



Holy Ghost Catholic Church  
402-731-3176  
5219 S. 53rd St. Omaha, Ne 68117

Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday .....7:00 am  
Sunday.....9:00 am  
Confessions on Sundays 8:15 am

Parish Office

Weekday Hours..... 8 am–4 pm  
Lunch 12-1 pm

Bulletin.....stbulletin@gmail.com  
**Items for the bulletin must be submitted  
9 days prior to the date of the Bulletin!**

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Parish Website.....stbernadetteparish.org

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Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday..... 8:00 am  
Saturday Evening.....5:00 pm  
Sunday .....11:00 am  
Confessions on Saturdays 4-4:45 pm

Parish Office

Weekday Hours.....7:30 am–3:00 pm

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11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

“To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants.”  
- Mk 4:30-32b



Greetings St. Bernadette / Holy Ghost,

All three Nebraska bishops have strongly encouraged us to defeat the “protect our rights” ballot initiative. *“We urge Nebraskans to unite in opposition to the other initiative proposal that wants to enshrine the evil of late-pregnancy abortion into the state constitution”*.

This pro-abortion initiative appeals to the average voter by wearing a mask of “viability”. However, if passed, it would allow and enshrine abortion at any stage of pregnancy and for any reason. It would also remove any checks and balances for the safety of women. Needless to say, this proposal is very dangerous and gravely immoral.

A big part of defeating this bill is helping to support the alternative “protect women and children” ballot initiative. The bishops joint statement declares, *“Although imperfect in its protection of all preborn children, the proposal is a step toward safeguarding human life. Thus, it is morally permissible for Nebraskans to support this newly proposed initiative”*. Please note that this is morally permissible but not morally obligatory.

I would like to offer further encouragement to join in this important effort. If you choose to do so, please:

- Pray – offer your daily prayers, rosaries, holy hours, and masses for the defeat of the pro-abortion ballot initiative.
- Read materials provided from Nebraska Catholic Conference that help explain the dynamics of each initiative. These are available in the back of church.
- Attend a NCC event – these events are held at different parishes throughout Nebraska and online. Check their website for upcoming events.
- Refuse to sign – the “Protect our Rights” pro-abortion ballot initiative and encourage others to do the same.
- Do sign – the “Protect Women and Children” ballot initiative and encourage others to do so as well.

Inform others - tell your family, friends, coworkers about the deceptive and destructive nature of the “protect our rights” initiative.

After next weekend’s Masses, representatives of Protect Women & Children will be collecting signatures for a pro-life ballot initiative that will provide protections for babies in the second and third trimester in the Nebraska state constitution. This ballot initiative is part of an effort to defeat the ballot initiative launched by abortion advocates that will create a state constitutional right to late-pregnancy abortion. You can learn more about these ballot initiatives from the Nebraska Catholic Conference at [www.NEcatholic.org](http://www.NEcatholic.org).

Even though this can be a contentious issue brothers and sisters, please consider joining this important prolife endeavor. And for those who have had or been part of an abortion, please know that the Lord loves you and His mercy can give you freedom and healing. Go to [www.heartsrestorednebraska.org](http://www.heartsrestorednebraska.org)

Fr. Boyd

**\$ Parish Financial Update \$**

Weekly Needs: \$13,585.00  
Collection: \$61,476.91  
YTD Needs: \$646,071.00  
YTD Collection: \$641,508.07  
Shortage: \$4,562.93

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, June 18, 2024**

8:00 am + Catherine Monico  
+ Eric White

**Thursday, June 20, 2024**

8:00 am + Lawrence & Esther Gaul  
+ John & Barb Holst

**Saturday, June 22, 2024**

5:00 pm Parishioners of ST. Bernadette  
& Holy Ghost

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**

11:00 am + Joe Krejci  
+ Tom Wilwerding



*Based on internal feedback from our festival group this year's St. Bernadette Festival will be held on Saturday, September 21, 2024. We are currently in the planning stages, so if you would like to participate, please join us for our first planning meeting on Thursday, June 27th at 7:00 pm in the social hall.*

