

# ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH

508 W. ANGUS STREET

GRETNA, NE 68028



## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

“He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.” - Jn 16:14

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JUNE 15, 2025



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Gretna, Nebraska

## Welcome

**We invite you to become involved  
in our parish community!**

**There are many opportunities for  
experiencing the peace and joy of our loving  
God in liturgy, education, prayer and service.**

**If you would like to join our parish  
family, please visit our website or  
the Parish Office for a registration form.**

### PARISH OFFICE

Office Hours.....M-F 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM  
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### MASS AND HOLY EUCHARIST

Saturday.....5:00 PM  
Sunday.....8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, & Noon  
Tuesday.....6:00 PM  
Mon, Wed, Thurs, and Fri.....7:30 AM  
Holy Days.....7:30 AM & 6:00 PM  
Holidays (on weekdays) .....9:00 AM

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday.....4:00 PM - 4:40 PM  
*Or call the parish office for an appointment.*

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Parishioners registered for a minimum of one year are eligible to marry here. Six months of marriage preparation prior to your wedding is required by the Archdiocese. Contact the Parish Office to schedule a wedding date and marriage preparation instruction.

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms take place on the first and third Sundays of each month after the Noon Mass. A baptismal date will not be set until you become a registered parishioner and both the parents and Godparents attend the baptismal class for their first child. Classes are held at 7 PM on the second Monday of each month in the Fr. Hitch Room. Please call the Parish Office if you will be attending the class.

### MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If you, a relative or friend are hospitalized or shut in, short or long term, and would like a visit from the Pastor, Deacon or Pastoral Minister, please call the Parish Office. For emergencies or if facing danger or death, call 402-332-4428 or 531-466-2453.

### PERPETUAL EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Access the Adoration Chapel through the Church from 6 AM to 7 PM or contact the office for an access card to the back door. To sign up for an hour, contact Jean Hlavacek at 402-504-4222.

## REFLECT AND RESPOND

### *The Most Holy Trinity*

#### FIRST READING (PRV 8:22-31)

Proverbs teaches us that the wisdom of God was present with God throughout creation, playing on earth and finding delight in humans. What brings delight to your life?

#### SECOND READING (ROM 5:1-5)

Paul encouraged believers that in Jesus we have peace with God and through the Holy Spirit we have the love of God in our hearts. Why do you think these fruits of the Holy Trinity have been given to us?

#### GOSPEL (JN 16:12-15)

Jesus taught His disciples that the Spirit gives to believers everything the Father has given to the Son. When have you been generous to others?

## GOSPEL MEDITATION



I am amazed at how my four siblings teach their many kids in age-appropriate ways. For example, now that my nephew Brandon is 24 years of age, they give him insights and freedoms that would have been positively confounding or even dangerous when he was a toddler. Imagine if they had taught him at age four how to drive a car, use a credit card online, or handle power tools. But eventually, they did, and he is a high functioning young man, I'm proud to say. They are good teachers.

This week we learn that Jesus teaches us in a similar way. He says to His Apostles, "I have much more to tell you, but you cannot bear it now" (John 16:12). How disappointing for them. But imagine at that moment, before His Resurrection and Ascension, if the Lord had started telling them about synods and sacraments, popes and parishes, martyrs and monasteries, rosaries and relics, catechisms and crucifixes? They would have been absolutely overwhelmed, confused, and discouraged. He tells them what they need to know, when it is time for them to know it.

So, He does for us. Jesus has unceasingly taught the Church as she matures through the centuries, just as He teaches you and me through our lives in ways we can understand. Our task should be to learn what He is teaching us now, knowing that (although revelation per se is complete in Him and His Apostles), He never ceases to teach us as we spiritually mature. Be confident: He knows what you are ready to learn now.

## CATHOLIC LIFE EXPLAINED

### QUESTION:

I've seen people hang rosaries over the rear-view mirrors in their cars and a few of them wear them around their necks. Is it ok to do that?

### ANSWER:

The practice of hanging a rosary or a religious medal off of the rearview mirror of one's car is a fairly popular custom across many cultures. While there is no particular rule approving or condemning this practice, we should also be mindful of the respect and reverence due to religious objects and devotional items (i.e. sacramentals).

An important point to consider would be the reason why one chooses to place a rosary or religious medal in our cars. Is it a reminder of the protection and intercession of Mary and the saints? Does it encourage us to be mindful of God's presence, even in such a mundane task as driving? Is it an outward expression of our more private devotions?

One advantage of having a rosary or religious medal in our cars is that it can also serve as a reminder to pray when we travel, asking for protection for ourselves and for other motorists or commuters. Certainly, invoking the protection and prayers of the saints is a wonderful practice for families, helping to reinforce our belief in the communion of saints and the care and concern we owe to one another.



**"There is no surer means of calling down God's blessing upon the family, than the daily recitation of the rosary."**

**—Venerable Servant of God Pope Pius XII**



## SAINTS MARK AND MARCELLIAN

*Martyrs*



Sts. Mark and Marcellian (d. 286 A.D.) were twin brothers who were martyred for their faith in Rome under Emperor Diocletian. According to legend they were both deacons from a distinguished family who were thrown into prison for being Christians. Their mother and father, who were pagans, visited their sons in prison and pleaded with them to return to the worship of false gods so that they could be saved. At the same time, St. Sebastian also visited the brothers and encouraged them to stand strong in their faith. St. Sebastian's

exhortation was so persuasive that the parents of Marcellian and Mark were converted, along with several friends who were present, as well as the other prisoners. All of these new Christian converts were eventually martyred alongside Mark and Marcellian. The brothers had their feet nailed to a wood post, and later their bodies were pierced with lances. Their feast day is June 18.

