



*Strengthen your servants who ask for your healing, O Lord
Guide and direct our doctors, nurses, pastoral ministers, and all who
serve as instruments of healing for our people...*

**Dale Busch,
Loren Hecker, Tim Lammers,
& John Graczyk**

If you, or an immediate family member, is experiencing a serious health issue and wish to be included on this list, please let us know. Names on the list will be taken off after one month, unless we are notified that the health issue continues.

Diocesan Appeal 2024

	<u>OLL</u>	<u>Pleasanton</u>
GOAL	\$17,689.00	\$3,192.00
RECEIVED As of 11/27/23	2,935.00	1,450.00
# OF FAMILIES GIVING/GOAL	20/70	6/12

FAQ About the Diocesan Appeal

How is the Diocese Fostering the Faith of Future Generations?
Over 1,000 youth from 39 different parishes attended diocesan youth programs this year! The appeal helps cover the cost of retreats including Higher Ground, Higher Ground Extreme Faith, Steubenville, Totus Tuus, and World Youth Day. The appeal supports young adults by helping to cover costs to operate St. Teresa of Calcutta Newman Center at UNK and the Newman House at Chadron State.

The Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

Is sponsoring a young adult trip to the 2024 SEEK Conference January 1-5, 2024 in St. Louis MO. Are you a young adult age 21-39: Who is being called into a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ and His Church? Who wants to experience truth, beauty, and goodness. Who is interested in connecting with peers who journey together. Check out the opportunity to take part in the 2024 SEEK Conference @ <https://www.gidiocese.org/young-adults>

Advent with Spirit Catholic Radio:

How are you celebrating Advent this year? The four weeks of Advent are meant to give us hope and reassurance that the Lord is coming, and also the opportunity to give hope to those around us. This year, Spirit Catholic Radio is focusing on a theme for every week of Advent: Hope, Joyful Expectation, Prayer, and Peace. Follow us on social media, subscribe to our e-newsletter, The Halo, and visit <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/advent/> as we share with you ideas for bringing these themes to life in your own special way either with your family, coworkers, or community. You can also tune in to Spirit Catholic Radio on weekday mornings 7-9AM, during our Spirit Mornings show, to hear inspirational guests discuss what Advent can mean in our lives. Tune in on Sundays for special Advent programming from EWTN. More info at <https://spiritcatholicradio.com/>

First Sunday of



December 2 & 3, 2023

The Catholic Parish Communities of

Our Lady of Lourdes

515 Sicily Avenue (Church & Rectory)
324 E. Corinth Avenue
(Parish Center & Office)
PO Box 90 (Mailing Address)
Ravenna, NE 68869



St. Mary's

PO Box 134 (Mailing Address)
502 N Sycamore Street
Pleasanton, NE 68866

Mass Schedule

December 2-10, 2023

12/2 Saturday	*5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	*Mass at St. Josaphat's +Jane Chramosta
12/3 Sunday	8:00 a.m. *10:30 a.m.	+ Roberta Panowicz *Mass at St. Josaphat's
12/4 Monday	*****No Services*****	
12/5 Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Bible Study at OLL
12/6 Wednesday	*****No Services*****	
12/7 Thursday	8:00 a.m.	+Nadine Franssen
12/8 Friday	For Immaculate Conception	
	*5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	*Mass at St. Josaphat's +Don Keaschall
12/9 Saturday	*5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	*Mass at St. Josaphat +Dave Huryta
12/10 Sunday	8:00 a.m. *10:30 a.m.	+Don Curtis *Mass at St. Josaphat's

Our Lady of Lourdes
§Seneca Sunrise
*St. Josaphat's at Loup City

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We Welcome All Our Visitors and Guests!

Mark Your Calendars!

- Dec. 2** 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
7:00 p.m. Mass at OLL
- Dec. 3** 8:00 a.m. Mass at OLL
9:00 a.m. RE at OLL
10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
- Dec. 5** 8:30 a.m. Bible Sharing at OLL
- Dec. 6** 6:30 p.m. CYO at OLL
- Dec. 7** 6:30 p.m. CCW Mtg./Potluck
- Dec. 8** 5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
7:00 p.m. Mass at OLL
- Dec. 9** 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
7:00 p.m. Mass t OLL
- Dec. 10** 8:00 a.m. Mass at OLL

Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend Masses

Saturday, Dec. 9 **Sunday, Dec. 10**

Hospitality

Mark & Liz Wroblewski 7th Grade Class

Lector

Kevin Vogt 7th Grade

Eucharistic Mnister

Darwin Hinrichs Becky Behrendt

Altar Servers

Cassie Coulter 7th Grade
Morgan Schuller

Formed.org is still available: Password is XXT4C6

Theology on Tap

Just a reminder that the next meeting will be this Sunday, December 3rd at Kinkaiders in Grand Island starting at 6:30 pm. Guest speaker will be Michael Havercamp from Young Life. This will be the last meeting for this year.

