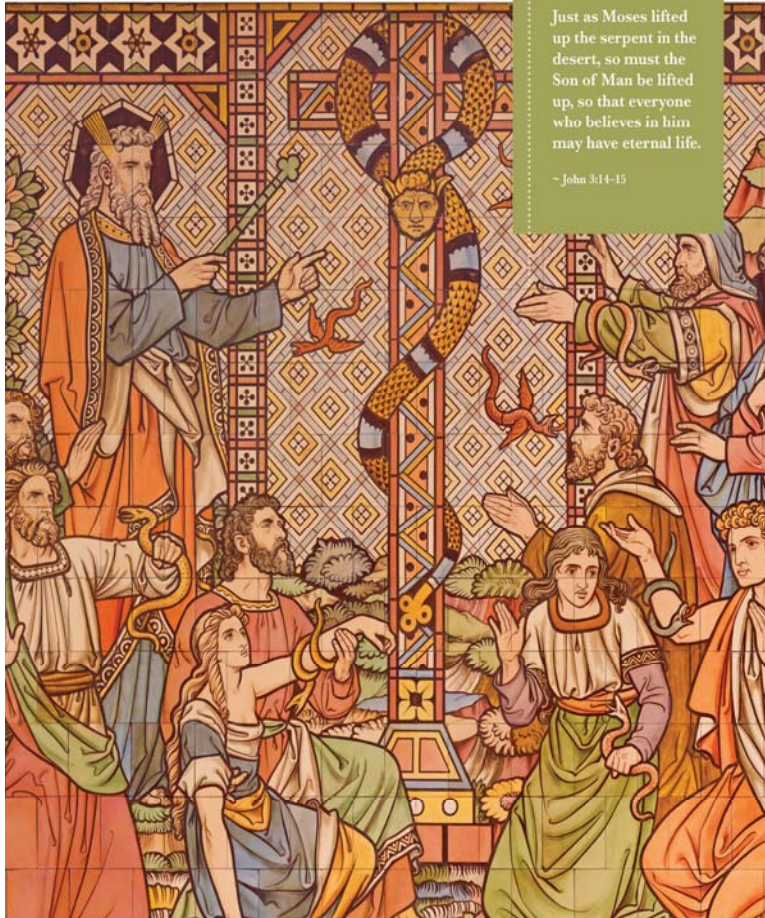


St. Bernadette

Catholic Church

7600 South 42nd Street,
Bellevue, Nebraska 68147

MARCH 11, 2018 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT



Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the desert, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life.

- John 3:14-15

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
Parish Office(402) 731-4694
School Office(402) 731-3033
Bulletin.....stbbulletin@gmail.com

Items for the bulletin must be submitted 9 days prior to the date of the Bulletin!

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Parish Staff

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Tristen Riha Secretary
Subby EnzoleraDirector of Faith Formation
Sue ReedPRE Coordinator
Juan JesusPastoral Minister

School Staff

Lynn Schultz Principal
Primi Ochoa.....Secretary

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.

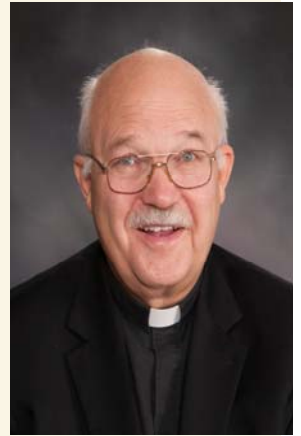
Communion For those homebound please call parish office.

Moving or Changes Please contact the parish office.

Fr Harry Buseness

Thank You

I want to publicly thank Father Tom Donaldson, CSSR, for his inspiring and engaging presentations for our parish mission last week. He certainly made us laugh and cry on the way to offering inspiring spiritual messages each night. I feel a bit weary from all of the beating I took (in good nature, of course), but I personally thank him for his fraternal support as a brother priest.



I would like to thank Juan Jesus for his leadership in scheduling and organizing the mission. This included recruiting all of the ministers involved in the three nights of the mission. Many thanks to all who served as liturgical ministers for the mission night. Finally, thanks to the Altar Society for providing the hospitality, coffee, other beverages and cookies/bars all three nights of the Mission.