## BLESSED JOHN FENWICK AND JOHN GAVAN

*Priests and Martyrs*

Bl. John Fenwick and Bl. John Gavan (d. 1679) were Englishmen and Jesuit priests who were martyred for their faith in England during the monarchy's persecution of the Catholic Church. John Fenwick's Protestant parents disowned him when he became a Catholic. The two priests, along with three other Jesuits, were falsely accused of involvement in the "Popish Plot," a fabricated conspiracy that mounted to anti-Catholic hysteria in England over the course of three years. The men were charged with complicity to assassinate King Charles II and condemned on the charges of High Treason and subversion of the nation's Protestant religion. During their trial, John Gavan acted as the principal spokesman for the group; one historian called him one of the ablest priests of his generation. Both priests were condemned to be hung, drawn, and quartered. It is said that the King, knowing they were innocent yet unwilling to grant them pardon, permitted them to be hanged only. After giving a rousing speech declaring their innocence, Bl. John Fenwick and Bl. John Gavan were martyred together on June 20, 1679. They share a feast day on June 20.



## SAINT ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

*Priest*



St. Aloysius Gonzaga (1568–1591) was born to a noble Italian family, the eldest of seven children, and was destined for the military. However, by the time he was nine years of age he chose the religious life and made a personal vow of chastity. As a safeguard against sexual temptation he always kept his eyes downcast in the presence of women. Although many tried to dissuade him from his chosen Vocation, he was eventually allowed to renounce his inheritance and enter the seminary in order to become a Jesuit priest. While he was studying in Rome, there was an outbreak of the plague. Aloysius volunteered to care for the sick, despite the delicateness of his own health. As a result, he contracted the disease and died at the age of twenty-three, before completing his priestly studies. St. Aloysius was connected with two great figures of the Counter-Reformation: he received his First Holy Communion at the age of twelve from St. Charles Borromeo, and his Last Rites from St. Robert Bellarmine, both of whom served as his spiritual advisers. On the night of his death, St. Mary Magdalene de Pazzi had a vision of him being received into great glory. St. Aloysius Gonzaga is the patron saint of youth and bodily purity. His feast day is June 21.

Help us to be one, Lord Jesus, as you prayed to the Father. Gather us all to you, diverse in culture, gift, call, way of life, and perspective. May the love we have for you overflow into the love we have for each other. Amen.



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## READINGS THIS WEEK

**MONDAY:** 2 Cor 6:1-10/Ps 98:1, 2b, 3ab, 3cd-4/Mt 5:38-42  
**TUESDAY:** 2 Cor 8:1-9/Ps 146:2, 5-6ab, 6c-7, 8-9a/Mt 5:43-48  
**WEDNESDAY:** 2 Cor 9:6-11/Ps 112:1bc-2, 3-4, 9/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18  
**THURSDAY:** 2 Cor 11:1-11/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mt 6:7-15  
**FRIDAY:** 2 Cor 11:18, 21-30/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 6:19-23  
**SATURDAY:** 2 Cor 12:1-10/Ps 34:8-9, 10-11, 12-13/Mt 6:24-34  
**NEXT SUNDAY:** Gn 14:18-20/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 (4b)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

**Better to pray one psalm with devotion and compunction than a hundred with distraction.**

—St. Romuald

## OBSERVANCES THIS WEEK

**THURSDAY:** St. Romuald, Abbot; Juneteenth  
**FRIDAY:** World Refugee Day  
**SATURDAY:** St. Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious  
**NEXT SUNDAY:** The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ





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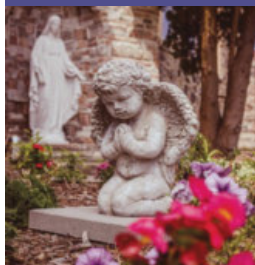
## FIRST COMMUNICANTS Celebrating Last Weekend

Congratulations to our First Communicants who received First Holy Communion last weekend. We pray that the Lord continues to pour out His love to

you as you are united with Him in Holy Communion each time you receive. Congratulations to Lennon Diepraam, Rowen Diepraam, Stella Gilligan, Thaddeus LeGree, and Lawson Leinen.



## CEMETERY CLEAN UP Holy Sepulchre Cemetery



We will be having a clean up day at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery (23131 Schram Rd, Gretna) on Saturday, June 14 at 8 AM (or for a rain date on Saturday, June 21). If you are available, please join us. Garden clean up tools and gloves are helpful to bring

along with them if you have them. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to Kathy at 402-740-1889. Thank you!

## VOCATION PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for the men and women of the Archdiocese of Omaha in formation for Consecrated Life.

This week let us pray for **Br. Charlie Jarosik** (Capuchin Franciscans) from St. Patrick in Elkhorn.



"Everything that the Father has is mine; for this reason I told you that He will take from what is mine and declare it to you." (John 16:15) The unity of the Holy Trinity invites us to participate in God's life and love. How is God calling you to embody this unity through a vocation? Talk to your priest or reach out to Father Scott Schilmoeller at 402-558-3100 or email [vocations@archomaha.org](mailto:vocations@archomaha.org).

**"PRAY ALWAYS AND DO NOT LOSE HEART."**



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RECENT NEWLYWEDS!



