

Sts. Mary and Joseph Catholic Parish, 637 Iver St., Valparaiso, NE 68065
January 5, 2020, The Epiphany of the Lord Pastor: Fr. Matthew Zimmer 402-784-2511
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***For Catholic School information <http://www.bishopneumann.com>

Masses in your area: www.Masstimes.org

Confessions: Saturday 3:00 to 3:45P.M. Sunday, 7:15 to 7:45 AND 9:15 to 9:45A.M., Daily before Mass.

Mass Schedule:

Jan 6 Mon	6:00pm	+Blanche Virgil	Christmas Weekday	
		<i>PCCW Party following Mass</i>		
Jan 7 Tue	6:40am	+John Polivka	Christmas Weekday	
Jan 8 Wed	6:05pm	<i>Parish Rosary led by Knights for Religious Freedom</i>		
Jan 8 Wed	6:30pm	+Harry & Rose Masek	Christmas Weekday	
		<i>Eucharistic Adoration 7:00pm-8:30pm</i>		
Jan 9 Thu	6:40am	+Byron Gaskill	Christmas Weekday	
Jan 10 Fri	7:30am	Pat Tvrdy	Christmas Weekday	
Jan 11 Sat	7:30am	+Jim Buresh	Christmas Weekday	
Jan 11 Sat	4:00pm	+Lawrence Matulka, Janet & John Prochaska, Lou & Ramona Hotovy, Ed & Toni Kliment		The Baptism of the Lord
Jan 12 Sun	8:00am	for the People of the Parish		The Baptism of the Lord
Jan 12 Sun	10:00am	+Bob Matulka		The Baptism of the Lord

4:00pm Saturday January 11

S-Karson Sander/Volunteer
A- Mark Sander
R-Greg Bouc
U-Steve Stanek/Dave Christensen
U-2 volunteers
O- Steve & Amy Stanek

8:00am Sunday January 12

Jonathan Klement/Volunteer
Luke Benes
Don Tvrdy
Don Ohnoutka/Gordon Ohnoutka
2 volunteers
Gordon & Jean Ohnoutka

10:00am Sunday January 12

Devon Benes/Volunteer
Ron Regnier
Robin Regnier
Mitch Benes/Frank Albrecht
2 volunteers
Mitch & Andrea Benes family

PCCW NEWS: January Co-Chairman are Bonnie Buresh & Deanne Homes.

CHRISTMAS PARTY-January 6, 2020, following 6:00pm Mass.

BREAKFAST Sunday January 12th. **Hope to see all invited guests!**

Knights of Columbus #8625:

Grand Knight: Roger Benes: 402-430-8836.

SOUP DINNER SUNDAY JANUARY 5th 10:30AM

KC MEMBERS— please help. Shifts will be last names starting with N-Z 9am-12:30, A-M 12:30pm—clean up is done. Please pay your Dues to Alan Fritsch, Financial Secretary.

Thank you to Cheryl Rieck for filling in updates given for our PCCW Booklet, and getting them to printer. Cheryl has done this for many years and her time and help is very much appreciated! Ladies; If you have a cell phone number to be used in the book PLEASE get to Paula so that information can be passed on.

Attention Parents: CCD begins at 6:25pm with Mass at 6:30pm, class dismissal 8:15pm

WEDNESDAY ~ January 8, 2020

Servers: Dawson P/Owen K

Read: Leslie B

Usher/Choir: Cassie O, Tyler T, volunteer

Gifts: Owen J/Everyly K

Confessions: 3rd

Fr Zimmer Visits: 7th & 8th



Readings for January 12, 2020~ The Baptism of the Lord

First Reading— Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7

Responsorial Psalm — Psalm 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10

Second Reading— Acts of the Apostles

Gospel Acclamation— Mark 9:7

Gospel— Matthew 3:13-17



Please Pray for our Seminarian Rev Mr Robert John Froeschl 2014, Mount St Mary Seminary, Theology IV, 5 brothers & 3 sisters, Philip & Laurel Froeschl, 11/17/1987, SS Peter & Paul, Falls City.


Wine-ding Down The next meeting will be **Sunday, January 12, 2020** at Luke and Alice Benes meeting hall from 6:30 to 8:00 pm. Fr Zimmer will discuss and answer questions on the Catholic faith. This is for men and women looking to strengthen and defend their faith. Come check it out! Refreshments will be served. If interested just come on in!



