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Wednesday & Friday7:00 am
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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

At that time, John said to Jesus, “Teacher, we saw someone driving out demons in your name, and we tried to prevent him because he does not follow us.” Jesus replied, “Do not prevent him. There is no one who performs a mighty deed in my name who can at the same time speak ill of me.”
- Mk 9:38-39

****On Saturday, September 28 we will bless the St. Bernadette Statue and place her next to the tabernacle until the renovation is complete, then she will be placed in her permanent spot in her new location in the back of church. The St. Bernadette Statue was donated by Helen Knoblauch in memory of her late husband Bob and her late son Rob Knoblauch.****

THE ALPHA COURSE



“WHO IS JESUS?”

That is the million dollar question that all of us who call ourselves Christian must answer for ourselves. In many ways we will live our lives based on our answer. The question was important enough that Jesus even asked it of His disciples, *“Who do you say I am?”* If Jesus was to ask you that question ... what would you say to Him?

“Who Is Jesus” is the topic for this week’s video and discussion by the Alpha small groups. It should be an interesting and rewarding time together.

JESUS, BE PRESENT TO THOSE IN OUR ALPHA!

You are invited to be part of our Parish Alpha by joining us for prayer this Monday at Holy Ghost church from 6:45pm-8:00pm while our Alpha group is meeting or please pray privately for us from your home.

Let Omaha know that Pro-Life is pro-love, pro-woman, and pro-information! Join in the Life Chain on Sunday, October 6th from 2-3 p.m. Our parish will be standing on both sides of Dodge St. between 60th and 72nd Streets. Contact Linda Krupa at lind.krupa@gmail.com with any questions you have!

\$ Parish Financial Update \$

Weekly Needs: \$13,585.00
Collection: \$29,375.63
YTD Needs: \$157,970.00
YTD Collection: \$127,993.29
Shortage: \$29,976.71

Vote AGAINST Initiative 439. Abortion activists are attempting to insert a fundamental right to abortion late into pregnancy in the state constitution through Initiative 439. This amendment is unsafe, unregulated, and un-Nebraskan, and will do serious and lasting harm to women and babies in our state. Learn more at www.voteAGAINST439.com, and urge Nebraskans to vote against this dangerous proposal.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Tuesday, October 1, 2024

8:00 am + Bernie McCoy
+ Pat Strauss

Thursday, October 3, 2024

8:00 am + Juanice Furmanski
+ Gene Olsen

Saturday, October 5, 2024

5:00 pm + Grace Zimmerer

Sunday, October 6, 2024

11:00 am + Paul Jansen



Religious Education

As we start our second month of PRE, we will begin learning about the Sacraments. We will learn what they are and why we receive these beautiful gifts.

October:

- 2- Family Class & Saints and Smores
- 9-Sacrament Class for Confirmation & Reconciliation
- Retreat for child and parent
- 16-Sacrament Class for Reconciliation & Confirmation meeting for those in 7th grade or their first year of Confirmation prep.

How would you like to bless another family this year with something as simple as prayers? I am looking for parishioners to pray for Parish Religious Education, PRE, families. These families will be learning about the seven sacraments this year and some of them will even have family members making their First Reconciliation/ Communion or Confirmation. There is a basket on the table at the back of church. Please pick a card and pray for this family through our PRE year, now-April. What a wonderful way to share God's goodness with others...prayer.

Welcome our newest members of St. Bernadette Church



Drzew Lloyd Hrzek
Son of
Tyler & Mary Katz Hrzek

Willow Mae Barrientos
Daughter of
Jacob & Morgannz Barrientos



Boxes of Joy are back!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

The Parish Religious Education (PRE) and St Bernadette School students are working together once again this year to fill Boxes of Joy. We will fill these boxes

with goodies and then they will be distributed to children in Guatemala, Dominican Republic, and Malawi. We want them to have a very Merry Christmas. An information letter will go home this week to PRE and School families. I will also have a list in the back of church on the bulletin board, please help us out and donate some items. A collection box will be in the back as well. Also, it is \$9.00 per box to mail so a monetary donation is also greatly appreciated. Contact Sue Reed in the Parish Office for more information.

Heavenly Dusters

Oct 5 Liz Zoucha & Kelly Linder
 Oct 12 Laurie Callahan
 Oct 19 Pat Blankenship, Patty Gordon, Shayla Stanek, Veronica Diaz-Vera, Gloria Kirberger, Yolanda Jimenez
 Oct 26 Mary Baker, Janet Kocourek, Carol Paskach, Joan Foreman-Mertz, Kathleen Filer, Theresa Yost
 Nov 2 Chris Ortner, Linda Harvey, Mariann Kokotajlo
 Nov 9 Rita Frickel, Mary Huss, Karen Langan, Patty Pogge, Tracy Kirby
 Nov 16 Rose Zoucha, Mary Sporcic, Rose Tslentis, Connie Tucker, Linda Halsey
 Nov 23 Ellen Stuva, Mrge Egermier

The Rosary at 4:20pm before the 5pm Mass on Saturdays will be for the intention of vocations.



