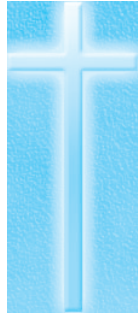


HOLY GHOST

CATHOLIC CHURCH

5219 SOUTH 53 STREET · OMAHA, NE 68117



Welcome to Our Parish!

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday Evening 5:00 pm
 Sunday 7:30 am and 10:00 am
 Weekday Mornings 7:00 am
 (except Friday - Communion Service)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 pm
 Please feel free to call and make an appointment to celebrate this sacrament.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples are to make arrangements with the parish priest at least six months prior to the intended date. Must also be registered in the parish for at least six months prior to the wedding and attend a marriage pre-session. Please call the parish office for more information or to make an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

If you wish to have your child baptized, please call Deacon Tim Leininger for details. Baptism is held on the last weekend of the month (at 5:00 PM Mass on Saturday or the 10:00 AM Mass on Sunday) unless you make special arrangements. We encourage you to schedule the Baptism even before the baby is born. You must be registered in the parish for at least three months prior to the Baptism. Baptism classes are the first Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM in the Rectory Lower Level. Adults interested in joining the Catholic Faith should call Deacon Tom Schulte.

SACRAMENT OF HOLY ORDERS

Anyone interested in the Priesthood or Religious Life, please call Fr. Greg at the Parish office or Fr. Paul Hoelsing at the Chancery Office, 558-3100.

HOMEBOUND/HOSPITAL VISITS

If you, a family member, or someone you know, is ill, homebound or hospitalized, who would like to receive the Eucharist please call the Parish Office at 731-3176.

CHILD CARE CENTER

Three and four year old program and before and after school child care.

JANUARY 29, 2012
FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

PRIEST

Rev. Gregory Benkowski..... Pastor

DEACON COUPLES

Deacon Tom & Kathy Schulte 731-3599
 Deacon Paul & Jackie Eubanks 932-8533
 Deacon Andy & Chris Sommer 733-9430
 Deacon Al & Terri Aulner 734-4557
 Deacon Tim & Ruth Leininger 731-7474

TRUSTEES

John Martinez Chuck Morrison

PARISH OFFICE STAFF

Brenda Tylkowski..... Business Manager
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 Rita Scheiding..... Bulletin Editor & Secretary
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 Ellie Morley..Director of Religious Education/Liturgist
 (e-mail: religiouseducation@holyghostomaha.org)
 Bill McDowall..... Men's Club

HOLY GHOST SCHOOL

Mrs. Dana Martin..... Principal
 Marita Grebl..... Secretary
 Nikki Washington..... School Board
 Julie Popok..... PTO
 Chad Gann Athletic Director
 (chad74@cox.net)..... 953-6950

CHILD CARE

Trina Hensley 731-7929

PARISH COUNCIL

Travis Washington..... President
 Tony Widhalm..... Vice-President
 Lacey Merica Secretary
 Diane Quaiver Michelle Martinez
 Grant Hon Mike Philbrick
 John Cunningham Kim Morrison

BULLETIN NOTICES AND INSERTS DUE

Monday, no later than 8:30 am for notices. All inserts for the bulletin MUST be into the Business office no later than 8:00 AM on **WEDNESDAY** mornings to be inserted into that weeks bulletin.



Pastor's Corner

This week we celebrate Catholic Schools Week. We will have a student speak at each of our Masses sharing his/her appreciation of having a Catholic education. A big thank you to each of our teachers who sacrifice, receiving a lower salary in teaching at a Catholic school. You are true disciples ministering to the children of Holy Ghost. Too often overlooked, is the contribution of the parishioners who don't have children in the school. Your tithing helps us to maintain this parish ministry. Without you, tuition costs would not cover the Catholic education of our youth. Thank YOU for being good stewards and ministers to the Church.

