



Holy Ghost Catholic Church
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Mass Times

Wednesday & Friday7:00 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
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Mass Times

Tuesday & Thursday..... 8:00 am
Saturday Evening.....5:00 pm
Sunday11:00 am
Confessions on Saturdays 4-4:45 pm

Parish Office

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14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

When the sabbath came he began to teach in the synagogue, and many who heard him were astonished.
- Mk 6:2

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

A Prophet and His Native Place

“A prophet is not without honor except in his native place.” It could be the slogan of high school reunions everywhere.

I speak from experience — I didn’t go to my high school reunion, but I do live in the same area in which I grew up. Ghosts from the past lurk in every grocery aisle and gas station. Former classmates fill my prescriptions at the pharmacy. I am always sure to see an old teacher or two at the Fourth of July parade.

If my teenage self knew that this was her future, she would be horrified. She wanted to grow up and move away, not because she didn’t like living in this town, but because she wanted to reinvent herself. And you can’t reinvent yourself in your native place. In your hometown, you’ll always be exactly what you are — no more, no less.

The same was true for Jesus, who was probably the only person actually worthy of admiration at his high school reunion. When he returned to his native place, he was what he had always been — God and man, Messiah, miracle-worker. This is not something he became, it was always within him.

But the people of Nazareth cannot accept it. Why?

Well, probably for the same reason that I wanted to reinvent myself when I was 16. We don’t often see anything worth venerating in the “right now” of our lives. We think happiness is a promotion or a pay bump away. We think we’ll finally be holy when we find the time to take that silent retreat. We think we will be beautiful when we lose ten pounds.

The Nazarenes lived with God right under their noses, and they didn’t realize it. So, when he came in all his greatness, the dissonance was too much to bear, and they rejected him. They didn’t want that God — the one they had dismissed or overlooked or ignored. They wanted a different one. A shinier one. One that didn’t look like the “right now” of their lives.

But that’s where God is, folks. He’s in the right now, and nowhere else. He’s waiting there for you, with all the happiness, holiness, and beauty your life needs.

Jesus said to them, “A prophet is not without honor except in his native place and among his own kin and in his own house.”
— Mark 6:4

- Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that? Catholic Life Explained

Question:

In Year B, we hear primarily from the Gospel of Mark. Since each Evangelist has a unique perspective, what are the key issues that Mark addresses in his Gospel?

Answer:

Gospels are a particular faith community’s reflection on Jesus. Each Gospel’s author reflected that community’s faith in Jesus. Jesus’ message is made relevant to the community’s situation and context. Mark was the first Gospel to be written. When Matthew and Luke wrote theirs, they imitated and adapted Mark for their communities.

Mark’s Gospel seems to be addressed to a faith community undergoing turmoil, rejection, and persecution—forces that threaten to overwhelm them. This provides the context around which Mark fashions the story of Jesus. He presents Jesus as the One sent by God to confront the forces of evil. That is the good news of Jesus.

Jesus’ struggle with the demonic forces leads to confrontation, rejection, outright opposition, and a conspiracy to do away with him. Realizing this, Jesus is not deterred. Rather Jesus calls for total faith in God who helps us to overcome the forces of evil. Suffering and even death seem to be the consequences of this struggle. Yet, that is not the end. The one who suffers for the sake of others, the suffering servant, will be the one through whom redemption and salvation will come to all. For Mark, this is what discipleship demands and what true faith in God can and will accomplish. See if you can detect these themes as you read Mark’s Gospel.

§ **Parish Financial Update** §

No Financials due to early bulletin

Thank you



With our currently unnamed parish event fast approaching on Sept 21 after 5PM Mass, we are looking for volunteers who embrace the unknown! This is a chance to create a more manageable yet still memorable event for the parish.

