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MAINTENANCE

(Except Holidays) **OFFICE HOURS**

Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Sunday 10:30 a.m.

For Holy Days & Weekdays consult bulletin

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/

RECONCILIATION

Saturday, 3:00-4:00 p.m. and by appointment

BAPTISM

Parents, please call office for

Sacramental preparation

MARRIAGE

Please call office to begin preparation at

least 4 months before your proposed

wedding.

SICK AND HOMEBOUND

Please call office (or rectory 436-4000)

For Scripture Groups, special needs, etc.

Call 436-2290

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1) For special needs, Prayer Tree, Gina Mattley 436-2388 **Carol Lopez 436-5778**

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3) Eucharistic Prayer Day, First Fridays.

APOSTOLIC

Legion of Mary Mary Klemp

HOMEBOUND MINISTRY of COMMUNION

Call the Parish Office if you or someone you

know needs added to this ministry.

Call Marah ~ Shai 436-4008

CATECHUMENATE

For those interested in the Catholic Faith

or for an upgrading, September thru Easter

information call 436-2290

Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come." - In 2:4

Church Etiquette: Priest Should be last in, and first out of Church

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

DAILY MASSES ~ **INTENTIONS**

Monday, Jan. 17

7:00 a.m.

NO MASS Tuesday, Jan. 18

7:00 a.m.

Isabelle & Ed Hemesath ††

Wednesday, Jan. 19

5:15 p.m. Vincent& Robert Martinez ††

Thursday, Jan. 20

7:00 a.m. Jo Marshall

Friday, Jan. 21

7:00 a.m. Val Murillo †

~ 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time ~

Saturday, Jan. 22 5:00 p.m.

Tony Marez †

Sunday, Jan 23 p.m.

10:30 a.m. For the People

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS

Envelopes \$4023; Plate \$422; Youth \$60......Total \$4505 **Other \$195**

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit." (1 CORINTHĬANS 12:7)

St. Paul tells us that God has blessed each of us for a reason. How has God blessed you? Are you using your gifts according to God's plan? How are you helping to build God's kingdom here on earth? Remember that if you don't do the work God planned for you, no one else can do it. Live the life God has intended for you. Take time to discern your charisms (gifts from the Holy Spirit). Experience the supernatural Peace and Joy God desires for each of us.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS JAN. 22ND & 23RD

ALTAR SERVERS:

5:00 p.m.....

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:

5:00 p.m. (H) Steve Larsen **10:30 a.m.** (H) Matthew Kautz

Lectors:

5:00 p.m. *Doug Thomas* **10:30a.m.** Lisa Rimington

Musicians:

USHER LEADERS:





2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time... God delights in you. How do you feel when you hear that? Delight usually comes with an exuberant flow of joy that seemingly arises from one's toes with the expression of great glee. Reflecting upon the deep measure of joy God has in us can be a source of joy for ourselves.

Delight is infectious. A very young brother and sister were playing on the beach when the all too familiar ice cream truck made its daily rounds. The boy shook with excitement and delight as he took his sister's hand and exclaimed, "The ice cream man is here, isn't it great!" As they ran off toward the truck, one could hear the girl reply, "Yeah, I can't wait!" The experience of a child's delight in something so simple as ice cream, lifts our spirits from our burdens and transports us to the lighter, more innocent side of life. Life is not meant to be a burden. Believe it or not, God actually wants us to be happy! In fact, the wedding feast at Cana shows us that God even puts His blessing on our happiness. It is okay to celebrate the wonder of ourselves and others. Life is good. It is always interesting to note that Jesus saves the good wine until last. You would think it would be the other way around. The superb quality of Jesus' wine points to the superior quality of life we find in Christ. It is not a life of burdens but a life of wonder and delight! In Christ, we are lifted from the superficial and mundane to a life of purpose, hope, and love. God is with us through the long haul, through the challenges and sorrows as well as the successes and accomplishments. In spite of the fact that we often wander from the path, God's celebratory delight in us remains. As spouses are asked to remain faithful to each other through whatever life brings, God remains faithful too. This promise remains through this life and into the next. All we have to do is take the advice of Jesus' mother to heart when she says, "Listen to him." This wisdom saves us from foolishly giving in to the illusion that we can make better wine than Jesus.

Readings for the week of January 16, 2022

Monday: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mk 2:18-22

Tuesday: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/

Mk 3:1-6

Thursday:1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/

Mk 3:7-12

Friday: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19

Saturday: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21 Next Sunday: Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12

-30 or 12:12-14, 27/ Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Observances for the week of January 16, 2022

Monday: Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot; Tuesday: Week of Prayer for Christian Unity; Thursday: St. Fabian,

Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr; Friday: St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr;

Saturday: Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children; Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and

Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin.