*Last weekend, we were excited to host a wedding! Congratulations to the newlyweds as you share your life together! We will keep you in our prayers and wish you both the very best!*

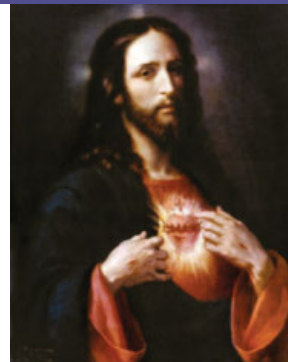
*Couple.....Date*

*Cole Huss and Megan Fastenau.....6/7/2025*

## WHAT ARE THE 12 PROMISES OF THE SACRED HEART Let's Remind Ourselves of these Beautiful Graces

You've probably read them before, but—during this month of the Sacred Heart—let's review the magnificent promises of our Lord to those devoted to His Heart! Revealed to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque in the 17th century, these promises show us in no uncertain terms just how much our Lord desires that we devote ourselves to His loving Heart. For those who do, He promised:

1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
2. I will establish peace in their homes.
3. I will comfort them in all their afflictions.
4. I will be their secure refuge during life, and above all, in death.
5. I will bestow abundant blessings upon all their undertakings.
6. Sinners will find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Lukewarm souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall quickly mount to high perfection.
9. I will bless every place in which an image of my Heart is exposed and honored.
10. I will give to priests the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who shall promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart.
12. I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who receive Holy Communion on the First Fridays in nine consecutive months the grace of final perseverance; they shall not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their sacraments. My divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.

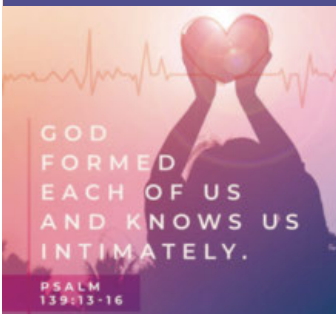


The twelfth promise refers to the First Friday devotion—a very easy way to insert devotion to the Sacred Heart into our monthly routines. All we have to do is receive Holy Communion on nine consecutive First Fridays (ensuring we go to Confession beforehand if we are not in a state of grace), offering these Communions in reparation for the sins committed against the Sacred Heart.

There are many other additional, daily ways to place ourselves in the Heart of Christ. A simple thought of love and affection means so much to Him. "Jesus, I trust in You!" or "Sacred Heart of Jesus, have mercy on us!" are other little prayers we can offer to more firmly bind ourselves to this Heart that loves us so much.

—Article by The Catholic Company

## EVERY LIFE IS WORTH LIVING Prayer for Life



Heavenly Father, thank you for the precious gift of life. Help us to cherish and protect this gift, even in the midst of fear, pain, and suffering. Give us love for all people, especially the most vulnerable, and help us bear witness to the truth that every life is worth living. Grant us the humility to accept help when we are in need, and teach us to be merciful to all. Through our words and actions, may others encounter the outstretched hands of Your mercy. We ask this through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

—Prayer from USCCB 9 Days for Life



## FR. SSONKO FUNDRAISER—FRIDAY, JULY 11

### Get Your Tickets Today and Invite a Friend

Join us for this year's Fr. Ssonko Fundraiser—Invest in Hope: Educate Youth for Brighter Tomorrows—on Friday, July 11. This unique raise the paddle fundraiser raises money to support our sister parish, St. Mary's in Busaabala, Uganda. Last year, we had an outstanding response to raise funds to build a dormitory for the



students of St. Mary's Primary School. This year we will be raising funds to support the students of the school—particularly in paying for uniforms for students who can't afford them, school supplies, and the like. Visit our parish website, [stpatriksgretna.org/father-ssonko-fundraiser](http://stpatriksgretna.org/father-ssonko-fundraiser) or stop in the Parish Office to get your tickets. The Stella Matutina O'Connor Foundation is offering a \$30,000 matching fund this year.

## TOTUS TUUS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

### Host Families, Meals, and Classroom Volunteers

Visiting missionaries will be with us for Totus Tuus Sunday, June 22 thru Friday, June 27, and we need your help! If you would like to help in any way listed below, please contact Shane at [smfagan@archomaha.org](mailto:smfagan@archomaha.org). Thank you!

- **Host Families:** do you have room for two college aged young men or women to stay with you from the evening of Saturday, June 21 thru the morning of the Saturday, June 28 (or evening of June 27)? Can you provide continental breakfast items each day? Then, this might be a great opportunity for these traveling missionaries to meet some of our amazing parishioners and be provided with a warm welcome and hospitality while visiting St. Patrick.
- **Provide Dinner:** are you a good cook for a group? Each night we have dinner available for the teens participating and the visiting missionaries (about 15-20 total). Please consider making or purchasing a dinner one night (June 22-26).
- **Provide Lunch:** each day (June 23-27) we need someone to provide lunch for the missionaries (only 4). This can be dropped off ahead of time or at lunchtime on your day.
- **Snack/Lunch Help:** This can be an adult, high schooler, or middle schooler to help set up and serve snacks in the morning and help with clean up after lunch. You can help everyday or just some days.
- **Small Group Help:** This can be an adult, high schooler, or middle schooler that sits in with the groups through the day assisting the missionaries with behavior, activities, etc. You could volunteer for the whole week, just some days, or just parts of days.



## SEVEN SISTERS APOSTOLATE

### Pray for Our Parish Priests



We are looking for women who would be willing to pray one day a week for one hour for Father Baxter and Father Vince's intentions. Materials are available to help you in prayer for your hour. If you are interested in joining the Seven Sisters, please contact Barb Applegate at 402-980-0216. For more information about the apostolate, visit <http://sevensistersapostolate.org>.