Money Counters

Sept 30 Rosemary Mapes, Joyce Renner, Colleen Kurlmel, Jean Mill
 Oct 7 Rich Kmiecik, Jim Setlak, Juan Jesus, Sal Zoucha
 Oct 15 Rolly & Theresa Yost, Chris & Gerry Ortner
 Oct 21 Carol Paskach, Mariann Kokotajlo, Rosary Sorensen
 Oct 28 Rosemary Mapes, Joyce Renner, Colleen Kurlmel, Jean Mill

Scrip Sales

Oct 5 & 6 Parish Group
Oct 12 & 13 Home & School
Oct 19 & 20 Altar Society
Oct 26 & 27 Men's Club



Mowing Schedule

9/29-Oct 5 Greg Zoucha, Clint Zoucha
 10/6-12 John Kempf, Al Zimmerer, Vern Muhlbauer



The Patriotic Rosary

Several years ago, the founder of the community of Caritas was visiting Independence Hall in Philadelphia, the actual site of the birth of our nation. Feeling that this was holy ground he prayed a Rosary for our nation and felt the Holy Spirit's powerful presence. This Rosary led to many facts concerning Our Lady's involvement in the birth of America. Please join our parish family as we pray for Peace. The Legion of Mary

ALTAR SOCIETY UPCOMING MEETING

All ladies of our St. Bernadette and Holy Ghost parishes are invited to join us at our monthly meeting on Thursday, October 3rd. We will begin with a rosary at 6:15 in the Social Hall, followed by a light dinner. Our meeting will begin at 7:00. Please consider joining us for food, fun and fellowship!

Beginning **October 1st, 2024**,

Spirit Catholic Radio will begin taking submissions to our annual Art Contest! Returning this year, the winner's masterpieces will be turned into prayer cards! These cards will be available at all Spirit Catholic Radio events throughout the year and given to all of the Catholic elementary schools and participating Faith Formation classes in our listening area. Find details regarding participation in the 2024 Art Contest [HERE!](#) We would love for your students to be involved! It's a creative and fun way to learn more about the life of Christ and to grow in relationship with the Blessed Mother! The winning artists will receive prizes! The theme for the 2024 contest is **The Luminous Mysteries of the Rosary**. Your artists can pick between the two mysteries for their grade range below:



K - 2nd Grade: The Baptism of the Lord - or - The Wedding at Cana

3rd - 5th Grade: The Transfiguration - or - The Holy Rosary

6th - 8th Grade: The Proclamation of the Kingdom - or - The Institution of the Eucharist

Art Contest entries are **due by December 13th, 2024**

Please do not hesitate to reach out with any questions!



To all who have been so very supportive of Ron and I through the years—
 We Thank you!

You have touched our hearts!
 We are very grateful!

You all have blessed us with your love and friendship!

May God Bless each and everyone of you!
 It is our hope to continue our ministry for many years to come!

Deacon Ron & Suz Casart

September 29, 2024– Twenty-Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Ministry Schedule

Saturday, October 5, 2024 5:00 pm Mass

Lector: Kathy Monico

EMHC: Chuck Monico, Mariann Kokotajlo

Altar Servers: Liam Wurgler

Sunday, October 6, 2024 11:00 am Mass

Lector: Mark Redford

EMHC: Patty Galas, Barb Slaven

Altar Servers: Monica & Sylvia Linder

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.



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

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, Norma Flores, Louise LaFramboise, Adam Gutierrez, Josephine Gutierrez, Michelle Gutierrez, Lisa Hargis, Jeanette Hauptman, Barbara Jansen, Margie Janssen, Carol Johnson, Carol Jura, Olga Kanne, Phyllis Knicky, 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, Lisa Meier, Carol McDaniel, Leonard Meier, The Meyer Family, Joel Rivera, Blanche Murphy, Charles Murphy, Sue Novotny, 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, Fred Sokol, JoAnn Simoens, Debbie Schumacher, Isabella Sterba, Pam Stein, David Virgilito, Hope Wicken, Mark White, Michael Winter, Claire Winter, Theresa Yost, Annabella Zyla,

Vocations

This Tuesday we will celebrate the feast of St Therese of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church. St Therese chose the vocation of a Carmelite nun. "Charity gave me the key to my vocation. I understood that the Church had a Heart and that this Heart was burning with love. I knew that one love drove the members of the Church to action, that if this love were extinguished, the apostles would have proclaimed the Gospel no longer, the martyrs would have shed their blood no more. I understood that Love comprised all vocations, that Love was everything, that it embraced all times and places...in a word, that it was eternal! Then in the excess of my delirious joy, I cried out: O Jesus, my Love...my vocation, at last I have found it...My vocation is Love!"



If you feel God has given you the unique gifts suited for the priesthood or consecrated life, contact Father Boyd or email: vocations@archomaha.org.