As you can see in the insert last week, if you didn't read the cover page article in the World Herald on Thursday, January 19th, that the Meitler group has proposed the closing of six schools in the southeast area. Holy Ghost is one of those. Please keep in mind this is the first draft of their document, and invites discussion from all interested parishioners, parents, alumni in the ongoing process. The Archbishop has called a special meeting for all the priests involved in the study to a special meeting on February 2nd. Let's continue to pray that we be open to however the Holy Spirit is directing us in this new chapter in our journey as an Archdiocese.

Have a good Catholic schools week!
Fr. Greg



Catholic Schools Week

Stewardship of Treasure

Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2011 - June 30, 2012

Weekly Offering Needs.....	\$6,400.00
Weekly Offering (January 22 , 2012)	\$5,252.00
Year- to- Date Budget Needs.....	\$192,000.00
Year- to- Date Collections	\$163,767.50
Shortage	\$28,232.50

Children's Collection...

This week the School children and the CCD students collected \$5.00.

Some of their many Acts of Kindness this week are: Johnny picked up his room; Lucy helped clean her room; Julia cleaned her room; Luke cleaned his room; James did his chores.

Church Renovation

\$100.00 In Memory of John Krayneski, Sr.
(from John Krayneski, Jr.)

Fatima & Spain Pilgrimage

Come along Nov. 6-16, 2012, to some of the holists and most beautiful sites in all of Spain and Portugal. We'll visit Fatima and Lisbon in Portugal and Madrid, Avila, Barcelona, Montserrat and more in Spain. Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$2,579 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, Immaculate Conception Parish, 1212 Morningside Ave., Sioux City, Iowa 51106 or call 712-276-4821 or email frdanic@cableone.net

WEEKEND RETREAT

A weekend retreat based on the Spirituality of St. Ignatius Loyola will be offered by Fr. Larry Gillick, S.J. and Fr. Greg Carlson, S.J. of the Deglman Center for Ignatian Spirituality at Creighton University. It will be held at the St. Benedict Retreat Center in Schuyler, Ne, Friday evening, March 23 to Sunday noon, March 25, 2012. It is a silent retreat with conferences by Fr's Carlson and Gillick encouraging prayer on the themes from the spiritual exercises of St. Ignatius. It is centered on the spirituality of people who are married. Cost is \$250.00 per couple. Deadline for reservations is March 2, 2012. If interested or for further information, please call Julie Carlson, Deglman Center for Ignatian Sprituality, 402.280.2773. or Julie-Carlson@creighton.edu

If you have a loved one in the hospital please call the Business Office and let us know so we can put it in the bulletin and intentions.



PRAY FOR . . .

The following members of our Parish, or loved ones of our Parishioners are now or recently been in the hospital. May our Lord grant them a speedy recovery and return them to their families in perfect health: **Margart Totenson, Jim Alesandro, Jim Ripa, Lois Huse, Ryan Davenport, Sharon Boukal, Joan Berquist, Marie Torczon, George Kurlmel, Charles Tostenson Sr, Clara Latzel, Sandra Sherrill, Vera Halac, Walter Fisher, Mary Lou Mass, Bernyce Paltani, Zach Kula, Waymon Caron, Pat Makara, Kathleen ("Kit") Stanesick, Joe Breci, Clarence Matya (Brother of Dorlene Marode), Shirley Kerkman (Mother of Jodi May), Kristin Schultz (Niece of Johna Belling), Bob Broich (Father of Marita Grebl), Norbert Steffensmeier (Uncle of Duane Steffensmeier), Marcia Hanson (Sister of Marita Grebl).**

Let us also remember in our prayers the following parishioners that are in care centers, homebound or need healing:

Hattie Smith	Kathy Sanden	Dorlene Marode
Nita Shaw	Debra Iwanski	Mary Lampe
Richard Van Sant	Irene Suchy	Marian Hannan
Louise Chiburis	Jacob Fraser	Caitlyn Thompson
Tony Miratsky	Jim Philbrick	Marian Nekuda
Ida Flott	Mari Ann Wilke	Grant Flott
Margaret Brick	Mike Hunter	Rose Vosik
Eleanor Williams	Ruby Fuller	Agnes Kolar
Betty Gentile	Raymond Nowak	Marie Pallas
Brassie Mruz	Terry Stillmock	Jean Buechler
Lucille Stuczynski	Luella Eich	Jerry Shavlik
Peg Sykora	Theresa Mitera	Lena Hughes
Charles Skokan		

Parish News:

**HOLY GHOST
GAME ON! - 2012**

Saturday, February 11, 2012

St John Vianney Parish Hall

\$30 per person

Social Hour/Dinner starts at 6:30pm

Games Start at 7:45pm

Dinner, all evening Snacks, and Drinks are provided.

