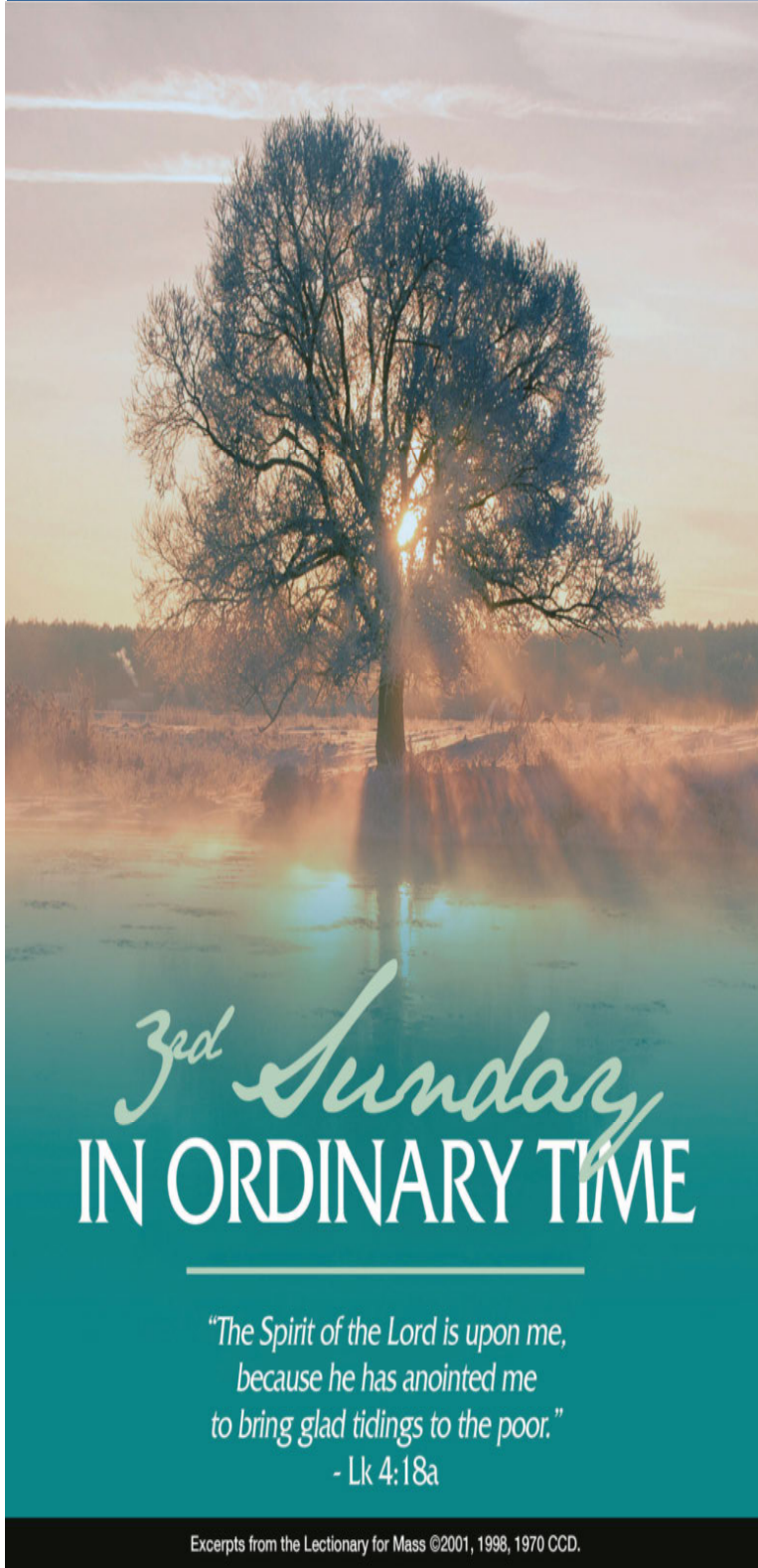




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## JANUARY 23, 2022 3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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**RCIA Director:**  
**Youth Minister:** Megan Seeley

### ST. BRIDGET STAFF (SB)

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Altar Society: Mary Yardley 487-5682, Julie Kresl 487-3603

### SACRAMENTS

**Baptism:** Pre-Baptismal classes are on the first Tuesday of every **even month**, at 7pm in the Parish Center. Contact Parish Center Office or Theresa Dykes 760-1122.

