

St. Bernadette

Catholic Church

7600 South 42nd Street,
Bellevue, Nebraska 68147

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The Epiphany of the Lord

Magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying,
“Where is the newborn king of the Jews?
We saw his star at its rising and
have come to do him homage.”

Matthew 2:1-2

Mission Statement

We the parish family of St. Bernadette are called forth by our Baptism to be empowered by the Holy Spirit and to follow the mission of Jesus to Worship, to Teach, to Love and to Serve.

PASTORAL DIRECTORY

Masses

Monday - Saturday..... 8:00 am
Tuesday—Thursday 6:30 am
Saturday Evening 5:00 pm
Sunday8:00 am, 9:30 am 11:00 am

Holy Day Masses

Holy Day Eve.....6 pm
Holy Day...6:30am, 8:00am, & Noon

Parish Office

Hours..... Weekdays 8:00am - 4:00pm
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Items for the bulletin must be submitted 9 days prior to the date of the Bulletin!

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Registration New Parishioners may register on line www.stbernadetteparish.org, at the parish office or the back of church.

Matrimony Contact pastor at least six months in advance.
(12 months for those under 19)

Sacrament of Reconciliation 3:30-4:30pm Saturdays or by appointment.

Baptism Every Sunday 12:00pm (Noon).

Baptism Classes Parents need to attend a pre-baptism class on the first Thursday of the month at 7:00pm in the Parish Office Meeting Room.

Please call the Parish Office to Register for the Class.

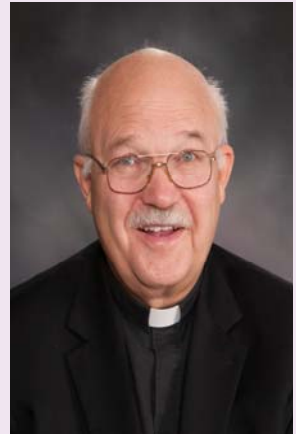
Communion For those homebound please call parish office.

Moving or Changes Please contact the parish office.

Fr Harry Buseness

THANK YOU

I would like to comment on the parish financial update published in last Sunday's bulletin. It reported a Christmas collection more than \$9000.00 over our budgeted amount. It also indicated very strong end-of-year contributions that placed us \$17,470 ahead of our fiscal year-to-date budget for Sunday collections. I wish to thank all who have generously and sacrificially contributed to this positive financial picture here at St. Bernadette. I realize that some of the additional contributions reflect people's tax planning in response to the new tax law. But this does not diminish their willingness to be generous stewards in support of the mission of St. Bernadette Parish.



I would also like to point out that we had a very strong response to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal this year. 262 parish donors have contributed or pledged a total of \$52,095 to this Appeal. That is 136% of our parish goal. Your generosity in this appeal indicates your willingness to identify with and support the broader mission of the Church through the Archdiocese. May God bless you for your generous response.

As you know, we were able to pay off the cost of the newly installed elevator about the time it was installed several months ago. Again, you, the St. Bernadette parishioners generously supported this project for the benefit of our aging parishioners and other visitors who come to worship with us or participate in other parish, school and community activities held here.

Please note the report on page 6 from the St. Vincent de Paul Society about the recently completed Christmas project to support needy families in our community. I was amazed at the response by our parish to this project, both by those who provided gifts and by those who were part of the effort to deliver those gifts to homes throughout the area. I am very proud to serve as pastor of such of a generous parish.

CHRISTLIFE

This Sunday, we begin the parish experience of ChristLife, the new Evangelization effort here at St. Bernadette. Over the next two months, around 85 parishioners will be going through the first session of this effort, "Discovering Christ." Please keep these parishioners in your prayers as they seek to deepen their relationship with Jesus and eventually to share that encounter with others in our parish and in our community.

~Fr Harry Buse



Around The Parish

~ Events of the Week ~ January

Wednesday	10th PRE Classes	6:15 pm
Thursday	11th Parish Council	6:30 pm
Friday	12th Shawl Ministry	1 pm
Sunday	14th Discovering Christ	5 pm

Deacon Gary Chladek, R.I.P. Parishioner and Deacon Gary Chladek passed away on December 31 after a prolonged illness. Many of you remember Deacon Chladek from his regular service at the 11:00 a.m. Sunday Mass for many years. Recently, he discontinued that ministry



due to declining health. Gary Chladek was ordained a deacon for the Archdiocese of Omaha in 2001, serving at St. Bernadette Parish since that time. Many parishioners will remember Deacon Gary from his leading the baptismal preparation classes for new parents. He alternated with other parish deacons for this ministry. For many years, he also coordinated the RCIA classes for new converts to the faith. Beyond the parish, Deacon Gary was involved in prison ministry, leading bible studies and other services at a local jail. I remember Deacon Gary for his great zeal for the faith and for his ministry, for his very kind and gentle disposition and for his great love and concern for the poor and others in need. In this way, he very faithfully lived out his role as a deacon in service to the church and to the community. May he rest in peace and may he receive the reward of his charitable labors.

