well Read Mom is a Catholic book club meant to create a place for women not to escape from family life and work, but to experience a kind of leisure through friendship and literature so that women could return to their lives with renewed vision and vigor. By reading books together, we help sustain a tradition of reading, which is a gift not only to our families but the world. Cost of membership is \$49.95 per year. Book Club will start in September and women from all walks of life are welcome to join. For more information and registration go to: wellreadmom.com If you are interested in joining, but would like to learn more, sign your name and information on the sheet in the church entry. For immediate questions you can also reach out to Kelsey Lako or call the parish office at (701)347-4609.

Seven Sisters Apostolate: The Parishes of St. Leo's and St. Thomas are starting a Seven Sisters Apostolate and need seven women to make a one year commitment to spend one hour a week in front of the Blessed Sacrament praying for our priest. We are also looking for substitutes because if you are ever unable to attend your one hour during the week you will either need to switch with someone or find a substitute. We encourage you to visit their website at sevensistersapostolate.org to help you to discern if this is something you are called to take part in along with more information, resources, and a list of prescribed prayers to be prayed. Please contact Deb Werner, the coordinator of the group, at: Debw06@yahoo.com for more information or to make a commitment.

Prayers and Sympathy: Our Parish communities extend our deepest sympathies to Heidi Krueger and her family on the death of her grandfather, Julian Slominski and her uncle, Merle Enlow.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted. —Matthew 5:4

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St. Thomas Directors: Gary Milbrandt & Flint Kasowski

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. Mulligan after Mass or by appointment.
Pastoral Care: Please contact the parish office of any hospitalization or serious illness to receive Anointing of the Sick, the Eucharist or a pastoral visit.
Change of Contact Information: Please notify the parish office if you have gotten rid of your land line or had any changes to your address.



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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
August 23, 2026

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 23:
Tues – Aug 25 – 5:30 pm – +**George Waxler** by Richard Muscha
Wed – Aug 26 – 9:00 am – +**Souls in purgatory**
Thurs – Aug 27 – 10:00 am – **St. Thomas** – +**Ray Killoran** by Joe & Lora Killoran
Fri – Aug 28 – 9:00 am – **Special Intention** by Sandie Nystrom
Saturday – Aug 29 – 5:00 pm – +Kenny Habiger by Mary Kempel
Sunday – Aug 30 – St. Thomas - 8:30 am – +Bernice Wolsky by Keith & Joni Biggers
St. Leo's - 10:30 am – For the people of our parishes

Weekly Schedule			
St. Leo's			
<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>Adoration</u>	<u>Confession</u>
Tue	5:30– 6:00 pm	4:00- 5:20 pm	5:00- 5:15 pm
Wed	9:00– 9:30 am	7:30- 8:50 am	8:30- 8:45 am
Fri	9:00– 9:30 am	9:30- 10:30 am	8:30- 8:45 am
Sat	5:00– 6:00 pm	3:00- 4:50 pm	4:00- 4:45 pm
Sun	8:30– 9:30 am (2 nd & 4 th) 10:30– 11:30 am (1 st , 3 rd , 5 th)	7:00- 8:20 am (2 nd & 4 th)	8:00- 8:15 am (2 nd & 4 th)
St. Thomas			
<u>Day</u>	<u>Mass Time</u>	<u>Adoration</u>	<u>Confession</u>
Thurs	10:00-10:30 am	8:30- 9:50 am	9:30- 9:45 am
Sun	8:30– 9:30 am (1 st , 3 rd , 5 th) 10:30– 11:30 am (2 nd & 4 th)	7:30- 8:20 am (1 st , 3 rd , 5 th)	8:00- 8:15 am (1 st , 3 rd , 5 th)
NOTE: On the weekends when 10:30 Mass is scheduled there will be NO Adoration and Confessions. Please join in praying the Rosary 30 minutes before the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Mass times.			