### Stewardship Report

June 4-June 10, 2025

Current Fiscal Year - July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

General Contributions	Jun 4- Jun 10, 2025	Fiscal YTD thru Jun 10
Sunday Offering	\$27,585.25	\$1,227,402.43
Other Contributions	\$1,563.31	\$126,044.51
Total General Contributions	\$29,148.56	\$1,353,446.94 *
Surplus/Deficit	\$2,898.56	\$67,196.94

\* Our budget requires an average weekly income of \$26,250.

'Other Contributions' include Holy Days, Maintenance & Repairs, and other Special Collections.



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## THE KNIGHT'S CORNER



### COR MEN'S GROUP

Cor exists to form and strengthen Catholic men in faith and virtue as missionary disciples by drawing them into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ through prayer, formation, and fraternity. Cor will be held in the Fr. Hitch Room every two weeks with the next meeting being (Sunday, June 22 at 7 PM). Come join your brother parishioners for prayer and fraternity! If you have additional questions, please reach out to Matthew Henry at [mattHenry@gmail.com](mailto:mattHenry@gmail.com), Andy Pearson at [apearson709@gmail.com](mailto:apearson709@gmail.com), Eric Devlin at [delineric62@gmail.com](mailto:delineric62@gmail.com) or Seth Boardman at [sethd99@hotmail.com](mailto:sethd99@hotmail.com).



### THE GIVING GARDEN



The Giving Garden is set up in the Narthex! Please feel free to bring any excess vegetables from your bountiful gardens to share with our parish. Be sure to check it regularly as people bring in new goodies to share. There are bags on the cart that you can use to take the produce you would like.

### BAGS, BEERS, AND BRATS

Save the date for this year's St. Patrick Bags, Beers, and Brats Community Festival on Friday, July 25 from 5 PM to 10 PM in the south parking lot.

Register for the bags (Cornhole) tournament by emailing [GretnaOptimistClub@gmail.com](mailto:GretnaOptimistClub@gmail.com). Tables, chairs, and tents are provided, however, you are welcome to bring your own lawn chair. This year's live music will be the Mark Vyhliadal Variety Band. Our Gretna Knights of Columbus are sponsoring the Beer and Beverage Tent while the Gretna Optimist Club is sponsoring the brats, burgers, and hotdogs and the cornhole (bags) tournament.



### Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight, Bruce Jefferies.....402-521-4262  
Deputy Grand Knight, John Schaffert.. 402-672-7903  
Financial Secretary, Marty Stednitz.....402-332-3840  
Chancellor and Membership Director, Tim Hall.....  
.....307-214-3714  
Century Club Administrator, Jim Hottovy.....  
.....402-651-8564



## ST. PATRICK CATHOLIC CHURCH Gretna, Nebraska

### MASS INTENTIONS

An individual may ask a priest to offer a Mass for several reasons: for example, in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person—such as on a birthday or if they are ill (INT), or, as is most common, for the repose of the soul of one who has died (†). To request a Mass intention, stop by the parish office to schedule. A minimum of \$10 per Mass is requested.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 16TH

7:30 AM † Judith Snider

#### TUESDAY, JUNE 17TH

6:00 PM † Marie, Marilyn, Vern, and Dick Ulrich

#### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18TH

7:30 AM † Kevin Weber

#### THURSDAY, JUNE 19TH

7:30 AM † Shirley and Tom Hermanck

#### FRIDAY, JUNE 20TH

7:30 AM † Janet and Zeno Gottula

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 21ST

5:00 PM † Ann and Conrad Schram

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND

8:00 AM † Ken Merkel  
10:00 AM For Our Parishioners  
12:00 PM † John Moloney

### LITURGICAL VESTMENT COLORS

- **White**—JOY—Christmas, Easter, Mary, Saints
- **Red**—LOVE—The Passion, Holy Spirit, Martyrs
- **Green**—HOPE—Ordinary Time
- **Violet**—HUMILITY—Advent, Lent
- **Rose**—JOY—Gaudete, Laetare Sundays



Let us pray for Ian McGovern, Cheryl Schram, Steve N, Lucy Winter, Celeste Baumert, Joe Carney, Ronald Baxter (Fr. Baxter's dad), Paul Polt, and Leanne Robb. Pray for John and Wanda Jonas, Ed, and Jo Anne Lyons (mom of Theresa Gulizia). Pray for Marolyn, Lil Herbstritt, Deacon David Medeiros, and Reece Bittner (grandson of Bruce Jefferies). Pray also for all our parishioners who are homebound, hospitalized, and in nursing homes, and for all our parishioners and loved ones who have recently passed away.

To add a loved one to the prayer line, please call Corliss Lovstad at 402-968-5877 or email her at [clovstad@gmail.com](mailto:clovstad@gmail.com).

