

ST. PHILIP NERI CATHOLIC CHURCH
Napoleon, North Dakota - A Discipleship Parish

Fr. Ross Laframboise, Pastor (ross.laframboise@fargodiocese.org)
Deacon Gary Schumacher - Deacon Allen Baumgartner



CONFESSIONS: ½ hour before every Mass; before funerals & wedding Masses, and 1 hour before Saturday Mass OR by appointment at any time.

BAPTISM: By appointment, before Godparents are chosen

WEDDINGS: Contact Fr. Laframboise at least 8 months prior

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FOURTH SUNDY OF ADVENT

December 20, 2015

Mon.	12/21	8:00 a.m.	+Bill & +Peg Grunefelder by Bruce & Judy Grunefelder
Tue.	12/22	7:00 p.m.	Health of Phyllis Johnson by John & Barb Silbernagel
Wed.	12/23	8:00 a.m.	+John Engelhardt (Name's Day) by +Sharon Engelhardt & Family
Thu.	12/24	5:00 p.m.	For Our Parishioners
Fri.	12/25	10:00 a.m.	+Magdalena Sperle (Death) by Martin & Ann Sperle
Care Center	12/25	8:45 a.m.	Deacon Gary Schumacher Priest's Intention
Sat.	12/26	5:00 p.m.	For Our Parishioners
Sun.	12/27	10:00 a.m.	+Jane Silbernagel by Jim & Jackie Bitz & Family
Care Center	12/27	8:45 a.m.	Deacon Gary Schumacher Priest's Intention

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place from 6 AM Thursday until Noon. No adoration Friday.

Sacristan	Weekday	8:00 a.m.	Carol Baumgartner
	12/26	5:00 p.m.	Deacon Gary Schumacher
	12/27	10:00 a.m.	Mark Wangler
Ushers/Gift bearers	12/24	5:00 p.m.	B. Silbernagel, L. Schloss, S. Holt, G. Marquart
	12/25	10:00 a.m.	W. & A. Piatz Stephen Gross Family
	12/26	5:00 p.m.	T. Eissinger, E. Magrum, G. Marquart, W. Gross
Servers	12/27	10:00 a.m.	Terry Schwartzenberger Family
	12/24	5:00 p.m.	Kylie & Yikealo Breidenbach
	12/25	10:00 a.m.	Elite Servers
	12/26	5:00 p.m.	Megan Regner & Madison Feist
	12/27	10:00 a.m.	Noah Becker & Tucker Schneider
Lectors	12/24	5:00 p.m.	Silvano, Nick Breidenbach
	12/25	10:00 a.m.	Silvano, Lori Gross
	12/26	5:00 p.m.	Paul Haegel, Rick Regner
	12/27	10:00 a.m.	Tom Gross, Anita Fettig
EMHC	12/24	5:00 p.m.	Silvano, J. Schneider, H. Braun,
	12/25	10:00 a.m.	Silvano, C. Baumgartner, C. Glatt

FEASTS OF THE WEEK: Dec. 21, St. Peter Canisius; Dec. 23 St. John of Kanty; Dec. 25, The Nativity of the Lord – Christmas Day, Dec. 26, St. Stephen

Sunday Collection: Thanks for the support! Prior week: \$6,293.75. This week: \$3,463.92

Knights of Columbus meeting Monday, Dec. 28th at 8:00 pm in the Holy Family Hall.

No CCD Wednesday, December 23rd for grades 7-12. No CCD Sun, Dec. 27 for grades 1-6, and no CCD Wed, December 30 for grades 7-12.

Communal Reconciliation Service – Sunday, Dec. 20th

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, please invite someone to the communal reconciliation service on Dec. 20th at 7:30 pm. Several priests will be here.

Church Christmas Decorating

Looking for volunteers to help decorate Tuesday Dec. 22nd at 1:00pm

Adoration Hours Change

Adoration will be from 6 am-12 noon on Dec. 24, and no adoration on Dec. 25th. Please feel welcome to spend time at church during those two days as Jesus is always waiting for us and is always present in the tabernacle!

Calendars - Please pick up your calendar from the table in the back.

Mass Times for the December Holy Days

Dec. 31- Vigil Mary Mother of God 5:00 p.m.

Jan. 1 - Mary Mother of God 10:00 a.m.

Christmas (Dec. 25) and the feast of Mary Mother of God (Jan. 1) are both Holy Days of Obligation, meaning we are obligated to attend Mass and refrain from work as possible on those days. Let's celebrate Jesus and Mary!

St. Boniface prints can be picked up after Mass on December 19 & 20th in the St. Boniface room at St. Philip Neri. If you have any questions, please contact Cheryl Weigel @ 332-6663 or Jackie Weigel @ 332-6629.

Annual Collar Classic Basketball Game - Monday, Dec. 28th

Priests vs. Seminarians – Listen on Real Presence Radio 91.3 FM.

Baptism - Caitlin and Josh Becker bring their son Jacob Ian Becker for baptism on Sunday December 20th

Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy & Holy Doors

This tremendous year of grace began on Tuesday, December 8th. This special year, requested by Pope Francis, will be a time to focus on God's mercy through prayer, pilgrimage, works of mercy, the Sacrament of Confession, and indulgences. On Sunday, December 13th, a Holy Door was opened at St. Mary's Cathedral and other churches throughout the diocese. We are privileged to have a Holy Door right at our Church. To obtain the indulgence, it will be necessary, as much as possible, to make a pilgrimage before entering. The walking pilgrimage route to the Holy Door at St. Philip Neri Church starts at St. Philip Neri Cemetery. There are two special pilgrimages planned: April 3 starting at 2:30 PM at St. Philip Neri Cemetery in Napoleon followed by a Divine Mercy Holy Hour from 3 to 4 pm and May 26 starting at 5:15 PM at St. Philip Neri Cemetery in Napoleon followed by Mass at 5:45 and a meal to honor the patronal feast day of St. Philip Neri. Rides will be available back to the cemetery both days.

Year of Marriage and Family Theme for December: For families who are forced to leave their native land because of war or economic hardship: may Jesus, who endured exile with Mary and Joseph, comfort them with his grace and open for them paths of charity and human solidarity, we pray to the Lord. General: In thanksgiving for all the graces received during the Year of Marriage and Family, that we continue to grow in greater appreciation of the truth, goodness and beauty of the Sacrament of Marriage and the Christian family, we pray to the Lord.

The Power of Generosity

There has been an amazing generosity in these past years from our parishioners. This generosity has been extended to our parish as the financial contributions have helped our parish blossom, to our Diocese as we achieved 167% of our God's Gift goal this year, and in no doubt to numerous people in unseen ways.

A new step to usher in a new era begins this year for the first time. Our parish will soon begin tithing its income this year. This decision was based from the strong support at our town hall meeting on the subject in January and from discussions of the parish finance council. Our parish will now move forward setting a great example of the power of generosity and the great freedom and blessings tithing brings.

Two organizations have been designated to receive our parish funds. Holy Trinity Convent in New Ulm, MN where Kayla joined and the St. Ann's Indian Mission in Belcourt where we did our youth mission trip this past summer. In addition to parish tithing funds, parishioners are invited to add to these funds to make even a bigger impact.