This is your invitation to a special night of food, fun and friendly rivalry at GAME ON!, an adult game-night event. To join in, just gather a team of eight family members and friends, reserve a table and declare, GAME ON!

Time is getting short,
gather your team now and sign up
by calling Johna Belling:
(402) 982-9417.

Your tithing statements are on the table in the back of Church this week-end. If you have any questions please contact Rita in the Business Office on Monday, Tuesday or Friday at (402-731-3176)

**Women's Club Annual
VALENTINE'S SALAD LUNCHEON,**

Sunday, February 12th in the
Church Social Hall, 1PM.

No cost, just bring one of your favorite salads to share (pasta, fruit, meat, veggie types)... The ladies will supply drinks & desserts.

Please RSVP by calling Cindy K @ 339-1570 or
Melissa M @ 714-9945. Adults only please.



**Please pray for our loved ones who
are currently serving our Country:**

Sean Byers
Timmy Riskowski
Jim White
Nick Burton
Kevin Kersey
Bryan Mass
Dane Flott
Ty Campbell
Justin M. Vickers

Michael J. Baker
Gary Smith
Andrew Steffensmeier
Nick Lokamas
Denise Pohl
Suzie Homan
Stephen Gonifas
Becky White
Michael Aulner

Timothy Robertson
Jacob Aulner
Mike Pihlgren
Daniel Homan
Allen M. Novotny
Joseph M. Vickers
Tim Gouger
Michael Warner
Robert Blume

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Congratulations

This student is on Marian High School's
Principal's List for the first semester:

Kenzie Morrison 9th Grade

Congratulations

It is with great pleasure and pride that Duchesne
Academy honors this student for attaining Honor Roll
status:

Melissa Ulrich High Honors

SCHOOL NEWS

Holy Ghost Family... I am sure you have all heard by this point about the PROPOSAL made by an outside consultation firm to close our school. We disagree with this recommendation and do plan on sharing our view points with this firm and with Archbishop Lucas. If you have questions, concerns, or suggestions please do not hesitate to contact me, the Meitler group via email rlocher@meitler.com, or Archbishop Lucas via email Archbishop@archomaha.org. We have a proud and strong tradition at Holy Ghost and we want that to continue.

Please join us for an open house for Pre-School, Pre-Kindergarten, and Kindergarten on February 6, 2012 from 6pm to 7:30pm. All of our primary classrooms will be open for you to explore and we would love to answer any questions you may have about our programs. We will also have our Uniform Exchange available for you to see and make some purchases. Call the school office to RSVP 402-731-5161. See you there!

Join us during Catholic Schools week!!! We are so excited that Catholic Schools week is here! Holy Ghost has OPEN HOUSE everyday during Catholic Schools week so please come and join us for all the fun activities! Please call the office for any questions you may have 731-5161.

We are still accepting registrations for Game On which will be held on February 11th. Check out the school website www.holyghostomaha.org or call the school office for more details.

We are still collecting clean Land O Lake caps, Hy-Vee Receipts, Campbell UPC codes, Our Family UPC codes and Box Tops for Education. These can be placed in the basket in the back of the church. Thanks so much to everyone who contributes to our school in this way.

Blessings-
Dana Martin

PARISH TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Holy Ghost Rectory731-3176
 Fax738-1409
 Religious Education Office.....731-3176
 School Office.....731-5161
 School Fax number.....731-5174
 Child Care Center731-7929
 Church Hall.....731-2943

BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday.....7:30 am to 4:30 pm
 Friday.....7:30 am to 4:00 pm

(Business Office closed from Noon to 1:00pm for lunch..)