**Marriage:** Please begin preparation at least 4 months in advance. Contact Parish Center Office.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 4pm Holy Rosary, Sunday 7:30 am St. Bridget's

**Website:** [www.bbccatholic.com](http://www.bbccatholic.com)



**Knights of Columbus Council 975:** Meets every second Wednesday of the month 7 pm in the lyceum meeting room.

### Weekend Mass Schedule: (HR—Holy Rosary, SB—St. Bridget)

Saturday: 5:00 p.m. HR  
Sunday: 8:00 a.m. SB  
10:00 a.m. HR  
2nd Sunday: 5:00 p.m. Spanish Mass HR  
\*See inside for weekday mass schedule.

### COLLECTION BASKET (903 Big Horn) 762-3343

#### New Hours

Mondays and Tuesdays 9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.



We invite each new family and/or individual to register with us by calling the Parish Center Office. Registration enables the parish staff to assist you at the time of Baptism, Marriage, Illness or death. All 18 and over please register at the parish office.

**PASTORAL VISITS:** Contact the Church office for pastoral visits at home or in the hospital. 762-2009

## From the Pastor

On Sunday, October 9, 2021, Pope Francis inaugurated the next Synod 2021-2023. The word "Synod" simply means "a way together." Recent popes have held synod gatherings to reflect upon such topics as the Family, the New Evangelization, the Word of God. With this current Synod, Pope Francis wants us to reflect upon how we can be a "synodal" church, that is, how we are "journeying together" in our world today. Unlike previous synods, the Holy Father wants there to be a wide consultation of people on this topic of how we are journeying together and how the Holy Spirit may be inspiring us to grow in this journeying together. For that to happen, Pope Francis is asking us to undertake local consultations of people in our parish communities. In fact, he wants us to invite not just Catholics but anyone, especially those who may be forgotten or on the peripheries of our parishes and towns, to join in this conversation. **YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS WORLDWIDE CONSULTATION THAT IS UNDERWAY BY ATTENDING A SHARING AND LISTENING SESSION TO BE HELD IN THE LYCEUM ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 30 FROM 2-4PM.** Let us ask the Holy Spirit to lead and guide us as we reflect on our experience of life in the church locally, in our diocese and as a part of the universal Church throughout the world.

~Fr. Matt

## PARISH NEWS

### VALENTINE BOXES

Family Life Committee will be packing Valentine Care Boxes this year for 2021 graduates from Holy Rosary. Please bring non-perishable items to the Parish Center office only

### VALENTINE BAKE SALE

Friendly reminder that the annual Valentine Bake sale will be happening the weekend of February 12th and 13th in the basement of the church. Your support is greatly appreciated!

### ALTAR SERVER MEETING AND APPRECIATION LUNCH

An altar server meeting will be held Sunday, January 30 at 11 AM in the church. This meeting is for all interested parish youth wanting to become servers (3rd Grade and above) and ALL CURRENT ALTAR SERVERS. New servers will be trained and current servers will be instructed on a few changes to the server routine. Following the meeting the parish will sponsor a server appreciation lunch for all servers in the church basement. Please contact Steve Engelhaupt at 762-5559 if you plan to attend or if you have any questions.



We have begun our weekly sessions of RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) with our candidates. We meet Thursday evenings at 6:30 PM in the Parish Center Library. Please keep our candidates in your prayers. They are: Seth and Leslie Hulquist, Melody White, Jeff Maddox, Tracey Hamilton, Dianne Marstellar, and John Carlin.

