



**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...

**Jolissa Riessland,  
Father Richard &  
Glenda Cronin**

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**

**GOAL**

**OLL**

**\$16,010.00**

**Pleasanton**

**\$3,266.00**

**RECEIVED As of 7/6/26**

**\$14,385.00**

**\$3,225.00**

**# OF FAMILIES GIVING/GOAL**

**61/55**

**9/10**

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

"But some seed fell on rich soil and produced fruit, a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Help your marriage be like the rich soil by taking part in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience on: 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 additional dates and locations, please visit [wwme.org](http://wwme.org) Follow us on Instagram and Facebook! @worldwidemarriageencounter

**A CORRECT ASSUMPTION**

A man was being tailgated by a stressed out woman on a busy boulevard. Suddenly, the light turned yellow, just in front of him. He did the right thing, stopping at the crosswalk, even though he could have beaten the red light by accelerating through the intersection. The tailgating woman was furious and honked her horn, screaming in frustration as she missed her chance to get through the intersection, dropping her cell phone and makeup. As she was still in mid-rant, she heard a tap on her window and looked up into the face of a very serious police officer. The officer ordered her to exit her car with her hands up. He took her to the police station where she was searched, finger printed, photographed, and placed in a holding cell. After a couple of hours, a policeman approached the cell and opened the door. She was escorted back to the booking desk where the arresting officer was waiting with her personal effects. He said, "I'm very sorry for this mistake. You see, I pulled up behind your car while you were blowing your horn, flipping off the guy in front of you, and cussing a blue streak at him. I noticed the 'What Would Jesus Do' bumper sticker, the 'Choose Life' license plate holder, the 'Follow Me to Sunday-School' bumper sticker, and the chrome-plated Christian fish emblem on the trunk, Naturally... I assumed you had stolen the car."

Be sure to contact Cheryl at 308-382-6565 IF you are interested in helping at the 8:30 a.m. Masses at the State Fair, August 30th and September 6th.



**The Catholic Parish Communities of**

**July 11 & 12, 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**

**July 11-19, 2026**

|                |                          |                                                 |
|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 7/11 Saturday  | 5:00 p.m.<br>*7:00 p.m.  | +Maxine Skarka<br>*Mass at St. Josaphat's       |
| 7/12 Sunday    | *8:00 a.m.<br>10:30 a.m. | *Mass at St. Josaphat's<br>+Dick Chloupek       |
| 7/13 Monday    | *****No Services*****    |                                                 |
| 7/14 Tuesday   | *****No Services*****    |                                                 |
| 7/15 Wednesday | *****No Services*****    |                                                 |
| 7/16 Thursday  | *****No Services*****    |                                                 |
| 7/17 Friday    | *****No Services*****    |                                                 |
| 7/18 Saturday  | 5:00 p.m.<br>*7:00 p.m.  | +Don Stittle<br>*Mass at St. Josaphat's         |
| 7/19 Sunday    | *8:00 a.m.<br>10:30 a.m. | *Mass at St. Josaphat's<br>People of the Parish |

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

**PARISH COMMUNITY PASTORAL STAFF**

**PASTOR** Father Richard L. Piontkowski 452.3109 (Parish Center) or 530-5803 (Cell)  
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**K-12 DIRECTOR OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND PARISH YOUTH MINISTER**

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**We Welcome All Our Visitors and Guests!**

## Mark Your Calendars!

**July 11** 5:00 p.m. Mass at OLL  
 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's  
**July 12** 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's  
 10:30 a.m. Mass at OLL  
 1-5 pm KC Pool Party at Loup City  
**July 12-15** VBS at OLL for all Parishes  
**July 13** 3:15 p.m. Rosary at Seneca Sunrise  
**July 14** 8:30 a.m. Bible Sharing at OLL  
**July 18** 5:00 p.m. Mass at OLL  
 7:00 p.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's  
**July 19** 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Josaphat's  
 10:30 a.m. Mass at OLL  
**July 21** 8:30 a.m. Bible Sharing at OLL

### Liturgical Ministers for the Weekend Masses

| Saturday, July 18                  | Sunday, July 19       |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b><u>Hospitality</u></b>          |                       |
| Keith & Lisa Paitz                 | Mark & Heidi Standage |
| <b><u>Lector</u></b>               |                       |
| Michael Graczyk                    | Sheri Schirmer        |
| <b><u>Eucharistic Minister</u></b> |                       |
| Toni Stittle                       | Kellie Crowell        |
| <b><u>Altar Servers</u></b>        |                       |
| Porter Kriha                       | Perry McDonald        |
| Payton Kriha                       | Thomas McDonald       |

