

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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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 6, 2015

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| Mon. | 12/7 | 8:00 a.m. | +Joan Diagle by Margaret Fettig |
| Tue. | 12/8 | 7:30 a.m. | Priest's Intention |
| | | 7:30 p.m. | +Alois & Regina Gross by John & Margie Bitz 12/9 (anniv) |
| Wed. | 12/9 | 8:00 a.m. | +Rev. Leonard Loegering |
| Thu. | 12/10 | 8:00 a.m. | Wesley Piatz (Birth 1yr) by Ryan & Emily Piatz |
| Fri. | 12/11 | 5:00 p.m. | +Jane Silbernagel (Birth 12-10) by The Prayer Group |
| Sat. | 12/12 | 5:00 p.m. | +Alfred Gross by Phyllis Barnick |
| Sun. | 12/13 | 10:00 a.m. | For Our Parishioners |
| Care Center | 12/13 | 8:45 a.m. | +Baltzer (Bill) Schmitt by Bill Jen Schmitt Family Helper: Lorraine Reis |

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

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| Sacristan | Weekday | 8:00 a.m. | Carol Baumgartner |
| | 12/12 | 5:00 p.m. | Phyllis Johnson |
| | 12/13 | 10:00 a.m. | Mark Wangler |
| Ushers/Gift bearers | 12/8 | 7:30 a.m. | S. Holt, B. Silbernagel, V. Becker L. Schloss |
| | 12/8 | 7:30 p.m. | E. Gross, G. Marquart, W. Gross |
| | 12/12 | 5:00 p.m. | R. Kerzman, V. Becker, L. Schloss, T. Eissinger |
| | 12/13 | 10:00 a.m. | E. Gross, C. Glatt, P. Bitz Family |
| Servers | 12/8 | 7:30 a.m. | Volunteers |
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| | 12/12 | 5:00 p.m. | Payton Haas & Charmaine Haas |
| | 12/13 | 10:00 a.m. | Noah Becker, Blaise Bitz |
| Lectors | 12/8 | 7:30 a.m. | P. Johnson, C. Glatt |
| | 12/8 | 7:30 p.m. | P. Haegele, C. Brendel |
| | 12/12 | 5:00 p.m. | Phyllis Johnson, Rick Regner |
| | 12/13 | 10:00 a.m. | Tim Long, Jim Bitz |

FEASTS OF THE WEEK: Dec 7, St. Ambrose; Dec 8, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary; St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatotzin, St. Damasus I, Our Lady of Guadalupe

Altar Society Breakfast

A breakfast sponsored by the Altar Society will be offered Sunday, December 6th from 8:15 a.m. to 9:15 a.m.

Men's Silent Retreat at St. Philip Neri Dec. 11-13.

3rd Grade Parents - Confirmation Retreat will held this **Sunday, December 6th** from 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm in the Holy Family Hall

Dec. 8 is Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day of Obligation

This means it needs to be treated like a Sunday by going to Church and resting from our labors. It is also the patron feast of the Diocese meaning it is the "Name's Day" of our local church. Make sure you plan to celebrate this day! Masses will be offered at 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Mass Times for the December Holy Days

Dec. 8 - Immaculate Conception 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Vigil Mass 5:00 p.m.

Dec. 25 - Christmas 10:00 a.m. (Care Center 8:45 a.m.)

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

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

Year of Divine Mercy St. Philip Neri Parish Kick Off will be Sat, Dec 12. 5:00 p.m. Mass. 6:00 p.m. talk on Divine Mercy by Deacon Ken Votava. 7:00 p.m. supper served by the Alter Society.

Catholic Man Night: Men Meeting Jesus. Monday, December 7th. 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. is Adoration and Confessions. 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Bishop Folda will be giving a short presentation and dinner will be served. Free will donation. Holy Cross Catholic Church in West Fargo

Welcome, Silvano!

We are blessed to have Silvano staying with us for 3 months. He is a seminarian candidate for the Diocese of Fargo and has come to Napoleon to experience life in rural North Dakota and be engaged in our parish. Silvano has recently come to the U.S. from Korea. Most recently he spent some time in Langdon. Please welcome him and introduce him to Napoleon and our beautiful life and culture.

Annual Collar Classic Basketball Game

On Monday, Dec. 28th, the Fargo Diocese Priests will take on the Fargo Diocese Seminarians in this annual basketball game at Shanley H.S. in Fargo. From 7-9 p.m., you can listen to the game broadcast on Real Presence Radio, the Real Presence Radio app, or online at yourcatholicradiostation.com.

The Jubilee Year of Mercy begins 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 will be opened at St. Mary's Cathedral and other churches throughout the diocese. The nearest church with a Holy Door will be St. Philip Neri, Napoleon. Resources will be provided soon to help us celebrate this year of grace.

Growing in Discipleship Campaign

As our Growing in Discipleship campaign continues, many of our parishioners have already indicated their willingness to increase their weekly offerings, making their gift from substance and not merely one of convenience or from surplus. When our parish began this Growing in Discipleship campaign we recognized that participation would be based upon an equal sacrifice, not equal giving. We cannot ask everyone to consider the same level of church support, but we ask that everyone let their offering reflect how generous God has been to them with His gifts. Please remember to use your special commitment card to indicate your response to our Growing in Discipleship campaign. If you did not receive a mailing, please contact the parish office.

Stewardship Moment - *“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value...”* (Philippians 1:9-10) Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God and to those that are in need.

Year of Marriage and Family Theme for December: That parents and their children may make their homes a welcoming place of prayer, charity and joy, we pray to the Lord. General: For those who have been imprisoned and for their families: may they find forgiveness and understanding as they seek to find their place in and contribute to the good of society, we pray to the Lord.

Life in the Spirit Seminar January 8, 9, and 10

This seminar is at Little Flower Parish in Rugby. Make or renew your commitment to Jesus Christ in openness to the Holy Spirit. The seminar provides teaching, guidance and prayer leading to a deeper relationship with the Lord. For more information or for housing info contact Nancy Houim at 701-776-2822 or Judy Haman at 701-537-5454.

2016 Cursillo Dates

Men's Harvey – Feb 11-14, 2016 – Gary Baasch

Women's Harvey – Feb 18-21, 2016 – Jodi Grugel

Men's Hankinson – March 3-6, 2016 – Ken Mondry

Women's Hankinson – March 10-13, 2016 – Jennine Seitz

2016 SEARCH Dates

Jan 8-10 – Maryville Convent, Valley City

Feb 19-21 – Maryville Convent, Valley City

April 1-3 – Maryville Convent, Valley City

Application on youth bulletin board or <http://www.fargodiocese-search.org/>