**January 27      The Sacrament of Reconciliation  
                    The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick  
                    Presenter: Larry Snyder**

## SCHOOL NEWS/YOUTH ACTIVITIES

ST. AGNES ACADEMY 762-2315, RODNEY WILHELM, PRINCIPAL, JANE MCGHEHEY, SECRETARY  
NOREEN PLACEK, DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION, 762-2830

### ST. AGNES FOUNDATION 50/50 RAFFLE

The St. Agnes Foundation has begun its annual raffle. Tickets are available at the Parish Center office or from any Foundation Board Member. Board members are Dan Kusek 762-5802 or 760-0575, Tom Cyza 760-2431, Dan Oligmueller 762-6843 or 760-0586, John McGhehey 760-4404, Bob Placek 760-3204, Callan Ackerman 762-4009 or 760-0928, Barbie Applegarth 762-6558, Edna Broad 762-2009 or 762-5506. Tickets are \$100.00. The drawing will be Thursday, February 24, 2022 at the Westside Event Center. Buffet at 6PM and drawing at 7PM.

### JANUARY ST. AGNES WEEKLY DRAWING WINNERS!

Congratulations to the following Calendar winners!

\$75 January Winners:

Dave Geis of Custer, SD  
Misty Chavez of Denver, CO  
Carolyn Anglesey of Alliance  
Dan Marshall of Scottsbluff

### CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK (JANUARY 30-FEBRUARY 5)

Next week we will be celebrating Catholic Schools Week at St. Agnes Academy. Bishop Hanefeldt will be here to celebrate an All School Mass on Wednesday, February 2nd at 2PM. All are welcome to attend!

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS Week of January 24

### **Monday, January 24**

- Communion Service, Marian 7:15 AM
- Bible Study, PC Library 9:30 AM

### **Tuesday, January 25**

- Mass, Marian 7:15 AM
- Morning MOMS Group, Jane Kusek's home 9:00 AM
- Stewardship Meeting, PC Library, 6:30 PM

### **Wednesday, January 26**

- Mass, PC GYM 9:00 AM
- K-5th Grade FF Class, PC 4:00 PM
- 6-8th Grade FF Class/9-12th Youth Group, PC 7:00 PM
- Evening MOM Group, PC Conf Room 7:00 PM

### **Thursday, January 27**

- Mass, Marian 7:15 AM
- RCIA, PC Library/Chapel 6:30 PM

### **Friday, January 28**

- Mass, Marian 7:15 AM

### **Saturday, January 29**

- Confessions, Holy Rosary 4:00 PM
- Mass, Holy Rosary, 5:00 PM

### **Sunday, January 30**

- Confessions, St. Bridget's Church 7:30 AM
- Mass, St. Bridget's Church 8:00 AM
- Mass, Holy Rosary Church 10:00 AM
- Synodal Listening and Sharing Session, Lyceum 2-4PM

## Parish Support

### COLLECTION OF JANUARY 16, 2022

Adult	\$	6,560.00
On-line Giving	\$	1,705.50
Youth	\$	33.00
Plate	\$	463.75
Candles	\$	41.00
Building	\$	2,891.00
Building Insurance	\$	237.00
Christmas	\$	600.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>12,531.25</b>
Haiti	\$	375.00
2021-2022 weekly budget	\$	11,538.46
Amount needed YTD	\$	334,615.34
Total Amount rec'd YTD	\$	339,551.42

## ST. BRIDGET'S NEWS

### Parish Support

January 16, 2021

Envelopes	\$	985.00
Plate	\$	67.00
Youth	\$	3.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$	50.00

**TOTAL: \$ 1,105.00**

2021-2022 weekly budget	\$	1,650.00
Amount needed YTD	\$	47,850.00
Actual Amount rec'd YTD	\$	54,135.87

<b>Diocesan Appeal</b>	Goal:	\$9,435.00
	Received:	\$3,030.00
	Needed:	\$6,405.00



Holy Rosary Parish/Alliance

<b>Parish Goal:</b>	<b>\$41,375</b>
<b>Total Raised:</b>	<b>\$31,804</b>
<b>Total Received:</b>	<b>\$27,653</b>
<b>Donor Goal:</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Current No of Donors:</b>	<b>105</b>



### Morning Prayer Service with Communion

Services on Wednesdays at 7:00 a.m.

