



*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...*

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 2026	<u>OLL</u>	<u>Pleasanton</u>
GOAL	\$16,010.00	\$3,266.00
RECEIVED As of 12/22/2025	\$6,630.00	\$2,475.00
# OF FAMILIES GIVING/GOAL	37/55	7/10

World Wide Marriage Encounter

"Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh."
Husbands and wives, offer each other the treasures of your love by participating in an upcoming Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: Feb. 20-22, Lincoln, NE; Apr. 18-19, Lakewood, CO; June 19-21, Golden, CO; Aug. 7-9, Wichita, KS; Sept. 18-20, Grand Island, NE; Nov. 6-8, Grand Junction, CO Call or text 402-370-5839 for more information. For Spanish WWME Experience information, contact Victor & Lupita Corona at 651-343-2348. For more information about Worldwide Marriage Encounter, and addition dates and locations, please visit wwme.org Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter

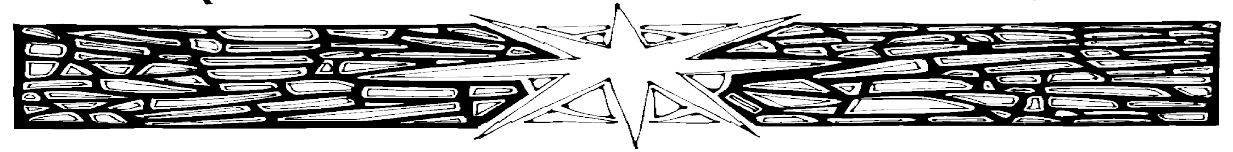
Steubenville

Calling all high school students currently in grades 9-12! Join hundreds of Catholic teens at Steubenville of the Rockies June 19-21, 2026 to experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is always faithful and will never abandon us. Find out more at gidiocese.org/ Steubenville. Registration opens Februray 1, 2026 with an early bird rate of \$399 through February 8, 2026.

Higher Ground

Attention current high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors. Higher Ground registration opens February 1, 2026. Join us for an unforgettable retreat designed to deepen your relationship with Christ and connect you with other high schoolers from across the diocese. Through prayer and meaningful experiences, you will grow in faith and discover a community of faith that will walk with you. By the end of this retreat, you'll leave with a renewed love for God and friendships that last. Register today at highergroundretreats.org and save with the Early Bird rate of \$325 until February 8, 2026.

The Epiphany of the Lord



The Catholic Parish Communities of

January 3 & 4, 2026

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

504 N Sycamore Street
Pleasanton, NE 68866

Mass Schedule

January 3-11, 2026

1/3 Saturday	*5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	*Mass at St. Josaphat's +Ron Vogt
1.4 Sunday	8:00 a.m. *10:30 a.m.	+Harold & Eva McKeon *Mass at St. Josaphat's
1/5 Monday	*****No Services*****	
1/6 Tuesday	8:30 a.m.	Bible Sharing at OLL
1/7 Wednesday	*****No Services*****	
1/8 Thursday	12 Noon	+Shelly Hecker at SMPI.
1/9 Friday	8:00 a.m.	+Louise Holeman
1/10 Saturday	*5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	*Mass at St. Josaphat's +Don Stittle
1/11 Sunday	8:00 a.m. *10:30 a.m.	+Robert Panowicz *Mass at St. Josaphat's

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

PARISH COMMUNITY PASTORAL STAFF

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We Welcome All Our Visitors and Guests!

Mark Your Calendars!

Jan. 3 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
7:00 p.m. Mass at OLL
Jan. 4 8:00 a.m. Mass at OLL
NO RE at OLL
10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
Jan. 6 8:30 a.m. Bible Sharing at OLL
Jan. 7 6:30 p.m. CYO at OLL
Jan. 8 12 Noon Mass at SMPleasanton
Jan. 10 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's
7:00 p.m. Mass at OLL
Jan. 11 8:00 a.m. Mass at OLL
9:00 a.m. RE at OLL
10:30 a.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's

Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend Masses

Saturday, January 10 Sunday, January 11

Hospitality

Bob & Mary Warner Mark & Heidi Standage

Lector

Gary Hewitt Sheri Schirmer

Eucharistic Minister

Kristy Keilig Zane Turek

Altar Servers

Cassie Coulter Emma Gentrup
Piper Kriha Faith Zoerb

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Pizza/Puzzle Fun Night

Saturday, January 17th at 6:30pm. Teams of 4 compete to finish a 500-piece puzzle, large pizza, and drinks! Check the Facebook page for sign up information or contact Sarah Birkby at 402-430-7899 or Joan Clifton at 308-380-5946.

Office Hours

Regular hours are Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30-4:00. Phone at the office is 452-3109 or email ourladyoflourdes324@gmail.com

After the 8:00 a.m. Mass next Sunday, January 11th, help will be needed to take down the Christmas decorations. Any and all help will be appreciated.

Our Offering to God

Last Week's Collections

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

Weekend Offerings Received	\$1,363.00
EFT Received	\$350.00
Income budgeted per week	\$3,288.46
Budget for 7/25-8/26	\$171.00.00
Religious Retirement	\$50.00
Building Fund	\$220.00
Christmas	\$5,077.00
Christmas EFT	\$905.00

ST. MARY'S PLEASANTON

Weekend Offering Received	\$1,607.00
Income Budgeted per week	\$826.63
Budget for 7/25-8/26	\$42,985.00
Christmas	\$1,985.00
Christmas EFT	\$30.00

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

Parish/ Committee Meetings

Men's Holy Name on Monday
January 19th at 8:00 p.m.

Thank you so much for all the prayers, cards and gifts over this Christmas season! The Lord has blessed me with the parishes for almost ten years now and I give thanks everyday for being your pastor. Please know that you are always in my prayers. Fr. Richard

OCIA

Is held on Wednesdays at 7:00 pm here in Ravenna at the Parish Hall.

End of Year Donations

Any donations that you would like to have on your 2025 contributions need to be into the office by January 5th, after that they will be on your 2026 offerings. Then I will start mailing out the statements the middle of January.

Calendars

The 2026 calendars have finally arrived so be sure to get one picked up. Some are at each of the doors.

The Epiphany of the Lord

Epiphany is a Christian holiday primarily commemorating the Magi's visit to the baby Jesus and the baptism of Jesus by John the Baptist. Eastern traditions, which usually call the holiday Theophany, focus on Jesus' baptism, seen as the manifestation of Christ as both fully human and fully divine. Western traditions focus on the Magi's visit, seen as the first manifestation of Christ as saviour of Gentiles as well as Jews. Epiphany is among the church's oldest and most important feasts. In many countries, Epiphany is celebrated with special pastries, and children often receive small gifts in their shoes in honour of the Magi's gifts to the baby Jesus.

Every Butterfly is New

As I sat at a table on the patio waiting for my morning coffee to cool, a butterfly alighted on my sleeve. I looked down. Very slowly the butterfly's wings opened and closed. The small creature seemed perfect, freshly made. I remembered something I had read. Most butterflies live for about one month. Every butterfly is new. I looked closely at my visitor. I marveled at the filigree wings, as delicate as dreams made real. I could see the tiny eyes. I was careful not to move my arm. I didn't want it to leave. A butterfly, I mused, in its short life dances with the wind, always searching. As this one approached me, what did it see? A patchwork of many colors? An immense, undefinable mass looming like an Everest? An unexplored planet, in an inexplicable orbit, flitting like itself through an ever-changing universe—a universe that beckons infinitely to newly born eyes? A strange flower? The butterfly on my arm was small, bright and new. At once a revelation came to me. I too am new.