Finally, I was very pleased by the turnout for the mission. I realize that Father Tom attracted people through his engaging presentations both at the weekend Masses and at the evening mission talks. But those of you who came for one or more nights said that you are hungry for spiritual nourishment and growth.

Jesus is inviting all of us into a deeper personal relationship with Himself. So many of you are responding to that invitation these days, both through the recent mission and through the Christlife series which concludes its first series this Sunday. I pray that you be enriched and blessed through this effort.

This Sunday is the 4th Sunday of lent, marking the midpoint of this holy season. It is called Laetare Sunday and we can wear rose vestments in place of purple. There are additional coming opportunities for your spiritual growth during the remaining days of lent including our **Parish Penance Service on Thursday, March 22 @ 7:00 p.m.**, individual confessions during holy week and Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 16 and March 23 at 2:15 & 7:00 p.m.

~ Fr. Harold J. Buse

Spaghetti Dinner Thank You

The Men's Club regretfully missed including the following businesses who also contributed to the support this year's dinner; LaRue Coffee and Sysco Food Services.

We sincerely thank them for their support.

Touching Lent



Around The Parish

~ Events of the Week ~ March

Wednesday 14th	PRC Classes	6:15 pm
Thursday 15th	Finance Mtg Men's Club Mtg	6:30 pm 8 pm
Friday 16th	Station's Soup Stations	2:15 pm 6 pm 7 pm

\$ Parish Financial Update \$

Fiscal Year July 1, 2017—June 30, 2018

Donations March 4, 2018

Sunday Envelopes & Children's:	\$14,154.95
Sunday Plate:	\$274.00
Holy Day	\$0
Total:	\$14,428.95
Auto Pay & Mail in for a Week:	\$1,515.00
Weekly Total:	\$15,943.95
Our per Sunday goal is	\$15,500.00
Fiscal Year to Date:	\$28,413.46

Faith Formation

Discovering Christ:

Our last Discovering Christ Session for this season this Sunday, March 11th. This initial experience of the three part ChristLife program has been a truly fruitful time for those participating.

We will be evaluating timing and content of our next sessions. In the interim we will be offering additional opportunities to continue to gather to feed ourselves physically and spiritually, celebrating who we are as a faith-filled community. Keep watch over the next few weeks as we announce our future plans.

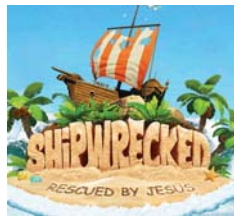
Quote of week:

“For God, we are not numbers; we are important; indeed, we are the most important thing to him. Even if we are sinners, we are what is closest to his heart.”
— **Pope Francis**

PRE NEWS

“Prayer is as necessary as the air, as the blood in our bodies, as anything to keep us alive—to keep us alive to the grace of God.” St Teresa of Calcutta
This week your family was sent home a bag containing some very special items. This bag contained a small candle, prayer card and the name of one of our parish's RCIA Candidates. Take time this week to light that candle and to pray for your candidate and all of those that are on this journey from our parish. Please continue to do this until the Easter Vigil. Also, your family is invited to join us as a parish as we welcome these individuals into the Catholic Church at our Easter Vigil on March 31st at 8:15pm.

Come make a splash with us this Summer as we anchor ourselves to learn about God!! We are currently putting a team together for this year's Vacation Bible School. If you are feeling moved to help out at this event,



we would love to have you. We are in need of many volunteers to make this a successful week. Please contact Sue Reed in the parish office if you would like to be a part of this great adventure.

Spring Cleaning is here and it's time once again to do a deep cleaning of the church. So if you can spare an hour or two to help, grab your buckets and join us on Saturday, March 17th. We will begin shortly after the 8am mass. We will provide coffee, rolls and juice and the necessary cleaning supplies other than buckets. We would also like to invite any young people who may need some service hours to join us! As we are nearing the end of lent and getting ready for Holy Week, think about spending a little time helping to prepare the Lord's house. Call Mariann [402-291-6258](tel:402-291-6258) if you have any questions.



Altar Society Spring Raffle & Bake Sale will be March 24 & 25 after all masses. Stop by and treat some bunny you know!

The St. Vincent de Paul Pantry is in pretty good shape, but we are running low on a few items. If you are able to pick up mac & cheese, tuna, jelly or Chef Boyardee type of meals, we would greatly appreciate receiving them. Thank you!!

