



Dear Parishioners,

The next couple of weeks I have to be out of town for four different meetings related to the other responsibilities that Archbishop Lucas has assigned to me. From Monday, February 2, to Sunday, February 8, I will be in Dallas for two different meetings related to my role as National Chaplain for the Catholic Medical Association: The Medical Ethics Workshop for the Bishops and a retreat/meeting for the board of the Catholic Medical Association. Then, on Monday and Tuesday, February 9-10, I will be in Schuyler for our Archdiocesan winter clergy conference. Finally, from Wednesday to Friday, February 11-13, I will be in Washington, D.C., for the board meeting for the National Advisory Council of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. Please keep me in your prayers for safe and uninterrupted travel!

This week, especially keep in your prayers all in the Church who live the vocation of consecrated life as Archbishop Lucas celebrates a Mass on the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord, February 2, a special Mass with consecrated persons in the Archdiocese. Also, as I have mentioned before, we are currently in the Year for Consecrated Life that Pope Francis has declared. Let us especially pray for the Benedictines from Mt. Michael Abby and the Columban Missionaries in Bellevue who send their priests to celebrate Masses for the parish when I have to be out of town in thanksgiving for their availability and willingness to do so. Let us pray, too, for more vocations to consecrated life, especially that the youth of our parish will respond to such a call if our Lord calls them to such.

Have a wonderful and grace-filled week.
God bless you, Fr. Gutowski

Mass Intentions for the Week

JANUARY 26 THRU FEBRUARY 1

Monday	Rosemary Laux
Tuesday	Priest's Intention
Wednesday .	Priest's Intention
Thursday .	Priest's Intention
Friday	No Mass or Prayer Service
Saturday	Peter Stephens
Sunday	People of St. Joseph

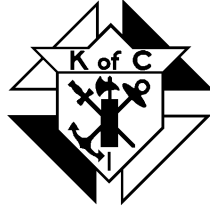
WALKING TOWARDS ETERNITY

This Lent, grow in the virtues with an 8-week Lectio Divina series developed by Jeff and Emily Cavins, called "*Walking Towards Eternity.*" Each week, study a different virtue along with its Bible references, and prayerfully learn to put it into practice.

Hosted by St. Patrick's of Gretna, you are invited to register online at www.stpatsgretna.org as soon as January 23, 2015, for this Lenten series, which will be Monday evenings, from February 23 - April 20, 2015 (no class March 30). Each session will be from 7:00 PM to 8:45 PM in the St. Patrick's Parish Center at 508 Angus Street, Gretna. Child Care will be available, but is limited so spaces must be reserved. Cost is \$15.00 for the workbook. For questions and childcare, contact Chris Cutler at 402.699.9304 or cc20307@aol.com

VALENTINE LUNCHEON

Wednesday, February 4th
12:30 p.m.
Reservations by Sunday, Feb. 1
United Methodist Church
480 Main St., Springfield
402-253-2270

**KNIGHT'S NEWS****New Knights**

Please welcome the newest Knights of Columbus to our local council. These four joined us in January supporting one another, our faith, our parish and our community:

Travis Hans

Baron Huntwork

Jay Huntwork

Robert Cronican

Bowling Night

Cabin Fever? Join your fellow parishioners for an evening of fun bowling on Saturday, Feb 15th for the annual Knights of Columbus Bowling Night. We will be bowling at the Papio Bowl in Papillion, 7:00 P.M. Sign up your family and friends in the back of the church!

Become a Knight!

If you are a practical Catholic man, age 18 or older, we welcome you to join the leading organization of Catholic laymen. Being a Knight helps you to be more involved with your community; it is supporting your local Catholic Church, while enhancing your own faith; it is about protecting and enhancing your family life. If you are interesting in joining or just interested in learning more about the Knights of Columbus you can:

- Contact Ralph Meister (email: ralphmeister@hotmail.com or call [402-253-8301](tel:402-253-8301)) or Phil White (email: pwhite12@q.com or call [402-592-1549](tel:402-592-1549)).

- Visit our local Council web site at: <http://www.nebraskakofc.org/kc10894>. There's links on there to contact any of our officers.

- Just grab any Knight before/after Mass!


**Be a
Blood Donor**

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, Feb. 15th, the next Springfield Community Blood drive. Time will be 8:00 A.M. till 1:00 P.M. at the Springfield Fire Hall. You can make an appointment by calling Ralph @ [402-253-8301](tel:402-253-8301) or you can go online at [Red Cross .org](http://RedCross.org). to sign-up. We been having pretty good drives in the past and hopefully we can have another good turnout.

STEPHENS CENTER – UPDATED

We would like to also thank Debbie & Larry Vacek who helped Bob & Laurel Zielinski and Chuck and Beth Chevalier in preparing and serving the dinner at the new Stephens Center this past week. They were omitted in last week's bulletin.

SHRINE NEWS

The Holy Family Shrine will host John Dorman in concert on Saturday, February 21st at 6pm. Please come and enjoy an hour of adoration and sacred music in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

All donations go to support the Shrine.

To get to the Shrine take I-80 to the 432 exit, turn and go south 1 mile on Highway 31 to Pflug Road, turn west on Pflug Road and go 1 mile.

For more information call the Shrine at [402-332-4565](tel:402-332-4565).

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Ladies' Guild and Knights of Columbus offer scholarships on a competitive basis to members of the parish who will be graduating from high school this spring and plan to continue their education. Applications are in the K of C mailbox; they must be returned by March 31, 2015. Contact Tim Ihry if you have questions.