

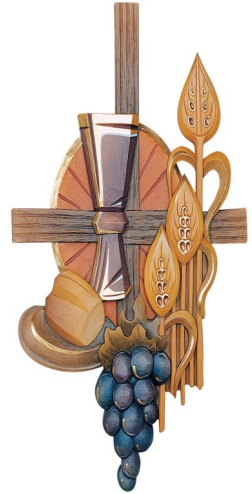
BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

February 16, 2025

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Date	Time	Intention
Saturday, February 15	8:00 a.m.	Jerome Starman +
Saturday, February 15	5:30 p.m.	Fr. Donald J. O'Brien & Family +
Sunday, February 16	8:00 a.m.	Susie Engel +
Sunday, February 16	10:00 a.m.	Dan Wenzl +
Monday, February 17	8:00 a.m.	Tom & Earleen Moroney +
Tuesday, February 18	12:05 p.m.	Bob Kutilek +
Wednesday, February 19	12:05 p.m.	Velia Venegas +
Thursday, February 20	12:05 p.m.	Tom Wieck +
Friday, February 21	12:05 p.m.	Everett Stegman +
Saturday, February 22	8:00 a.m.	Albert Werth +
Saturday, February 22	5:30 p.m.	Jeff Red & Kafier Harugy +
Sunday, February 23	8:00 a.m.	Smillen & Nealon Families +
Sunday, February 23	10:00 a.m.	Leroy Arends +



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

When you encounter misfortune, grief, or tragic loss, how do you respond? With fear or faith? With passive resignation or with patient hope and trust in God? We know from experience that no one can escape all of the inevitable trials of life such as pain, suffering, sickness, and death. The reading from Jeremiah, telling us how to find true happiness in life, prepared the way for the gospel where Jesus preached the beatitudes. When Jesus began to teach His disciples, He gave them a "way of happiness" that transcends every difficulty and trouble that can weigh us down with grief and despair. In Luke, we hear four beatitudes and four conditions that begin with the word "woe", an expression denoting pain or displeasure, hardship or distress. Matthew has eight beatitudes. Luke is speaking to a distinct audience who, in fact, were poor, hungry and downcast at times, under the oppression of a foreign power.

Jesus began His sermon by addressing the issue of where true happiness can be found. The word *beatitude* literally means happiness or blessedness. *Jesus' way of happiness, however, demands a transformation from within. It is a conversion of heart and mind, which can only come about through the gift and working of the Holy Spirit.*

How can one possibly find happiness in poverty, hunger, mourning, and persecution? If we want to be filled with the joy and happiness of heaven, then we must empty ourselves of all that would shut God out of our hearts. Poverty of spirit finds ample room and joy in possessing God alone as the greatest treasure possible. Hunger of the spirit seeks nourishment and strength in God's word and Spirit. Sorrow and mourning over wasted life and sin, leads us to joyful freedom from the burden of guilt and oppression.

God reveals to the humble of heart the true source of abundant life and happiness. Jesus promises His disciples that the joys of heaven will more than compensate for the troubles and hardships they can expect in this world.

Blessed be God forever, and you stay blessed always! Fr. Robin Bashir

Contact & Livestreaming Information

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Facebook: www.facebook.com/blessedsacramentGI

A link to Livestream Mass will be on YouTube: www.youtube.com/@blessedsacramentGI/streams
at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday.

THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES

- Sunday, 2/16** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
 10:00 a.m. - Mass
 10:00 a.m. - Children's Church
 11:00 a.m. - Hospitality Ministers' Meeting
 Coffee & Rolls
 2:00 p.m. - 4th Grade Reconciliation Service
- Monday, 2/17** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
 12:00 p.m. - Chair Relaxation
 5:30 p.m. - Mindful Movement
 6:30 p.m. - Centering Prayer
 7:00 p.m. - Women's AA Group
- Tuesday, 2/18** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Ladies
 6:00 p.m. - Young Adult Bible Study
 7:00 p.m. - Al-Anon Meeting
 7:00 p.m. - Charismatic Prayer Group
 7:00 p.m. - AA Open Meeting
- Wednesday, 2/19** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
 12:30 p.m. - Prime Time Dinner
 5:00 p.m. - Rel. Ed. P-5
 6:15 p.m. - Rel. Ed. P-5
 7:00 p.m. - R.C.I.A.
 7:00 p.m. - Confirmation Class
 7:30 p.m. - Rel. Ed. 6-8
 7:30 p.m. - Freshmen & Sophomore Godparent Groups
- Thursday, 2/20** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
 1:00 p.m. - Quilting Ladies
 5:30 p.m. - R.C.I.C.
 5:30 p.m. - Serenity Flow
 6:00 p.m. - Catholic Daughters' Mtg.
- Friday, 2/21** 12:05 p.m. - Mass
- Saturday, 2/22** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
 10:00 a.m. - Al-Anon Meeting
 10:30 a.m. - Adoration/Confessions
 5:30 p.m. - Mass
- Sunday, 2/23** 8:00 a.m. - Mass
 10:00 a.m. - Mass
 11:30 a.m. - Volunteer Appreciation Brunch




Welcomed into the Christian Community through Baptism:


OWEN WILLIAM,
 Son of,
 Gary & Luann (Peters) Rose

OUR GIFTS OF TREASURE February 8 & 9, 2025

Adult Envelopes	\$6,146.00
Plate	\$619.37
Children's Collection	\$25.00
Online	\$2,851.00
Thrift Store	\$1,352.46
Diocesan Appeal	
Our Goal	\$75,410.00
Received to Date	\$51,475.00
Donor Goal 220	147



Volunteer Appreciation Brunch
 Sunday, February 23, 11:30 a.m., Jubilee Center. This brunch is for ALL volunteers within our Parish, and it includes their family members. Sign-up sheets can be found in the Gathering Area. The last day to sign-up is February 20.




