

St. Bernard Catholic Church

3601 No. 65th Street Omaha, NE 68104

January 8, 2012

The Epiphany of the Lord



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Readings for the Week of January 8, 2012

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55:1-11 or Acts 10:34-38
or 1 Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11

Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and
1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn
1:35-42

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MASS SCHEDULE: Tuesday - Friday: 8:00AM

Saturday: 5:00PM

Sunday: 8:00AM AND 10:00AM

Rosary one half hour before each Mass.

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions Tuesday 8:30AM.

The Church is open from 7:30AM-3:00PM Monday-Friday.

Use West door.

Office Hours: Monday - Friday 8:00AM - 5:00PM.

Office closed Saturday, Sunday, major holidays
and weather related school closing days.

CONFESSIONS

SATURDAY: 4:00 to 4:30PM.

Any time by appointment with a priest.

SACRAMENTS

INFANT BAPTISM: Pre-Baptismal Class First Monday of
the month.

MARRIAGE: Contact the Pastor at least 6 months in
advance.

**ANOIDING OF THE SICK OR COMMUNION IN THE
HOME:** At any time by request.

To become a member of the parish or for more
information on joining the Catholic Church, call the rectory
at 551-0269.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 8

1:30PM CFM Epiphany Party (Clairvaux)

MONDAY, JANUARY 9

6:30PM Cub Scouts (School)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10

3:45PM School Tech Committee Meeting

5:00PM School Finance Committee Meeting

6:30PM Knights of Columbus Meeting (Clairvaux)

7:00PM Eucharistic Adoration (Church)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11

8:10AM All School Mass

6:30PM Religious Education Classes (School)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12

NOON DISMISSAL FOR SCHOOL

7:30PM Choir Practice (Church)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13

NO SCHOOL

9:15AM Sunday Scripture Study (Clairvaux)

6:00-8:00PM Brownie Girl Scouts Meeting

SUNDAY, JANUARY 15

DONUT SUNDAY after 8:00 and 10:00AM Masses

5:30PM Youth Group Meeting (Cafeteria)



Baptism classes are held the first Monday of the month at 7:30PM in the Clairvaux Center. Prior to attending the class all parents must register. Please call the rectory at 402-551-0269 for more information or to register.

CREW #6 will clean church on Saturday, January 14: Capt. Maureen Lamoureux, Jan Lamoureux, Pat Schwarz, Kathy Brutto, John Brutto, Rosanne Chrystal and Dick Mori.



A special Thank You to all who provided poinsettias to help decorate the church. Your generosity helped make for a beautiful Christmas season at St. Bernard. I'd also like to thank all the members of the liturgy committee who worked so hard preparing the Church. Andy Walsh



NEXT SUNDAY IS DONUT SUNDAY: Donut Sunday will be hosted by Social Justice, OTOC and Christian Family Movement. Please come join us for some sweet treats and friendly conversation in the cafeteria after the 8:00 and 10:00AM Masses.

SEMINARY COLLECTION: The Seminary Collection is this weekend, January 7 and 8. The Archdiocese of Omaha is currently blessed with twenty-eight men studying for the Priesthood. We humbly ask for your continued prayers, sacrifices and generous financial support. Please use the envelope included in your packet of envelopes.

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES and PARENTS

The new two-year cycle will begin for Confirmation candidates at St. Bernard in January. The five-day school program will be led by Margie Galles with assistance from Jerry Brocky. The Religious Education program will be coordinated by Father Jerry and Jerry Brocky. Please contact the Religious Education office at 402-556-1679 for more information. **The first Candidate and Parent meeting will be on January 29 following the 10:00AM Mass. We will meet in the Clairvaux Center.**

YOUTH GROUP MEETING
SUNDAY, JANUARY 15 at 5:30PM
In the Cafeteria

****RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS****
Religious Education classes this
Wednesday evening at 6:30PM.



JANUARY 9 - 15, 2012

Monday, January 9
8:00AM Communion Service
Tuesday, January 10
8:00AM Joe Pace +
Wednesday, January 11
8:10AM Pauline Lamoureux +
Thursday, January 12
8:00AM Dorothy G. Trapp +
Friday, January 13
8:00AM Maxine Nolan +
Saturday, January 14
5:00PM Dolores Heuertz +
Sunday, January 15
8:00AM Parish Family
10:00AM Darrell Eckardt +

RECENT FAITH EVENT: Death: Helen Meier.



The St. Bernard's St. Vincent de Paul Conference wishes to thank all the people of St. Bernard Parish who donated gift cards or money to our Christmas Giving Program. It was a great success. We helped nineteen (19) families with food and gift cards. This is a wonderful witness of your Christian faith. Thank you so much.

Have a desire to help the less fortunate? Visit with a St. Vincent de Paul member to find various ways you can help. Call Rosanne Chrystal at 402-571-2108.

The Knights of Columbus at St. Bernard Parish are looking for a few good men wanting to get involved with our council to help St. Bernard Parish, School and community. If you think you would like to become a member of the Knights, call Jerry Siebrandt for more information at 402-551-9758.

THE WIZARD OF OZ

A free Interactive Sing-A-Long will be held on
Saturday, January 28
at St. Bernard Catholic School.

Doors open at 6:15PM and movie begins at 7:00PM.