January 26	Kathey Andersen
February 2	Jeannine Gasseling



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JANUARY 30, 2022

<b>LECTORS:</b>	<b>Vicky Elder, Ellen Fester</b>
<b>GREETERS:</b>	<b>Ryan Gasseling Family</b>
<b>ALTAR SERVERS:</b>	<b>Carson Haas, Anthony Haas</b>
<b>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:</b>	<b>Susan Winten</b>

## COMMUNITY/REGIONAL EVENTS

### SAINT BENEDICT CENTER UPCOMING RETREAT

On Jan 28-30th, Saint Benedict Center in Schuyler NE will be hosting the Very Rev. James L. Secora who will offer a week-end retreat on Icons entitled "Windows to Heaven: Encountering and Encountered by Jesus in Icons".

Register now at [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.com) or call (402)352-8819.

### PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

January 23rd, 6:30 PM United Methodist Church –and the Alliance Ministerial Association is hosting this gathering for great singing (guitar accompaniment) and scripture reading **in the context of praying together**. Please come for this meaningful time of community united in Christ.

### WORLD MARRIAGE DAY –ANNIVERSARY MASS

In celebration of World Marriage Day, Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt will be presiding at an Anniversary Mass on Saturday, February 12, 2022 at 4 p.m., at St. Mary's Cathedral in Grand Island. All married couples in the Diocese of Grand Island whose anniversary is divisible by 5 in the years 2021-2022 will be honored at the Holy Mass. Please RSVP to St. Mary's Cathedral, 308-384-2523, or email [secretary@stmarysgj.com](mailto:secretary@stmarysgj.com); or Glenda Stittsworth, 308-379-9325, email [glenarch@charter.net](mailto:glenarch@charter.net), by February 7, 2022.

In addition, the Cathedral Ladies will be serving a lasagna dinner from 5:30 to 7 p.m. on February 12<sup>th</sup> at Cathedral Square. The meal includes lasagna, garlic bread, salad and dessert. The meal is dine-in or carry-out. A free will offering is requested. Everyone is invited.

### Faith Formation/CYO

There is a Snack/M meal Sign up by the door for Faith Formation/CYO. If you are able, please pick a date to help. Thank you to all who helped us in the first semester.

### Help Wanted

St. Bridget's is looking for more parishioners to volunteer for Lectors, Greeters, Eucharistic Ministers, and Outreach Ministers. Please pray and reflect on if you would be able to answer the call the serve in one or more of these. If questions or interest please let Celena know.

### Altar Society

The 2022 Altar Society list and dues envelopes will be coming in the mail with the year-end reports. Thank you for your support.

Copies of the updated St. Bridget's "Prayer Circle" list are available at the front church entrance. Please get a copy.

Any bulletin information should be submitted to the parish center office no later than 2 pm on the Monday prior. You can email your information to Jenny at **[hrcsecretary@bbc.nef](mailto:hrcsecretary@bbc.nef)**. Questions, call Jenny 762-2009.



<b>MONDAY,</b> 7:15 am	<b>JANUARY 24</b> Marian – Communion Service
<b>TUESDAY,</b> 7:15 am	<b>JANUARY 25</b> Marian –Sr. Geraldine Clifford
<b>WEDNESDAY,</b> 9:00 am	<b>JANUARY 26</b> PC GYM– Emmett Jordan
<b>THURSDAY,</b> 7:15 am	<b>JANUARY 27</b> Marian –Jesse Bentley
<b>FRIDAY,</b> 7:15 am	<b>JANUARY 28</b> Marian –Mary Anne Sutton
<b>SATURDAY,</b> 5:00 pm	<b>JANUARY 29</b> Holy Rosary –Pete Becker
<b>SUNDAY,</b> 8:00 am 10:00 am	<b>JANUARY 30</b> St. Bridget's –Gary Collins Holy Rosary –People of the Parish