**Mowing Schedule**

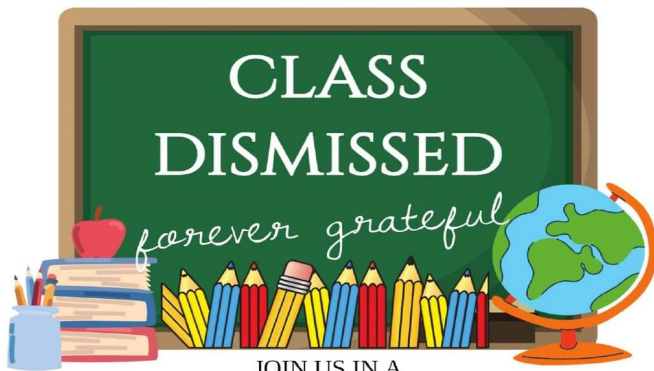
6/16-22 John Kempf, Al Zimmerer, Vern Muhlbauer 

6/23-6/29 Rolly Yost, Pete Vana, John Pogge, Jerry

6/30-7/6 Jeff Mimick, Conde Groski, Greg Zoucha

7/7-7/13 Clint Zoucha, Greg Zoucha

7/14-7/20 John Kempf, Al Zimmerer, Vern Muhlbauer




**JOIN US IN A  
RETIREMENT  
CARD SHOWER**

*Honoring Kathy Dostal*

Help us in showering Mrs. Dostal with cards full of memories, photos, spiritual bouquets, and well wishes!

PLEASE SEND CARDS BY JUNE 30TH TO:  
**MRS. KATHY DOSTAL**  
7600 S 42ND ST  
BELLEVUE, NE 68147



**Religious Education**

Are you crafty? Would you like to share this gift with others? I am looking for someone to make a new felt banner for First Reconciliation. This banner is used on First Reconciliation Day when the children place their decorated sheep on the banner, celebrating that they just received this beautiful sacrament. If this is something that you would like to do, please reach out to me. My cell is Sue Reed at 402-880-1706. I would love to have this done for First Reconciliation this December.

We are currently registering for the 2024-2025 PRE-Family of Faith program. If you are a current family, you have received a form. If you have already filled out the form and returned it, please make sure to also make your payment. If you have yet to fill out the form and make payment, please do so ASAP, so I can order books for next year. If you have already registered and paid... Thank you!!! Have a fantastic summer and do not forget to take Flat Jesus with you this summer and take pics. If you are new to PRE, Parish Religious Education program, the Family of Faith and if you have questions, please call the Parish Office 402-731-4694.

## Heavenly Dusters

June 22 Subs  
 June 29 Pat Blankenship, Patty Gordon,  
 Veronica Diaz Vera, Shayla Stanek,  
 Yolanda Jiminez, Gloria Kirberger  
 July 6 Mary Baker, Janet Kocurek, Joan Foreman-  
 Mertz, Carol Paskach, Kathleen Filer, Theresa Yost  
 July 13 Chris Ortner, Linda Harvey,  
 Mariann Kokotajlo  
 July 20 Rita Frickel, Mary Huss, Karen Langen,  
 Patty Pogge, Tracy Kirby, Krissy Weiser  
 July 27 Rose Zoucha, Mary Sporcic, Rose Tslentis,  
 Connie Tucker, Linda Halsey

The Rosary at 4:20pm before the 5pm  
 Mass on Saturdays will be for the  
 intention of vocations.  
 We are praying the rosary for World  
 Peace every Monday night at 6:30 in the church.  
 We are praying for the conversion of our country.



