

**August 20, 2017
Twentieth Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

Mon., Aug 21NO MASS
Tue., Aug 22NO MASS
Wed., Aug 23NO MASS
Thurs., Aug 24NO MASS
Fri., Aug 25NO MASS
Sat., Aug 268 PM <i>Our Parishioners</i>
Sun., Aug 2710 AM <i>+Theresia Glatt (Birth) by Tony & Joanne Glatt Family</i>
Sun., Aug 27 Care Center 8:45AM <i>+Fr. James Jeffrey Helper: Lila Wirt</i>

While Fr. Pfeifer is on vacation, he will be saying these masses:


Mon - Rita Wangler by Paul & Wendy Haegele


Tues - +Joan Bitz by Deacon Gary & Jeanne Schumacher

Wed - +Steve Feist by Paul & Wendy Haegele

Thurs - +Pete Sperle by Betty Sperle & Family

Fri - Soul of +Joey Hilzendeger by Jim & Jackie Bitz Family

 **Rosary 25 minutes before all weekend & daily masses.**

 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 6 AM Thursday until midnight Friday.

**Stewardship of Treasure
This Week: \$ 3,048.50**

Parish Announcements

CCD - Parents, CCD classes start soon. Kindergarten (new this year) through 6th grade classes will begin on Sun., Sept. 10th after the 10 AM Mass from 11 AM to noon. Students in grades 7-12 will begin meeting on Wed. evenings Sept. 6th from 7:30 to 8:45 PM. For the first class, a Mass will be held at 7:40 PM to which the parish is encouraged to attend.

CCD teachers - We have a full slate of teachers for this upcoming year. I would like to thank all of those who have committed their time and talent to hand on the faith. If you would like to be a substitute teacher for either Wednesday night or Sunday mornings or both, please contact Carol Baumgartner or the parish office. Substitute teachers are appreciated. Please call early so we can get the background check information submitted before you enter the classroom.

Fr. Pfeifer invites all CCD teachers, sub teachers, and parents to an evening of learning how to pass on the faith to our children. Dr. Jo Paradise will be showing parents and teachers how to pass on the faith more effectively using internet resources and video programs of our new curriculum and standards that will be implemented this calendar year. The meeting will be on the evening of **Wed., Aug. 30th** from 6:45 PM to 8:45 PM in the Parish Hall.

Welcome Back - We welcome back our public school teachers and students as Napoleon started school this past Thursday. We pray for a successful year of learning and growing closer to God.

Blessing of The Sacred Heart Statue - Please join us on Sun., Aug. 20th, as we got rained out this past Tuesday, for the blessing of our newest statue, The Sacred Heart of Jesus, on the west lawn of the church after the 10:00 AM Mass. This statue is made possible through the George and Margaret Howarth Trust Fund.

If you want a better understanding of our faith and a deeper relationship with God, join us for **The Great Adventure Bible Timeline Study**, beginning this Fall on Monday, September 18th. The group will meet on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month after the evening Mass. During this study, you will benefit personally and help to bring about a profound renewal in our parish as we all grow closer to Christ.

The Bible Timeline is a Catholic Bible study that can help anyone to make sense of the Bible and experience the life-changing power of God's Word. The study takes you on a journey through the entire Bible and brings you deep into each period of salvation history, so that you can discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. The Bible Timeline has helped hundreds of thousands of people to have a better understanding of the Bible and a deeper relationship with Christ, and it will help you too. Please prayerfully consider joining us! More information will follow on how to register.

Announcements, Cont.

No daily Masses Aug. 21-25. Fr. Pfeifer will be on vacation. Fr. Kautanga is unable to fill in. Please keep him in your prayers.

2ND & 3RD GRADE PARENTS 2nd Grade students generally receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation, and 3rd Grade students receive the Sacraments of First Communion & Confirmation in the spring. If your child wants to receive the sacraments, it is VERY IMPORTANT to enroll your child in CCD classes

We are hoping to start a **Youth Praise and Worship Choir** this fall! If you are in grades 9-12, musically inclined, and would like to join in playing or singing, please contact Emily Piatz or Danita Bitz. We would like to cover one liturgy per month during the school year.

