

ST. LEO'S PARISH COMMUNITY



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Marriage

A man and a woman selflessly share life, love and Christian faith with each other and with God. The sacrament is administered by the two partners themselves, with the priest acting as the Church's witness. The Holy Spirit breathes God's own love into the couple's love, so that each becomes a grace for the other. It helps them grow together in a life of God and so fulfill their lives.

Vision Statement

As a Vatican II church, we strive to provide uplifting experiences where people gather to be nourished, to be given new hope, to be challenged by the Gospel, and to be reenergized, so that they can return to the world to fulfill Jesus' mission of loving God and loving human-kind.

Sunday Eucharist

Saturday evening
5 p.m.

Sunday Morning
8:30 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Daily Mass 9 a.m.

Holy Days 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4-
4:30 p.m. or
by appointment

Baptism Preparation

Fourth Monday
of the month
6:30 p.m.

Marriage Preparation

By appointment
at least 4 months
in advance

If you are new to our parish, please
call the office to register.

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August 29, 2010 Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Our Gift to God
August 22**

Adult	\$7,505.00
Plate	\$301.65
Youth	\$23.55
Total	\$7,830.20
Budget per week	\$11,270.00
Building Fund	\$229.35
YTD	-\$12,394.92
Assumption	\$71.00

**PARISH ACTIVITY
CALENDAR**

Sunday, August 29

9:30 p.m. RCIA Inquiry Class
9:30 a.m. Catechist Training
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Prep.

Wednesday, September 1

7 p.m. Empower
Leaders Training
7 p.m. Music Ministry Practice

Friday, September 3

9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Adoration



**Living our Faith,
Sharing our Gifts
Together**

Appeal	\$62,232.00
Collected	\$50,843.30
Balance	\$11,388.70
Families	246

PASTOR'S CORNER

Seminarian appeal figures: Last year the Seminarian Investment Prayer and donation mailing raised \$190,000 for Seminary Education. This was big help for the approximately \$280,000 tuition bill for seminarians last year. These contributions also help with our Diocesan Appeal, since they reduce costs that the Diocese can't avoid. Please consider a contribution when the Seminarian Investment mailing arrives and consider donating to our Diocesan appeal, using your envelope or online with the Diocese. Our parish gets credit if you contribute online.

Pakistan: Catholic Relief Services (CRS), the official Catholic humanitarian agency for the United States, has been active in Pakistan since 1954, and were heavily involved after the October 2005 earthquake. CRS emergency activities there include drought response, Afghan refugee assistance, earthquake response and rebuilding response. CRS is involved in the current flooding crisis by providing families with shelter and hygiene materials, water purification tablets, plastic sheeting and cookware. CRS engineers are repairing 7 separate water systems (serving tens of thousands of people) in the regions hit by floods. CRS had helped repair hundreds of water systems after the 2005 earthquake. They are also currently planning 17 cash-for-work projects, paying local people to build irrigation channels, pathways and retaining walls.

Thank you for donating to Catholic Relief Services over the years, it really helps them to be prepared for disasters overseas. If you want to donate, you can send us your contribution and we will forward it to CRS, or donate online at www.crs.org or call 1-877-HELP-CRS. I don't know if there will be a diocesan wide collection, and this flooding is so massive that maybe national governments are the only ones who can make a big enough difference. I will keep you posted, but let us pray for the 20 million homeless and all the aid workers who are helping. Fr. Torpey

NEW COMMUNION MINISTER TRAINING

There will be training for anyone who wishes to become a Communion Minister on Sunday, September 12 at 11:30am and Tuesday, September 14 at 5:30 pm.. You must have received the Sacrament of Confirmation to be a Communion Minister. Father Torpey will be doing the teaching. Sessions will last 30-45 minutes. Only one session needs to be attended. Please call the parish office to sign-up.

EMPOWER YOUTH

Ready to roll for the 2010-2011 season! If you are in 6th through 10th grade, come join Empower Youth on Wednesday nights, 7 - 8:30 p.m. where faith, fun and fellowship collide for an interactive Catholic experience. Our first Empower Youth is September 8, don't miss it! Parents - please register your child on the first day of Empower Youth by completing the Code of Conduct and Permission / Medical forms.

TOP TEN DONATIONS NEEDED IN OUR COMMUNITY

10. Garden Vegetables – St. Leo's Sharing Table
9. Coats from Garage sales – St. Leo's Coat Give-away
8. Fall Clothing – Parish Thrift Store
7. Cereal – Mary's Table Garden
6. Vegetables – Hope Harbor Homeless Shelter
5. Aluminum Cans – Habitat for Humanity
4. Lunch Meat – Hope Harbor Homeless Shelter
3. Paper Towels – Crisis Center Shelters
2. Kitchen Utensils – CNCS
1. Coffee – Hope Harbor Homeless Shelter

Please bring your donations to the parish office or call 382-4753 to arrange for drop off or pick up.

PROGRAMS FOR YOU

The Heartland United Way has a new website to provide resources for those who have **lost their jobs**. The website can be found by going to www.heartlandunitedway.org and under the Community Programs tab clicking the *Hardships to Hope* link.

STEPHEN MINISTRY TRAINING Stephen Ministers receive 50 hours of training in providing emotional and spiritual care. We listen, care, pray, support and encourage the person we are caring for. We do not pretend to be counselors, we are caregivers, and the person we minister to is the care receiver. We believe that Christ is the cure giver, we are simply care givers. Our hallmark is confidentiality. The training will take place weekly at St. Mary's Parish Center. For more information, you may call: Shirley Murphy @ 384-7332 or Nancy Badura @ 382-3476.