## Scrip Sales

**June 22 & 23 Men's Club**  
**June 29 & 30**  
**July 6 & 7 Parish Group**  
**July 13 & 14 Home & School**



### Money Counters

June 17 Rich Kmiecik, Jim Setlak, Juan Jesus,  
 Sal Zoucha  
 June 24 Rolly & Theresa Yost, Jerry & Chris Ortner  
 July 1 Sharon Jedlicka, Mariann Kokotajlo,  
 Rosary Soresen  
 July 8 Rosemary Mapes, Joyce Renner,  
 Colleen Kurmel, Jean Mill  
 July 15 Rich Kmicek, Jim Setlak, Juan Jesus,  
 Sal Zoucha

Honor Roll second semester at Mercy High  
 School

First Honors- Mary Flanagan,  
 Annaleis Talley

These are the students who  
 achieved Honor Roll second semester  
 at Gross Catholic

Alex Cogswell	High Honors
Alexis Skradski	High Honors
Amanda Prosser	High Honors
Brace Adamson	High Honors
Cooper Franks	High Honors
Emma Rice	High Honors
Eva Wurgler	High Honors
Evy Casart	High Honors
Gabrielle Hunter	High Honors
Grace Nilson	High Honors
Grace Riha	High Honors
Jane Hiatt	High Honors
Jordan Nilson	High Honors
Joshua Jansen	High Honors
Knyomi Turley	High Honors
Leah Martin	High Honors
Makenzie	High Honors
Mia Donohue	High Honors
Ryker Casart	High Honors
Anna Rice	Honors
Ava Pajnigar	Honors
Brynn Hofmann	Honors
Ethan Le	Honors
Lillian Riha	Honors

### JUNE 2024 LUNCH MEETING

WHEN, Thurs., June 20, 2024 at 11:30am

### WHERE

\*now at\* Scott Conference Center, 6450 Pine St, Omaha, NE  
 68106

COST: FREE - FOR MEMBERS \$25.00 - NON-MEMBERS

### RSVP - ONLINE AT:

[WWW.CBGMOMAHA.ORG/MEETINGS/RESERVATION](http://WWW.CBGMOMAHA.ORG/MEETINGS/RESERVATION) MISSION  
 As Catholic men and women in the business world, we are  
 called to live our faith at work, home and play, sharing the joy  
 and peace received through Christ and a Christian  
 Community.

FEATURED SPEAKER: Thomas Freeman, Attorney at Fiedler Law

### TOPIC: "Faith and Purpose"

Attend and hear Tom's faith journey, including example of God's  
 direction in work, family, Church and life.  
 His story will help inspire your personal journey!

### ATTEND

Network & socialize with  
 like-minded business  
 leaders  
 in the Omaha metro area.

June 16, 2024- Eleventh Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, June 22, 2024 5:00 pm Mass**

Lector: Pam Stein

EMHC: Joe Stein, Mariann Kokotajlo

Altar Servers: Liam Wurgler, Leo Duda, Lindsey Cogswell

**Sunday, June 23, 2024 11:00 am Mass**

Lector: Dorest Harvey

EMHC: Don & Terry Deseck

Altar Servers: Clare Chandler, Madison Dohse

*Join us for Coffee and sweet treats after the 8am Mass every 2nd Thursday of the month.*



### Prayer Line

Please call Betty Rezek at 402-734-2531 or Patty Pogge at 402-733-8234 to request instant prayer for those in need.

Special Prayers needed for all military personnel. Please consider putting your name on our prayer line. It is immediate and private. When you put your name in the bulletin it is for the public.



