

September 14th, 2025
THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

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THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

THAT THE WORLD
MIGHT BE
SAVED.

— JOHN 3:17 —



THIS WEEK:

Monday, September 15th

No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, September 16th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Wednesday, September 17th

8:00 a.m. Mass

8:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Adoration

6:00 p.m. CGS

Thursday, September 18th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Friday, September 19th

8:00 a.m. Mass

Saturday, September 20th

4:30 p.m. Mass

Sunday, September 21st

Mass: 8:30 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

DAILY MASS: TUES-FRI 8AM

SATURDAY VIGIL MASS: 4:30PM

SUNDAY MASS: 8:30AM & 10AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: WEDNESDAYS 8:30AM-4PM (SUMMER HOURS)

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GOSPEL MEDITATION

September 14, 2025
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
John 3:13-17

One of my favorite movies is the 1991 comedy *What About Bob?* Bill Murray plays a troubled, paranoid hypochondriac named Bob Wiley who innocently but annoyingly hounds Dr. Leo Marvin, played by Richard Dreyfuss. Bob is paralyzed by his fear of, well, everything, and is convinced the psychologist can heal him. But Dr. Marvin's failed attempts to heal Bob end up driving the doctor to attempt to murder Bob. He fails. The surprise is that, having faced death head on, Bob is suddenly healed. He attributes his healing to Dr. Marvin for break-through "death therapy." In facing the cause of his deepest illness and dysfunction, Bob is healed.

Underneath this light-hearted comedy is a dead-serious resonance with this week's feast: the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Christ is lifted up on the cross to force us to face the truth of sin and death. In that reckoning we find healing. Like Moses' snake on a pole, the cross says: this is what is causing your sickness – rebellion, disobedience, sin. Look at it! Don't run from it. Now seeing it exposed, we see life. We see our physician mercifully healing us. In this sense, we are all like Bob Wiley. The "death therapy" of the cross is our only hope for healing.

This week I invite you to "exalt the cross."
If you don't have one in your house, get one. Use it for prayer. Gaze on it frequently. It teaches us to not be afraid. It heals us.

— Father John Muir

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF SEPT. 14, 2025

Sunday: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Monday: Our Lady of Sorrows
Tuesday: Sts. Cornelius, Pope, and Cyprian, Bishop, Martyrs
Wednesday: St. Robert Bellarmine, Bishop and Doctor of the Church; St. Hildegard of Bingen, Virgin the Church
Friday: St. Januarius, Bishop and Martyr
Saturday: Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-gön, Priest, and Paul Chông Ha-sang, and Companions, Martyrs
Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Catechetical Sunday

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16TH

Tristan Brewer by Deacon Jonathan & Annette

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

+Harold & Kay Stroklund by Your Family

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18TH

+Lorraine Wolter by The Brunner Family

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH

+Greg Keller by Suzanne Watne

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20TH

+James Haberlack by Karen Haberlack

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21ST

8:30 a.m. For the Parish

10:00 a.m. Tristan & Amanda Brewer by Deacon Jonathan & Annette

+Indicates Deceased

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sally Ault, a former member of our parish, who passed away recently. Sally's funeral was held in Walhalla, ND on September 5th.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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Monday-Thursday 8:30AM-3PM

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FALL SUPPER AT ST. CECILIA'S

St. Cecilia's Church Velva - September 28th 4PM-7PM
Serving Swiss steak, homemade mashed potatoes, corn, coleslaw, and apple or pumpkin pie. 13-years old-adult \$15; 6-12 years \$5; 2-5 years \$3. Farmer's Market of baked goods and garden produce. Supper served in church basement or to go meals available.

MASS MINISTRY SCHEDULES FOR SEPTEMBER 20 & 21

	Saturday 4:30 p.m.	Sunday 8:30 a.m.	Sunday 10 a.m.
Rosary	Volunteer Needed	Dione Bohl	Barb Johnson
Greeters	Bea Grasmoe Varden Lang	Diane Wittmayer Carolyn Johnson	Arlene Fiedler
Altar Servers	Volunteers Needed	Curt Saari Hadley Duchscherer Tucker Duchscherer	Danica Stolba
Lector	Dan Christen	Michelle Saari	Cathy Haarstad
Eucharistic Minister	LouAnn Fleck	Lisa Krogman	Deacon Young
In-Home Ministry	Deacon Stephen Young		
Scrip Sales	Katy Larcombe	Michelle Saari	Paula Rudser-Stolba

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

If anyone is preparing for surgery or is hospitalized or wishing to receive the anointing of the sick, please call the parish office (701-838-1520) or rectory (701-837-5943) to set up an appointment. You can receive this sacrament more than once. Please notify Fr. Phillips upon admission of a family member to the hospital.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MESSAGE

Today's Gospel reminds us of God's great love for each of us, a love so great that He sent His son not to condemn the world, but to save it, so that we might have eternal life. Is there a neighbor or friend of yours who is in temporary need because of a loss of a job or an illness? Please leave a message for the Society of St. Vincent de Paul...we want to help!

SVdP meetings are held in St. Leo's Catholic Church basement on the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month beginning with a rosary at 5:10 PM followed by the meeting at 5:30 PM. If you would like to attend a meeting, please call Janel at (701) 557-3919 for assistance in entering the church as the doors of St. Leo's are locked except for Mass times.