Our next Don & Millie's on 84th & Q Caring and Sharing event is October 21st from 11am- 9pm. Dine in or carry out! We hope to see you there!



May the Lord grant peace and consolation to the family of Joe Zuchniak.



Save the Date!
Our next chicken dinner will be held on Friday, October 11th from 4-8pm.

Husker Night at Holy Ghost
Doors open at 5pm and the speaker starts at 7pm.



Admission is \$5 for kids and \$10 for adults Food and drink are available for purchase. Speaker for October 3rd is Sean Callahan.

Before you cast your vote for offices or initiatives this fall, learn what the U.S. Catholic Bishops say about the political responsibility of Catholics on the exercise of our rights and duties as faithful Catholics and American citizens. Dr. Dan Dileo, will unpack the Bishops' teaching document: Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship at Theology Matters on Monday, Oct. 7, 2024 at 7:00 PM, St. Pius X Parish Center, 6905 Blondo Street, Omaha. This event is free and open to the public.

Weekly Mass Intentions

Wednesday, October 2, 2024

7:00 am + Dorothy Massow

Friday, October 4, 2024

7:00 am + Bev Krayneski

Sunday, September 22, 2024

9:00 am Parishioners of Holy Ghost & St. Bernadette

Upcoming Holy Ghost Women's Club Events!

October Meeting – Tuesday, October 15th 6pm
rosary in church/6:30 meeting in SH
Cinnamon Roll Sunday – October 27th
Turkey Dinner – November 10th 11am – 3pm
Advent Angels – tags will be hung on
November 30th

Pre-need Funeral planning workshop Saturday, September 28, 2024. Catholic Cemeteries is hosting a Pre-planning and Funeral Saturday, September 28th at 10:30 AM in our Calvary Cemetery Office, 7710 West Center Road. This workshop will demonstrate how faith, liturgy and practical cemetery planning can assist you before the time of death. To register or to receive more information, please contact jtardy@catholiccem.com.

Weekly Needs: \$3,350.00

Collection: \$7,160.00

YTD Needs: \$40,200.00

YTD Collection: \$43,975.00

Overage: \$3,775.00

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, Flo Maez, 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

3rd Annual October Pro-Life Diaper Drive Support “Walk with Moms in Need”

St Bernadette Altar Society in cooperation with the Omaha Urban Council of Catholic Women (OUCCW) is sponsoring a diaper drive for the month of October benefitting the Omaha Archdiocesan Pro-Life Organizations. This is an opportunity for all of us to Walk with Moms in Need who choose not to have an abortion and who need our help in supporting their baby. We are requesting diapers in all sizes, especially sizes 5 & 6. Monetary donations are welcome and will be used to purchase diapers. Checks should be payable to St. Bernadette Altar Society and placed in the collection basket or mailed to Theresa Yost 13605 So. 45th Street, Papillion, NE 68133. Diapers can be placed in Port-a-cribs found on both the upper and lower levels of the church. Your participation is greatly needed and appreciated. Thank you for your support.

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU to everyone who donated and made our Home & School fundraiser, Tiger Trot, a success! We made:

Website Pledges: \$13,839

Cash/Check/Venmo Donations: \$1,313

Prayer Bags: \$2,020

Grand Total: \$17,172

Our top donation receivers were:

1st Place: Parker, Zoey, and Brooklynn Harris

2nd Place: Zadina Family

3rd Place: Sophia & Hunter Parr

4th Place: Madelynn Komasinski

5th Place: Emily Davenport

Meat Wheel Spinner Winner: Brecken Parr

“Not the Festiva” I cash winner: the Loges Family & Jonah Martinez Family

Principal for the day: Dean Hiatt

Tiger wear for a Week: The Buettner Family

The day turned out great, was super fun, we raised funds for our school, and we ended the day in prayer. Check out Home & School's and the school's Facebook page for pictures and videos of the day.

Thank you again! -Home & School

SEEKING COAT DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS FOR COAT GIVEAWAY

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is sponsoring its 20th Coat Giveaways on **October 5** at the Centro Pastoral Tepeyac, 5301 S 36th Street and **October 19** at the Omaha Home for Boys, 4343 N. 52nd St., both 8 am to 1 pm. Please donate new or gently used coats, hats, scarves, mittens and gloves for children and adults by taking them to one of the Society's SVdP Thrift stores, marked “Coat Giveaway.” Store locations are 5500 N.90th St., 2101 Leavenworth St., 807 Tara Plaza, 12301 W. Center Rd.

To bless this project with a financial contribution, go to our website at SSVPomaha.org and note that it is for the **Coat Giveaway**. With the help of the KoC's, we can order 12 new coats for about \$250.

Many volunteers needed to sort beforehand, and to help at the Giveaways.

Check our website, SSVPomaha.org for more information or contact Austin Bryant at 402-779-8499 office@ssvpomaha.org.

Coats may be placed in the blue bins marked SVDP at St. Bernadette and in the bin in the back of church at Holy Ghost Church. Thank you for your support!

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