****Father Greg is off on Fridays and will not be in the Office.**

Weekly Schedule....

January 30th to February 5th

Mon. Jan. 30 **CATHOLIC SCHOOL WEEK**
 Choir Practice 7:00 pm
 Tue. Jan. 31 School Prayer Service 8:15 am
 Game On Prep 6:00 pm SH
 Wed. Feb. 1 Parish Council 7:00 pm SH
 CCD Classes 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm
 Thu. Feb. 2 School Mass 8:15 am
 Fri. Feb. 3 School Adoration 8:15 am
 Wii and Wieners
 6:00 pm to 10:00 pm SH
 Sat. Feb. 4 Blessing of the Throats at Mass
 Sun. Feb. 5 Blessing of the throats at all Masses

School Lunch Menu

January 30th to February 3rd

Mon. Jan. 30 Crispito, chips/Cheese, Salad, Pears,
 Bread/Margarine
 Tue. Jan. 31 Sub Sandwich, Carrot and Cucumber
 slices/Dip, Chips, Oranges
 Wed. Feb. 1 French Toast Sticks, Sausage, Tri-
 Potato, Frozen Strawberries
 Thu. Feb. 2 BBQ Rib Sandwich, French Fries, Pears
 Fri. Feb. 3 Chicken Pattie Sandwich, Corn on the
 Cob, Tropical Fruit, Apple and
 Cinnamon Stick (Chips)



We want to thank all of our sponsors on the back of the bulletin. Each week we will feature one particular sponsor. Our feature this week is **ROTH SELF STORAGE**. Please show your support to them.



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 30, 2012
 6:45 am Morning Prayer
 7:00 am †Marie Baghly—Family
Tuesday, January 31, 2012
 6:45 am Morning Prayer
 7:00 am †John Lewandowski—Family & Friends
Wednesday, February 1, 2012
 6:45 am Morning Prayer
 7:00 am †Ronald Ryberg—Bob & Grace Kosiski
Thursday, February 2, 2012
 8:15 am †Magdalene Topping—Family
Friday, February 3, 2012
 6:45 am Morning Prayer
 7:00 am Communion Service
Saturday, February 4, 2012
 5:00 pm †Lucille Julis—Family
Sunday, February 5, 2012
 7:30 am †Ludwig Phillips—Mary Louise Phillips
 10:00 am Parishioners

If a funeral occurs, the 7 am or 8:30 am Mass Intention that day will be rescheduled at a later date. Please call the Business Office for the new date. Thank You

Liturgical Roles

5:00 pm Saturday, February 4, 2012

Altar Servers C. Christensen, C. Nelsen, E. Ryder
 EMHC D. Martin, T. Padilla, V. Rosman,
 K. Sheldon, Deacon Sommer
 Gift Bearers D. & D. Ray
 Greeters L. Dyer, E. Morley
 Lector C. Sommer
 Sacristan P. Milobar

7:30 am Sunday, February 5, 2012

Altar Servers N. Ulrich, J. Widhalm
 EMHC K. Ulrich, M. A. White. Deacon
 Leininger
 Gift Bearers D. Quaiver, C. Wiebelhaus
 Greeters J. Krayneski, Jr.
 Lector D. Nowak
 Sacristan R. Leininger

10:00 am Sunday, February 5, 2012

Altar Servers Z. Huckins, J. Newell, M. Washington
 EMHC R. Hood, D. Newell, R. Sempek,
 N. Washington, Deacon Schulte
 Gift Bearers T. & L. Martinez
 Greeters G. & M. Lackovic
 Lector D. Ray
 Sacristan R. & G. Sempek
 Church Cleaning Crew: Crew D: L. Bridgman, R. & G.
 Sempek, B. & F. Wieneke, S. Mertlik

Reminder: If you are assigned to help out with a Liturgical Role at the Masses, please show up at least 10 minutes before Mass. If you cannot be here, PLEASE find someone to replace you.