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday, March 17, 5:00 pm

Lector: Steve Tooley

EMHCs: Alex Tooley, Maggie Tooley,
Thomas Schmitz, Paul Pelletier,

Servers: Andrew McNamara, Brandon Kabourek,
Gabrielle Hunter

Sunday, March 18, 8:00 am

Lector: Kathy Monaco

EMHCs: Joyce Renner, Dale Voboril, Pete Vana,
Roberta Vana

Servers: Vincent Linder, Kenzie Hughes,
Molly Bourquin

Sunday, March 18, 9:30 am

Lector: Robert Monaco

EMHCs: Andrea Hennings, Katie Laughhunn,
Virginia Hoffman

Servers: Kai Maxwell, Rosalie Maxwell, Jane Hiatt

Sunday, March 18, 11:00 am

Lector: Mark Redford

EMHCs: Patty Godek, Nicole Mimick, Dick Strauss,
Jackie Doyle, Bill Doyle

Servers: Jessica Godek, Sean Earnest,
Gabriela Gandara

Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, March 12, 2018

8:00 am + Jack & Annette Rojas

Tuesday, March 13, 2018

6:30 am + Evie Murnan

8:00 am + Buse Family

Wednesday, March 14, 2018

6:30 am + Robert Allmon

8:00 am + Marvin Coenen

Thursday, March 15, 2018

6:30 am + Joseph & Carmella Circo

8:00 am + Nancy Cronican

Friday, March 16, 2018

8:00 am + Joseph Ostrowski

Saturday, March 17, 2018

8:00 am + Arthur & Joyce Burbach

5:00 pm + Ron & Lisa Gibillisco

Sunday, March 18, 2018

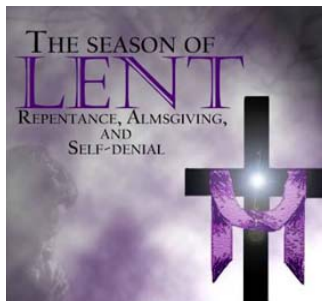
8:00 am + Al & Helen Kmiecik

9:30 am + Richard Matukewicz

11:00 am Parishioners of St. Bernadette

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.



Gift Cards

Mar 17 & 18 Altar Society
Mar 24 & 25 Men's Club
Mar 31/Apr 1 Parish Group
Apr 7 & 8 Home & School

Money Counters

Monday, March 12

Gwen Toledo,
Sharon Jedlicka
Mary Ann Kokotajlo

Rosary Leaders

Mar 17 John Holst
Mar 24 Donna Dailey
Mar 31 Dorothy Nelson
Apr 7 Rosemarie Davis

Heavenly Dusters

Mar 17 Chris Ortner,
Mariann Kokotajlo,
Linda Harvey
Mar 24 Laurie Callahan
Mar 31 Rita Frickel Grp
April 7 Jo Macaitis,
Patti Loges,
Linda Wiesen



Home & School News

Family Food Night: Please join us March 22 at Jason's Deli on 123rd and "L" St from 4-8pm. Please mention St. Bernadette when ordering. We received from Don & Millie's in January \$39.90. Thank you for all of your support!

Items to save: Box Tops, Our Family UPCs, Tyson A+ labels, Coke and PowerAde caps and package codes, and Our Family/Super Mercado receipts. Please place in the pink mailbox near the school office window.

Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week: The week of March 12-16 Home and School will recognize our St. Bernadette teachers and staff. We are thankful for the time, effort, and love they show to our students and each other. We pray God may continue their good works of teaching our children through words, example, care, and respect. May God bless them and may they find their work a rewarding challenge. During the week, teachers and staff will be treated with signs, daily goodies, lunch, gifts, and much more. Baseball themed, we want to thank our teachers and staff for "covering all of the bases".

