



**July 30, 2017
Seventeenth Sunday
in Ordinary Time**

Mon., Jul 317 PM <i>+Valentine & Mary Wangler by Markus & Luella Wangler</i>
Tue., Aug 17 PM <i>+Leo Unser by Catherine Huber & Christine Sperle</i>
Wed., Aug 28 AM <i>+Maggie Weigel by Steve & Lori Gross Family</i>
Thurs., Aug 35 PM <i>+George & +Margaret Howarth in thanksgiving for the Trust</i>
Fri., Aug 48 AM <i>Fr. Ross Laframboise by Paul & Wendy Haegele</i>
Sat., Aug 59 AM Confession 30 min before Mass <i>+Elsie Weninger by Markus & Luella Wangler</i>
Sat., Jul 1.....4 PM <i>Deceased Alumni of Napoleon, Burnstad, & Kintyre</i>
Sun., Aug 610 AM <i>Our Parishioners</i>
Sun., Aug 6 Care Center 8:45 AM <i>Deceased Family Members by Joe Nolz</i> <i>Helper: Brenda Weigel</i>

 **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: \$ 3,145.40**

Parish Announcements


Steubenville - Prayers needed! 39 youth and chaperones from our parish are in St. Paul, MN this weekend for the Steubenville North Conference. Please pray that all their hearts will be open to the Lord and let the speakers' words enhance their lives. Many lives have been changed at this great retreat, and our students usually come home fired up. Let's pray and ask God how we as individuals can continue to keep the flame of faith alive in their hearts.

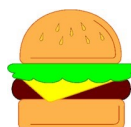
St. Philip Neri Parish extends sympathies and condolences to the family of **Lucy Schloss** whose funeral Mass will be held on Mon., July 31 at 10:00 AM. Her wake service will be on Sunday evening at 7 PM, here at St. Philip Neri. We thank the Lord for her service to our parish as a secretary and the many hours of service she did behind the scenes. May she rest in peace.

Mass Time Changes

Sat., Aug. 5 - No 8 PM Mass. Mass at 4 PM for reunion weekend.
Sat., Aug. 19 - No 8 PM Mass. Mass at 4 PM for corn/burger feed.

1st Saturday Mass on Sat., August 5th at 9 AM. The bishop has encouraged all parishes during this 100th anniversary of Fatima to hold a Mass dedicated to the Promises of 5 consecutive First Saturdays. Prayers will be said after Mass to receive the graces of Fatima.

 **St. Philip Neri Parish will be hosting a Community Corn Feed on Sat., August 19th.** Mass will be held here in the church at 4 PM, followed by all-you-can-eat local corn and burger feed from 5:30 to 7 PM at the Napoleon City Park. The suggested price of \$10 per ticket gets you a meal and enters you in the drawing for door prizes. To make this a family effort, all children 10 and under will be admitted free. All registered parishioners are asked to pick up their envelope in the front entrance of the church this weekend. Those that are not picked up will be mailed to your residence this next week. Each family will receive a book of 10 tickets to sell. A whole book will sell for a discounted rate of \$90. Door prizes will be drawn at 7 PM; winners need not be present to win. Once the tickets are purchased, they may be returned to the parish office or dropped in a separate envelope with the money in the Sunday collection. For additional tickets, please call or stop by the parish office. **We ask that the tickets be returned by Sunday August 13th** for food preparation reasons. **Why are we doing a fundraiser?** *First*, this event will bring the parish and community together. *Second*, St. Philip has never done a fall dinner, and this is a good way to bring people to Napoleon to support the community and the parish. *Third*, because of the dry weather, the finance council is concerned that it may affect the year end budget. We appreciate your support of this event.



Announcements, Cont.

CCD board meeting Wed., Aug. 2 7:30 PM in St. Michael Room.
Parish council meeting Tues., Aug. 1 after the 7 PM Mass.

Seminarian Eric Seitz finishes his summer with us in early August. **Mass will be at 5 PM on Thursday (not 8 AM)** followed by an ice cream social to honor Eric in the social hall. Come out and wish him well, and promise him your prayers as he completes his final 2 years of school before his priesthood ordination.

You have the opportunity to **deepen your relationship with Jesus** in adoration on Thursdays and Fridays. To sign up for an hour time slot or become a sub, please contact Maria Regner at 754-2474.

