

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

# FILL THE JARS WITH WATER.

— JOHN 2:7 —



**St. Patrick's**  
NORTH PLATTE

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**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday-Friday 8:30am-4pm

**Mass Schedule**

Saturday: 5:30pm  
Sunday: 8:30am, 11:00am  
Daily Mass: Tuesday-Friday 7am

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Tuesday-Friday at 6:30am  
(Before 7am daily Mass)  
Saturday: 4:00-5:00pm or  
by appointment

- Preparation for Sacrament of Baptism  
Please call the office to schedule.
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in advance
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Schedule a Meeting with Me

**January 19, 2025 Weekly Schedule**

- Tues., Jan. 21st:** 9:15am - Women's Group
- Wed., Jan. 22nd:** 10:00am - Rosary Group  
2:00pm - Lectio Divina Bible Study  
5:30pm - Lectio Divina Bible Study  
5:30pm - K-6th Religious Education  
7:00pm - 7th-12 Religious Education  
7:00pm - Confirmation  
7:00pm - Knights of Columbus
- Thurs., Jan. 23rd:** 8:30am - Health Checks  
1pm-8pm - Adoration  
3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary
- Sat., Jan. 25th:** 6:30pm - Fellowship with Father-New Parishioners
- Sun., Jan. 19th:** 3:00pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary  
5:30pm - Spanish Mass & Potluck





## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

A continuation of tips for parents of small children at Mass: Sit up front. I see several large families do this, and with good reason. While it can feel scary and even a little out of control the first few times, it makes a world of difference for little ones to be able to see the action. Over time it also helps them to understand what is most essential about Mass without the distraction of rows and rows of backsides between them and the altar. If you are able, physically hold very small children in your arms during Mass. This helps in many ways. The children get a better view; as they grow and mature we can talk them through the stories and the actions; and you have a bit more control over their behavior. If an infant or toddler gets squirmy, often switching who is holding them is enough to calm them down. Otherwise we might play a quiet game of "point to the...candles, priest, altar, cross, bells etc."

Let your toddlers and older children stand for a portion of Mass or try sitting next to you quietly. If you have been holding them up to now, this can be a special milestone to be "big enough" to stand, sit and kneel all on their own (although if they can't see over the pew, have them stand during the kneeling portions of the Eucharistic Prayer).

If an infant or toddler makes a little noise during Mass and settles down right away, try not to feel self-conscious. Most folks except for those closest to you do not even notice. And even if they do notice, give your fellow parishioners credit for being adults who can focus through a small distraction.

If a child cries or makes continual noise, it is best to calmly step out of the pew and take the child out of the main assembly until they have calmed down or are quiet. We have a TV in the main gathering space so that you can still see the altar. However, it is important to return to the worship space as soon as they are quiet, so that children do not begin to associate poor or disruptive behavior with a pass to get out of Mass. Stepping out and returning even a few times is not nearly as disruptive as a crying baby and parishioners appreciate your consideration of their attempt to pray. Those that are parents understand completely.



Wellness comprises of eight mutually co-dependence dimensions: emotional, physical, occupational, social, spiritual, intellectual, environmental, and financial. If any one of these dimensions is neglected over time, it will adversely affect one's health, well-being, and quality of life.

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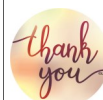
*"for, while physical training is of limited value, devotion is valuable in every respect, since it holds a promise of life both for the present and for the future." 1 Timothy 4:8*

We are excited to continue the Lectio Divina Bible study on Wednesdays at 2:00 and 5:30. The dates for the study will be January: 22, 29 and February: 5, 12, 19. Please join



us as we continue to deepen our relationship with our God by wrapping ourselves in sacred Scripture. The theme for this study is MISSION.

Without a Spouse get together for the 2025 year will be February 2, 2025 at 12pm in St. Patrick's Parish Hall. Will start the year out with a turkey meal. The turkey, mashed potatoes, gravy, and dressing will be furnished. Please bring a side dish of some kind, a vegetable or dessert, maybe your favorite for a Christmas meal. Hoping to have some type of game after. See everyone then.



That you to all you stayed Sunday to help take down the Christmas decorations. It was greatly appreciated!-Joyce McCraw and Ed Mueller

On December 21st, Nina Alia faced an unfortunate accident to Colorado. Nina, is a parishioner here at St. Patrick's and helps with various Mass Ministries. We are asking for your any monetary help, and mostly prayers.