### In Loving Memory



Please remember in your prayers all those who have been born into eternal life. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

### Healing Prayers Needed for the Sick

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

Cheryl Adamson, Annabelle Berrera, Rick Becerra, Elle Burgess, Alfonso Calderon, Leonardo Clymer, Kathi Ciurej, John Cunningham, Charlotte & Dominic Cullenward, Donna Dailey, Kathleen Devlin, Mike Digilio, Kelly Dix, Margaret Eipperle, Gina Rae Filer, Norma Flores, Juanice Furmanski, Louise LaFramboise, Adam Gutierrez, Josephine Gutierrez, Michelle Gutierrez, Lisa Hargis, Jeanette Hauptman, Mary Ann Hill, Barbara Jansen, Margie Janssen, Carol Johnson, Carol Jura, Olga Kanne, Phyllis Knicky, Bob Kocourek, Connie Kleber, Donna Kubiak, Donna Krysl, John Kwapnioski, Terry Lampe, Jan Lampe, Michael Macdonald, Marge Monaco, Mark Maeder, Steve Maguire, Fr. Robert Matya, Edwin Maslonka, Julie Martin, Lisa Meier, Carol McDaniel, Bernie McCoy, Leonard Meier, The Meyer Family, Joel Rivera, Blanche Murphy, Charles Murphy, Sue Novotny, Muriel Huffer, Maryn Page, Ellen Pankievicz, Ella Peters, Jonathan Perez, Rita Perito, Keelan Phillips, Joe Pitman, Jennifer Pryjmak, Jann Reinig, Betty Rodgers, Jodi Ronnfeldt, Joyce Salvatori, Kelly Burkhardt Sheard, JoAnn Simoens, Debbie Schumacher, Isabella Sterba, Pam Stein, David Virgilito, Hope Wicken, Mark White, Michael Winter, Claire Winter, Theresa Yost, Annabella Zyla,

### Vocations

Still basking in the awe and newness of recent priestly ordinations and in celebration of Father's Day today, we recall the tradition of the first confessional stole. In many dioceses, a new priest gives his father the stole he wore to hear his first confession. During the sacrament of penance the penitent receives God's justice, mercy, and reconciling love. Because a priest first learns about mercy and justice from his father, the gift is an appropriate one. According to this tradition, priests' fathers are buried holding the purple stoles, and when raised on the last day can present them to Christ and say, "my son, too, shared in Your priesthood."

Are you open to being led by the Holy Spirit into the state in life God has prepared for you? If you are considering a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, call Father Ben Boyd at 402-731- 4694 or email: [vocations@archomaha.org](mailto:vocations@archomaha.org).





Our next Don & Millie's on 84th & Q Caring and Sharing event is June 17th from 11am- 9pm. Dine in or carry out! We hope to see you there!

Our 2024 Man of the Year attended Holy Ghost until 8<sup>th</sup> Grade And was an Altar Server for many years. As a young boy he assisted With the June Jamboree and continued to do so until our last one in 2019.

He started playing the piano/keyboard with the choir in the 1990s and has been choir director for almost 20 years!

This husband and father of four is the coordinator of music for weddings and dishwasher for fish fries, chicken dinners, and turkey dinners for the past 2-3 years. He is a member of the liturgy committee and the committee involving the combination of St. Bernadette and Holy Ghost. Congratulations to Ben Baber our 2024 Man of the Year!

**Fulltime Bilingual D.R.E. Wanted**

The family of parishes including Holy Name and St. Philip Neri -Blessed Sacrament in Omaha, NE is looking for a fulltime Bilingual Director of Religious Education & Sacramental Preparation. The job features generous compensation and benefits in a faith-filled environment. Previous experience and/or certification in Religious Education and catechesis is recommended. For more information about the position, visit <https://careers.archomaha.org/>. Resumés should be sent to the pastor, Fr. Cook, at [djcook@archomaha.org](mailto:djcook@archomaha.org).

