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Sunday, February 10, 2019 *Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time*

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday, February 9	5:30 p.m.	Dolores Badura+
Sunday, February 10	8:00 a.m.	Parish Family
Sunday, February 10	10:00 a.m.	Bill & Sylvia Morgan
Tuesday, February 12	12:05 p.m.	Deceased Members of Catholic Daughters+
Wednesday, February 13	12:05 p.m.	Patty Dunning Stein+
Thursday, February 14	12:05 p.m.	Arnold & Glorene Harders+
Friday, February 15	12:05 p.m.	Ray & Bernie Soukup+
Saturday, February 16	5:30 p.m.	Larry Wells+
Sunday, February 17	8:00 a.m.	Diane Porter
Sunday, February 17	10:00 a.m.	Parish Family



Reconciliation: Wednesday – 11:30 a.m.-Noon
 Saturday – 10:30-11:30 a.m.



Today's Gospel recounts the story of Jesus calling Simon Peter to come and follow him. So really it could be titled, "The Reluctant Vocation." Simon's profession was that of a fisherman. He wasn't the kind of fisherman that you would find on any of our Nebraska Rivers or Lakes. Rather, he was a person that had been hardened by the exhausting work and by the business of fishing. But even so, you can see Jesus at work.

First, he asks Simon to take him out on his boat, a short distance from the shore. This doesn't seem like much, but it makes Simon sit and listen to Jesus because he can't get away from the boat. Not that Simon would have minded much because it was often the dream of a young Jewish man, to sit and learn at the feet of a great rabbi.

Once Jesus was done talking, he tells Simon to drop his nets in deep water. This surprised Simon, as he was the fisherman, and he knew that you catch more fish in shallow water. But he did it anyway, to prove Jesus wrong, and when he dropped the nets, they were immediately full of fish—so full that the nets were tearing.

It was at this moment that Peter recognized the greatness of Jesus, and he asked to leave him because he felt unworthy. Jesus told him that now he would be a fisher of "men."

This vocation story gives us some insight about vocations in general. For most, the vocation to follow Jesus is not automatic. Often times, we feel unworthy or unready, just like Peter did. Nevertheless, Jesus is the one that provides us with all we lack.

There is a weekend retreat for young men, from juniors in high school to age 25, at Conception Abby in Conception, MO, where you have time to "sit at the feet of Jesus" and listen to what he is saying in your life. It is called "Encounter with God's Call," and it will be held the weekend of April 6-8, 2019. It's a wonderful opportunity to spend time with people your own age and see if God is calling you to be a priest. It might be the time to investigate what has been pulling at your heart strings. If interested, please Contact Fr. Neal Hock at the Newman Center at UNK, Fr. Don Buhman at St. Leo's, or myself at 384-0532, and we can answer your questions. Perhaps, Christ is calling you to be a fisher of men.

Fr. Marty

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

Sunday, 2/10	Food Pantry Sunday 2:00 p.m. - First Communion Family Meeting
Monday, 2/11	5:30 p.m. - Yoga 5:30 p.m. - Overeaters' Anonymous 7:00 p.m. - Womens' Open AA Meeting
Tuesday, 2/12	6:30 a.m. - Men's Early Morning Tuesday Group 11:00 a.m. - Catholic Daughters 1:00 p.m. - Quilting 5:30 p.m. - Fall Fest Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Baptism Preparation Class 7:00 p.m. - AA & Alanon Meetings 7:30 p.m. - Charismatic Group
Wednesday, 2/13	10:30 a.m. - Scripture Study 5:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. Grades P-5 6:15 p.m. - Rel. Ed. Grades P-5 7:00 p.m. - Confirmation 7:00 p.m. - R.C.I.A. 7:30 p.m. - Rel. Ed. 6-8 7:30 p.m. - Freshmen & Sophomore Godparent Groups
Thursday, 2/14	Valentine's Day 1:00 p.m. - Quilting 5:30 p.m. - R.C.I.A. Adapted for Children 5:30 p.m. - Yoga
Saturday, 2/16	10:00 a.m. - Alanon Meeting 10:30-11:30 a.m. - Adoration & Confessions
Sunday, 2/17	Cross Catholic Outreach 10:00 a.m. - Children's Church

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Our Deepest Sympathy to the Families of:

LEON MATHIS,
brother of Dean Mathis;
J.W. 'CORKY' BOTTGER,
brother of Mel Bottger;
FROSTINA AGUILERA,
sister of Deb Esquivel;
& ROBERTA SUTTON.
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE!



Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace #2227:

Tuesday, February 12, 11:00 a.m., Room 12. We will have the election of delegates and alternates for the state convention to be held in April. Katie Usasz will speak on the opioid crisis. We will all attend Mass, as the intention is for our deceased members. The Social Committee will serve a salad lunch, and present a door prize.

Baptism Preparation Class: Tuesday, February 12, 7:00 p.m., Family Room. This is for parents (and godparents) preparing for the Baptism of their baby. This class is required, unless you have already taken the class within the past year. Please call Deb Wetzel at 395-8521 to register no later than February 11. If we don't have any registrations, the class won't be held.

OUR GIFTS OF TREASURE

February 2/3, 2019

Adult Envelopes	\$12,799.00
Plate	464.35
Children's	50.00

Diocesan Appeal

Our Goal	\$80,075.00
Pledged to Date (177)	54,975.73
Received to Date	51,516.23

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers, who are experiencing serious health problems/issues:

Roseann Anderson	Anna Blake	Carol Bruggeman
Cari Cobler	Dawn Ferris	Agnes Fila
Cookie Gilroy	Earleen Moroney	Larry Palacz
Alan Pfeifer	Evelyn Rech	Bill Reher
Teresa Scarborough	Ted Schlick	Fr. Louis Sellam
	Joanne Vodehnal	

Please let us know if you, or an immediate family member, are experiencing a serious health issue and wish to be included on this list. To add or remove a name from this list, please call the Parish Office at 384-0532.

If you are experiencing serious health issues, or other things of importance, please call the Parish Office and ask to speak with Fr. Marty. He wants to be able to minister to you, and your phone call will ensure that he is aware of your situation. Thank you!!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION NEWS

- ❖ **First Communion Family Meeting**, February 10, 2:00 p.m., Jubilee Center, for all 2nd graders and their parents. Please remember to bring your tree poster.
- ❖ **Teachers' Appreciation Day**, February 13. Please take this opportunity to say "thank you" to our Religious Formation teachers for all they do.
- ❖ **Going Bananas for Jesus XX**, all Catholic teens, 6th-12th grade, are invited to attend. To be held at GICC in Grand Island the weekend of March 29-31, 2019. Registration forms can be obtained online at www.gidiocese.org/yya. Cost is \$80.00 per person, which includes a t-shirt. Completed registration forms, along with your \$80.00 online payment must be made to the Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministry, no later than February 15, 2019. Plan to join other youth, make new friends, and celebrate what it means to be a Catholic at Going Bananas 2019!
- ❖ **Edgar Barge Memorial Scholarships:** Blessed Sacrament will award scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 and \$500 to two seniors, who are going on to college. All applications must be completed on-line at www.gicf.org and click on the scholarship tab. Completed application must be electronically submitted on or before February 18 at midnight. No faxes, emails, or paper applications will be permitted.

Cross Catholic Outreach: Fr. James Quinlan of Cross Catholic Outreach will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all of the Masses on behalf of the poor in developing countries. Cross Catholic Outreach was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America, and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas in the Caribbean, Africa, Asia, Central & South America.