For any monetary help, please send to: Nebraskaland bank

All of her immediate family is in the Philippines. The purpose of these funds is to help with everything from medical concern and to help her family come in here to take care of her during the recovery process. The bank account name is "Nina's Medical Expenses" All the expenses will be monitored through a statement bank and this will be given to the family. The banks address is: PO Box 829, North Platte, NE 69103.

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*Pray* January 22nd  
 FOR THE PROTECTION OF THE UNBORN



## Saint Benedict Center

### Register for all retreats

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

-Men's Retreat: "A Man after God's Own Heart" (1 Samuel 13:14), **January 31-February 2**, with Brother August Schaefer, OSB, Deacon Mark Capoun, Father Thomas Leitner, OSB, and Brother Moses Macalalag, OSB. It is our goal as men, with the help of God's grace, to become men after God's own heart. In our modern culture men face many pressures and temptations, especially regarding their roles as husbands and fathers. During this retreat we will draw from Holy Scripture, as well as from the wisdom of the saints and from the teaching of the Church, to come up with a plan for being men of God and men fully alive during this Year 2025! The schedule includes brief conferences, silence, Mass, Confession, fellowship, and spiritual direction. Open to all ages. Scholarships available. Friday, 7:30pm to Sunday after lunch.

-"With Age-Old Love I have Loved You" (Jeremiah 31:3), **February 14-16**, with Father Joel Macul, OSB, STL. The Prophet Jeremiah bears in himself the pain of Israel's blindness to the truth and, at the same time, God's everlasting love for his chosen people. It is the "age-old love with which I have loved you" (Jer 31:3) that Jeremiah clings to as he sees his familiar world disappear. We will see how Jeremiah stands firm in a changing world, how he confronts those who don't want to see and how he speaks of a new relationship for the future built on a covenant that, once made, God will never let go of. We will hear how Jeremiah is no stranger to us in a time when we are living in a change of eras and still speaks to us of a compassion that wants to embrace us and make us new. Friday, 7:30pm to Sunday after lunch.

-Mercy—A Lenten Pilgrimage with St. Luke, **March 14-16**, with Father James L. Secora, MDiv, MEd, from Ames, IA. A principal theme of St. Luke's Gospel is mercy. This Lenten retreat will center itself around the Gospel's most famous discourse on God's mercy, The Parable of the Prodigal Son/Father (Ch. 15). A brief overview of the theme of divine mercy and St. Luke's gospel will introduce our reflection. Consideration will also be given to the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a symbol of divine mercy. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Sunday after lunch.

-Five Steps to a Vibrant Christian Spirituality, **March 22-23**, with Father Tom Hillenbrand, OSB, STL. This retreat is based on the Rule of Benedict. It offers an overview of the Rule and the values we can draw from it for living out our life as disciples of Jesus. The main focus will be on friendship with Jesus and how to live in peace with others. Saturday, 9:30am to Sunday after lunch.

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## RETREATS OFFERED

Registration for the 2025 diocesan summer events opens February 1, 2025. These three events offer young people a time to reflect on their spiritual journey and helps them grow their love for God. We encourage you to talk with your kids about attending these events. Take advantage of the early bird rate being offered until February 9th. For details regarding these events, scan the QR code on the poster or visit the Grand Island Diocese website [gidiocese.org/yya](http://gidiocese.org/yya)



## A PRAYERFUL NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION IDEA:

# COMMIT TO SAYING THE ROSARY EVERY DAY.



# School News

## this week >

**Monday, January 20--4:00PM--JH Boys BB vs. NPMS SPVA Basketball**

**Tuesday, January 21--SPVA Basketball**

**Thursday, January 23--4:00PM-- JH Boys BB @ NPMS SPVA Basketball**

**Friday, January 24--11:00AM--WR @ South Loop SPVA Basketball**

**Saturday, January 25--SPVA Basketball**



Holy Spirit Catholic Church

### Music Performance Event



**Steve Angrisano**

*Tuesday, January 28, 2025  
In Concert at 7:00 p.m.*

Location:  
Holy Spirit Catholic Church  
2801 West E Street  
North Platte, Nebraska

## Student of the Month



**Irma Stephanie Budke** has been selected as the 'Student of the Month' for January. The student is selected by teachers and Student Council members at St. Pat's School.

Stephanie, a senior, is the daughter of Irma and Steve Budke of North Platte.