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### SUNDAY, JUNE 15TH—THE MOST HOLY TRINITY—FATHER'S DAY

7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM Rosary—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon Mass—Sanctuary  
9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Father's Day Breakfast—Parish Center and Kitchen  
1:00 PM to 2:00 PM Baptisms—Sanctuary  
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM Private Event—Parish Center A

### MONDAY, JUNE 16TH

7:00 AM to 7:20 AM Rosary (before Mass begins at 7:30 AM)—Sanctuary

### TUESDAY, JUNE 17TH

10:00 AM to 11:00 AM Rosary Guild Meeting—Father Hitch Room  
5:30 PM to 5:50 PM Rosary (before Mass begins at 6:00 PM)—Sanctuary  
6:30 PM to 6:40 PM Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotion—Sanctuary

### WEDNESDAY, JUNE 18TH

7:00 AM to 7:20 AM Rosary (before Mass begins at 7:30 AM)—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM to 8:15 AM Liturgy of the Hours—Behind the Tabernacle  
8:00 AM to 9:30 AM 55+ Club Outing—Offsite  
9:00 AM to 10:30 AM Faith Connection—Parish Center C  
5:30 PM to 7:00 PM Private Event—Sanctuary  
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM Youth Group—Youth Group Room

### THURSDAY, JUNE 19TH

7:00 AM to 7:20 AM Rosary (before Mass begins at 7:30 AM)—Sanctuary

### FRIDAY, JUNE 20TH

6:30 AM to 7:30 AM Men's Faith Sharing—Father Hitch Room  
7:00 AM to 7:20 AM Rosary (before Mass begins at 7:30 AM)—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM to 10:00 AM Women's Faith Sharing—Father Hitch Room  
5:00 PM to 7:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal—Sanctuary and Narthex

### SATURDAY, JUNE 21ST

8:00 AM to 3:30 PM Wedding Prep—Sanctuary, Narthex, Father Hitch, Bride's Room  
12:00 PM to 4:00 PM Knights of Columbus Family Day—Parking Lot and Parish Center  
2:00 PM to 3:30 PM Wedding—Sanctuary and Narthex  
4:00 PM to 4:40 PM Confession—Confessional  
4:30 PM to 4:50 PM Rosary (before Mass begins at 5:00 PM)—Sanctuary  
6:30 PM to 8:30 PM 10-Point Pitch—Basement Commons

### SUNDAY, JUNE 22ND—THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (CORPUS CHRISTI)

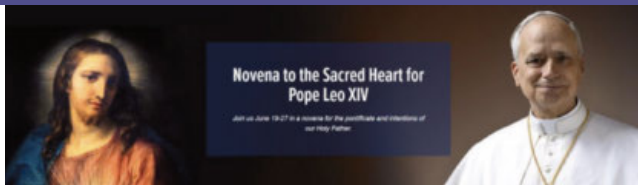
7:30 AM, 9:30 AM, 11:30 AM Rosary—Sanctuary  
8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, Noon Mass—Sanctuary  
6:30 PM to 9:00 PM Totus Tuus for 7th-12th Grade—Basement Commons, Youth Group  
7:00 PM to 8:30 PM COR Men's Group Meeting—Father Hitch Room

## SACRED HEART NOVENA FOR POPE LEO XIV

*Prayer Runs June 19-27*

The Knights of Columbus are inviting Catholics around the world to pray a Sacred Heart novena for Pope Leo XIV this month. The devotion will run

June 19-27, bridging the anniversary of the Pope's priestly ordination with the Church's celebration of the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart. The Knights are inviting all to participate by pledging prayers and submitting personal intentions through their website. Supreme Knight Patrick Kelly will carry those intentions to Rome in October as part of a Jubilee pilgrimage, according to a press release from the organization. The timing also coincides with the 350th anniversary of the final revelation received by St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, whose visions of Christ's love helped ignite widespread devotion to the Sacred Heart. In addition to the novena, participants are encouraged to pray with Pope Leo's prayer intention for June: "That each one of us might find consolation in a personal relationship with Jesus, and from His Heart, learn to have compassion on the world." Those wishing to take part in the novena can sign up and submit intentions at <https://www.kofc.org/un/en/campaigns/papal-novena.html>.



## LAY MINISTER'S SCHEDULE

### *The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)*

**JUNE 21ST**  
**5:00 PM**

**Sacristan**  
Carol Zeleny

**Lectors**  
Carol Zeleny  
(Read the 1st Reading)  
  
Eric Hittner  
(Read the 2nd Reading)

**EMHCs**  
Jocelyn Pearson  
Diane Sherwood  
JoAnn Koch  
Nancy Arp  
Deacon Ken Broz

**Ushers**  
Ken Beckman  
Andy Pearson  
Jeff Wollenburg  
Need Sub

**Rosary Reciter**  
Ellie Clines

**Altar Servers**  
Aslyn Ronk  
Kenley Ronk  
Need Sub

**Greeters**  
Nancy Kirkpatrick  
Tim Kirkpatrick

**JUNE 22ND**  
**8:00 AM**

**Sacristan**  
Carol Zeleny

**Lectors**  
Joan Ingram  
(Read the 1st Reading)  
  
Carrie Hubert  
(Read the 2nd Reading)

**EMHCs**  
Nancy Kruse  
Tim Kruse  
Deb Benes  
Greg Jones  
Deacon Ken Broz

**Ushers**  
Greg Jones  
Kevin Kaup  
Christopher Wilson  
Need Sub

**Rosary Reciter**  
Carol Zeleny

**Altar Servers**  
Carson Kaup  
Ethan Kaup  
Will Kaup

**Greeters**  
Mary Brown  
Steve Ingram

**Hilcrest SR/HL**  
Tim and Nancy Kruse

**JUNE 22ND**  
**10:00 AM**

**Sacristan**  
Mitch Wendlandt

**Lectors**  
Jim Hain  
(Read the 1st Reading)  
  
Michael Chatterson  
(Read the 2nd Reading)

