



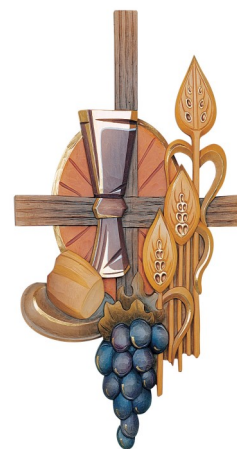
BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

March 10, 2024

Fourth Sunday of Lent

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

| Date | Time | Intention |
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| Saturday, March 9 | 5:30 p.m. | Tom Wieck + |
| Sunday, March 10 | 8:00 a.m. | Parish Family |
| Sunday, March 10 | 10:00 a.m. | Sylvester Starman + |
| Tuesday, March 12 | 12:05 p.m. | Fr. Donald J. O'Brien & Family + |
| Wednesday, March 13 | 12:05 p.m. | Everett Stegman + |
| Thursday, March 14 | 12:05 p.m. | Theresa Urbanski + |
| Friday, March 15 | 12:05 p.m. | Tim Puncochar |
| Saturday, March 16 | 5:30 p.m. | Arlie Jasnoch + |
| Sunday, March 17 | 8:00 a.m. | Patrick Pokorski + |
| Sunday, March 17 | 10:00 a.m. | Parish Family |



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

Message From Fr. Marty

Hello all: I know it has been a while since you have heard from me. I apologize for this. Here is what has been going on since the beginning of January. I have been involved in intensive physical, occupational, emotional, and spiritual therapies. This is intensive but I am feeling rejuvenated and strong. I told them that if they could make me 45 again, I would appreciate it.

What is really happening is that I am hard at work and when these therapies are finished, I will be returning! Rest assured that I miss Blessed Sacrament dearly and each of you especially. Know you are continually in my prayers, and I hope that you are praying for my return.

I remain your Pastor and friend.

Fr. Marty

Contact & Livestreaming Information

518 State St., Grand Island, NE 68801 308-384-0532
 Office Hours: Monday 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.; Tuesday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
 Website: blsachurch.net E-Mail: bscc_1@msn.com
 Facebook: www.facebook.com/blessedsacramentGI

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

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| Sunday, 3/10 | Catholic Relief Collection 8:00 a.m. - Mass 9:00 a.m.- Bishop Barron Series 10:00 a.m. - Mass 11:00 a.m.- Bishop Barron Series Coffee & Rolls 2:30 p.m. - Retrouvaille 5:00 p.m. - 2nd Grade First Agape Meal |
| Monday, 3/11 | 12:00 p.m. - Chair Yoga 5:30 p.m. - Mindful Movement 7:00 p.m. - Women's AA |
| Tuesday, 3/12 | 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Ladies 5:30 p.m. - Spring-A-Ling 6:00 p.m. - Baptism Class 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon Meeting 7:00 p.m. - AA Meeting 7:00 p.m. - Stewardship |
| Wednesday 3/13 | 5:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. P-5 6:15 p.m. - Rel. Ed. P-5 7:00 p.m. - R.C.I.A. 7:00 p.m. - Confirmation Class 7:30 p.m.- Rel. Ed. 6-8 7:30 p.m. - Freshmen & Sophomore Godparent Groups |
| Thursday, 3/14 | 12:30 p.m. - Finance Meeting 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Ladies 5:30 p.m. - Yoga |
| Friday, 3/15 | 5:30 p.m. - Stations of the Cross |
| Saturday, 3/16 | 10:00 a.m. - Al-Anon Meeting 10:30 a.m. - Adoration 5:30 p.m. - Mass |
| Sunday, 3/17 | 8:00 a.m. - Mass 9:00 a.m. - Bishop Barron Series 10:00 a.m. - Mass 10:00 a.m. - Children's Church 11:00 a.m. - Bishop Barron Series Coffee & Rolls |



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers:

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| Roseann Anderson | Anna Blake |
| Dawn Ferris | Stephanie Godziemski |
| Anita Graf | Sharon Jarecke |
| Cindy Petersen | Marcella Petersen |
| Pat Pickerel | Tim Puncochar |
| Kathy Stava | Heather Tjaden |
| JoAnn Vodehnal | Emily Webster |
| Nancy Zahm | |

Pray for military personnel and pray for peace.



