



Nativity Church of Fargo

Opportunities to live out your baptismal call

LITURGICAL MINISTRY

Contact the parish office 232-2414

Serve as Sacristan, Proclaimer, Usher, Greeter, Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, Altar Server and/or Cantor/sing in the choir for the Most Holy Mass. Serve as a Catechist for Children's Liturgy of the Word. Liturgical ministers will be scheduled for their preferred Mass time.

- **Sacristan** - Arrives 30 minutes prior to the Celebration of Mass, sets up all items necessary for the Celebration of Mass, is responsible for coordinating the check in of all needed ministers for the Celebration of Mass.
- **Proclaimer** - Proclaim the Word of God to the Faithful at Mass. Must be of High School age and above.
- **Usher** - Great family opportunity. Arrives 15 minutes prior to the Celebration of Mass, assist in seating people, assist in the collection at Preparation of Gifts time and assists with direction of people during the distribution of communion. Picks up pews after mass is over by picking of left worship aids and putting Breaking Bread books in correct place.
- **Greeter** - Great family opportunity. Arrive 15 minutes prior to the Celebration of Mass, take your given station at the entrance of the Church to welcome people as they arrive. Assist in handing out music worship aids and bulletins.
- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion** - Assist priests in the distribution of communion at the weekend Mass. Must be 18 years of age, fully initiated into the Church, practicing Catholic in good standing with the Church.
- **Altar Server** - For 4th grade and above including adults. Assist the priests during mass.
- **Team Catechist Children's Liturgy of the Word** - Co-lead the Liturgy of the Word for Parish children ages 4-9 at the 9:15 a.m. Sunday Mass. Weekly rotation in Advent and Lent.
- **Care of Altar Linens** - Clean linens after Sunday liturgies. Monthly rotation. One month a year.

- **Sew or Embroider Baptismal Garments**
- **Arts & Environment** - Assist in decorating the liturgical environment for the different Liturgical seasons.

MUSIC MINISTRY

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- **Cantor** - Lead the congregation in song for the weekend Masses or other parish events (ex: Funerals, weddings...) as an individual or in an ensemble.
- **Accompanist/Instrumentalist**
- **Parish Choir** - Sing at 9:15 a.m. masses and specified special liturgies throughout the year. Schedule provided. Practice Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
- **Contemporary Group** - Sing on Saturdays at the 5:00 p.m. mass. Schedule provided.
- **Youth Choir** - Grades 3-12
- **Bell Choir / Director**

FAITH FORMATION MINISTRY

Mission Statement: "Turning toward a lifelong, intimate relationship with Christ."

Faith Formation

Contact Kathy at 232-2414 ext. 124

- **Team Catechist Grades 1-5** - Join our team as together we share teaching duties for a small group of elementary children. Assist them in their understanding of chosen "faith words". Sessions held two to three Wednesdays per month, 6:30-7:40 p.m. September through April.
- **Small Group of Team Catechists Gr. 6-8** Facilitate a small group of 6-8 youth in a round table discussion. Guide and affirm them as they grow in faith as Catholic Christians. Sessions held two to three Wednesdays per month. 6:30-7:40 p.m. September through April.
- **Small Group of Team Catechists Gr. 9-12** Co-lead a small group of 6-8 youth. Guide them through our curriculum while sharing your faith and relationship with Jesus. Small groups meet Wednesdays 7:45-9:15 p.m. September through April.

NURSING HOME/HOSPITAL/ HOMEBOUND OUTREACH

Contact Jim at 232-2414 ext. 136

- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to Sanford South Hospital** - You are scheduled once a month to take communion to patients at Sanford South.
- **Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion to Homebound Parishioners**
- **BeFriender** - An opportunity to help someone in need. Bringing caring presence of God to those experiencing a loss, illness or homebound. One hour visitation per week; 2 hour meeting once a month. Training required.

ADULT FAITH LIFE MINISTRY

Contact Chris at 232-2414 ext. 127

- **RCIA Sponsor/Support Person** - (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Serve as a mentor for someone wishing to become Catholic. Must be a practicing Catholic who has received the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.
- **Facilitate an Adult Faith or Bible Group** - Prepare and then facilitate lessons from a predetermined program.

