

# Pastor's updates

August 6, 2021



## Things you may want to know this week

1. We have hired a new music director! **Gianpaolo “GP” Eleria** has been a full-time parish music director at St. Joseph’s Catholic Church in Williston, North Dakota for the last 6 years. He is arriving next week, which means this is my last weekend as your temporary music director and accompanist. We will get to know more about GP in my next update.

2. **VACATION ABORTED!** I was scheduled to fly to the Philippines next week (August 11<sup>th</sup>) for my mom’s first death anniversary. However due to the COVID Delta variant and the varying health protocols, the trip has been cancelled. There is a good reason and I believe it is always for the best.

3. Thanks to **Gerry McDonagh** for fixing the stair runners going up to the choir loft. Now we can safely climb the stairs without the sagging rug. Thanks as well to **Alena Reyes** for providing us a preview of what the proposed Grotto in front of the church will look like. I hope the drawing (see below) will ignite financial support to honor the Blessed Mother.

**FAZnotes**  
**(Father Arnold Zamora)**  
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Dear parishioners and friends of St. Robert's,

**"When you are DOWN to nothing ..  
God is UP to something"**

**When we find our happiness or fulfillment in this world, we soon discover that it's only temporary.**

**Things get old,  
people fail us,  
accomplishments are forgotten,  
and the applause fades.**

**But when we find fulfillment in GOD, it's complete and permanent.**

**Look above:**

**Thank GOD for the GIFT OF LIFE, and the breath you are inhaling and exhaling!**

**Thank God for another month!**

**God is blessing you today!**

***Fr. Arnold***