**Our Deepest Sympathy to the Family of
SUE MACKE sister of Angela Scott**
Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord,
and may perpetual light shine upon them.
May she rest in peace. Amen

OUR GIFTS OF TREASURE February 24 & 25 - March 2 & 3, 2024

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| Adult Envelopes | \$15,963.00 |
| Plate | \$1,261.00 |
| Online | \$5,235.00 |
| Thrift Store | \$1,819.39 |

Diocesan Appeal

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| Our Goal | \$75,410.00 |
| Received to Date | 53,840.00 |
| Donor Goal 220 | 181 |



First Communion Family Meeting (Agape Meal)

March 10, at 5:00 p.m., Jubilee Center, for all 2nd graders and their families. Please bring a loaf of bread for your family, along with one of the following: a salad, vegetable dish or dessert. Fried chicken, Au Gratin potatoes, table service and drinks provided. Don't forget to bring your First Communion Banner.

Baptism Preparation Class

Tuesday, March 12, at 6:00 p.m. in the 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 March 11. If we don't have any registrations, the class won't be held.

Attention: Parents & high school sophomores, juniors and seniors.

Higher Ground registration at Ft. Robinson (near Crawford, NE) opened February 1. This retreat is an incredible opportunity to grow stronger in your relationship with Christ, while making new friends from around the diocese. By the end of the retreat, you'll have a greater love for God and a new community of faith.

Register today at www.highergroundretreats.org. The parish will pay \$125 of this fee for you. Get your discount code from Deb Wetzel by calling 395-8521.

Attention: Parents & high school students in grades 9-12

Stuebenville of the Rockies Youth Conference will take place June 21-23 at the Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center in Aurora, CO. Join hundreds of Catholic teens for this 3-day youth rally. Registration began February 1 at www.gidiocese.org/steubenville. Blessed Sacrament will pay \$125 of this fee for you to attend. Get your discount code from Deb Wetzel by calling 395-8521.

Attention: Parents & middle school students currently in 6th, 7th & 8th grades.

Higher Ground Extreme Faith Camp registration opened February 1. This retreat is held at Camp Maranatha near Maxwell, NE, from July 7 to July 11. It's a fun week and a great opportunity to grow stronger in your faith, while making new friends. Register today at www.highergroundretreats.org. Call Deb Wetzel at 395-8521 for more information and to get your discount code. The parish will pay \$125 of this fee for you.

Thrift Shop

Located at 718 West North Front St.

Store Hours: Friday & Saturday

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Donations can be dropped off on Mondays,
Fridays & Saturdays

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**For more information, or to volunteer, please
contact the Thrift Store at 308-398-3443.**

Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace #2227

We hope you are taking time to stop at our Spiritual Adoption display in the south Gathering Area and pick up a prayer card. As the days, weeks & months go by, we will be changing out the fetal development posters. Our "adopted" baby is 10 weeks old right now. His/her skin is translucent. The earliest that scientists have recorded a baby's brain waves is at day 43. Please join us in praying for these

Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace #2227

For our Parish Lenten Project, we asked for volunteers to come and help us clean the church and chapel. Thanks to all of you for your help. The church and chapel look and smell amazing. This would make a great yearly project.

CDA Court Queen of Peace #2227

Our applications are now available for a \$200 Scholarship for any high school graduating daughter/son of a Catholic Daughter Court member. Applications may be requested from Colleen Goodwin at Resurrection Parish 308-380-7953 & Chris McCarraher at Blessed Sacrament Parish 308-382-2069. Deadline is April 15, 2024.

Eucharistic Revival Notes

Bishop Barron videos on the Mass as Meal, Sacrifice, and Real Presence will be shown in the South Breakout Room after the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on March 10 and 17.

National Eucharistic Congress: Grand Island Diocese has two blocks of hotel rooms in Indianapolis. The downtown rooms need to be reserved by March 14. The second block of rooms are outside the city center. If you are interested in either, please contact Michalene Iversen at miversen@gidiocese.org.