**EMHCs**  
Bob Huber  
Judy Huber  
Bridget Chatterson  
David Burke

**Ushers**  
Bruce Jefferies  
Tom Nienaber  
Norm Svoboda  
Need Sub

**Rosary Reciter**  
Tam Hottovy

**Altar Servers**  
Anderson Brei  
Harper Dickes  
Nev Dickes

**Greeters**  
Andrew Brei  
Carol Zeleny

**JUNE 22ND**  
**NOON**

**Sacristan**  
Larry Neppi

**Lectors**  
Eric Hittner  
(Read the 1st Reading)  
  
Stephanie Lampe  
(Read the 2nd Reading)

**EMHCs**  
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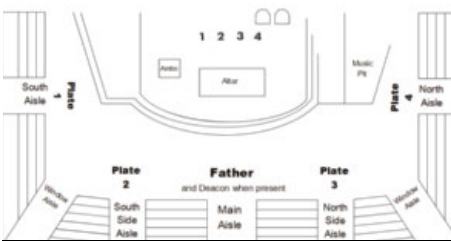
**Greeters**  
Jeanette Roy  
Marty White

**Vocations Crucifix**  
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*If you are unable to serve at your assigned time, please find a substitute. The Parish Office greatly appreciates your help, support and patience as we work together in providing Mass to our parish family!*

*The Vocations Crucifix can be picked up after any of the weekend Masses from the Sacristy, and should be returned before the following weekend.*

**EMHC STATION MAP**



**EMHC Positions (see diagram above):**

- 1) South Aisle
- 2) South Side Aisle
- 3) North Side Aisle
- 4) North Aisle
- 5) Main Aisle—Father and Deacon when present

**TRINITY SUNDAY**



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## PARISH BREAKFASTS *Special Father's Day Breakfast*



You are invited to join us in the Parish Center for a special Father's Day breakfast on June 15, from 9 AM to 12 PM for a delicious breakfast. It's a perfect way to celebrate the fathers of our parish.

## 10-POINT PITCH *Every 3rd Saturday Evening*

Please join us for Call Your Partner 10-Point Pitch! We will meet the 3rd Saturday evening of each month, June 21 in the Commons Area in the lower level from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM here at St. Patrick. Please bring food and/or drinks if you like and enjoy meeting others while playing a few friendly games of Pitch. A prize will be given to the highest and lowest score. If you want to learn to play, we would be glad to teach you! If you have any questions, text or call Liz Schwartz at 402-705-0434. All are welcome!



## LEAST OF MY BRETHREN *Volunteer Opportunities*

Volunteer for Least of my Brethren!



Least of my Brethren is looking for groups or individuals willing to volunteer one hour or one day to help the homeless in Omaha. For one hour, your group can pack blessing bags that include essential toiletries handed out

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## 20 THINGS GUARDIAN ANGELS DO FOR US *Better Enlist the Aid of Your Guardian Angel*

Imagine you had a bodyguard who was always with you. He did all the usual bodyguard things like protecting you from danger, warding off assailants, and generally keeping you safe in all situations. But he also did more than this: he offered you moral guidance, helped you become a stronger person, and led you to your ultimate calling in life. We don't have to imagine it. We already have such a bodyguard. Christian tradition calls them guardian angels. Their existence is supported by Scripture and both Catholics and Protestants believe in them. Too often we neglect to utilize this great spiritual resource. (I, for one, am certainly guilty of this!) In order to better enlist the aid of our guardian angels, it might help to have a better appreciation of what they can do for us. Here are 20 things:



1. **Ward off demons**—Sometimes we visualize moral decision-making as a debate between a bad angel whispering in one ear and a good angel speaking wisely in the other. There is a truth to this; according to St. Thomas Aquinas, one of the roles of the guardian angels is to fight off demons (*Summa Theologica*, Part 1, Question 113, Articles 2-6).
2. **Protect us from harm**—Guardian angels generally protect us from both spiritual and physical harm, according to Aquinas (Question 113, Article 5, Reply 3). This belief is rooted in Scripture. For example, Psalm 91:11-12 declares, "For He commands His angels with regard to you, to guard you wherever you go. With their hands they shall support you, lest you strike your foot against a stone."
3. **Strengthen us against temptation**—Guardian angels do not just ward off evil, they also strengthen us so we can do it ourselves. As St. Bernard says in a sermon, "As often, therefore, as a most serious temptation is perceived to weigh upon you and an excessive trial is threatening, call to your guard, your leader, your helper in your needs, in your tribulation; cry to him and say: 'Lord, save us; we perish!'"
4. **Embolden us**—St. Bernard also says that with angels such as these at our side we should have no fear. We should have the courage to live out our faith boldly and confront whatever life might throw our way. As he puts it, "Why should we fear under such guardians? Those who keep us in all our ways can neither be overcome nor be deceived, much less deceive. They are faithful; they are prudent; they are powerful; why do we tremble?"
5. **Intervene miraculously to save us from trouble**—Guardian angels not only "guard," they also can save us when we are already in trouble. This is illustrated by the story of Peter in Acts 12, when an angel helps break the apostle out of prison. The story suggests that it is his own personal angel that has intervened (see verse 15). Of course, we cannot count on such miracles. But it's an added comfort to know that they are possible.
6. **Guard us from our beginning**—Church Fathers once debated whether guardian angels were assigned at birth or baptism. St. Jerome argued decisively for the former. His basis was Matthew 18:10, which is a crucially important Scriptural passage that supports the existence of guardian angels. In the verse, Jesus says, "See that you do not despise one of these little ones, for I say to you that their angels in Heaven always look upon the face of my Heavenly Father." According to Aquinas, we receive guardian angels at birth rather than at baptism because their aid is associated with our nature as rational beings, rather than belonging to the order of grace (Question 113, Article 5, Answer). But what about at conception? Aquinas believed the unborn child to be under the protection of the mother's guardian angel until birth (see Q113, A5, Reply to Objection 3), but St. Anselm asserts, "every soul is committed to an angel at the moment when it is united with a body," meaning that humans receive guardian angels at conception rather than at birth.
7. **Guard all of us—including unbelievers**—This conclusion follows from the above. Aquinas also makes this clear in explaining that God never leaves any of us, including sinners. As the great dogmatic theologian Ludwig Ott explained, "According to the general teaching of the theologians, however, not only every baptized person, but every human being, including unbelievers, has his own special guardian angel from his birth." Pope Benedict XVI also taught that guardian angels are "ministers of the divine care for every human being." (Thanks to Jimmy Akin for highlighting these sources.)
8. **Remind us of the dignity of persons**—This follows from all that has been said before. It is particularly evident from Matthew 18:10 where Jesus instructs us not to "despise the little ones" because they have angels watching over them. (I'm particularly indebted to Protestant preacher John Piper for pointing this out.) As St. Jerome puts it, "The worth of souls is so great that from birth each one has an angel assigned to him for protection." Piper emphasizes how the presence of guardian angels should lead us to a greater respect for our fellow Christians: "Therefore don't despise this simple, unimpressive disciple of Jesus!"