Building Improvement Projects Completed - We are slowly progressing with our projects in and around the parish. Last fall, our building was made handicap accessible because of the generous funds from the George and Margaret Howarth Trust Fund. This past week, the seminarians gave the base of the bell tower its first coat of paint. In September, the top of the bell tower will be painted. Then, we will put a second coat of paint on the base of the bell tower. Also, with the seminarians' assistance, the wall by the parish heat pump was constructed, and the wall of the priest's patio was started. The seminarians also cleaned up the north side pine needles under the trees. We are now waiting for black dirt to be hauled in and leveled. I would like to thank the St. Philip Neri Parish Vocation Committee: Alicia Becker, Stephanie Becker, Jolene Fettig, and Jim Bitz for organizing the seminarian gathering and hosting them. The Vocations Committee would like to thank all who made and brought food, and those who organized and assisted the service projects.

Is your marriage struggling? **Red River Retrouvaille** is held September 8-10, 2017, in Fargo. Your marriage is worth saving! This peer led program helps couples put the pieces back together and rebuild loving relationships. Visit: HelpOurMarriage.com for registration, program details, and other program locations.



Young Adults
at the Lori and Steve Gross Home

**Fri.,
Aug. 25**

Social—7:15, Speaker—8 PM

Father John Paul Gardner will be our speaker. *Free daycare available. In order for us to reserve enough babysitters, please register your child(ren) for daycare by Tues., Aug. 22.* To register for daycare or for more information, please contact Sheldon and Angie Gerhardt at 754-2925 or Fr. Neil Pfeifer at 754-2860.

 **St. Philip Neri
Catholic Church**

Saturday, August 26th

<u>Sacristan</u>	Dawn Becker
<u>Rosary</u>	Paul Haegele
<u>Lectors</u>	Annette Schumacher, Janae Weigel
<u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u>	Wilma Gross, Steph Holt, Ron Kerzman, Gladys Marquart
<u>Servers</u>	Darissa Becker, McKenzie Haas, Sabrina Haas
<u>EMHC</u>	Phyllis Johnson, Barb Silbernagel, Sue Wald

Sunday, August 27th

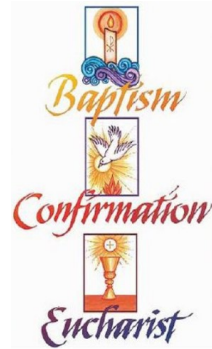
<u>Sacristan</u>	Janet Dewald
<u>Rosary</u>	Anita Fettig
<u>Lectors</u>	Cheri Glatt, Mitch Leier
<u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u>	Willie & Alvina Piatz P. Bitz Family
<u>Servers</u>	Carly Bitz, Riley Dewald, Jacob Leier, Yikealo Breidenbach, Amelia Moch
<u>EMHC</u>	Kelly Breidenbach, Kasey Grunfelder, Jackie Weigel

**Interested in learning more about
the Catholic faith?**



RCIA

Have YOU
Thought About
**BECOMING
CATHOLIC?**



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

- * Perhaps you were baptized a Catholic as a baby but never got confirmed.
- * Perhaps you were raised as a Protestant brother or sister and have found the teachings of the Catholic Church are helping you dig deeper.
- * Perhaps you have been coming to church with your spouse and/or children who are Catholic, and you would like to join the church or simply know more about the teachings of the Catholic Church.
- * Perhaps you have been coming to Mass for years and are still not Catholic but would like to join us at the altar to receive the Precious Body and Blood of our Lord.
- * Perhaps you were raised as a Catholic, went to Sunday School, but never engaged in the teachings, and you realize you missed a treasure.
- * Perhaps you have been listening to Catholic Radio or EWTN television and are hungering for more to grow closer to God.
- * Or, perhaps you were raised in a family that practiced no faith but have found meaning in the Catholic Church.

Every year thousands of people enter the Catholic Church from these and other backgrounds.

If you are an adult who would like to become Catholic, or maybe you were baptized Catholic but have never received the other sacraments, or maybe you simply want to go deeper in the faith. RCIA is for you! Adults enter the church through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. This consists of a year of study of the teachings of Jesus Christ and his bride, the Church.

