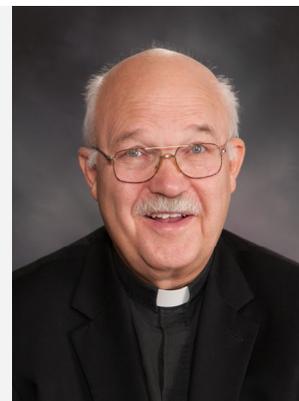


Fr. Harry Buseness

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Soon, you will all be receiving a mailing from the archdiocese seeking your support for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. I offer my wholehearted support to this effort. Over the past several years, St. Bernadette Parish has exceeded our parish goal by around 20 %. I am very proud of the parish and grateful for your generous response. Last year, we also exceeded our participation goal.



Your support enables the archdiocese to continue and expand its ministries and services. In particular, there has been great demand on the services of Catholic Charities during the pandemic. There has been demand on the Catholic Charities food pantry and on its counseling services, including an increase in depression and domestic violence in our society. Catholic Charities responds to these social ills and needs on behalf of all of us in the Catholic community.

As the pandemic unfolded six months ago, the archdiocese forgave the monthly archdiocesan assessment for all parishes for two months. This amounted to a savings of \$17,732.16 for St. Bernadette Parish. This forgiveness was possible because of the strong support of the archdiocese through the annual appeal over the past years and because of sound financial management by the archdiocesan finance office.

The educational component of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal offers support to the Omaha Catholic Schools Consortium. Here at St. Bernadette Parish, we also benefit by being part of the Consortium, through which we are able to continue to offer excellent Catholic Education to our parish families, as well as other families in the neighborhood. This is done at a stable and affordable cost both to the parish and to the families with children enrolled. I am convinced that without the Consortium, we would be struggling financially with the operation of St. Bernadette School.

St. Bernadette's financial goal for the 2020-2021 Archbishop's Annual is \$47,200.55. Our participation goal is 28% of parish families. I ask you to approach your decision to contribute to the Annual Appeal prayerfully in a spirit of gratitude for all of the gifts you have received. We can never outdo God's generosity to us.

The 2020 Archbishop's Annual Appeal is beginning in our parish. You will receive an invitation from Archbishop Lucas to support the work of the Church through a personal commitment. Now, more than ever, I hope you will join me in making a gift the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. As disciples of Jesus, we are invited to trust, to let go of fear and open our minds and hearts to God's saving work. Please join me and thousands across our archdiocese in sharing your gifts, recognizing we are all One Church.

~Fr. Harry Buse



Parish operating expenses continue at this time and we would like to thank everyone for their continuing donations. Through your generosity, we are currently in a strong financial state. But the current situation will challenge all parishes in the months to come. We do have electronic giving available. Many of you are currently using this method to make donations. I encourage others to look into this option. Below are a few different options for you to continue your support of the parish:

1. Mail your contribution directly to St. Bernadette Parish at 7600 S. 42nd St. Bellevue, NE 68147.
2. Drop off your contribution to the parish office during office hours listed below.
3. Contact your financial institution. They would be able to assist you in setting up a weekly or monthly donation check that would be sent out to the parish. You may also be able to set this up via online banking.
4. We do have automatic withdrawal for contributions set up for the 10th and/or the 20th of each month. For this option, you authorize us to draw a particular amount from your account on a regular basis. To set this up please contact Myrna Partida at the parish office or email her at mdpartida@archomaha.org. She will give you information on how to set this up.

We are also looking into other options for receiving your donations. Again thank you for your generosity.

Be sure to check the parish website, stbernadetteparish.org or St. Bernadette Parish Archdiocese of Omaha Facebook page daily for possible updates and new information about activities and services here at St. Bernadette Parish.



Around The Parish

\$ Parish Financial Update \$

9/6/2020

Sunday Envelopes & Children's:	\$6,034.00
Holy Days	\$1.00
Total:	\$6,035.00
Auto Pay & Mail in for a Week:	\$8,656.33
Weekly Total:	\$14,691.33
Our per Sunday goal is	\$14,400.00
Fiscal Year to Date:	(\$15,582.63)

Altar Flowers



Given by
Stephen & Janet
Murnan

Faith Formation

Family Movie Night

Are you tired of being closed in for far too long? Are you longing to enjoy some time outside with your family and breathe in some fresh, clean air? If this sounds like you, then come and join us on Friday evenings beginning September 18th for Family Movie Nights to watch the spectacular video series called **'The Chosen'**. This series includes eight episodes depicting Christ's public life as told by those who knew him best.

We will supply the popcorn and other snack items along with soft drinks, so just bring your blankets or lawn chairs and the whole family. We will be out on the spacious grassy area on the east side of the social hall. In case of inclement weather, we will move into the social hall. Also, as we move later into fall and the nights get chillier, we will offer the video in the social hall as well as outside for those who would prefer to be inside.

So come and join us for a truly great video series and enjoy time outdoors with your fellow parishioners who you have been missing so much.

We do want parents of little ones to be aware that the first night's video includes a short depiction of Mary Magdalene being possessed, which may be disturbing for some. You may want to bring something to keep them occupied during this time.



Weekly Mass Intentions

Monday, September 14, 2020

8:00 am + Robert Schmitz

Tuesday, September 15, 2020

8:00 am + Fred Stranglen

Wednesday, September 16, 2020

8:00 am + Glenn Rojas

Thursday, September 17, 2020

8:00 am + George & Timothy Tingelhoff

Friday, September 18, 2020

8:00 am + Betty Barnhart

Saturday, September 19, 2020

5:00 pm + Deceased members of the Elman Family

Sunday, September 20, 2020

8:30 am Parishioners of St. Bernadette

10:30 am + Robert Riha

Our first family class was awesome!! We had fun looking up the Bible passages and Catechism teachings. Please make sure to do your monthly homework.