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PRAYER/SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITIES

- **Eucharistic Adoration** - Monday: 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Pick one hour
- **Adoration in the Home:**
www.adorationinthehome.com. *Contact Deacon Bruce at 232-2414 ext. 132*
- **Prayer Chain** - *Contact the parish office 232-2414.*
- **Women of the Word** - A Bible Study and Faith Sharing Group organized to study God's Word, grow in knowledge and love of our Catholic faith, and celebrate the dignity and vocation of women. Meetings are Wednesday mornings September-April. *Contact Chris at 232-2414 ext. 127.*
- **Servant Communities - Nativity**
A Catholic Charismatic Renewal parish-based community. Meets the first and second Saturdays of every month beginning at 6:00 pm in the Chapel. *Contact Chris at 232-2414 ext. 127.*
- **Men of the Cross** - The Men of the Cross is men who wear a Saint Benedict Crucifix who are united with the goal of growing in prayer, discipleship, and desire to bring Christ to our secular culture. We encourage you to consider becoming a Man of the Cross. You can obtain a Saint Benedict Crucifix in the Nativity Church office. If you have questions, you can ask any of the men you see wearing a Saint Benedict Crucifix or contact Deacon Bruce Dahl for more information. *Deacon Bruce at 232-2414 ext. 132.*

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

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- **Prepare Meals for Dorothy Day House** - Two to three times a year help prepare meals in the Nativity Kitchen to be served at Dorothy Day.
- **Serve Meals at Dorothy Day** - One to two people are asked to bring a meal, that has been prepared at Nativity, for 15 guests and themselves, and serving it at 6:00 p.m. on the last Monday of the month.
- **Micah's Misson Brunch** - Prepare and serve brunch at Micah's Misson on the 5th Saturday of the month
- **Community Garden**

- **Deliver Food to the Food Pantry** - Help deliver food to the local food pantry that is donated by parishioners.
- **Social Justice Commission** - Serve on the Social Justice Commission to help plan and carry out Catholic Social Teaching.

HOSPITALITY OPPORTUNITIES

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- **Coffee and Rolls on Sunday** - September through May coffee and rolls are served after the Sunday liturgies. Assist in setting up or cleaning up. Great family opportunity.
- **Baking for Funerals/Parish Events**
- **Serving Meals Funerals**
- **Serving Meals Parish Luncheons/Events**
- **Setup/Take Down for Parish Events**

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Front Office Help** - Stuff/seal envelopes, answer phones, fold worship aids, etc. *Contact Bev at 232-2414.*
- **Counting Sunday Collection** - On Sunday morning, count the weekend collection. Must be a parishioner for more than one year. *Contact Margaret at 232-2414 ext. 135.*
- **Library Work** - Be on the Library Team. Help us create an inspiring library. If you love books, join us to share in the process. Meet new people. Share your ministry in caring for the library. *Contact Chris at 232-2414 ext. 127.*
- **Night Security Check** - Check Nativity School and Church after hours for locked doors. 1 week rotation. *Contact Frank at 232-2414 ext. 120.*
- **Recycling on Parish Campus** - Pick up recycling in parish office and sacristy. Rotation schedule *Contact Jim at 232-2414 ext. 136.*
- **Carpentry/Painting** - *Contact Frank at 232-2414 ext. 120.*
- **Flowers/Gardening/Landscaping** - Assist in caring for seasonal flowers and indoor plant care. *Or assist in the outdoor landscape care. Contact Frank at 232-2414 ext. 120.*

ORGANIZATIONS

- **Knights of Columbus** - An international organization of Catholic men whose principal work involves helping others in need. Meet the 2nd Thursday of the month at Nativity. *Contact Scott at 701-628-1289.*
- **Catholic Daughters of the Americas** - The program includes concerns of today's church and society as well as issues that affect the well-being of women and children. Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at St. Anthony's Parish. *Contact Casinda at 701-388-2835 or Deb at 701-306-2892.*
- **Boy Scouts of America** - The mission of the Boy Scouts of America is to prepare young people to make ethical and moral choices over their lifetimes by instilling in them the values of the Scout Oath and Law. Meet Mondays at Nativity Church.
Boy Scouts contacts:
Mark Johnson 701-850-6895
Chris Duffy 701-526-8707
Gary Ripplinger 701-306-0892
Cub Scouts contact:
Craig Hauglie 701-430-7062
Marcus Vetter 701-640-5252