


PARISH EVENTS/MEETINGS

Tues., May 6 – 7:00 pm – Liturgy Committee meeting at the rectory
Wed., May 7– 6:30 pm– RE Closing Mass followed by ice cream social, all parishioners are welcome
Tues., May 13 – 7:00 pm – Cemetery Committee meeting at the rectory
Sun., May 18– 11:30 am– Graduation Breakfast after 10:30 am Mass honoring St. Leo’s 2025 graduates

REMINDER: Please remember to return your Lenten canisters.

Special prayers and blessings to the faithful couples that help us see the presence and faithfulness of God in our lives:
Bob & Diane Weber - 52 years on May 5
Dennis & Elaine Volk - 51 years on May 11

See Bulletin Insert on how to collect six Jubilee pilgrimage Diocesan collectable coins and to receive a Jubilee Year indulgence.

Upcoming Ministry Schedule			
	Saturday May 10 5:00 pm St. Leo’s	Sunday May 11 8:30 am St. Leo’s	Sunday May 11 10:30 am St. Thomas
Lector	Mark Voss	Shari Kensok	Judy Von Bank
Eucharistic Ministers	Lori Howard Bill Franck	Denise Bartholomay Ann Faught Mary Jendro Susan Kempel Paul Olsen	Linda Milbrandt Cynthia Comprendio
Altar Servers	Addison Hushka Noah Hushka Payton Neumann	Melody Kempel Quinn/Riley Gunkel Emma Rupp	Hallie Besette Carly Hovelson
Offertory Collectors	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	JoEllen Killoran Mike & Lisa Zahnow
Gift Bearers	Volunteer needed	Volunteer needed	Joe & Lora Killoran
Lead Rosary	Richard Muscha	Deb Werner	

NEWS AND NOTES

Join us to sing from the choir loft! “Choir Sunday” will be Sunday, May 18th 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: #624, #150, #342, #334, #177. YouTube is a great way to practice at home beforehand. Music with harmony parts available-ask Wanda Mangin.

Teams of Our Lady for Your Marriage: Are you interested in enriching your couple/marriage spirituality on a journey with other Catholic like-minded couples? The F-M Sector of Teams of Our Lady now has 12 TEAMS comprised of 72 area couples, 11 chaplains, and has been going strong for 19 years! Join us to learn more at our Spring Information Sessions!
•Info Session #1 - Thurs. May 8th at 7:00 pm at Sts. Anne & Joachim Church, Fargo
•Info Session #2 - Thurs. June 5th at 7:00 pm at Holy Cross Church, West Fargo

All couples (BOTH husband and wife) wishing to join TEAMS are required to attend one of these two sessions. Mark your calendar as these will be the only information sessions this year. For more information, e-mail fargosectorinformation@gmail.com More information can also be found on the TEAMS website at www.teamsofourlady.org

Real Presence Radio’s Spring Live Drive is happening May 6–8! Join us as we broadcast LIVE from across our five state listening area, sharing powerful stories of faith and hope, and the impact of Real Presence Radio. Call 877 -795-0122 or support us online during the drive, and you’ll be entered into a drawing for some amazing prizes! The phone lines will be open from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm CT each day.

This week’s Stewardship moment:

“...Peter was distressed that Jesus had said to him a third time, ‘Do you love me?’ and he said to him, ‘Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Feed my sheep.’” ~ John 21:17
How often do you actually say the words “I love you” to Jesus, to family members, or to friends? We are made to be in relationship with God and each other. Sincerely telling someone that you love them is the best gift you can give them because it comes from your heart. You are giving them the gift of yourself. We all were made by love and for love. Tell someone you love them every day.



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St. Leo’s Knight of the Month: The Knight of the month is Jake Lako Thank you Jake for all you do for the KC’s. Your dedication is greatly appreciated.

Catholic Daughters to Meet: Court St. Ann #261 of the Catholic Daughters of the Americas will meet Tuesday, May 13th at St. Anthony's Church (710 10th St. S, Fargo) beginning with Mass at 5:15 PM; meal to follow and meeting at 6:30 pm. Members are invited to bring non-perishable food item donations. If interested in CDA, please join us at our meeting. Any questions, please send an email to regentctstann@gmail.com

Beginning Experience for divorced, separated, and widowed people will be held June 20-22 in Hankinson, ND. Please see the brochures on the bulletin board for more information and to register or call (701)277-8784. If interested to learn more visit: www.beginningexperience-easternnorthdakota.org

St. Mary’s Catholic Church in Dazey, ND invites you to their 120th Eucharistic Procession for the feast of Corpus Christi on Saturday, June 21st. Bishop John Folda will celebrate Mass at 10:00 am followed by a Eucharistic Procession. There will be a free will offering meal, fellowship and outdoor kid’s games. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board for more information.