**Weekly Mass Intentions**

**Wednesday, June 19, 2024**

7:00 am + Peggy Steinauer

**Friday, June 21, 2024**

7:00 am + Bob & Elenaor Michelic

**Sunday, June 23, 2024**

9:00 am + Lambert & Dorothy Ulrich

Congratulations to the following Holy Ghost students that attend Gross Catholic and received Honor Roll for the second semester:

Lucy Kaczmarek – High Honors  
Alex Baber – High Honors

**Weekly Needs: \$3,350.00**

**Collection: \$14,727.00**

**YTD Needs: \$164,150.00**

**YTD Collection: \$164,446.81**

**Overage: \$296.81**

**The following members of our Parish, or loved ones of our Parishioners that are in need of prayers for their health.** May our Lord grant them a speedy recovery and return them to their families in perfect health: Dorothy Blach, Jan Brinck (sister-in-law of Marita Grebl), Mark Broich (brother of Marita Grebl), Carmen Cogan, Ron Coniglio, Becky English, Dcn Paul & Jackie Eubanks, Theresa Eubanks Schwartzler, Yvonne Fisher, Warren Hadley, Christine Haite, Donna Hansen, Cheryl Koziel (daughter of Jackie Peroutka), Cathy Longacre, Betty and Mike McMillan, Mark Mruz, Ender Pitman, Cooper Pofahl, Jon Ricci (nephew of Nellie Hadley), John Ripa, Ray Sempek, Hayden Sommer, Raymond Starks, Mary Townley, Donna Vaughn, Brian Walters, Danny Watkins (brother of Brenda Tylkowski)

**Let us also remember in our prayers those who in care centers or homebound:**

Rick Becerra, Jean Buechler, Dee Clap, Patty Dworak, Jacob Fraser, Betty Gentile, Kim Hall, Dorothy Kazor, Joanne Leutzinger, Pat Makara, Darlene McKinley, Janet Nicholas, Dolores Noonan, Rita Tomes, Joe Zuchniak

### St. Bernadette School Staffing Changes for 2024-2025

Welcome to the following new Employees:

Mrs. Lisa Serow - hired to teach Resource.

Ms. Haley Dickerson – hired to teach 1<sup>st</sup> Grade.

Mrs. Gina Jorgensen - hired as a full-time para.

Mrs. Lori Zadina – hired to help teach in our Pre-Kindergarten Program.

Katie Casey – hired to help in the cafeteria.

Mrs. Dostal is retiring after 32 years of teaching. She has been instrumental in helping our younger students learn to read and so much more. She will be missed. Hopefully she will say yes to some sub jobs in the coming year!

Mrs. Newsome is also leaving the SBS family this year. She has helped so many of our students, especially the ones who have difficulties learning.

Mrs. Flanagan is also leaving her position in the kitchen...but we will still get to see her all the time as an SBS family!

We are grateful for Mrs. Dostal, Mrs. Newsome, and Mrs. Flanagan for all they have done for our students and their families!

#### UPCOMING CATHOLIC ENGAGED ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS

Experience the “Gold Standard” of marriage preparation at the beautiful St. Benedict Retreat Center in Schuyler, Nebraska.

July 13-14, 2024

November 30-December 1, 2024

January 4-5, 2025

The Engaged Encounter Weekend is an in-depth, engaging weekend that allows couples to focus completely on each other and their future as a married couple within the context of Catholic faith and values.

For more information and to register, go to: [Omahacee.org](http://Omahacee.org)



NATIONAL

**Eucharistic  
Pilgrimage**

The **National Eucharistic Pilgrimage** is accompanying Jesus from city to city, lighting hearts on fire along the way.

On June 21, it will stop at the Holy Family Shrine.

**On June 21 Cloisters on the Platte 23332 Fishery Road Gretna, Ne 68028.** Join Bishop Conley and Archbishop Lucas on a 5-mile Eucharistic Procession from the Cloisters on the Platte to the Holy Family Shrine as the Pilgrimage passes from the Diocese of Lincoln into the Archdiocese of Omaha.

**June 21 Holy Family Shrine 23131 Pflug Rd Gretna, Ne 68028.** After the Eucharistic Procession from the Cloisters on the Platte, join Archbishop Lucas and Bishop Conley for Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament at the historic Holy Family Shrine.