ADORATION Please choose to attend Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at any of the five parishes and pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Blessed Sacrament Church-1st Friday (Sept 3) following 7 am Mass-5 pm

St. Leo's Church-1st Friday (Sept 3) following 9 am Mass-1:00pm

St. Mary's Church (Wood River)-2nd Sunday (Sept 12)-following 8:30am Mass-4 pm

St. Mary's Cathedral-2nd Tuesday (Sept 14) following 7 am Mass-24 hours

Resurrection Church-4th Tuesday (Sept 28)-7 am-7 pm

WITNESS A MIRACLE IN STONE We are hosting a one day pilgrimage to the Grotto of the Redemption in West Bend, Iowa, on Thursday, October 21. The Most Reverend William J. Dendinger will accompany us and celebrate Mass at Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Church, adjacent to the Grotto. Cost: \$40, which will include coffee, rolls, a brown bag lunch, and refreshments. We will stop at Omaha on our way back for dinner at the Cracker Barrel. You will be responsible for your meal. We will depart from St. Mary's Cathedral Square at 6 a.m. and return at approximately 10 p.m. Reservations are required. For more information, or to register, please call Sr. Ann Ference at 384-8050 or Trish Curran at 384-8862. Make checks payable to: Catholic Daughters of America Court Ave Maria #1263. Payment required by Friday, October 8.

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 30

9 a.m. Morning Prayer
with Communion

Tuesday, August 31

9 a.m. Frieda Waldman +
by Sr. Carlene &
Sr. Mary Margaret

Wednesday, September 1

9 a.m. Dr. Stephen Maks +
by Mary Maks

Thursday, September 2

9 a.m. Joyce Krolikowski +
by Pat & Alan Brisnehan

Friday, September 3

9 a.m. W.J. "Bill" Knowles +

Saturday, September 4

5 p.m. Bob Ley +
by Peg Ley

Sunday, September 5

8:30 a.m.

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10:30 a.m. Lea Woll +



CENTRAL CATHOLIC NEWS AND NOTES DEADLINE IS SEPT 3rd! With your help, Central Catholic won the Verizon \$10,000; now how about \$500,000?!? Kohl's cares has announced an online contest and will be awarding \$500,000 to 20 schools nationwide that receive the most votes. No purchase necessary; each person can vote on Facebook up to 5 times. How to vote: Log on to www.facebook.com/kohls. When prompted click "allow access" to the Kohl's link. If you do not have a Facebook account, you can create one by clicking the green "sign up" button. Click on Vote Now-Find my School. On the drop down menu, enter Grand Island Central Catholic Grand Island Nebraska. Select our school and then click on "Cast a Vote." That's it! \$10,000 is great but wouldn't a HALF A MILLION be amazing!

Did you know? The Rosary is said immediately after Wednesday's 8:19am Mass at Central Catholic in thanksgiving and support for your Catholic school? All are welcome & you are invited! Takes only about 15-20 minutes, rosary booklets & rosaries are provided. Come & pray together! Check with the school to make sure that Mass is scheduled for that Wednesday beforehand. THANKS!

NEBRASKALAND FESTIVAL OF FAITH! Are you registered for the Festival? Catechists take advantage of a great tool for you ministry. Don't miss this great adult learning event. Please call the Religious Education Office 1-800-252-9325 or 308-532-2707 or visit our web site at www.gidiocese.org for all the details.

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING CLASSES NFP is a natural, God-given way to either space children, or to achieve a much-wanted pregnancy. Married and engaged couples learn about fertility awareness by taking an NFP International Course. Professionally certified teachers present three classes spaced approximately a month apart. With NFP, faith and science meet in a harmonious way. Classes begin Monday, September 13 at 7 pm, at Blessed Sacrament Church in room #12. Contact Mary Dey at 384-8472 to register. Suggested donation of \$70 includes all classes and materials. The NFPI Home Study course is also available on-line at www.NFPandmore.org.

Next Weekend's Ministry Schedule

Saturday, September 4-5 p.m.

Lector: Doris Rempe

Commentator: Chris Vincik

Servers: Buettner, Buettner

Greeters: Ann & Ken Colburn, Barb Brokaw, Beckie Stec

Sunday, September 5-8:30 a.m.

Lector: Kaye Plantenberg

Commentator: Wilma Hrnicek

Servers: Beck, Beck

Greeters: Greg Keslar, Tom Dolton, Donna & George Wanitschke

Shut-ins: Jim Bishop, Connie Werner, Brenda Riley

Sunday, September 5-10:30 a.m.

Lector: Richard Nabity

Commentator: Frank Prucha

Servers: Wiens, Casey

Greeters: Sue & Doug Whitman, Ron Moran, Kimberly Mickels

SAINT BENEDICT CENTER of Schuyler, Nebraska is a non-profit ecumenical retreat and conference center, founded by the Missionary Benedictines of Christ the King Priory. They welcome individuals and groups of all Christian denominations as they seek God in a peaceful and quiet setting. The Retreat Center provides an atmosphere that is conducive to prayer, rest, and renewal of laity, clergy, and religious. Non-profit groups, churches, educational institutional, hospitals, civic and service organizations, human growth programs and businesses are also welcome. If you have further questions about Saint Benedict's Retreat Center, please contact Rita Czaplewski, 395-8685 for more information.