More information on the Congress and Procession can be found on the diocese website pages: <https://gidiocese.org/national-congress-registration>.

Habitat for Humanity

Please mark your calendar for Saturday, April 27. Once again Blessed Sacrament will host a group for the Habitat for Humanity build day. Additional details will follow. If you have any questions please contact Christi Rein jcrein4@charter.net or Julie Markvicka at Jmmarkvicka@gmail.com.

Prime Time

Wednesday, March 20, 2024. Mass at 12:05 p.m. followed by lunch (free will offering). Speaker will be Brenda Wiltfong on *Advance Care Planning*.

EVENTS HAPPENING ELSEWHERE

Resurrection Gift Shop

First Communion is a special occasion when a child receives Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time. Come visit our Resurrection Gift Shop and find a gift for that special first communicant in your life. You will find First Communion gift sets that are a keepsake that include Mass Books, Rosary, & Pin; Girl's 1st Communion veils, Children's books, Bibles, Statues, Crosses and more.

Store hours Monday 9 am-3 pm; Tues 9 am-Noon;
Weds 1-3 pm, Thurs 9-3 pm
or call Barb for appt 308-379-7099.



SUN, MAR 17

KARNIVAL KAPERS

CARNIVAL GAMES
11AM - 3PM
TICKETS SOLD ON SITE

BAKE SALE BINGO CAKE WALK

ROAST BEEF & CHICKEN DINNER
11AM-1:30PM
ADULTS \$10 K-12TH \$8
SENIOR CITIZENS \$8

Central Catholic High School Presents





INDERELLA

MARCH 22 - 7:30PM
MARCH 23 - 7:30PM
MARCH 24 - 2:00PM
1200 RUBY AVE, GRAND ISLAND

TICKETS SOLD AT ACE HARDWARE & GICC

\$10 ADULTS \$8 STUDENTS

MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR MARCH 16 & 17, 2024

| Mass Times | 5:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 10:00 a.m. |
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| Lector | Volunteer | Greg Rempe | Pat Pickerel |
| Minister of Holy Communion | Volunteer | Tony Koziol Marge Koziol | Daniel Zamarripa Mirna Zamarripa Julie Markvicka |
| Altar Server | Volunteer | Volunteer | Volunteer |
| Hospitality | Volunteer | Larry Blauhorn | Volunteer |

Crusader Clips

NOW ENROLLING K - 12 FOR NEXT YEAR

If you build it, they will come. And the building is almost complete!

Grand Island Central Catholic's addition of an elementary and preschool began one year ago, and construction is nearing completion.

"As soon as we are able to, we'll host an open house for the public to see the finished GICC Elementary and Preschool," Dr Jordan Engle, GICC principal said. "We're excited to show

off this amazing new facility that will serve our community in a christ-centered school setting."

GICC is now accepting student applications for Grades K-12, but school administration stresses that some grade levels are nearing capacity.

"Our Kindergarten class is almost full, with 1st grade and 5th grade close behind, so we encourage families to apply sooner than later to help ensure we have space for all of their students," GICC Elementary Principal Sarah Nordhues said. "It's exciting that there's such a strong interest in our Catholic education."

This time of year is the customary growth phase for GICC's middle school, as dozens of students enroll to be 6th graders at Central Catholic. And the school says families are enrolling not only their 6th graders, but also upperclassmen who are ready to make the move to GICC.

Current High School students interested in transferring should

take note that completing transfer paperwork prior to the May 1 deadline allows the transfer students to participate in NSAA activities immediately in the fall.

"We also want to highlight that there's optional funding for students to attend GICC now more than ever," Dr Engle added. "I encourage all families who have an incoming K-6th grader or 9th grader (transferring from a public school to GICC) to apply for the Nebraska Opportunity Scholarships. It's the first step in requesting funds to offset GICC tuition."

Interested families can scan the QR code to reach the Opportunity Scholarships website and learn if they are eligible. The deadline for this application is April 15.