2nd graders and parents, Reconciliation Class will be in the social hall on Wednesday, 9/23 at 6:15pm in the social hall.

Parents, your Theology Class for next month is on 9/28 in the social hall and we will begin at 6:15pm.

Please remember that I am asking everyone to wear a mask for all these meetings.

I pray that the Holy Family continues to guide us as we continue onwards with this new program.

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Healing Prayers Needed for the Sick

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

Annabelle Berrera, Jeanie Berg, Sue Casart, Nancy Courtney, Julie Cherney, Kathi Ciurej, Rosemarie Davis, Donna Dailey, Mike Digilio, Cathy Edson, Margaret Eipperle, Norma Flores, Trudy Gomez, Amy Hamm, Lisa Hargis, Jeanette Hauptman, Joyce Higgins, John Holst, Paul Jansen, Patricia Jensen, Joaquine Johnson, Phyllis Knicky, Carol Kozicki, Donna Krysl, Marvin Lengemann, Michael Macdonald, Joan Maeder, Mick Marsicek, Jason Mathews, Carol McDaniel, Leonard Meier, Joel Rivera, Theresa Mitera, Blanche Murphy, Sue Novotny, Craig Olson, Maryn Page, Ellen Pankievicz, Catherine Palinski, Jo Marie Peabody, Ella Peters, Rita Perito, Keelan Phillips, Joe Pitman, Kathleen Prince, Jennifer Prymak, Clarence Reinig, Jann Reinig, Rita Rome, Kelly Burkhardt Sheard, Debbie Schumacher, Todd Sears, Mary Shriver, Dane Sinnott, Isabella Sterba, Pam Stein, Barb Van Haute, David Virgilito, Jim Vondra, Michael Winter, Annabella Zyla,

Vocations

ABCs of Fostering Vocations (In a series 10 of 10)

W: Witness to your own vocation by telling stories about how you fell in love. Let the children see the love and care that parents have for each other.

XYZ: The end of the alphabet, but certainly not the end of ways or ideas to foster vocations at home! (From www.usccb.org)

For all those chosen to take up their cross in union with Christ as a priest, or in the consecrated life that others might have eternal life, we pray to the Lord.

This week pray for Seminarian Joshua Richards. Read his vocations story and biography at <https://archomaha.org/vocations/seminary-life/Joshua-Richards/>

“None of us lives for oneself...” If the Lord invites you to follow Him in humble obedience as a priest or in the consecrated life, how will you respond? Call Father Harry Buse at 402-731-4694 or email: hjbuse@archomaha.org.



Parish & Community News



Prayer Line

If you would like to be part of this ministry, please call the parish office (402-731-4694) and give your name to Tristen. You may also email her at tristenriha@gmail.com Being part of the prayer line ministry simply means that you will accept prayer requests, pray for them on a daily basis and pass along the request to the next person on your line.

“Lectio on the Lawn”

Friday mornings in September, beginning Sept. 4th, from 9:00-10:00 on the east lawn of the church. An informal gathering where we will prayerfully read and reflect on the upcoming Sunday gospel. Bring a lawn chair and your Bible, Magnificat, Word Among Us, or any other source of text for Sunday’s gospel reading. A notepad and pen would also be helpful. Everyone is welcome...no need to register, just join us if you can.

GRIEVING WITH GREAT HOPE.

Sometimes we all need a little assistance in the journey of grief. Grieving with Great Hope is a workshop/support group for those who are mourning the loss of a loved one. This Journey is firmly grounded in our Catholic Faith and is a 6-week walk with those who have lost a spouse, parent, child, sibling, grandchild or a close friend. This workshop is September 22, 29, October 6, 13, 20, and concludes with Mass on October 27, 2020. These sessions are 6:30 to 8:30 PM at St. Cecilia Cathedral. Attendance is necessary for all sessions and seating is limited. Please contact Deacon Jim Tardy at jtardy@catholiccem.com or 402/391-3711 and 402/551-2313.

As your **Knights of Columbus** Field Agent, I would like to personally invite you to our next Virtual Fraternal Benefits Night! On Thursday, September 17th at 7PM we will be hosting a Zoom presentation where our main speaker will be an internationally acclaimed author and economist, Tom Hegna. Tom Hegna has been an incredibly popular industry speaker for many years and is considered by many to be THE Retirement Income Expert! As a former First Vice President at New York Life, retired Lieutenant Colonel, and economist, Tom has delivered over 5,000 seminars on his signature "Paychecks and Playchecks" retirement approach, helping Baby Boomers and seniors retire the "optimal" way. Please help me get the word out amongst the parish and feel free pass the registration link on to friends and family alike. Space is limited so please take the time to register right now! Thanks and God Bless! The event is scheduled for 9/17 @ 7PM.

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_WUXUU9UHS9-bS0tODuZrkQ

FORMED Registration:

Go to ‘Formed.org’ and Click on ‘signup’ Click on ‘I belong to a Parish or Organization’ Type in our parish zip code ‘68147’ in the search box and then select ‘St. Bernadette Parish in Bellevue, NE’ Follow the directions from there to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Once you register you can download the phone app and access on the go.



150 Bulletins
Thank you