Merry 12th day of Christmas



Stand up for Life at the 46th annual Nebraska Walk for Life, Saturday, January 18th starting at 10:00 am on the North side of the State Capitol in Lincoln. Free, Family friendly, peaceful witness against abortion. We march 7 blocks to the UN-L Student Union where Keynote will be at Noon. Hear Jennifer & Jeff Christie's story about beauty which arose from Jennifer being violently raped on a business trip. They said Yes to life for their son. Pro-life info tables, baked goods & hot beverages at the Union. Event concludes by 1:00 pm. Baked goods can be brought to south steps of Union starting at 8:00 am on the 18th or by prior arrangement. nebraskartl@gmail.com

Pro-Life Mass and January 18, 2020 starting at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's Church, 1420 K Street, Lincoln. Reverend Scott Harter, Pastor at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Ord, NE will be the celebrant and the homilist for the Mass. 

THANK YOU to Svoboda Funeral Home, Nelson Gas & Oil Co, Oak Valley Lumber & Supply Co, and Tvrdy's One Stop for their donation of the *Saints Among Us* Calendars for 2020.

Parents and Confirmation candidates:

As a reminder, all parish Confirmation candidates are required to complete **10 hours of service** to our parish and community. As a minimum, 6 hours are required for our parish specifically. All 10 hours can be completed at our church. When you have completed all your service hours and have logged them on the provided self-accountability work sheet, return them to me (Billie) or put them in the collection basket at mass with Attn. Billie on it.

Here are a couple of upcoming activities in our parish:

January 5, 2020 - KC soup dinner;

January 12, 2020 - PCCW breakfast after 8am Mass

March 1, 2020 - PCCW coffee and rolls after 8am Mass

February 9, 2020 - PCCW breakfast after 8am Mass

March 8, 2020 - parish soup dinner; table and chair set up prior - contact Julie Slechta 402-783-2058

Additionally, the counters in the hall kitchen need a scrubbing; contact Clarice Sabata 402-784-3154 if interested.

Attention Men: STRIVE One of the biggest issues that destroys our own happiness, and rips apart marriages and families is pornography. It's estimated that 60-70% of men are engaging porn with some frequency. If this is an issue you or a loved one deals with, we have a powerful solution for you. It's called **STRIVE** and it's an ANONYMOUS 21-day challenge that men all around the world are taking to break free from pornography. The normal cost is \$49, but STRIVE is being provided for FREE for a limited time for all the men at our parish. All you need to do is sign-up at strive21.com and you can begin right away.

Retrouvaille Does your marriage need a tune up? Or even a major overhaul? Sometimes a marriage can run along fine and then things change. They may need your time and attention. Sometimes lines of communication break down and they need re-pair. Sometimes our focus moves away from our marriage and family and needs a little redirection. Sometimes a fair or average marriage is just not enough. Have you ever thought to yourself, "How can I make my marriage better?" If so, Retrouvaille can help. Retrouvaille is marriage program for couples whose marriage has become off course. It begins with a weekend program that can help get your relationship back on track. It is an effective program that has worked for thousands of couples and it can work for your marriage. For more information about a Retrouvaille Weekend program. February 14-16 2020 to register call 1-800-470-2230 Or www.helpourmarriage.org, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up January 31st .

The **Love and Responsibility** continues with a talk on spiritual intimacy between spouses on **January 14th at 7:00pm** at the UNL Newman center. Talks are free and open to anyone, but geared toward married and engaged couples. Come hear Deacon James Keating talk about spousal prayer and its role in building a strong marriage. This talk will also be streamed to Hastings, David City, Nebraska City, and Tecumseh.