Diocese of Fargo Seminarian Gathering will be at St. Philip Neri August 8-12 spending time in prayer, relaxation, and brotherhood. They will be joining us for Mass on Wed., Aug. 9 and Thurs., Aug. 10 at 8 AM. **The Friday Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Folda at 5:15 PM.** At this Mass, the bishop will welcome the candidates for first theology, and they will commit to the Diocese of Fargo. **Bishop Folda will also celebrate Mass on Sat., Aug. 12th at 10 AM.** At this Mass, he will install the 2nd year theology men with the institution of lector and the 3rd year theology men as acolytes. The parish is invited to partake of these Masses and pray for these young men and our bishop. Help them feel welcome in Napoleon.

Thank you to the multitudes who came to Wishek last Sunday night to pray for **Fr. Katanga** and his complete recovery. We continue to hold Fr. Katanga in our prayers as he battles cancer.

August 15th - Holy day of Obligation. The Assumption of Mary is a very old feast of the church, celebrated as early as the 6th century. This feast day commemorates the day when Mary and her body assumed into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay. This is a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Mary passes into eternal life. Mass times: Mon., Aug. 14th - 7:30 PM Vigil, Tues., Aug 15 - 8:45 AM Care Center and 7:30 PM at the church.

61st Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Prairies Sun., Aug. 13 at the Carmel of Mary Monastery in Wahpeton starting at 2 PM. Speaker, Rosary, Confessions, Picnic. Mass with Bishop Folda. Questions? 701-640-6152 or caremelofmary.org.

Join us for Putt 4 a Purpose, the Bishop's Charity Golf Classic benefiting Seminarian Education and Youth Programs. The event is to be held at Rose Creek Golf Course in south Fargo on Monday, August 7th. If you would like to play, please contact Fr. Pfeifer.

Catechist Retreat on Friday, August 18 in Valley City. 9 AM to 4 PM. Get away for a day retreat for anyone involved in catechesis at Maryvale with Fr. Andrew Jasinski. Theme is "Accompanied by Christ". Register by Aug. 11 at fargodiocese.org/catechistretreat.

 **St. Philip Neri
Catholic Church**

Saturday, August 5th

<u>Sacristan</u>	Phyllis Johnson
<u>Rosary</u>	Paul Haegele
<u>Lectors</u>	Rick Regner, Tim Long
<u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u>	Kyle Haas Family
<u>Servers</u>	Payton Feist, Madison Feist, Paige Feist
<u>EMHC</u>	Phyllis Johnson, Mary Schwartzenberger, Barb Silbernagel

Sunday, August 6th

<u>Sacristan</u>	Janet Dewald
<u>Rosary</u>	Jim Bitz Family
<u>Lectors</u>	Angie Gerhardt, John Miller
<u>Ushers/ Gift Bearers</u>	J. & R. Burgad; Mark Feist Family
<u>Servers</u>	Anna Bitz, Yikealo Breidenbach, Peyton Grunfelder, Blaise Bitz, William Kleppe
<u>EMHC</u>	Lori Gross, Angelica Revolorio, Charlotte Young

Annulments in the Catholic Church: What You Need to Know

What does the Catholic Church believe about marriage? The Catholic Church believes that marriage is characterized by unity (monogamy) and indissolubility (permanence). Marriage is between one man and one woman, who promise to be faithful to each other. Marriage is a partnership for the good of the spouses, who are open to the procreation and education of children. It is a partnership of life and love in which a man and a woman mutually and freely accept each other and bestow on each other the very gift of themselves.

What are we consenting to in a marriage?

We consent to being open to the procreation and education of children, committing to a permanent relationship, and to being faithful to your spouse.

Isn't marriage forever? The Catholic Church believes that every valid, sacramental and consummated marriage is absolutely indissoluble. No government or person can dissolve such a marriage.

How is it possible to declare a marriage invalid?

Marriages are presumed to be valid. This presumption can be overturned if one or more of the essential elements or properties of marriage are proven to be absent from the beginning of the marriage. Each marriage is studied based on testimony gathered. The judges then issue a judicial sentence regarding the validity of the marriage. This decision is not a moral judgment on the lives of the parties involved, and it does not attribute blame to either party.