Her school activities include Honor Roll, National Honors Society, One Act, Cheerleading, Golf, Golf Captain, Discipleship, Teacher Aid, Class Officer and SkillsUSA.

Stephanie and her family are members of Holy Spirit Catholic Church in North Platte, where she is involved in parish events.

She is also a minister, server and greeter.

## PRESCHOOL

REGISTRATION FOR our Little Leprechaun Preschool classes is starting...

January 6th-January 12th--Current LLP Families

January 13th-January 19th--Current NPCS and Parish Families

January 20th-January 26th--Wait List Families

January 27th--Opens to the Public

If you have a little one in the 4/5 age group, be sure to get them registered early--spaces fill up fast.

For registration forms and Questions: contact Enrollment Director, Gwen Covey--308-532-1874

# RETRouvaille

A LIFELINE FOR MARRIED COUPLES

**Matrimony: A calling to forgive!** "Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who are living in the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope for a different and better marriage.

Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled, and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and that with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about Retrouvaille go to [www.helpourmarriage.com](http://www.helpourmarriage.com), or [www.retrouvaille.org](http://www.retrouvaille.org). A Retrouvaille Weekend will be held on Feb. 14-16 at the St. Benedict Center in Schuyler, NE. Registration Deadline is Jan. 31, 2025. To register call 1-800-470-2230

2025 Nebraska



**Nebraska Walk for Life and Gala**

## WALK FOR LIFE & GALA

The Walk for Life Gala is on Jan 31, 2025, at the Embassy Suites Convention Center,

LaVista. It's a fundraiser for Nebraska Right to Life held the night before the annual Walk for Life. Come join pro-lifers for either or both events. Speaking at the Gala will be Jim Caviezel, the actor who portrayed Jesus in "Passion of the Christ" and starred in the movie "Sound of Freedom." Tickets for the Gala are \$75, and can be purchased online at [nebraskarighttolife.ticketspice.com/2025](http://nebraskarighttolife.ticketspice.com/2025), or send a check to Nebraska Right to Life. Registration deadline is January 17.

The Walk for Life is on February 1st and begins on the North steps of the State Capitol at 10:00 a.m. A new route this year will take us to the Cornhusker Hotel where you can browse informational booths and hear speaker Elizabeth Gillette's keynote speech at 11:30 a.m. Contact: Nebraska Right to Life, PO Box 80410, Lincoln, NE 68501-0410. 402-438-4802, [nebraskartl@gmail.com](mailto:nebraskartl@gmail.com).

# Candlemas

Sunday, February 2nd

“A light for revelation to the Gentiles,  
and glory for your people Israel.”

Luke 2:32



Bring your own candles for a special blessing at the start of Mass

# THEOLOGY ON TAP

YOUNG ADULTS AGES 21-45  
ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE  
IN FUN & FELLOWSHIP.

THE FIRST DRINK IS FREE!  
COMPLIMENTARY LIGHT  
SNACKS WILL BE SERVED.





**Steve Angrisano  
North Platte Presentations**

- Tuesday, Jan. 28
- 7 PM
- Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Steve Angrisano is an internationally recognized Catholic composer, presenter, and passionate music missionary. Steve has traveled around the world for over two decades, sharing his unique blend of humor, story, and song. Connecting head to heart, renewing faith, and inspiring young and old alike, Steve's daily work is dedicated to presenting parish missions, leading groups to the Holy Land, and 25 years composing music for Oregon Catholic Press.

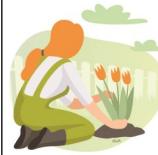
**ST. PATRICK'S**

**Monthly Brunch**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 19TH**  
**9AM-12:30PM**

Menu: Biscuits & Gravy, Ham, Sausage, Eggs, Pancakes, Fruit, Pastries Coffee & Juice

**BRING A FRIEND!**



The Parish is looking for someone or a group of parishioners to take care of the flowers on the west side of the church. It would involve taking care for the planters out front by the street, the urns and the two planters on the rectory steps, along with cleaning around the area in front of the Right to Life stone on the northwest corner.


Fortunately, we have a generous donor who provides the flowers for the planters. Whoever takes over this ministry will need to purchase the potting soil and a few extra plants to fill in the flowers pots. You will need to care for the flowers throughout the summer and into the fall. If you are interested please contact the Makaela in the office or Jeff in the Stewardship office. Thank you!