PASTOR’S NOTES

Congratulations —

This past Friday (April 25th) 18 of our young students completed their initiation into the life of the Catholic Church by celebrating the sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* teaches that “the reception of the sacrament of Confirmation is necessary for the completion of baptismal grace” [1285]. “The holy Eucharist completes Christian initiation” [1322]. Therefore, **Baptism** raises us to the dignity of Christ’s royal priesthood, **Confirmation** configures us more deeply to Christ and the **Eucharist** perpetually feeds us with the sacrament that redeemed the human race. Such is the fullness of Christian initiation.

Bishop John T. Folda celebrated the graces of these sacraments with the following students. **From St. Leo’s parish:**

Gretta Boeder; Robert Bolda; Thomas Bolda; Isaac Diemert;
Liv Fraase; Brady Hauschulz; McKinzie Keller; Blake Kieffer;
Lennix Klatt; Kendall Kutz; Kennett Lynnes; Maxwell Monilaws ;
Heidi Olsen; Veronica Olsen; Kenley Poulson; Natalie Prochnow and Nolan Scherweit

From St. Thomas parish:

Skylar Norrie

This is a big moment in the faith lives of these young parishioners. As fellow parishioners let us pray they will continually advance in the gifts of the Holy Spirit [**knowledge, wisdom, understanding, counsel, piety, fortitude and fear of the Lord**], and each Sunday be faithfully found at the altar of God being fed and nourished by the Lord’s Body and Blood.

The Papal conclave

On Wednesday, May 7th the papal conclave to elect the next Pope in the life of the Catholic Church will convene.

The governing document on papal conclaves – *Universi Dominici gregis* – declares that only Cardinals under the age of 80 at the death date of the Pope can be admitted as voting members. As of late April there would be 135 voting Cardinals out of a total 252 Cardinals in the Church. Ten (10) of these voting Cardinals would be from the United States. There are seven (7) retired American Cardinals. Here is the list of the American Cardinal electors followed by their [present age], their {date of being elected Cardinal}, by which Pope, and present status –

Cardinal Wilton Gregory	[77]	{11/28/2020}	Pope Francis	<i>retired</i>
Cardinal Kevin Farrell	[77]	{11/19/2016}	Pope Francis	serving in Rome
Cardinal Blase Cupich	[76]	{11/19/2016}	Pope Francis	Chicago
Cardinal Raymond Burke	[76]	{11/20/2010}	Pope Benedict	<i>retired</i>
Cardinal Timothy Dolan	[75]	{2/18/2012}	Pope Benedict	New York
Cardinal James Harvey	[75]	{11/24/2012}	Pope Benedict	serving in Rome
Cardinal Daniel DiNardo	[75]	{11/24/2007}	Pope Benedict	<i>retired</i>
Cardinal Joseph Tobin CSsR	[72]	{11/19/2016}	Pope Francis	Newark
Cardinal Robert McElroy	[71]	{8/27/2022}	Pope Francis	Washington DC
Cardinal Robert Prevost OSA	[69]	{9/30/2023}	Pope Francis	serving in Rome

Our seven (7) present retired Cardinals are:

Cardinal Roger Mahony [89]; Cardinal Adam Maida [95]; Cardinal Edwin O’Brien [86]; Cardinal Sean O’Malley [80]; Cardinal Justin Rigali [90]; Cardinal James Stafford [92]; Cardinal Donald Wuerl [84]



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THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
May 4, 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 May 4:

Mon – May 5 – 9:00 am – +Souls in purgatory

Tues – May 6 – 9:00 am– St. Thomas– +**Bob Killoran** by Joe & Lora Killoran

NO Mass at St. Leo’s

Wed – May 7 – 6:30 pm – RE Closing Mass – +**Ted Kaiser** by Bryce Radermacher

NO 9 am Daily Mass at St. Leo’s

Thurs – May 8 – 9:00 am – **NO MASS**

Fri – May 9 – 9:00 am – +Souls in purgatory

Saturday – May 10 – 5:00 pm – +Elizabeth Mack by Chris & Kristi Mack

Sunday – May 11 – St. Leo’s - 8:30 am - +Margaret Kensok by Stan & Angeline Mathis
St. Thomas - 10:30 am- For the people of our parishes

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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
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 or by appointment.

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