Families interested in learning more about Grand Island Central Catholic, or meeting with administration regarding transferring, can contact the school office between 8:00am and 3:30pm on school days. Call 308-384-2440, or email info@gicc.org.



Jordan Engle
GICC Principal



Sarah Nordhues
Elementary
Principal



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308-384-2440 info@gicc.org www.gicc.org

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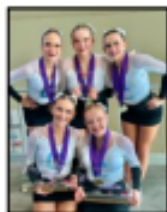
March

17 - Carnival Kapers Luncheon & Carnival 11am-3pm
22, 23 - Cinderella Musical 7:30pm in GICC North Gym
24 - Cinderella Musical 2:00pm in GICC North Gym

May

8 - Seniors' Last Mass at GICC
12 - Graduation 2:00pm in GICC South Gym

NEWSWORTHY & NOTABLE



The Lady Crusader Dance Team won two gold medals at the State Dance competition. The team competed in the Jazz and Pom categories, earning Championship honors in both.

Crusader swimmer Kate Novinski earned four State medals! She placed 2nd in the individual Backstroke, 5th in the 200 Free Relay, 6th in the individual 200 Freestyle, and 6th in the 400 Free Relay.

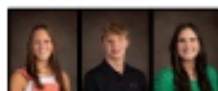


The GICC Cheer Team claimed 3rd place in the Game Day division at the 2024 State Cheer competition.



Central Catholic's girls basketball team won Districts and earned a State tournament berth, where they finished in 4th place.

The High School Academic Quiz Team competed at the ESU-10 Regional Quiz Bowl March 4, held at the University of Nebraska-Kearney campus.



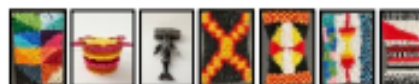
GICC Sophomores Laura Blake, Connor Haney, and Grace Watson will be the Hugh

O'Brian Youth Leadership Symposium representatives for the June 2024 event.

The All-City Honor Band performance in Grand Island Jan 22, 2024, featured 18 Crusaders selected from grades 8-12.



GICC artists earned honors from the Nebraska State Scholastic Art Awards. Charlotte Corey, Diana Guerrero, Lydia Henry and Izzy Mueller received Silver Awards, while Molly Kenna and Maeli Mehning were given Honorable Mention.



Crusaders For Life members volunteered at the Pro-Life Coffee held in Grand

Island to educate attendees on the ballot initiative that seeks to create a right to abortion in the Nebraska constitution.

Sixteen Crusader students formed two Mock Trial



teams to compete in the courtroom. The season consisted of trials in October and November 2023.

GICC inducted 22 students into its chapter of the National Honor Society for 2023, recognizing them for displaying great Character, Scholarship, Leadership and Service.



PRACTICING OUR FAITH

We proudly offer quality Catholic education and formation at GICC, as our students participate in a variety of faith-building activities and services including:

- ▶ School-wide Mass offered each Thursday (8:45am, all are welcome)
- ▶ Eucharistic Adoration & Confessions for students and faculty
- ▶ Christ-centered policies and curriculum
- ▶ Community service, volunteering and missions

SCHOOL LEADERSHIP

Dr Jordan Engle - Principal
Mr Phou Manivong - Assistant Principal
Dr Julie Hehnke - Guidance Counselor
Fr Sidney Bruggeman- Chaplain



SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Fr Don Buhrman, Fr Jorge Canela, Fr Marty Egging, Fr Thomas Vijumon, Rob Czaplewski, Jackie Gellatly, Jeanne Mueller-Fossberg, Kay Niebuhr, Jim Rein, Matt Serbousek, Dustin Suminski

Start Saving Now On GICC Tuition for your newborn - 11th grade children!

Use Central Catholic's Tuition Savings While You Shop program to:

- **Buy the things you need**, like food, housewares, and clothing
- **Receive rebates** from your purchase that are deposited into your own tuition account **to off-set future GICC tuition** for your students



Crusader families accumulated \$3,145 in rebates Aug-Dec, 2023. Per-family discounts ranged from \$6 - \$637 for that 5-month period!

Learn more about this program on the school's website:

<https://www.gicc.org/tuition-savings-while-you-shop.html>

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