What we do know:

- There will be sausage and peppers and some additional food items.
- There will be pickles, meat wheel, bingo and beer.
- There will be music.
- We are discussing options for what the games for the kids look like for a shortened event.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 9, 2024

8:00 am + Charles Monico
+ Gene Drvol

Thursday, July 11, 2024

8:00 am + Joe Krejci
+ John Sporcic

Saturday, July 13, 2024

5:00 pm + Jim Sobczyk

Sunday, July 14, 2024

11:00 am Parishioners of St. Bernadette
& Holy Ghost

Mowing Schedule

- 7/7-7/13 Clint Zoucha, Greg Zoucha
- 7/14-7/20 John Kempf, Al Zimmerer, Vern Muhlbauer
- 7/21-27 Rolly Yost, Pete Vana, John Pogge, Jerry Boukal
- 7/28—8/3 Jeff Mimick, Conde Groski, Greg Zoucha
- 8/4—10 Clint & Greg Zoucha



Holy Family
SHRINE

Remember, we are open late on the first Friday of each month. During

the summer, there is no adoration, but all are welcome to come spend time at the Shrine.

Eucharistic Adoration will begin again on first Fridays on September 6th.

Fathers and Sons—Together Forever, July 27 - 28, retreat for **fathers and their sons, ages 11-17**, at *Saint Benedict Center*, Schuyler, with *Edward DeSimone, PhD*, a priest and a team of fathers and sons.

This retreat provides opportunities for open communication and mutual learning between fathers and their adolescent sons along with Mass and a traditional blessing of the sons. This fun weekend will include, weather permitting, dodgeball competition, water balloon toss, and a hayrack ride. Saturday, 8:00 a.m. to Sunday, 12:00 p.m. Register now by clicking the button below or call (402) 352-8819.



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

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
 Aug 3 Ellen Stuva, Marge Egermier
 Aug 10 Liz Zoucha, Kelly Linder
 Aug 17 Subs
 Aug 24 Pat Blankenship, Patty Gordon, Shayla Stanek, Veronica Diaz-Vera, Gloria Kirberger, Yolanda Jimenez
 Aug 31 Mary Baker, Janet Kocourek, Joan Foreman-Mertz, Carol Paskach, Kathleen Filer, Theresa Yost

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.

Money Counters

July 8 Rosemary Mapes, Joyce Renner, Colleen Kurlmel, Jean Mill
 July 15 Rich Kmicek, Jim Setlak, Juan Jesus, Sal Zoucha
 July 22 Rolly & Theresa Yost, Gerry & Chris Ortner
 July 29 Carol Paskach, Mariann Kokotajlo, Rosary Sorensen
 Aug 5 Rosemary Mapes, Joyce Renner, Colleen Kurlmel, Jean Mill

Scrip Sales

July 13 & 14 Home & School
July 20 & 21 Altar Society
July 27 & 28 Men's Club
Aug 3 & 4 Home & School



July 12 - 13, 2024
 St. Benedict Center,
 Schuyler



The Art of Self Care, July 12 - 13, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Father William J. Jarema, MS, MDiv, MAS. Learn how to avoid compassion fatigue, especially as caregivers and pastoral staff providers. Each participant will create a vibrant health care plan, design a personal mercy lifeline, develop a life-giving social network, and assess personal self-esteem. The 7 habits of highly effective ministers will be explored, and we will learn the 7 love languages. Friday, 7:30 p.m., to Saturday, ending with Mass at 4:00 p.m. Register now by clicking the button below or call (402) 352-8819.

Huge thank you to those who donated funds and supplies, the volunteers, host family, Father Boyd, Father Flott, Men's Club, Home & School, and all those who prayed for a successful week of Totus Tuus, our summer youth program! We hosted four amazing team leaders who came ready to spread the love of Christ and the truth of our Catholic faith.



We welcomed 77 1st-6th graders and 18 Jr/Sr high students and learned a whole lot about the Glorious Mysteries and the Apostle's Creed. It was a super fun and faith-filled week. Looking forward to next year!

Prayer Shawl Ministry St. Bernadette Prayer Shawl Ministry is an active group of women who meet monthly to pray, knit or crochet prayer shawls and to visit. Our prayer shawls are available at no cost to anyone who would like to have one for a gift for a special occasion or for comfort during illness and grieving. Please check out our shawls in the display case behind the scrip booth in the church hallway.

If you crochet or knit at home but not interested in attending the group, please feel free to use your talent to provide shawls to those wanting or needing one. Or, if you would like to learn to crochet or knit, please join us. We will provide instruction and materials to get you started.

Donations of yarn are always accepted and appreciated. Contact Mary Benak, 402-733-8451, mabenak@cox.net for more information.