Spring Faith Enrichment Offerings at Blessed Sacrament are ready and waiting for you, so register now to grow in your faith. They include:

- *Family finance with Allison & Evan Beckstrom
- *The Five Senses: Knowing Self, Each Other and God with Mary Anne Hinchey
- *Book Study using "Everybody Needs to Forgive Somebody" with Anita & Dean Graf
- *Marriage & Annulments with staff from the Diocesan Tribunal Office
- *Praying about Resentment with Bishop Hanefeldt
- *Introduction to Centering Prayer with Centering Prayer Group
- *The Cross of Christ: A Meditation with Ron Rolheiser presented by Sr. Bernadette Engelhaupt

Registration forms, with more information about each offering and offerings in other parishes, are located in the Gathering Area. Please pick one up and return it by **February 11** so that we can order materials for Family Finance and the book study.

Fall Fest Meeting: Tuesday, February 12, 5:30 p.m., Jubilee Center. We are looking for new individuals to help organize the 2019 Fall Fest. Please join us if you are interested!!

Prime Time: Wednesday, February 20, after the 12:05 p.m. Mass. Sign-up sheets can be found in the Gathering Area.

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch: Sunday, February 24, 11:30 a.m., Jubilee Center. This brunch is for ALL volunteers within our Parish, and it includes their family members. Sign-up sheets can be found in the Gathering Area. **The last day to sign-up is February 20.**

Parish Thrift Store - 4th & Eddy Streets

Gross Sales, February 1, 2 & 4 - \$1,667.29

Store Hours: Monday, Friday & Saturday
10:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

Donations are accepted when the store is open.

We are especially in need of: brown grocery bags, men's clothing, yarn, sewing supplies, material, tools, kitchen items, glassware, bed sheets, towels, blankets, comforters & furniture.

Blessed Sacrament Preschool has openings in the M/W and T/TH 3 year old classes. There are also openings in the T/W/TH and M/T/W/TH afternoon 4/5 year old classes. For more information, or to register, please contact the Preschool Office at 308-384-2086 or the Church office at 308-384-0532.

EVENTS HAPPENING ELSEWHERE

Diabetes Prevention Program: This is a one year lifestyle change program that includes weekly meetings for 2-3 months, and biweekly to monthly meetings during the remainder of the year. The program is offered by the Central District Health Department, and focuses on weight loss through changes in diet and increasing physical activity. For more information, please call Jodi or Stacey at 308-385-5175.

Catholics Encounter Christ (CEC): Women's Weekend: February 24-26; Men's Weekend: March 29-31, Camp Comeca, Cozad. For more information, or to register, please call Patricia Margritz at 308-325-9981, Kathy Ulrich at 308-627-949, or Fr. Lou Nollette at 308-750-1205, or go online at www.gidiocese.org.

Grief Support Group: Monday, March 4, 6:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m., St. Mary's Cathedral Square. If you, or someone you love, are grieving the death of a dear one and still experiencing difficulty, please accept our invitation to join us for a six-week grief support group. For more information, or to register, call Trish at 308-384-8862, or Sr. Ann at 308-384-8050. RSVP by March 1.

Mark Your Calendars! Respect Life Conference, Saturday, April 6, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m., Younes Conference Center, Kearney. More information will follow!

CENTRAL CATHOLIC NEWS

Karnival Kapers: Sunday, March 17, Central Catholic. Activities include: money toss game; split the pot; and basket raffles. If you would like to volunteer to help, please call Karen Kulp at 379-2036 or Peg Harders at 379-2802. Carry out and delivery dinners are available by calling 384-2440 on March 17 between 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Raffle tickets are available from students and at the school office.

MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 16/17, 2019

	5:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Lector	Robert Martinez	Bill Ziller	Lee Jacobsen
Eucharistic Minister +Saturday Set-up *Check Ministers #Cleanse Vessels	Dean Graf #Kay Hoffman +Deb Martinez #Mary Teichmeier *Peggy Wirth	Colleen Gnewuch +Marge Koziol *Tony Koziol #Mandee Lade #Julie Ziller	Dawnita Buck #Lisa Cantrell Melanie Dvorak *Jack Schultz +Mary Schultz #Marvin Webb #Jeanne Webb Jim Weakland Kaye Weakland Marv Wemhoff Mike Wenzl
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