Eucharistic Adoration

Bishop Joseph Hanefeldt will be holding a Eucharistic Adoration Hour at St. Josaphat's in Loup City on Wednesday Dec. 13 from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. This is in line with the Eucharist Holy Year that Pope Francis has proclaimed.

I encourage and want as many people as possible to attend from ALL the parishes. In particular I think it would be great if all our Religious Education students could attend from all the parishes, if possible. This is a great opportunity for Eucharistic Adoration!

Our Offering to God Last Week's Collections

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Weekend Offerings Received	\$1,791.00
EFT Received	\$277.50
Income budgeted per week	\$3,077.44
Budget for 7/23-6/24	\$160,027.00
Building Fund	\$404.00

ST. MARY'S PLEASANTON

Offering Received	\$2,273.00
Offering EFT	\$250.00
Income Budgeted per week	\$780.87
Budget for 7/23/-6/24	\$40,605.00
Diocesan Mental Health EFT	\$30.00

My return to the Lord....for all His goodness to me

Parish/Committee Meetings

**OLL CCW on Thursday,
December 7th
6:30 p.m./potluck**

Hello Ladies and Gentleman of OLL Parish.

The time has come to remind ourselves about the responsibility of helping those in need. If you are looking for ideas of where you can make a difference in the lives of those less fortunate, then here are some places here in Ravenna you can consider donating to: Senior Center- There is a basket and list of suggested items at the back of the church. Just drop your items off in the basket and we'll get it to the Center for you. Or you can take your donation directly to the center during their regular business hours. City Hall- Our own church does a clothing drive where you can take gently used items (especially coats and current seasonal items) to City Hall for area residents in need. Also Food Pantry items can be given to City Hall. (Formally the Methodist Church would handle Food Pantry items but has since moved it to City Hall). Ravenna or your area EMS. Monetary donations are used for lifesaving equipment, supplies and skills training. Which is always a worthy cause. Finally- Ravenna Public Schools- Call up your area's school and ask if you can make an anonymous donation to help pay for needed items for a student (backpack, paper, pencils, etc.) (It is far more prevalent than one thinks, even in small towns). Simple acts of kindness can be life-altering on both the giver and receiver ends, so please consider giving just a little extra to a cause you deem worthy if you are able. You might just be the one to make a person's day much brighter!

Items to Take Home

The Little Blue Books for Advent, Liturgy of the Word Books, and 2024 Calendars are at all the doors for you to take home. The boxes of envelopes for 2024 are at the west entryway. Be sure to take yours with you and if you know of anyone you can take to, please do so. And even if you do your donation as an EFT, you will have a box of envelopes because you need a number for your account. We would like to have all of them gone by Christmas. BUT PLEASE DO NOT use them until the 1st of the year as you may have a new number. ALSO--envelopes to purchase poinsettias for the Christmas season in memory of a loved one are in the pews. They will need to be back to the office by Tuesday, December 19th to be included on the list of donors.

The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary

Mass times are 5:30 p.m. at St. Josaphat's in Loup City and 7:00 p.m. here at Our Lady of Lourdes in Ravenna. This is a Holy Day of Obligation so Mass should be attended by all. Ron Siegel is the Lector for this Mass. Help would be appreciated for the other ministries at this Mass.

Special Collection

Next weekend, December 9 & 10, the special collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Please donate to help thousands of elderly religious individuals retire with dignity. Your donation will provide essential care, medicine, and other necessities for nearly 25,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priest who have served for decades, usually for little or no pay. Let us show our appreciation by generously supporting those who have given so much. Envelopes are in your boxes.

Fatima Rosary

Will be said on Wednesday, December 13th at 2:00 p.m. here at Our Lady of Lourdes. This rosary is said every 13th of the month at 2:00 p.m. If the weather is bad, it will not be said. Everyone is invited to come pray the rosary.