**++ WEEKEND**  
**++ MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

**January 29th & 30th, 2022**

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**Lectors**

5:00 pm Norah Beck, Rodney Wilhelm  
10:00 am Ande Girard, Teresa Sanders

**Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion**

5:00 pm Barbie Applegarth  
10:00 am Cecelia Requejo

**Altar Servers**

5:00 pm Maslin Breen, Kenley Jelinek  
10:00 am Josie Sanders, Wade Sanders

**Greeters**

5:00 pm Nathan & Raquel Oligmueller  
10:00 am Tim & Justine Devlin

**Music**

5:00 pm Choir  
10:00 am Renee & Sheena

**Outreach Ministers**

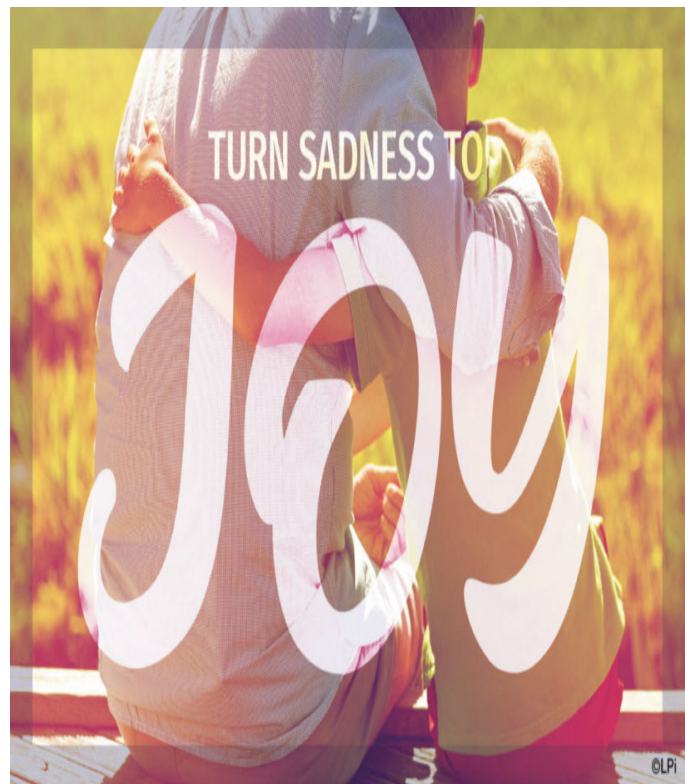
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**January 23, 2022**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**


Human history reveals many periods where people lost a sense of God's transcendence. It may even be argued that human beings have been wandering and lost more than they have been at home and focused. Human nature being what it is, we struggle with who God really is — the God of our salvation history or the “gods” of human constructs. Relying on our own designs and pursuits, we forget that we really are meant to listen to One upon whom the Spirit of the Lord rests, Jesus Christ, and not to ourselves. That same history that reveals our fickleness and infidelity also reveals God's constancy and faithfulness. God always finds us.

As people wander and fumble to find their way, God is there bringing them back to holiness and giving them the assurance of His presence. We have to allow God's Word, God's life, to touch us and change us. It can make us more flexible and attentive to the sacred in all facets of life so that every day is one that is holy. Every day is a time when fulfillment is possible for one's soul. Jesus stood before those gathered in the synagogue as the fulfillment of words of promise that were echoed long ago. God doesn't forget. He always comes for us.

Now it is time to remember to go to God. Sometimes our lives are so confused and tangled that it is difficult to see the Word and hand of God. But when we realize, deep within, the depth of friendship God offers to us it really has the power to turn sadness to joy. The promise is fulfilled. Going frequently to God's Word, allowing ourselves to be enriched and rejuvenated, and pondering the certainty of God's fidelity and promise permanently transforms us. We will be more aware of the sacred and the holy and less invested in things that pull us away.

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