TIMES FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION SATURDAYS FROM 3:00—4:00 P.M. OR BY APPOINTMENT

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP...The Journey of Grief is a seven-session program designed to aid the healing process of grief. Meetings will include information and discussion. based on Doug Manning's Video Series - "The Journey of Grief". His presentation about the grief journey is captured in a personal way with practical advice: Journey of Grief, The Definition of Grief, The Dimensions of Grief, The Needs of Grief, The Ceremonies of Grief, The Normal Reactions of Grief, The Significance of Grief. Sit with others who are grieving as he discusses the elements of the grief experience, the important aspects of a healthy approach to grieving and what grief companions can do to be a helpful part of the journey. Will meet Sundays, Jan. 30, Febr. 6, 13, 20, 27, March 6, 13, 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at St Agnes Church, 2314 Third Avenue Scottsbluff, NE 69361 (Come in the South Door—Proceed to Garden Level) Contact: Ellen Ramig at 308-631-0811 or Stephanie Upp at 308-631-0645 (Face masks will be available.) Everyone is Welcome!

WEEKLY DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

LEGION OF MARY Not meeting at this time.

FRIDAY HOLY HOUR before the Blessed Sacrament this week at 6:00 a.m.. This hour is dedicated primarily to praying for vocations to the priesthood and religious life, and for the return of lapsed Catholics to the Church.

<u>STATUE OF OUR LADY</u> The statue of Our Lady in the home of: Les & Susan Olson, 2025 19th St., Gering. January escorts are: David Klemp & Neal Johnson.

If you would like to schedule a time to have the Statue in your home, please call Neal Johnson at 672-0535

If you would like the Vocation Chalice in your home please call the office, 436-2290

Faith, Hope and Love . . . Are these present in your marriage? Have you given up hope that they can be? In 1 Corinthians 13:13 Jesus tells us the greatest of these is Love. Living in a marriage that is missing love can be difficult. If you have given up hope that your marriage can and will get better, ask your spouse to consider attending a Retrouvaille program. Retrouvaille is an international Christian-based ministry that offers a three-stage program to help couples improve their marriages. First, a weekend program is attended, followed by post-weekend meetings. Finally, an on-going monthly small group of couples gather for support and growth. If improving your marriage is important to you, reach out today. For more information about a Retrouvaille Weekend program. Feb-2022 1-800-470-2230 ruarv 11-13 to register call www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up January 30th 2022







Wednesday Prayer and Study. Join us Wednesday mornings at 9:30 in the Chapel to pray the Rosary followed by a study of the upcoming Sunday readings in the church basement. Everyone is welcome!

Provide warmth for children in need during cold winter months. The goal of the **Coats for Kids**program is to ensure that no child in North America goes without a coat during the winter season.
Our Council has coats for boys and girls in various sizes and colors. These coats are brand new



and available at no cost to any child who needs a coat. Point of contact is **Grand Knight Alphonso Hernandez at 308-765-0129**.



You're Invited to enjoy laughter and spiritual renewal at our Parish Mission February 6-9 at 6:30 p.m. each evening.

"60 Minutes for Jesus"
presented by
Rev. James Sichko

Rev. James Sichko Papal Missionary of Mercy

Faith Formation

Elementary Grades

Today, Sunday, January 16, Class Grades P-5, 9:10-10:15 am
1st Communion Parents MANDATORY parent meeting,
9:15 a.m. Ed Center Basement

NEXT Sunday, January 23, NO Religious Ed.







Today, Sunday, January 16—Class 6:00-7:15 p.m. NEXT Sunday, January 23, NO Class 6:00-7:15 p.m.

Once again, we are having a Sunday night meal for our youth. Can you take a turn to cook and serve a meal?

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus for dinner last Sunday!





EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS:

It Takes All Kinds. "If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness." Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today;

today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom. Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all. Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word? Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

~ Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

THOUGHTS ~

"You shall be a glorious crown in the hand of the Lord, a royal diadem held by your God."

~ Isaiah 62 ~

"He governs the peoples with equity." ~ Psalm 96 ~

"To each individual the manifestation of the Spirit is given for some benefit."

~1 Corinthians 12 ~

"Do whatever he tells you."

~ John 2 ~

"Always have God before your eyes." ~ St. Anthony the Great ~

"There comes a time when one must take a position that is neither safe, nor politic, nor popular, but he must take it because conscience tells him it is right."

~ Dr. Martin Luther King ~

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SMALL CHANGES... A new year signifies a fresh start for many people. How about a new take on different resolutions that can not only improve health but also be followed for life?

Sleep is essential to overall health and sleep deprivation can lead to serious consequences such as increased weight gain, heart disease, and depression. It's important to focus on your schedule and lifestyle

to determine how best to improve sleep habits. Try to decrease screen time before bed, reduce light pollution in your bedroom, cut back on caffeine and go to bed at a reasonable hour. **Pray** The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us "In the New Covenant, prayer is the living relationship of the children of God with their Father, his Son and the Holy Spirit." It may have more benefits than you realize; it promotes humility, strengthens your heart, increases life span, improves attitude, relieves stress, gives hope ... **Move** Even small movements can have a significant impact on your physical health such as muscle strength, bone density, joint flexibility, brain pathway regrowth, heart health and increased lung capacity. Mental health benefits of movement include mental sharpness with aging, reducing risk of depression/anxiety and increasing serotonin levels to improve mood and energy. Implementing small changes with consistency can make a positive impact on your life, not just 2022.

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St. Sebastian | January 20. Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 - 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350. We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni. Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave. One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.







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