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## 20 THINGS GUARDIAN ANGELS DO FOR US

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Let his angelic entourage remind you whose son he is."

9. **Remind us of God's care for all**—Aquinas explains how the angels operate in accordance with God's providential plan for all men (Question 113, Article 6, Answer). It follows that these angels serve as a reminder of His care for us.
10. **Bring our needs to God**—Akin says that guardian angels act as intercessors who bring our requests directly to God based on Jesus' words in Matthew 18:10 about angels beholding the face of God.
11. **Bring us closer to God**—It follows from the above that guardian angels also aid in bringing us nearer to God. Even when God seems distant, just remember that the guardian angel assigned to you personally is at the same time beholding God directly, as the *Catholic Encyclopedia* notes.
12. **Move us to the good**—Guardian angels also move us to the good. As Aquinas writes: "It is moreover manifest that as regards things to be done human knowledge and affection can vary and fail from good in many ways; and so it was necessary that angels should be deputed for the guardianship of men, in order to regulate them and move them to good." (See Question 113, Article 1, Answer and Article 4, Objection 3) This includes prompting us to perform good works, according to Aquinas.
13. **Reinforce God's commands**—According to Aquinas, one of the roles of our angelic guardians is helping us use our reason to pursue virtue. In particular, he says the angels help us in developing prudence by serving as God's "universal instructor," passing on God's precepts (Question 113, Article 1, Reply 2).
14. **Illuminate the truth**—Angels "propose the intelligible truth to men" through sensible things, according to Aquinas (Question 111, Article 1, Answer). Although he does not elaborate on this point, this is a basic teaching of the Church that the material world points to invisible spiritual realities. As St. Paul says in Romans 1:20, "Ever since the creation of the world, His invisible attributes of eternal power and divinity have been able to be understood and perceived in what He has made."
15. **Strengthen our minds**—A second way that angels enlighten us, Aquinas says, is by reinforcing our intellects. As he puts it, "the human intellect as the inferior, is strengthened by the action of the angelic intellect" (Question 111, Article 1).
16. **Communicate through our imagination**—In addition to working through our senses and intellects, our guardian angels also influence us through our imaginations, according to Aquinas, who gives the example of Joseph's dreams (Question 111, Article 3, On the Contrary and Answer). But it might not be something as obvious as a dream; it could also be through more subtle means like a "phantasm," which could be defined as an image brought to the senses or the imagination (Question 111: Article 1, Answer; definition adapted from the *Dictionary of Scholastic Philosophy* by Bernard Wueller, SJ).
17. **Influence our wills**—Angels cannot directly move the will, but, according to Aquinas, they can indirectly influence it through our senses and intellect, as stated above (Question 111, Article 2, Answer). This means that our guardian angels influence every part of our being for the better—our senses, intellect, and will.
18. **Aid in our salvation**—The ultimate goal of all that guardian angels do is to aid in our salvation, according to Aquinas. "Angels are sent to minister, and that efficaciously indeed, for those who shall receive the inheritance of salvation, if we consider the ultimate effect of their guardianship, which is the realizing of that inheritance," Aquinas writes (Question 113, Article 5, Reply 1). Here he is drawing from Hebrews 1:14, which states, "Are they not all ministering spirits sent to serve, for the sake of those who are to inherit salvation?"
19. **Remind us of our ultimate goal**—Inspired by Christ's words in Matthew 18:10, St. Augustine suggests that guardian angels remind us that our ultimate goal is the beatific vision of God: "As, then, they see, so shall we also see; but not yet do we thus see. Wherefore the apostle uses the words cited a little ago, now we see through a glass, darkly; but then face to face. This vision is reserved as the reward of our faith; and of it the Apostle John also says, when He shall appear, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is (1 John 3:2). By the face of God we are to understand His manifestation, and not a part of the body similar to that which in our bodies we call by that name." (*City of God*, Book 22, Chapter 29)
20. **Never leave us**—Guardian angels assume their duties at our birth and maintain them up to our death. For Aquinas, this is just an extension of the broader truth that we never completely leave God's care, even in sin and doubt: "Now it is evident that neither man, nor anything at all, is entirely withdrawn from the providence of God: for in as far as a thing participates being, so far is it subject to the providence that extends over all being. God indeed is said to forsake man, according to the ordering of His providence, but only in so far as He allows man to suffer some defect of punishment or of fault. In like manner it must be said that the angel guardian never forsakes a man entirely..." (Question 113, Article 6, Answer)