Catholic Daughters Court Queen of Peace #2227

We pray that our Spiritually Adopted baby's mom has a blessed week and feels loved, just like we all felt as we shared Valentine's Day wishes of love to one another. May this little one feel loved as he/she develops in his/her mother's womb, created in the image of God. He/she is approximately 5-6 weeks old right now, and the heartbeat can be detected via ultrasound at 6 weeks. This little miracle is continuing to develop rapidly. Prayer cards are available in the Gathering Area at the Spiritual Adoption display.

Sunday, February 16, after the 10:00 a.m. Mass, there will be a meeting in the church for all, and anyone, interested in becoming a Greeter, Usher or Hospitality Minister. Please join us.

Lent 2025 Pilgrim or Tourist?

Prepare for Ash Wednesday and Lent
 March 1, Jubilee Center, Blessed Sacrament
 8:30 am registration. Four short talks from 9:15 to 10:45 am followed by Eucharistic Adoration/Benediction from 10:55 to 11:35 am. For all ages.
 Cost is to bring items for Blessed Sacrament Food Pantry. Contact Deacons Frank Moreno at 308-850-7780 or Bill Buchta at 308-381-2700.



Please remember the following individuals in your prayers

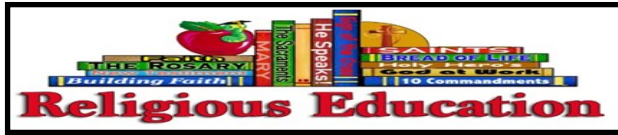
Roseann Anderson	Marlene Beacom
Anna Blake	Bob Buck
Mary Buhrman	Dawn Ferris
Stephanie Godziemski	Anita Graf
Gene Greene	Eugene Hynes
Sharon Jarecke	Bonnie Kosmicki
LeRoy Kramer	Jacque Palacz
Cindy Petersen	Marcella Petersen
Kathy Stava	Emily Webster
Nancy Zahm	Julie Ziller

Pray for military personnel and pray for peace.

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For more information, or to volunteer, please contact the Thrift Store at 308-398-3443. We need more donations!!!!



4th Grade Private Reconciliation

February 16, 2:00 p.m., church. All students and parents must attend. Party following with piñatas.

First Communion Family Meeting (Agape Meal)

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



Ash Wednesday

March 5, no formal Religious Formation classes for preschool through 11th grade students. However, this is not a night off from class. All students are expected to participate by attending Mass at 6:00 p.m.



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

Higher Ground registration at Fort Robinson (near Crawford, NE) opened February 1, 2025. This retreat is an incredible opportunity to grow stronger in your relationship with Christ, while making new friends from around the diocese. By the end of the retreat, you'll have a greater love for God and a new community of faith. Register today at www.gidiocese/hgr for \$345. This rates include a \$100 non-refundable deposit. A late fee of \$395 will be applied to any registration after 4/20/25.

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

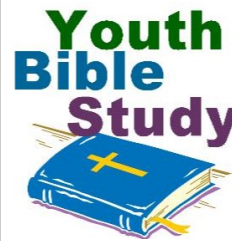
Stuebenville of the Rockies Youth Conference will take place July 25-27, 2025 at the Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center in Aurora, CO. Join hundreds of Catholic teens for this 3-day youth rally. Registration began February 1, 2025 at www.gidiocese.org/steubenville. The cost is \$429. There is a \$100 non-refundable deposit. A late fee of \$489 will be applied to any registration after 4/20/25.

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

Higher Ground Extreme Faith Camp registration opened February 1, 2025. This retreat is held at Camp Maranatha near Maxwell, NE. It's a fun week and a great opportunity to grow stronger in your faith, while making new friends. Register today at www.gidiocese.org/higher-ground-middle-school. The cost is \$400. There is a \$100 non-refundable deposit. A late fee of \$440 will apply to any registration after 4/20/25.

Catholic Family Retreat

"Made for Greatness" is a retreat specifically designed for families with children ages 5-12 (although older siblings are also welcome), August 1-3, 2025 at the Crossing Retreat Center in Lexington, NE. This retreat is a parent's and kid's conference with fun family activities for all. The early bird registration rate of \$350. ends February 28 so get registered now. Several families from our parish attended this retreat last year, and THEY LOVED IT! Contact the Diocese of Grand Island for more information at 382-6565. *You'll be glad you did!*



Young Adult Bible Study

Blessed Sacrament is in the process of organizing a Young Adult Bible Study which began on February 11, at 6:00 p.m. in the North Breakout Room. This is for anyone 18 years of age and older, who is eager to learn more about the Bible. If interested, please contact Deacon Frank at 308-850-7780. Thank You!

Catholic Daughters' Court Queen of Peace #2227

We will be meeting February 20, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. in the North Breakout Room. If interested in CDA, please join us. Please bring a canned food item.

MINISTER SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY 22 & 23, 2025

Mass Times	5:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	10:00 a.m.
Lector	Justin Shavlik	Alice Quick	Anita Graf
Minister of Holy Communion	Volunteer	Dan Quick Tony Koziol	Dean Graf Deacon Frank
Altar Server	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
Hospitality	Volunteer	Lisa Hoffman	Volunteer

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