July 7, 2024 – Fourteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, July 13, 2024 5:00 pm Mass

Lector: Kelly Overfelt
EMHC: Pat & Christine Flanagan
Altar Servers: Lindsey Cogswell, Georgie Earnest,
Liam Wurgler

Sunday, July 14, 2024 11:00 am Mass

Lector: Dorest Harvey
EMHC: Linda Harvey, Joan Ronnfeldt
Altar Servers: Benjamin Linnell, Logan Hylok

*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 Nuffer, Maryn Page, Ellen Pankiewicz, 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

💡 Did You Know? 💡

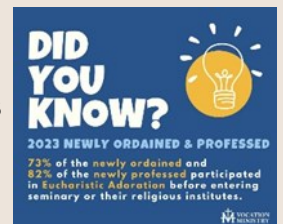
Eucharistic Adoration is highly effective in increasing vocations. Jesus is waiting to be asked and is truly present in the Eucharist. We should beg for more holy workers for his fields.

◆ 73% of the newly ordained participated in Eucharistic Adoration on a regular basis before entering seminary

◆ 82% of the newly professed participated in Eucharistic Adoration on a regular basis before entering their religious institutes

Encourage others to participate in Eucharistic Adoration! Offer some of that time specifically for vocations.

Are there people you know who you would like to encourage to think about a religious vocation? What would people think if you became a priest/brother/sister? (Mark 6:1-6). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, contact Father Boyd or email: vocations@archomaha.org





Our next Don & Millie's on 84th & Q Caring and Sharing event is July 15th from 11am- 9pm. Dine in or carry out! We hope to see you there!

You Shall Wander Far in Safety, July 19 - 21, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with musician and composer Father Bob Dufford, SJ (St. Louis Jesuits). Look at the wonders God has done in Jesus! St. Ignatius Loyola invites us to use our imagination while praying with Scripture. During this retreat, based on St. Ignatius' Spiritual Exercises, Fr. Bob will use specially composed instrumental music and texts to help retreatants enter into moments in the life of Jesus. Please bring your iPod, iPad, MP3 player, or computer. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Sunday after lunch. Register now by clicking the button below or call (402) 352-8819.

◆ Put "spring" back into your marriage.
◆ Is it time to breathe new life into your relationship?
◆ Give your marriage a boost with an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience:
Sept. 27-29, Lincoln, NE (non-residential) & Oct. 4-6, Grand Junction, CO
◆ Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit: www.wwme.org



Weekly Mass Intentions

- Wednesday, July 10, 2024 7:00 am + Ronld Krayneski
Friday, July 12, 2024 7:00 am + Peggy Steinauer
Sunday, July 14, 2024 9:00 am + JoAnn Winkler

Welcome the New OCUS Missionary Team



We are excited to welcome three new FOCUS missionaries to the team, in addition to the returners! The new team has spent June training in Lincoln, and will be with us in July as they get ready to begin the school year.

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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, Jackie Eubanks, Theresa Eubanks Schwartzter, 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, 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 1st 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

NO MEETINGS, NO FEES...JUST PRAYERS

MEMBERS OF THE "31 CLUB" OFFER THEIR PRAYERS ON THE SAME DAY OF THE MONTH, EVERY MONTH FOR AN INCREASE IN PRIESTLY AND RELIGIOUS VOCATIONS AND FOR THOSE PURSUING OR LIVING THOSE VOCATIONS CURRENTLY.

MEMBERS CHOOSE A DATE OUT OF THE MONTH (I.E. THE 12TH) AND OFFER THEIR PRAYERS, WORKS, JOYS, AND SUFFERINGS FOR VOCATIONS THAT DAY. YOU CAN CHOOSE ANY TIME OF THE DAY TO PRAY. PRAY AT MASS, IN FRONT OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT, IN YOUR HOME, IN YOUR CAR, OR ANYWHERE! YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Join today! Write your name on the date of the month you prefer on the bulletin board near the choir loft door. Or, you can also sign up at

www.signupgenius.com Search under the email HomeAndSchoolSBS@gmail.com to find the signup.

Our parish family and school can fill all 31 days and keep adding members, praying for vocations every day of the of year!

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