**Formed.org--XXT4C6--If this doesn't work try using your town or zip code.**

### ***Save the date for Vacation Bible School!!!***

All children, grades K-5 are welcome! It starts this Sunday July 12, 11:30 am-4:30 pm and Monday July 13 through Wednesday July 15, 5:30-7:30 pm. Also, we are looking for volunteers to help with VBS. If you are interested, please sign up on our Facebook page or contact Joan Clifton or Sarah Birkby.

### ***Office Hours***

Are on Tuesdays and Thursdays, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The phone number to the office as well as the email address are on the front page of the bulletin. Father Richard's phone number is there as well if you need to get in touch with him. On July 23rd, I will only be in the office until 12 noon, it's fair time again!

## Our Offering to God Last Week's Collections

### OUR LADY OF LOURDES

|                            |              |
|----------------------------|--------------|
| Weekend Offerings Received | \$1,388.00   |
| EFT Received               | \$2,005.00   |
| Income budgeted per week   | \$3,293.06   |
| Budget for 7/26-6/27       | \$171,239.00 |
| Building Fund              | \$100.00     |
| Peter's Pence              | \$571.00     |
| Peter's Pence EFT          | \$100.00     |

### ST. MARY'S PLEASANTON

|                           |             |
|---------------------------|-------------|
| Weekend Offering Received | \$140.00    |
| Weekend Offering EFT      | \$220.00    |
| Income Budgeted per week  | \$842.50    |
| Budget for 7/26/-6/27     | \$47,890.00 |
| Peter's Pence EFT         | \$30.00     |

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

### Parish/ Committee Meetings

**No Meetings until  
September**

### ***Paplin Mass***

The annual Our Lady of Mount Carmel celebration will be held at the air conditioned Paplin Church on Sunday, July 19, 2026. Mass is at 11 a.m. with a potluck dinner following. A silent auction will be held from noon to 2 p.m. We are raffling a .243 Henry Rifle, a Duraweather patio set, a rocket stove disc cooker, and \$50 and \$25 cash prize. Tickets sell for \$5/ticket or 3/\$10. See any board member to purchase tickets. Come for good food, fun, music, and fellowship! Items for the silent auction may be brought on Sunday morning or contact Rose Kowalski at (308)750-2807, Diane Chelewski at (308)750-0676 or any Friends of Paplin board member. Everyone is welcome to attend!

### ***Catholic Rural Life***

Is working on a nationwide video project about Catholics living in rural communities. We're looking for people, families, priests, small business owners, farmers, tradesmen, or parish leaders who have a strong Catholic faith and a story in their life that may be worth exploring on camera. This could take a lot of different forms. For example: A farmer or ranching family in a meaningful season of life--Someone trying to keep a small-town business going --A mechanic, tradesman, or shop owner who serves the local community--A priest serving multiple rural parishes--A family involved in tractor pulls, hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, county fairs, or other local traditions--A father and son fixing up a first car-- Someone preparing for a parish event, feast day, procession, or other community tradition-- A young person deciding whether to stay, leave, return, or take something over--Someone whose Catholic faith shapes their work, family life, service, or responsibilities We're especially interested in people who are going through an experience like the ones listed above right now, whether that is a season of work, a major life decision or challenge, a family tradition, a parish effort, or a responsibility that they are carrying. At this stage, we're trying to find possible leads and have a few conversations. If anyone—including yourself or your own family, parish, and community— comes to mind, please reply to this email--info@catholicrurallife.org with their name, parish or community, and a few lines about why you thought of them.

### ***125th Anniversary***

The Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis joyfully announce the beginning of our 125th Anniversary Year. This is our time to celebrate God's goodness and to offer thanks for the rich history that has shaped our Congregation. A flyer with all the area parishes they have served as well as other information is at the doors.

### ***Building Blocks Foster Care***

The mission of Building Blocks Foster Care is to be a compassionate organization that focuses on providing each child with a safe, loving family through support and quality training to inspire growth. We are families helping families. Our area is in critical need of foster families. If anyone is interested in more information about becoming a foster parent of family, a letter with more info and a brochure are at the doors.