~ Fr Harry Buse

\$ Parish Financial Update \$

Fiscal Year July 1, 2017—June 30, 2018

Donations December 31, 2017

Sunday Envelopes & Children's:	\$13,172.67
Sunday Plate:	\$211.10
Holy Day	\$4,074.00
Total:	\$17,457.77
Auto Pay & Mail in for a Week:	\$3,005.00
Weekly Total:	\$20,462.77
Our per Sunday goal is	\$15,500.00
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$22,433.36
Christmas 12/25—12/31	\$4,520.00
Total Christmas	\$56,599.00

Faith Formation

Discovering Christ:

The Discovering Christ Series starts this Sunday evening in the church social hall. For all those who have registered, please come a few minutes early to take time to sign in and find your table so we can begin promptly at 5:00pm.

Quote:

"It is Jesus you seek when you dream of happiness; he is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; he is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is he who provokes you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is he who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is he who reads in your hearts your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle."

— Pope John Paul

PRE

"There are far, far better things ahead than any we leave behind" — C. S. Lewis



Happy 2018! Hope your break from PRE has been fun and you made some great memories over the Holidays.

Just a reminder, classes will resume on January 10th. I will have the January newsletter ready as well as information for the 8th graders as they continue to prepare for Confirmation.

Stay warm and see everyone soon!

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, January 13, 5:00 pm

Lector: Rita Starr

EMHCs Cathie Pajnigar, Sadie Sidzyik, Bill Starr, Agnes Flowers, Joan Foreman-Mertz

Servers: James Pajnigar, Thomas Pajnigar, Ava Pajnigar

Sunday, January 14, 8:00 am

Lector: Andy Flanagan

EMHCs Theresa Yost, Angela Davenport, Ed Peabody, Sharon Vondra

Servers: Julia Davenport, Brandon Kabourek, Monse Serrano-Avalos

Sunday, January 14, 9:30 am

Lector: Bill Veys

EMHCs Terry Deseck, Don Deseck, Paul Derks, Stephen Krupa, Theresa Rothermund, Robert Monaco

Servers: Ellen Veys, Vincent Linder, Lucas Janovich

Sunday, January 14, 11:00 am

Lector: Kevin McCoy

EMHCs Colleen McCoy, Patty Godek, Bill Doyle, Jackie Doyle

Servers: Patrick Collins, Jessica Godek, Daniel Wilson

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, January 8, 2018

8:00 am + Emil & Jeanette Adam

Tuesday, January 9, 2018

6:30 am + Charley & Clara Riskowski

8:00 am + Joseph Ostrowski

Wednesday, January 10, 2018

6:30 am + Larry & Helen Smith

8:00 am + Arthur & Joyce Burbach

Thursday, January 11, 2018

6:30 am + Purgatorial Society

8:00 am + Gene Benash

Friday, January 12, 2018

8:00 am + Tom Schrack Sr

Saturday, January 13, 2018

8:00 am + Tom Larsen

5:00 pm + Norma Gyhra

Sunday, January 14, 2018

8:00 am + Scott Hrubsky

9:30 am Parishioners of St. Bernadette

11:00 am + Walt Macaitis

In Loving Memory

Please remember in your prayers all those who have been born into eternal life especially parishioners Robert Allmon, Barbara Kittleson and Deacon Gary Chladek. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.



Money Counters

Monday, January 8

Joyce Sokol, Jackie Doyle
Erin Ginnaty

Gift Cards

Jan 13 & 14 Home & School
Jan 20 & 21 Altar Society
Jan 27 & 28 Men's Club
Feb 3 & 4 Parish Group

Rosary Leaders

Jan 13 Rosemarie Davis
Jan 20 John Holst
Jan 27 Donna Dailey
Feb 3 Dorothy Nelson

Heavenly Dusters

Jan 13 Laurie Callahan
Jan 20 Rita Frickel Group
Jan 27 Jo Macaitis,
Patti Loges,
Linda Wiesen
Feb 3 Colleen Jeck,
Helene Ficene



Home & School News

Family Food Night: January's Family Food Night will be Wednesday, January 17 at Fazoli's in Bellevue. Please mention St. Bernadette when ordering. February's Food Night is scheduled on February 8 at Texas Roadhouse-Shadow Lake.

Items to Save: Please continue to send in Family Fare receipts, Box Tops, Our Family labels, Tyson A+ labels, and Coke and PowerAde rewards. These are collected in the pink mailbox near the school office window. Please don't forget to assign St. Bernadette School as your chose organization on your Baker's card. A portion of your grocery purchase comes right back to our school! Thanks for your support!

Family Fare Receipts: We have reached our goal! We have successfully submitted \$100,000 in receipts. For our efforts, Spartan Nash donates back to St. Bernadette \$1,000. Please continue to send these receipts in, as we can start the program over again. The money will be used for upcoming Home & School sponsored activities during Catholic Schools Week at the end of January.

Rosary

Monday Evening at 6 pm
Friday Morning at 7:15 am
Saturday Morning at 7:35 am
Saturday Evening at 4:20 pm



Prayer Line

Please call Phyllis at 402-733-3042 or Mary Lu at 402-679-3688 to request instant prayer for those in need. Special Prayers needed for all military personnel.