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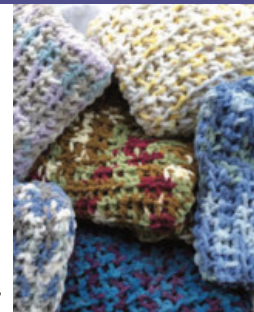
Does your parish ministry group have opportunities for others to get involved? Contact Megan Seamann, meseamann@archomaha.org, about getting your parish ministry group opportunities advertised.

### THANK YOU FROM EPS *Diaper Drive Gratitude*

*Thank you to the St. Patrick's Outreach Committee, Thank you so much for your recent, generous donation of baby supplies and gift cards to our EPS Boutique. As the oldest pregnancy resource center in NE, we rely solely on local donations to keep our Boutique stocked. Countless women & their families are supported through this program. We are so thankful for partners like you who make all of this work possible. We couldn't do it without you!*  
Blessings, Sheilyn & the EPS team

### SICK OR SUFFERING? *Prayer Shawls in the Parish Office*

Did you know that our church has blessed prayer shawl blankets, that can be shared with any of your family members or friends, who are sick and suffering physically, spiritually, emotionally? If you know of anyone who would benefit from this gift of comfort and prayer, please stop by the office Monday-Friday between 8 AM and 4:30 PM and choose a prayer shawl blanket for your loved one.





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### MAGNIFICAT OMAHA SUMMER BRUNCH—ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE, JUNE 21



All women are invited to the Magnificat-Omaha Summer Brunch at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church (11802 Pacific St, Omaha) on Saturday, June 21 from 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM. Our guest speaker, Janice Charbonnet, will inspire you to reboot, refresh, renew your faith, and walk in your anointing. The cost is \$20. For reservations and information, go to [www.MagnificatOmaha.org](http://www.MagnificatOmaha.org). Magnificat-Omaha is an archdiocesan-wide Catholic women's organization focused on evangelization.

### CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION—ST. WENCESLAUS, JUNE 22

The third annual West Omaha Corpus Christi Procession will take place on Sunday, June 22, at 2 PM. The procession will begin at Dowd Chapel at Boys Town (13943 Dowd Dr, Boys Town) and end at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church (15353 Pacific St, Omaha) with Benediction at St. Wenceslaus. Refreshments and a free bus ride back to Boys Town will be provided.



### ROME BENEATH THE SURFACE—ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE, JUNE 29



Want to go to Rome without the hassle of passports and airfare? Let Deacon Omar Gutiérrez take you on a tour of the Eternal City... Rome Beneath the Surface on Sunday, June 29 from 7 PM to 8:30 PM at St. Robert Bellarmine (11802 Pacific St, Omaha). Learn about the beginnings of modern Christian archeology, learn about the early Church, all the while learning about the roots of our faith as Catholics. Appropriate (and recommended) for middle schoolers and older. Bring the whole family! All are welcome. Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased at <https://www.eicatholic.org/event-details/ei-presents-rome-beneath-the-surface-2>.

### MONASTIC EXPERIENCE—CLYDE, MISSOURI, JULY 18-20

The Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration invite single women, ages 18-40 who are curious about religious life, to a Monastic Experience July 18-20 at their monastery in Clyde, Missouri. It's a chance to experience the daily rhythm of monastic life where participants can join the Sisters in praying the Divine Office, Daily Mass, and Eucharistic Adoration, as well as experiencing Lectio Divina (praying with Scripture) and gaining wisdom from the Benedictine tradition. There is no cost to attend, and more details are available at <https://benedictinesisters.org/come-let-us-adore>. The next opportunity will be October 17-19. To register, please contact Sister Nancy Rose at 660-944-2221 ext. 142 or [vocation@benedictinesisters.org](mailto:vocation@benedictinesisters.org).



### THE WAY HEALING RETREAT—OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL, WAVERLY, JULY 18-20



The Way is a healing retreat for survivors of abuse. This three-day guided meditation and prayer experience is designed for those whose abuse by another has deeply affected their hearts, minds, bodies, and souls. The next retreat is for women and will be held July 18-20 at the Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat Center (7303 N 112th St, Waverly). For more information, contact Mary Beth Hanus from the Archdiocese of Omaha at 402-827-3798 or [mbhanus@archomaha.org](mailto:mbhanus@archomaha.org). Learn more at <https://archomaha.org/safe-environment/victim-assistance/#theway>.

### SEEKING TRUTH CATHOLIC BIBLE STUDY—ST. LEO'S, SEPTEMBER 11

Seeking Truth Catholic Bible Study is a metro-wide program in its' 18th year. This year's study will last 16 weeks (calendar on website) and will be covering the Gospel of Matthew. The study is unique in that it takes a canonical approach connecting both Old and New Testaments as well as catechism and papal writings. We'd love to have you join us for this foundational Gospel and study of the Catholic Faith. Registration is open and filling quickly at [www.SeekingTRUTH.net](http://www.SeekingTRUTH.net). Begins on September 11 with day and evening live classes available at St. Leo's Parish (1920 N 102nd St, Omaha). Please come and bring a friend!





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