My spouse was unfaithful and my marriage ended in divorce. Isn't infidelity grounds for an annulment? Sometimes applications for an annulment (declaration of invalidity) fail. Many applicants believe that infidelity in a marriage will automatically prove that the marriage was invalid. This assumption is not correct. It must be remembered that the marriage study is based upon your intentions at the time of consent. There is a big difference between never intending to be faithful from the beginning of the marriage and an indiscretion that occurs years into the marriage. An episode of infidelity does not necessarily invalidate a marriage.



Do all cases receive an affirmative decision?

No. Just like in any court, evidence, testimony, and established facts determine the outcome of a case. Sometimes invalidity simply cannot be proven.

Why would a negative decision be given?

The law protects the Catholic Church's teaching that marriage is permanent and indissoluble. Canon law states all marriages are presumed to be valid until proven otherwise. A negative decision means that the judge did not have enough evidence to overturn the presumption of validity in a particular marriage.

Are annulments expensive?

No. In the Diocese of Fargo, the marriage nullity process is free. Because it is very important to the Diocese that applicants are fully able to live out their lives as practicing Catholics, the Diocese of Fargo absorbs the cost of the annulment process. After the completion of the process, a free-will donation is requested. Any psychological assessments or counseling is at the individual's expense.

How do I begin the annulment process?

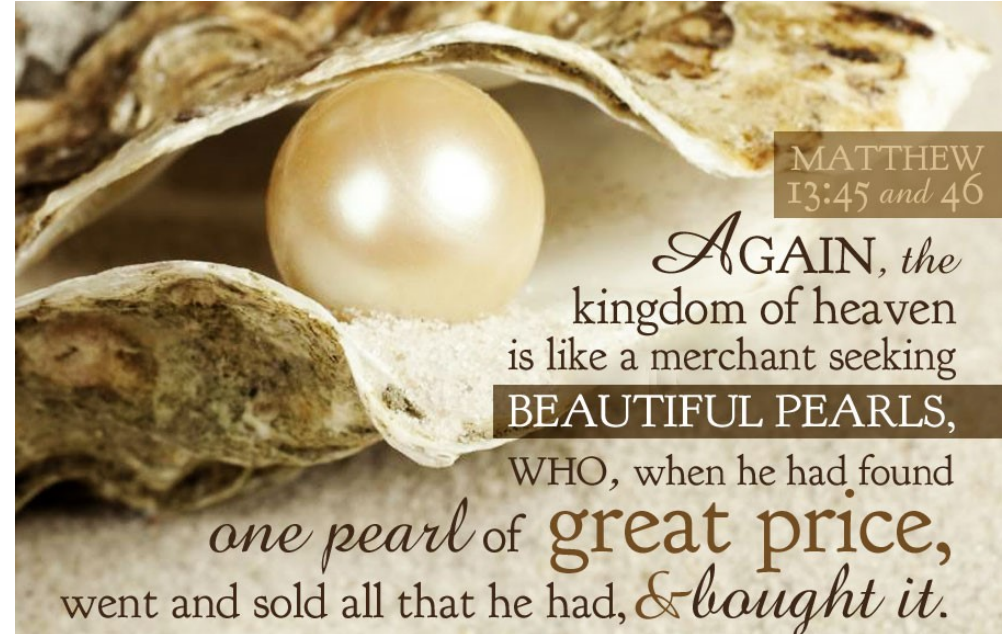
Generally speaking, a person contacts their local parish and speaks with their pastor. Together, the petitioning party (applicant) and his or her pastor fill out the application for a study of the marriage. Once all the forms have been completed, they are sent to the Tribunal office.

How long will the process take? Each case is different. There are many factors involved. It is impossible to predict the length of time a particular case may take. It is important for the parties and witnesses to finish paperwork promptly. We try to hear cases as quickly as possible.

Questions? Contact your pastor or the Office of the Tribunal in the Diocese of Fargo: (701) 356-7940 or tribunal@fargodiocese.org

St. Philip Neri Catholic Church

A Discipleship Parish



MATTHEW
13:45 and 46

AGAIN, the
kingdom of heaven
is like a merchant seeking

BEAUTIFUL PEARLS,

WHO, when he had found

one pearl of great price,
went and sold all that he had, & bought it.

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"We know that all things work for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose." - ROMANS 8:28

Do you really trust God? Do you believe that all things work for good? Faith is a challenge for everyone at times. Putting our trust in God, in everything we do,

means that God's plan for our lives may be different than our plan. When one door closes, another one opens. Trust in God; His plan is always better.

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.