Healing Prayers Needed for the Sick

If you have someone in need of Prayers, contact the Parish Office

Lucille Bilek, Annabelle Berrera, Ann Marie Boukal, Mike Botos, Nancy Courtney, Rosemarie Davis, Michelle Diehm, Mike Digilio, Chris Ederer, Margaret Eipperle, Norma Flores, Bob Flowers, Frank Gaeta, Trudy Gomez, Amy Hamm, Lisa Hargis, Jeanette Hauptman, John Holst, Dale Kittelson, Ron Knoblauch, Carol Kozicki, Donna Krysl, Bishop Milone, Pat Masek, Michael Macdonald, Mick & Pat Marsicek, Jason Mathews, Carol McDaniel, Leonard Meier, Russell Mitchell, Theresa Mitera, Blanche Murphy, Liz Neal, Sue Novotny, Craig Olson, Maryn Page, Ellen Pankievicz, Catherine Palinski, Wanda Parlin, Grayson Peters, Ella Peters, Keelan Phillips, Joe Pitman, Kathleen Prince, Lynne Richt, Dennis Schafer, Kelley Burkhardt Sheard, Debbie Schumacher, Todd Sears, Dane Sinnott, Isabella Sterba, Pam Stein, Pat Strauss, Peggy Sullivan, Bill Veys, David Virgilito, Jim Vondra, Annabella Zyla

Vocations

(5 of 5 in a series) The Four Dimensions of Priestly Formation: Pastoral & Apostolic Formation - Pastoral formation is, so to speak, the culmination of the previous three pillars of formation, since the end of the seminary process is to form a man who is capable of standing and acting in the community in the name and person of Jesus Christ as Shepherd of the Church. The priest is to appropriate the "mind of Christ" and communicate the mysteries of faith through his human personality as a bridge, through his personal witness of discipleship rooted in his spiritual life, and through his capacity to articulate the faith which he has come to know and love (cf. PPF 237). From The DC Priest's: Archdiocese of Washington DC's website

This week pray for Seminarian Matthew Pohlman and read his vocations story and biography at <https://archomaha.org/ministries/vocations/seminary/matthew-pohlman/>
God created each one of us for a specific purpose. Come find out yours at archomaha.org/ministries/vocations. Call Father Harry Buse at [402-731-4694](tel:402-731-4694) or email: hjbuse@archomaha.org.



Community News

Our SVDP Conference was amazed, appreciative and so very thankful for all the folks who showed up last Saturday to deliver the gifts to the families who appeared on our SVDP Christmas tree. We met at 9 and by 9:30 all the gifts were loaded and on their way to the families, and a crew was there to take down the tables and set up the chairs for the 4 o'clock mass in the Social Hall on Christmas Eve. All this was accomplished in just over an hour! It was truly a Christmas miracle!! To all those who purchased the gifts, to Jean Circo for coming up with the names of those who needed some help this year,

to Rita & Bill Starr for entering all the information into the computer, to Patty Godek for coordinating the St. Bernadette Students' Angel Tree, to Scott Riha for providing the SAM in which we stored the gifts, to Larry Anderson and his 8th grade students for hauling all the gifts out to the pod, to Tristen Riha, Jim Homan and the twenty six students from Gross who came over and emptied and sorted the gifts from the SAM, to the PRE families that decorated and boxed cookies, to all the wonderful people who verified that each gift was returned and bagged them accordingly, and to the awesome folks who trekked out in some mighty cold temperatures to deliver the gifts, we extend a gigantic THANK YOU & GOD BLESS!! It truly takes a "village" to accomplish this project and our village at St. Bernadette rates #1!!

Thank
you

Mercy High School Trivia Night will be held on Saturday, January 13 beginning at 6:00pm. Register your team of eight players and pay online by December 22 at www.mercyhigh.org/events. All are welcome to participate in this fun event.

Mass and Prayer for Migrants and Refugees.
Holy Name Parish, Friday, January 12, 2018
6:00 pm Way of the Cross
7:00 pm Mass

You are invited to attend the Celebration of Life banquet, with guest speaker Sandra Merritt. This event, hosted by Nebraskans United for Life, will be held Friday, Jan. 12 at the DC Centre, 11830 Stonegate Dr., Omaha. Tickets are \$45/person, or \$360/table of 8, and may be purchased by donating at nufl.org, or by mailing a check to NUFL, 143 S. 38th St., Omaha, NE 68131. *About Sandra Merritt:* She and fellow citizen journalist David Daleiden participated in an undercover video sting which exposed the trafficking of aborted human body parts. The case is now before the Supreme Court. Come hear Merritt tell the story of the remarkable undertaking that remains, and the historic legal battle it has become. *To learn more, please watch the Center for Medical Progress videos at centerformedicalprogress.org.*

Since 2014 the Coalition has invited the public to gather in January, the National Human Trafficking Awareness Month, to pray to end the sex and labor trafficking of human beings. This year the prayer is being held on January 13th from 10 - 11:15 a.m. at St. Leo's Catholic Church at 102nd and Blondo. This is a nondenominational prayer service. All are most welcome.

