

BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

August 25, 2024

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday, August 24	8:00 a.m.	Smollen & Nealon Families
Saturday, August 24	5:30 p.m.	Parish Family
Sunday, August 25	8:00 a.m.	The Janda Family
Sunday, August 25	10:00 a.m.	Steven & Ed Ziska +
Monday, August 26	8:00 a.m.	Irene Bixenmann +
Tuesday, August 27	12:05 p.m.	Deb Mabon +
Wednesday, August 28	12:05 p.m.	Anne Jones +
Thursday, August 29	12:05 p.m.	Frank & Alice Smollen +
Friday, August 30	12:05 p.m.	Linda Havelka +
Saturday, August 31	8:00 a.m.	Bill & Sally Meister +
Saturday, August 31	5:30 p.m.	Rose Marie Cyboron +
Sunday, September 1	8:00 a.m.	Parish Family
Sunday, September 1	10:00 a.m.	Kurt Lewandowski +



Reconciliation Times: Wednesday - 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Saturday - 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

The readings invite us to decide about our choices in our lives, fidelity or alienation from God. Shortly after God’s people arrived in the promised Land, Joshua became their leader who gathered the people together to renew their Covenant with Yahweh. The people were going far from God and were reluctant to realize His presence with them. In the same way, Jesus is asking his disciples and His followers to accept Him, a living bread from heaven.

His listeners responded, "This is a hard teaching, who can accept it?" And they started going away because they were not ready for the demands of true discipleship. These demands are hard to believe for people who live in an exterior religion which is limited to material freedom. Jesus did not call his followers who were leaving to come back. He did not say, "You misunderstood me. What I said I meant symbolically." He knew they heard him clearly, and they understood him perfectly. Now it was a choice for the apostles and people to leave or follow him wholeheartedly. On this, Peter replied, "Master to whom shall we go? You have the word of eternal life." He did not say what Jesus was saying any better than those who were leaving Jesus, but as he said, we have come to believe and are convinced that you are the holy One of God. The words he uttered are of the spirit. These require disposition of faith in order to be understood. They transform us and make Jesus the center of our lives.

We believe the real presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist and when we participate in the Eucharist, we are not only reminded that Jesus died for us, but somehow we are united with the saving power of Jesus’ loving and perfect sacrifice of Himself to the Father. When we participate in the Holy Mass, we place our own lives on the altar, along with all the things we suffer and the things for which we are grateful. In love, we offer ourselves to the Father along with Jesus.

Let us be deepened in our faith in the Holy Eucharist and to become the Eucharist for others.

God bless you all! Fr. Robin Bashir

Contact & Livestreaming Information

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A link to Livestream Mass will be on YouTube: www.youtube.com/@blessedsacramentGI/streams at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Sunday, 8/25** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
10:00 a.m. - Mass
Coffee & Rolls
- Monday, 8/26** 12:00 p.m. - Chair Relaxation
5:30 p.m. - Mindful Movement
7:00 p.m. - Women's AA
- Tuesday, 8/27** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
1:00 p.m. - Quilting Ladies
7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon Meeting
7:00 p.m. - AA Meeting
7:00 p.m. - Knights of Columbus
- Wednesday, 8/28** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
6:30 p.m. - Catechist Meeting
- Thursday, 8/29** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
5:30 p.m. - Serenity Flow
- Friday, 8/30** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
- Saturday, 8/31** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
10:00 a.m. - Al-Anon Meeting
10:30 a.m. - Adoration
5:30 p.m. - Mass
- Sunday, 9/1** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
10:00 a.m. - Mass
Coffee & Rolls



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers

Roseann Anderson	Marlene Beacom
Anna Blake	Mary Buhman
Dawn Ferris	Stephanie Godziemski
Anita Graf	Sharon Jarecke
Cindy Petersen	Marcella Petersen
Kathy Stava	Heather Tjaden
JoAnn Vodehnal	Emily Webster
Nancy Zahm	

Pray for military personnel and pray for peace.



Our Deepest Sympathy
to the Families of
MILDRED SCHEEL
mother of Walter 'Moe' Scheel
&
BILL MUES

**Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord,
and may perpetual light shine upon them.**



If you would like to be on our prayer chain, You can call our Anita Graf at 308-384-8855.

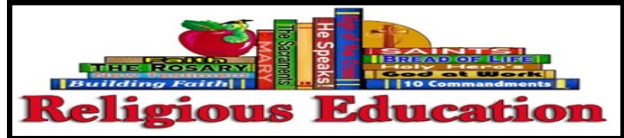
OUR GIFTS OF TREASURE

August 17 & 18, 2024

Adult Envelopes	\$5,513.00
Plate	\$902.00
Online	\$1,750.00
Thrift Store	\$1,094.00

Diocesan Appeal

Our Goal	\$75,410.00
Received to Date	73,699.00
Donor Goal 220	213



Religious Formation Fall Teachers' Meeting

August 28, 6:30 p.m., Jubilee Center. **VERY IMPORTANT** for all catechists, assistants and aides to attend, as this is when we conduct our Safe Environment Training for the Diocese.

