

Sacred Heart

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**MASS TIMES - 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays, Mass will be at Bayard on Saturday at 6:00 pm.
Mass will be at Dalton at 8:00 a.m. on Sundays.
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For the Week of 1/3 to 1/10:

1/3 Sunday 6:00 PM Scottsbluff Joliffe Funeral Home Vigil Service for Tony Serrato
1/4 Monday 10:00 AM Gering Christ the King Funeral Mass for Tony Serrato
1/5 thru 1/8 Tuesday thru Friday - No church services this week
1/9 Saturday 6:00 PM Dalton For the People of the Parish
FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (end of Christmas Season)
1/10 Sunday 8:00 AM Bayard Rick Hernandez
Sunday 10:30 AM Bridgeport Duane Beal & Mike Beal
Sunday 11:30 AM Bridgeport New Year Brunch
Sunday 4:00 PM Bridgeport C.C.W. Christmas Party

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - - -

This weekend we continue our Christmas Season with the Feast of the Epiphany.

The Three Kings recognize in the person of this newborn child the Messiah. They welcome him with their precious gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The Three Kings are often represented as what hospitality is. We will have our traditional marking of the doorways K+ M+ B+2016.

Next weekend will mark the end of this Christmas Season. Any help will be appreciated in putting away the decorations at church.

Today's bulletin includes a listing of the Christmas flower donors and memorials. Added after its printing was also the Deceased Loved Ones of Pat Myers and also the Deceased Loved Ones of Eleanor Ernest. Thanks to all who helped cover the cost of the poinsettias.

I will be gone a few days this week. If you need to reach me for an important matter, you call Carolyn Gusman, Charlotte Landrigan, or Sue Wiggins. They can reach me.

I appreciated those who helped with the New Year's Eve Party at All Souls Parish Center on Thursday evening. It is nice to continue with this tradition we have carried on for many years. It is an enjoyable way to have a safe celebration.

You may have noticed in the West Nebraska Register the appeal for funds to support operating the newspaper. So far, only about 25% of the cost has been covered by donations already sent in. If you have not already donated, consider sending \$20.00 about the cost of each subscription. The Diocese automatically mails a newspaper for each Catholic household to keep our people informed. Make checks payable to West Nebraska Register, P.O. Box 608, Grand Island, NE 68803.

Again a reminder that the electronic transfer from your bank of your donation to the church is possible. It is a convenience that helps you support your parish when you are away. Staff at the Farmers Bank in Bridgeport can help you with this service. There is no fee to you for this service, and Farmers Bank will waive the fee for the church if it goes through that bank.

ALL SOULS NEW YEAR BRUNCH - Sponsored by the "That Man Is You" parish men's group, all men are invited to help prepare and serve brunch after Mass next Sunday's 10:30 AM Mass. This will take the place of the women serving coffee and rolls. We need men to bring casseroles, a dozen cinnamon rolls and cut fruit. Beverages will be served. Let Doug Hadden or Don Landrigan know if you can help provide the above. Thanks.

JUBILEE YEAR OF MERCY HAS BEGUN - Father has a very limited supply of the Magnificat booklet for a day-to-day observance of the Jubilee Year. These are available at cost in the amount of \$6.00 to be paid to Father Dave. Please keep your copy of the letter from our Bishop of the schedule for the yearlong observance of the Jubilee. There is a Jubilee Door at the Cathedral in Grand Island. If you pass through the Door and fulfill the requirements, you may receive a partial or plenary indulgence. The requirements are: 1. Pass through the Holy Door. 2. Make a profession of faith (pray either the Nicene or Apostles Creed). 3. Make a short reflection on mercy. 4. Sacrament confession and reception of the Eucharist and a prayer for the Pope's intentions. Plan a pilgrimage to St. Mary's Cathedral.

CHRISTMAS PARTY - All Souls C.C.W. Christmas Party will be Sunday, January 10th. Featured entertainment will be the movie "The War Room" which is an inspirational movie. Women attending are asked to bring a salad to share.

IN 2016, WE RESOLVE Father came across an article in Our Sunday Visitor newspaper with ideas to make the New Year an opportunity of growth for us. Choose one or choose all of them. 1. Adopt an attitude of gratitude. In a world that is tense and filled with fear of violence, etc., challenge yourself to count your blessings in 2016. There is much more to be grateful for than to fear. 2. Try to waste less food. The United Nations says that one-third of the food produced worldwide is lost or wasted each year. In the U.S. one-half of fresh produce is thrown out. Try to plan better and be conscious of how you live. 3. Try to identify one way to live the Year of Mercy consistently. Perhaps it means being quicker to forgive or extending more patience in our families. Perhaps it means committing to monthly confession. It could mean volunteering at a local charity. 4. Walk through a Holy Door during the Jubilee Year of Mercy. There is a Holy Door at our Cathedral in Grand Island and in other places. You may gain a plenary indulgence if you meet the conditions described above. The physical act of passing through the portal can be a powerful sign of one's commitment to the Faith and to increasing conversion in one's life. 5. Maintain perspective during this election year. Don't give into negative politics and hate mongering. Pledge yourself to being informed, form a Christian conscience and exercise your civic right and duty by voting.

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- Cleaning for January: Temple, Gonzales, Meter
- Prayer chain requests may be made to Paula Contreras - 586-2992 or Berna O'Neal - 262-9990

All Souls:

- Prayer line requests may be made to JoAnn - 262-0558 or Teresa - 262-0439.
- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.

Saint Mary's:

- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.
- Prayer line requests may be made to Margaret - 377-2420.

Our Gift to God: Last Weekend's Collection:

Accounts	All Souls	St. Mary's	Sacred Heart	Christmas
Adult	\$740.00	\$2,135.00	\$215.00	\$1,147.00
Youth	\$9.30	\$13.00	\$6.22	\$26.50
Plate	\$39.00	\$104.00	\$596.00	\$419.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$788.30	\$2,252.00	\$817.22	\$1,592.50
December 20 Envelopes		\$275.00		
Children Christmas	\$26.01			
Christmas	\$1,524.00			
Retired Religious Fund	\$3.00	\$20.00		
Christmas Flowers		\$30.00		
Appeal				
Building Fund				
TOTALS	\$2,341.31	\$2,577.00	\$817.22	\$1,592.50