Marriage Encounter GIVE YOUR SPOUSE A SPECIAL GIFT THIS CHRISTMAS: Sign up now for the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend and receive the gift of a great marriage. Making a weekend will help you put a little Christmas in your marriage every day! For more information call Pat & Janelle Benson (308) 940-1105 Or visit WWME.org Upcoming dates: **February 7-9:** Ramada Inn Kearney, NE August 28-30: Quality Inn Ogallala, NE October 2-4: Immaculate Monastery Norfolk, NE *Deadline to **register is 1 month prior** to the date of the weekend*

Divorced? Come find comfort, counsel, hope and healing consistent with Catholic Church teachings. The twelve-week video series & facilitator led **Surviving Divorce** program begins on **February 3rd, 7-9pm**, at John XXIII Diocesan Center, 3700 Sheridan Blvd. A suggested donation of \$50 covers the cost of the program and includes the **Surviving Divorce** personal guide and all materials. Classes are kept small and may be registered for by contacting the Family Life Office at 402-473-0620 or catholicflo@cdolinc.net

Joy & Hope Anniversary Recognition Mass and reception for all married couples will be held **Sunday, February 9, 2020** at the regular **9:00 a.m.** Mass at the Cathedral of the Risen Christ in Lincoln. We kindly request that all couples register with the Family Life Office, however, special recognition will be given to those couples celebrating 10, 25, 40 and 50 years or more. Suggested donation of \$10 per couple is appreciated! Family guests are welcome. Registration forms should be available at your parish office or call the Family Life Office at (402) 473-0620.

EMMAUS INSTITUTE TO HOST WINTER SEMINAR In recognition of the recently declared "Sunday of the Word of God" on the third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Emmaus Institute for Biblical Studies will host a half-day seminar on Saturday, January 25, entitled, "He Opened to Us the Scriptures" (Luke 24:32): Celebrating the Sunday of the Word of God." The event will take place from 8:30 to noon at 3901 Normal Blvd, Suite 101. The seminar cost of \$30 includes handout materials and light refreshments. For additional information and to register, go to www.emmausinstitute.net.

St. John Basketball Tournaments: Saint John's Nepomucene School in Weston is hosting their annual basketball tournaments: January 10th & 11 for 5th-6th grade boys & girls. **Service hours will be given, if student volunteer needs!** To sign up to help, click on link below: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040844abae2ea75-3rd4th4>

Gatherings & Fundraisers

Knights of Columbus Soup Dinner #8625—Sunday, January 5 in SSMJ Parish Hall. Come enjoy a variety of delicious soups, sandwiches & desserts. Free will donation. Serving 10:30am-1:00pm. Bucket Raffle and Silent Auction.



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Sunday, JANUARY 12, 2020 for all new 2019 Registered families, and those who received the Sacrament of Baptism or made a Profession of Faith will be honored guests at our Breakfast that follows the 8:00am Mass. Save the date! Breakfast or Coffee & Rolls each month is open to Parish & Public, bring your family & friends!



BASKET BALL Free Throw Contest sponsored by the Knights of Columbus. **Sunday January 12th**, sign up at Valparaiso School Gym 10am Contest begins at 10:30am. Any questions, please contact Kurt Ohnoutka.



Neumann Booster Club/Gala Fundraiser: Super Bowl Squares Raffle; **Saturday, February 1st 6pm**; Wahoo State Bank Shed; \$50 each square. Contact St. John School Office (642-5234) or email barb-rezac@cdolinc.net or Rick-Ahrens@cdolinc.net if you would like to purchase a square.

Bohemian Mardi Gras – Sts Cyril & Methodius, Plasi: Saturday, February 15, 2020, Prague Parish Hall, Prague, NE; Social Time 5:00 – 6:30 p.m.; Roast Pork and Dumplings Buffet served 6:30 p.m. Come enjoy a great time!

Pope Francis' Apostleship of Prayer for January 2020:



Prayer intention for **evangelization** - Promotion of World Peace We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.



Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House has upcoming weekend retreats of interest to all men and women. Learn more at goodcounselretreat.com or call 402-786-2705.

Welcome to Sts Mary & Joseph Catholic Church!

If you have moved to town or within the Parish boundaries of Sts Mary & Joseph (Valparaiso, Ceresco, Raymond, Malcolm, or North to County Road D)* please call the Rectory with any questions you may have. In a few minutes we will help you get Registered, and can visit about PCCW, Knights, FCSLA, CCD, CYO, Choir or anything you may have questions about. Rectory Office number is 402-784-2511, please leave a message. Thank you!



*this also applies to lifetime parishioners/College Graduates whose information needs to be updated and are to be listed as Adults, under their own ID# regardless of living on their own or with parents. If you do not have your own box of 2020 Stewardship envelopes, please call Paula to make sure you are in our Sts Mary & Joseph Census. *Thank you*