Catholic Faith classes, also known as R.C.I.A. (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

Classes will begin on September 4. This is the process an adult goes through who may be interested in joining the Roman Catholic Church. Catholics wanting to renew or learn more about their faith are also invited to attend, along with those adults who would like to be confirmed. The R.C.I.A. process is highlighted with Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist at the Easter Vigil. The class meets on Wednesday nights at 7:00 p.m. in the South Breakout Rooms, located right off the Jubilee Center. If interested, contact Deb Wetzel, 395-8521.

Confirmation

September 8, at a specially scheduled 1:00 p.m. Mass.

Registration for Religious Formation Classes

All students in preschool through 11th grade should attend our Religious Formation program during the 2024/2025 school year. Register early by phone with Deb Wetzel at 395-8521, as classes fill up fast. Classes begin on September 18.



CHI St. Francis Mass

Mass is celebrated in the hospital Chapel every Wednesday morning at 10:15 a.m. All are welcome!



Knights of Columbus

We would like to thank everyone who purchased Nebraska Football Raffle Tickets from us last weekend. We had two parishioners from Blessed Sacrament win. Congratulations to Gary Witmer & Scott Musil!!

Thrift Shop

Located at 718 West North Front St.
 Store Hours: Friday 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
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 contact the Thrift Store at 308-398-3443.
 We need more donations!!!!**



Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace #2227

We ask that you pray with us, “Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the preborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion.” Between the ages of 26-38 weeks, the baby’s brain will increase in weight 400-500%! At the 32nd week, the baby is approximately 18” long. We have gone from describing the baby as being the size of a poppy seed to the size of a small pumpkin at birth. Amazing! This precious little one is a miracle no matter what the size/stage of development they are at and deserve our prayers and reverence as all life is a



Sunday, October 20, 2024, from 11:00 a.m.– 1:30 p.m. event and 11:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. for the meal.
 Menu: Chicken/Pulled Pork, Potatoes, Salad, Dinner Rolls, Desserts & Drinks! Cost: \$15/Adult; \$7/Ages 3-12. There will be no presales for the dinner. We will once again have a Silent Auction, Split the Pot, and games for the kids, including face painting. Silent Auction baskets need to be worth at least \$50 and turned in by October 7. We will have the Country Store with baked items, garden produce—fresh or canned. Please think of the Country Store when you are canning or have fresh produce available to be dropped off at the office by October 13. We will be doing the same cash prizes as last year, so if you would like to donate, we will put the donations together to equal a \$100 prize. The beautiful quilt from the quilting ladies will be displayed soon. Sign-up sheets will be available in September. This is a fun day and everyone is invited.



EVENTS HAPPENING ELSEWHERE



Annulment seekers workshop planned in Grand Island Aug. 29

Are you divorced and looking for peace of conscience regarding a prior marriage? Are you seeking to enter the Catholic Church, but you or your partner have a prior marriage? If any of these apply to you, come to a free annulment workshop at noon at Resurrection and at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary’s Cathedral on August 29. Please consider pre-registering by email tribunal@gdiocese.org or call the Tribunal office at 308-382-6364.

The Nebraska State Fair is looking for volunteers to help put on the State’s biggest eleven-day event. With tons of volunteer opportunities available each day of the fair, there is something for everyone! Shift times are 10am-2pm, 2pm-6pm and 6pm-9pm. Come out and join in on the fun! The Nebraska State Fair runs from August 23rd – September 2nd. To sign up go to www.statefairvolunteer.org or give Haley Roush a call at 308-385-3955.



Husker Harvest Days is coming soon! Central Catholic will have 1 food stand, 2 pop stands, and the ice cream stand. We will be needing lots of help to set up, clean, work the stands, make phone calls, and tear down. Parents, students, grandparents, alumni, Knights, faculty, parishioners and friends are needed. If you can work, call Sue Pirnie 308-390-0876, Jeannee Mueller Fossberg 308-379-2015, or Roger Riesberg 308-390-3469. You can also sign-up on Volunteer Spot by going to the GICC website. Husker Harvest Days is September 10, 11, & 12. Help is needed other dates, too. This is one of the major fundraisers for Central Catholic. Any and all help will truly be appreciated!!

Resurrection Church

This program from Dynamic Catholic provides a roadmap to make the most of your life no matter what season of life you’re in. It will help you clearly establish meaning, direction or redirection for your life, no matter what age you are. This is not a Bible study but a small group discussion of our faith and direction. Please meet at Resurrection September 11 at noon to discuss the details. For more information, please call Therese Stump 308-379-6142, Tim Zeleski 308-383-0858 or Terri

MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 31 & SEPTEMBER 1, 2024

Mass Times	5:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Lector	Volunteer	Anita Graf	Steve Stein
Minister of Holy Communion	Volunteer	Dean Graf Marge Koziol Tony Koziol	Volunteer
Altar Server	Volunteer	Volunteer	Matthew Markvicka
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