Rosary

Monday Evening at 6 pm
Friday Morning at 7:15 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, Machaela Casart, 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, Joyce Higgins, John Holst, Antonio Jesus, Bill Kaspar, Dale Kittelson, Ron Knoblauch, Carol Kozicki, Donna Krysl, Bishop Milone, Michael Macdonald, Mick & Pat Marsicek, Jason Mathews, Carol McDaniel, Leonard Meier, Joel Rivera, 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, Clarence Reinig, Jann Reinig, Lynne Richt Dennis Schafer, Kelley Burkhardt Sheard, Debbie Schumacher, Todd Sears, Dane Sinnott, Isabella Sterba, Pam Stein, Peggy Sullivan, Bill Veys, David Virgilito, Jim Vondra, Charleen Wilhelm, Annabella Zyla

Vocations

DISCERNING YOUR VOCATION – (2 of 6 in series) Discernment is the process of discovering your vocation through prayer, reflection, and discussion as to how God calls each person to love Him. Here is the second of six ways to help discover what God created you to be: **SACRAMENTS** - Receiving the sacraments helps to open your heart to the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Reconciliation cleanses your soul and puts you in right relationship with God. The Eucharist is a special gift from Jesus, and at the time of receiving it is a wonderful time to ask God to show you His plan for you.

This week pray for Seminarian Thomas Matya and read his vocations story and biography at <https://archomaha.org/ministries/vocations/seminary/Thomas-Matya/>

To be cut off from the treasures of the Church is to be cast away from life itself. As the Israelites longed to rebuild the Temple of Jerusalem, so must we long to continue to build up the Church today. (Psalm 137) If you are willing to help rebuild the Church as a priest, religious, or deacon, call Father Harry Buse at 402-731-4694 or email: hjbuse@archomaha.org.



Community News

A beginning Experience weekend for separated, divorced and widowed is planned for April 13-15 at the Archdiocese Retreat Center, 3330 North 60th St. Omaha. The weekend begins at 7:00 pm on Friday and ends at 4:00 pm on Sunday. Cost is \$100 (for semi private sleeping room) or \$125 (for private sleeping room.) For more information and an application, visit www.beginninexperienceofomaha.org or contact Jean English 402-639-6595 or jeaneng@aol.com Registration deadline is April 4.

Father Shane France Pilgrimage

Don't Miss... Join Fr. Don Shane and friends on this Faith Filled Journey October 1-13. For more information Contact Judy (402) 578-6105.

Life in the Spirit Seminar

You are invited to join the St. Margaret Mary Prayer group to deepen your spiritual life.
When: Monday, April 9th at 11:00 am
Where: St. Margaret Mary Church
Suneg center Lower level 6116 Dodge St
Please join us and prepare to have your heart opened to a greater awareness of the Holy Spirit in your life.
Men and women of all ages are welcome.
Childcare is provided. To register please call Lucretia at (402) 558-8299.

Croatian Cultural Society

of Omaha 2018 Lenten Fish Fries
8711 South 36th Street
Bellevue, NE 68147
(A few blocks south of 36th & Giles) Open every Lenten Friday from 4:30PM to 7:30PM.
Serving baked & fried fish, homemade mac & cheese, coleslaw, French fries or baked potato & dessert.
Adults \$10 Seniors \$9 Grade School Children \$5 and FREE for kids under age 5.
A full bar, meat raffles and pickle cards are also available. Take outs welcome. Credit cards accepted. Come see our newly renovated hall and bar! Large portions and fast service have made this Fish Fry a winner for over 30 years!

Mercy High School invites 5th & 6th grade girls to our annual Lock-In on March 24th from 5-9 P.M. For more information go to: <http://www.mercyhigh.org/events/>. Space is limited, so sign up today!

Registration for summer camps at Mercy High School is now open! Mercy coaches will offer camps in basketball, soccer, track & field, and volleyball for female students in 3rd-8th grade. Please go to: <http://www.mercyhigh.org/events/> to register.

Around The Parish

Lenten Soup & Stations

What: A no-host meatless-soup potluck dinner followed by Stations of the Cross. Each family brings 6-8 servings of meatless-soup along with crackers or bread and butter that is served with the soup to share with all. The Parish will supply the bowls, napkins, spoons and other supplies. Also please bring your own serving ladle.

When: Each Friday of Lent Starting February 16—March 23. Dinner will be at 6:00 pm.

Who: All parishioners, school families and anyone that would like to come and enjoy soup and stations.

Where: St Bernadette Social Hall

Cost: 6-8 servings of meatless soup per family to share. Single person need only to bring your appetite.

Come Join in the fellowship and devotion with your St. Bernadette family during this Lenten season.