**Bible Study at Holy Spirit Catholic Church**  
*First Corinthians: The Church and the Christian Community* explores the key elements of the gospel message that Paul introduced to a new and growing Church. Presenter Tim Gray examines Paul's advice for living an authentic Christian life in a pagan culture as well as his teachings about the nature of grace, the Church as the body of Christ, and the most powerful gift of all—the Eucharist.

Beginning February 10th for 11 Sessions  
Classes at 1pm and/or 7pm  
Workbooks cost 28.00 each  
Registrations must be in by 4:30pm January 20th

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 <p>3801 S Jeffers 532-7400</p>	<p><b>3 O'Clock Prayer</b> You expired Jesus, but the source of life gushed forth for souls, and the ocean of mercy opened up for the whole world. O Fount of Life, unfathomable Divine Mercy, envelope the whole world and empty Yourself out upon us. O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fount of mercy for us, I trust in You. For a moment immerse yourself in the Passion of Jesus.</p>  <p>Jesus, I Trust in You!</p>		

 <b>M</b> Please use the Ministry Scheduler Pro App to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry. Thank you.	Mass	Sat., Jan. 25th at 5:30pm	Sun., Jan. 26th at 8:30am	Sun., Jan. 26th at 11am
	Servers	The Condon Brothers J. Eickhoff	M. McCormick The Benson Brothers	M. Courter J. Erdman N. Newland
	Hospitality Ministers	J. Smith D. Eastburn	S. Ries R. Seal	Knights of Columbus
	Eucharist Ministers	Deacon Eric M. Fisher S. McGrath A. Lee	K. Winder R. Carpenter M. Brosius M. Doughty	Knights of Columbus
	Lectors	L. Sanger	O. Dobesh	A. Thomas
	Gifts	A. Snyder	Sean O'Neill Family	Knights of Columbus

 *Mass Intentions*


**Tuesday, January 21st** - 7am - † Don Fleecs  
**Wednesday, January 22nd** - 7am - Noah Vandenberg  
**Thursday, January 23rd** - 7am - Henry Vandenberg  
**Friday, January 24th** - 7am - † Doyle McDougal  
**Saturday, January 25th** - 5:30pm - † Zach Thomas  
**Sunday, January 26th** - 8:30am - † Ian Nichelson  
 11am - † Vona Koch  
 5:30pm - The People of the Parish

**This Week's Readings January 20th-26th**

**Monday:** Heb 1:1-6; Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday:** Heb 2:5-12; Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday:** Heb 2:14-18; Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday:** Heb 3:7-14; Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** Heb 4:1-5, 11; Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday:** Heb 4:12-16; Mk 2:13-17  
**Sunday:** Is 62:1-5; 1 Cor 12:4-11; Jn 2:1-11

**Kiosk:** Reminder we have a Kiosk with books, CDs, and booklets available for purchase.

 **Parish Rosary Program**  
 Weekly: 244  
 Year to date: 4,272  
 Grand total: 9,518


The January Magnificats are here. Please stop in during office hours to claim yours. 

**MARTHA MINISTRY**

**January 2025**

January 21 Galy Huggenberger  
 January 23 Krystal Miller  
 January 28 Judy O'Neill  
 January 30 Sheila Newland

**ADORATION** Adoration of Our Lord in the exposed Blessed Sacrament is offered weekly on Thursdays from 1pm- 8pm in the church. You are encouraged to dedicate yourself to a habitual time each week for 30-60 minutes. Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Rosary at 3pm or for Night Prayer & Benediction at 7:40pm.

 **LA ADORACIÓN**

**Our Weekly Offering to God**  
January 12, 2025


Adult	\$8,510.00
Plate	\$1,035.77
Total	\$9,545.77

**2024/25 Diocesan Appeal as of 1/13/2025**

**Parish Goal:**  
\$53,786  
**Total Received:** \$39,053  
**Donor Goal:**  
150  
**Current No. of Donors:**  
94

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 **Mass INTENTIONS**

We always welcome parishioners to arrange for Masses to be offered for their intention. This is a good spiritual practice to pray for one's family, deceased relatives/friend and other needs. It is also a good way to give thanks to the Lord for graces received. Please be advised that as of January 1st a single individual will be limited to 15 weekend Mass intentions per year. This will allow for more parishioners to arrange for intentions at the Sunday Masses. There is no limit to weekday Mass intentions.