You may ask why wait for one year of study? Before you join something, you want to know what they stand for and what they believe. You may want to know this before you are baptized, or confirmed, or receive first Holy Communion on the Easter Vigil.

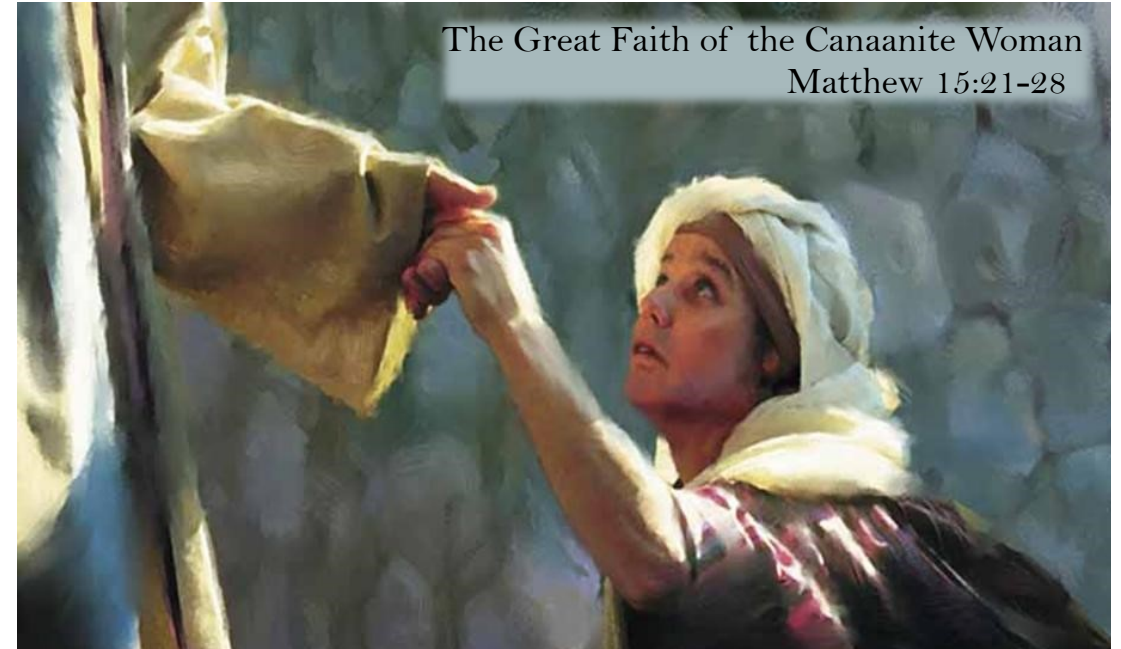
Consider this your invitation from Fr. Pfeifer to join St. Philip Neri Catholic Church.

Instruction will begin in mid-September. Please contact Fr. Pfeifer if you are interested, and are considering entering the church this year. There will be no tests given, we just ask that you absorb the teachings and make them your own in your walk with the Lord.

Fr. Pfeifer can be reached at the parish office, 754-2860, on his cell 208-1124, or by email neil.pfeifer@fargodiocese.org. If there is not an answer, please leave a message, and he will get back to you promptly.

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church

A Discipleship Parish



The Great Faith of the Canaanite Woman
Matthew 15:21-28

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*"For the gifts and the call of
God are irrevocable."
- ROMANS 11:29*

God has a special mission in mind for each of us. He has given us the gifts we need to accomplish that mission. We are called to be good stewards by using those gifts to do the

work that He has planned for each of us. If we deny our gifts or fail to use them as God calls us to use them, then some part of His work will be left undone.

St. Philip Neri Prayer Chain - Contact Janet Christmann Bitz at 754-2295 or janetbitz14@gmail.com

Confessions: 1/2 hr before every Mass, 1 hour before Saturday Mass, OR by appointment.

Weddings: Contact Fr. Pfeifer at least 6 months prior.

Baptisms: Contact Fr. Pfeifer before Godparents are chosen.