OUR LADY OF FATIMA ©LPi

AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA

Praying the Rosary for America: As Human Efforts Fail to Solve America's Key Problems, We Turn to God Through His Holy Mother Asking His Urgent Help.

*Please join our Rosary Rally! Saturday, October 11th at 12 pm at St. John the Apostle Church.

SACRED HEART OCTOBERFEST – OCTOBER 12

Sacred Heart Catholic Church of Wilton, ND will be hosting their annual Fall dinner on Sunday, October 12, at the Wilton City Hall. Dinner of roast beef, mashed potatoes, corn, salads, buns, and pies will be served from 11:00-1:30 am. Cost is \$12 for adults and \$5 for children age 4-10, 3 and under are free. There will be kid's games, an Auction, and Bingo. All are welcome!

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SAT: 3:15PM-4:15PM

SUNDAY: 7:30AM-8:15AM; 9:30AM-9:50AM

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CONFIRMATION AT LITTLE FLOWER



Congratulations to all who were confirmed on September 7th. May the Holy Spirit continue to bless you on your spiritual journey.

BACK ROW L-R: Danica Stolba, Server Dakota Johnson, Holden Stai, Fr. Phillips, Deacon Young, Christopher Wright, Derek Heinert, Gregory Sauber, Server Jeff Murtaugh, Teacher Anastasia Brunner

FRONT ROW L-R: Iliana McBride, Bryleigh McBride, Elizabeth Mega, Julia Young, Bishop David D. Kagan, Raylin Creighton, Hannah Schaefer, Shelby Heinert, Harper Miller, Kaliyah Barth



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Family, Friends, & Brother Knights

I pray that you are all doing well and I'm wondering where did summer go for all of us?

It seems that we were just getting ready for summer fun and activities and now with school back in session we are already gearing up for fall. Life gets busy for us and can fly by so fast causing stress and anxiety, but if there is one thing a person can find peace in all of this is turning to our Lord. Even in everyday busy life if you set aside time devoted to Jesus and the Saints, in prayer and time in silence you will find that you will be able to balance out everything in life and find true peace and happiness by keeping Jesus and the Saints close to our hearts.

We are excited to be hosting our first fundraiser breakfast of the season, September 14th from 8:30-12:00. We will be serving a delicious meal of french toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits & gravy, muffins, fruit, coffee, and juice. The proceeds from the breakfast will be benefiting The Dakota Hope Clinic and we hope to see you there!

Just a reminder to our parish Knights that our meetings will be held the first Tuesday of the month. We start with rosary at 6:30 in the church then the meeting to follow in the gathering space at 7:00 with food, drinks, and fellowship to follow afterwards. Any Catholic gentlemen interested in our Knights of Columbus group are more than welcome to join.

Server of the Month: David White, a young bright boy who is enthusiastic and joyful when serving the Mass and is excited in learning more and growing in his faith.

Knight of the Month: Clarence Aberle is a dedicated knight in our council and in our parish. He always helps out and shows his support at our KC events. Aside from that he is always keeping busy around the parish, helping out during the Mass, keeping the church grounds organized and especially helping out with our funeral ministries along side with his wife, Amy.

Family of the Month: Randy & Jaimie Brunner Family, who are a faithful and loving family in our church. Randy is always helping out in our parish with his wife Jaimie alongside, both helping out serving in the Mass to just doing odds and ends around the church. You will also see their lovely children around the parish either serving the Mass or enjoying themselves at a parish activity such as a KC breakfast or parish picnic. Randy and his family are always showing their support in our church and we are truly blessed to have them in our parish.

Our knights want to thank those for all that they do. We will be praying for them.

Thank you and God bless!

Knights of Columbus Council #9839, Grand Knight, Luke Audet

Breakfast at Little Flower

Sunday, September 14th
8:30 a.m. to Noon

MENU:

French toast, scrambled eggs, sausage, biscuits & gravy, muffins, fruit, coffee & juice

All are welcome!

**Your free will donations
will benefit
Dakota Hope Clinic**



**Breakfast served up
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JUBILEE MASS SEPTEMBER 17TH

During this jubilee year, several special Jubilee Masses have been celebrated at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. The next Jubilee Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Kagan on Wednesday, September 17 at 5:30 PM. Consider making a pilgrimage and attending this special Mass. Groups wanting to make a pilgrimage should contact Nicholas Quallich, Liturgy & Ministry Coordinator, at 701-223-1033 or nquallich@cathedralparish.com. For more information about the pilgrimage, go to cathedralparish.com/jubilee-2025.

ND MARCH FOR LIFE OCTOBER 10TH

Take the opportunity to stand up for the unborn at the N.D. March for Life on Friday, Oct. 10. The day begins with Mass celebrated by Bishop Kagan at 10:30 a.m. at the Bismarck Event Center (use door A1). This is a new location to accommodate a larger-size crowd. After Mass, all are invited to march to the N.D. capitol building south mall (off Boulevard Avenue) for a rally. The rally is set to begin at 12:30 p.m. The North Dakota March for Life is an annual event in October to coincide with Respect Life Month. Bishop Kagan will lead a holy hour on the eve of the N.D. March for Life on Thursday, Oct. 9 beginning at 7 p.m. at the Cathedral of the Holy Spirit. The public is invited to attend.



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