The first 125 kids will receive a free "Interactive Fun Pack," including a kazoo, mystical bubbles, a magic wand and more. Blow bubbles for Glenda the Good Witch and participate in a myriad of other fun activities. Dress as your favorite "Wizard of Oz" character! Munchkins, flying-monkeys, and twisters are all welcome. Prizes will be awarded for imagination and creativity, so bring out your "inner-Oz"! Sponsored by Matt Dougherty - State Farm, Neil Vacek - Deeb Realty and Brian Page - U. S. Bank.

From your pastor,

One of the issues that has come up over the past few months has been the scheduling of EMHC's, Lectors and Altar Servers. I am aware that over the past years a great amount of time and care was taken to prepare the schedule, so as to accommodate special requests by those serving in particular ministries, people requesting certain Mass times, or wanting to serve with specific individuals or family members. However, as we move forward, the way in which things were done is going to have to change.

Due to the reduction in personnel in the rectory with the current staff having to take on more and more responsibility, we have limited time to prepare the schedule. We have recently worked to update the data base, so that we have the most current information on those who volunteer in these ministries. We have also invested in new scheduling software to help address the special requests that some of you have. Please know that we are doing our best to try and accommodate all, but I ask for your understanding if it does not turn out perfectly. Also, remember you are always free to trade Mass times with others in the parish.

Starting in January, Andy Walsh will begin to transition into the position of parish business manager, so he will be even more limited in his ability to work with the schedule. Should anyone wish to volunteer to take responsibility for preparing the schedule they can contact either Andy or myself in the rectory. This would be a good way to demonstrate commitment by the laity to the work of the parish.

Reverend Gerald Melchior, JCL

If you are going through separation or divorce or know someone who is, learn about our special DivorceCare group. DivorceCare, a 13 week video seminar and support group for people experiencing divorce and separation will be held on **Monday evenings beginning January 9 from 6:30 to 8:30PM at St. Leo the Great.** DivorceCare features nationally recognized experts on divorce and recovery topics. Seminar sessions include *Facing My Anger, Facing My Loneliness, Depression, New Relationships, KidCare* and *Forgiveness*. Pre-registration is requested. The cost is \$20.00 and includes the seminar workbook. For more information, contact Pat Seier at 402-557-5514 or paseier@archomaha.org.



**ST. BERNARD
CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

CAFETERIA VOLUNTEERS for January 9 - 13:

Monday: Jerry Siebrandt and Jane Whelan
 Tuesday: Alice Powell and Paul Cushman
 Wednesday: Michelle Badura and Kara Winters
 Thursday: Noon Dismissal - No Hot Lunch Served
 Friday: No School

****LITURGICAL ROLES****

Saturday 5:00PM (January 14): Lectors - A. Chrystal, J. Clark; EMHC - L. Winkler, J. Kuhns, H. Peyton; Servers - C. Adams, E. Bennett, R. Badura.

Sunday 8:00AM (January 15): Lectors - D. Fus, C. Kalkowski; EMHC - J. O'Neill, J. Zuerlein, M. Kalkowski; Servers - M. Winters, N. Kelly.

Sunday 10:00AM: Deacon - T. McNeil; Lectors - T. Mueting, E. Coffman; EMHC - M. Sharp, L. McNeil, R. Schwarz, K. Mohr, J. Coffman, N. Sharp; Servers - A. Busenbark, K. Castle, A. Snyder.

EMHC for Immanuel Hospital - January 11
 G. Hrabovsky, A. Sullivan

**CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS
PLACEMENT/SCHOLARSHIP EXAMS**

The eight area Catholic high schools will offer their Scholarship and Placement Tests to **current 8th graders on Saturday, January 14th.** The tests are used in the admissions process and to determine scholarship winners.

CREIGHTON PREP - 8:00AM

Contact: Josh Luedtke at 402-548-3872

DUCHESNE ACADEMY - 8:30AM

Contact: Meg Jones at 402-558-3800

GROSS CATHOLIC - 8:00AM

Contact: Tim Johnk at 402-734-2000

MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL - 8:00AM

Contact: Molly Woodman at 402-571-2618

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL - 8:00AM

Contact: Anne Zadina at 402-553-9424

MT. MICHAEL - 9:00AM

Contact: Eric Crawford at 402-253-0946

RONCALLI CATHOLIC - 8:00AM

Contact: Paulette Theisen at 402-571-7670

SKUTT CATHOLIC - 8:00AM

Contact: Tim Bloomingdale at 402-333-0818

TEC RETREAT: High school juniors and seniors, and college students are invited to a three-day retreat called TEC (**Teens Encounter Christ**). TEC is a high-energy, youth-focused, spirit-directed faith experience offered by the Archdiocese of Omaha. The next TEC retreat is **January 14 - 16, 2012** at the **Archdiocese Retreat and Conference Center in Omaha.** The cost is \$60. Scholarships are available. Applications are available at: www.archomaha.org/education/cffo/youth-ministry/tec.html

For more information on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please pick up a copy of the booklet **Preparing for Confession** available at each entrance of the church.

INCOME LAST WEEK:

Sunday Collection for January 1, 2012 \$7,645.00
 Our Budgeted Weekly Sunday Goal \$9,640.00
\$1.5 Million Capital Campaign Update as of January 3:
 Total Amount Pledged \$611,615.00
 Total Amount Collected for Capital Campaign.. \$185,957.00