

April 28, 2013  
Fifth Sunday of Easter



# SAINT GERALD PARISH

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We are a Catholic faith community devoted to becoming a dynamic center of worship. We challenge ourselves to lead lives patterned after Jesus. With gratitude we share our faith, talents, gifts and resources so that more people experience God's love.

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## Masses

### Church - 96th & Q Street

Sat 5:00pm

Daily 12:15pm (M-F)

Sun 7:30am 9:00am 10:30am & 12:00pm

Holy Days 6:00pm (eve), 7:00am, 12:15pm

### Chapel - 78th & Lakeview St.

Sun 7:00am

Daily 8:15am (M-Sat)

Rosary begins at 7:45 am

Holy Days 9:00am (children's) 7:00pm

*For a recording of the Mass times please call 331-1955 ext 21.*

## Reconciliation

**96th & Q** Mon-Fri: 12:00-12:15pm

Sat 3-4:30pm

**Lakeview:** First Fridays and Saturdays prior to 8:15am Mass

## Ministry to the Sick

If you, a relative or friend are hospitalized or shut-in, short or long term, and would like a visit from a Priest, please call the parish office.

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

### Baptisms

You must be a registered parishioner and attend one baptism class. This class is held the second Thursday of every month. Please fill out the form found in the kiosk of the church and return the form to the business office to sign up for the class. **The form MUST be completed and turned in the Tuesday before the Baptism class.** If not turned in by this deadline, you will attend the following class. This is not a walk-in class.

### Marriage

According to the Archdiocesan guidelines and to ensure adequate preparation for this very important Sacrament, you must make arrangements at least six (6) months ahead of the Marriage date. Special instructions are required for any Catholic party under 19 years of age. No date can be set for this marriage. A Civil Marriage License should be obtained two weeks in advance of marriage. **To set a wedding date here at St. Gerald Catholic Church, you must be a registered parishioner for 3 months.**

### Religious Formation: K-8

Children of the parish are supplied with Religious Formation either in our 5-day school or in our Religious Formation Program. Regular and sustained Religious Formation is a life-long process. Parental support at home for their children's religious formation includes attendance at the Sunday Eucharist, prayer at home, and support of the catechetical program of their choice. Parishioners who homeschool are encouraged to visit with the Religious Formation Director about their children's preparations for the sacraments.

### Registration in the Parish

If you attend St. Gerald then it is important that you register. You can easily do this by simply attending a Welcome Registration session that is held in the Parish Library on the First and Third Sundays of the Month following the 10:30 am Mass.



**Many Many Thanks:** The parish of St. Gerald is indeed so generous. Thank you for your donations to the Holy Land Franciscans who staff and work at all the holy places in the Holy Land. I met a number of these men and I can safely tell you that they live a life of simplicity and welcome as they deal with the thousands of pilgrims who come to the Holy Land to visit the places where Jesus walked. They also help with many social services to the poor in and around these sites. You donated almost \$5000 (\$4,928.53) to help their work.

**Corpus Christi Procession:** The feast of Corpus Christi (The Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ) which is always the second Sunday after Pentecost...this year it is June 2, is always an opportunity for us to honor Jesus in the Eucharist. The Church has always encouraged a procession of the Blessed Sacrament on this day; this encouragement did not go away after Vatican II—it just got talked down by those who thought they knew better. We have had processions here at St. Gerald's most notably when we processed with the Blessed Sacrament from our church on Lakeview to the New St. Gerald's on 96<sup>th</sup> and Q when we began using the new church. Last year we processed around the church at 96<sup>th</sup> and Q. For Totus Tuus the kids and their youth catechists and any who want to join them, have a procession around the school building. Honoring Jesus in such a physical way helps to bolster our faith and even lets others see it...for it is not hidden by the walls of a church. I am proposing that we hold a procession this year from one of our churches to the other. We have such an ideal situation with our two churches and a nice quiet street to process on in between. I am further proposing we do this on a **Saturday evening, June 1, beginning at 6:30 pm** followed by a social for all the participants. Those of all ages can come and be part of this---rides will be provided for those who can't walk that far and a shuttle will be provided to get people back to their cars at the other site.

\*Special participant invitations: First Communicants come in First Communion Attire (no need for veils and wear your good outdoor walking shoes), you lead the procession (with parents); Cub and Boy Scouts—come in uniform; Daisies, Brownies and Girl Scouts—come in uniform

\*All parish organizations are encouraged to come, join in, make a banner to carry proclaiming your group (Choir, Knights of Columbus, Liturgy Committee, Men's Club, School—specific class, etc...)

\*Children: make ribbon banners: 6 to 8 three foot multi-colored ribbons attached to a dowel that is about 2' long.

\*Omaha Police will provide safety: car in front and car in the rear. KC's will provide special honor guard. Men of the parish will carry the canopy. Priests and Deacons will carry the Monstrance containing the Blessed Sacrament and preside at the various prayer/altar stops along

the way.

\*Procession begins at the Lakeview Chapel and will wind its way along Lakeview Street across 84<sup>th</sup> to Lakeview Drive to 90<sup>th</sup> then a jog over to Mockingbird Drive ending up at 96<sup>th</sup> and Q.

\*Families along the way can volunteer their home for a stop helping to prepare an outdoor make-shift altar...prayers will be said and the procession will move on.

\*Fliers will be distributed the week prior telling all people along the way what this is that will be passing their way.

We are advertising this city-wide so invite your friends from neighboring parishes.

\*Only a month off.

**May Crowning:** The Final mass for Religious Education will be held at 96<sup>th</sup> and Q on Wednesday, May 1 at 6:15 pm. We will have a May Crowning at this mass. We will be using the statue that was purchased by the Grade School children and the Religious Ed children. The Grade School May Crowning Mass will be at 8:15 am on Friday, May 10. Thanks to Ron Szatko for re-creating our shrine platform for the new statue. Eventually a wall shelf shrine will be constructed for the Hall where this statue will normally be kept.

**Clergy Appreciation:** On Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, all the clergy of the parish: priests and deacons along with the religious Sisters of our parish...will have a party in their honor hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Anyone can attend this event. But you need to let them know you are coming. Contact Mike D'Ercole at [mtdercole@cox.net](mailto:mtdercole@cox.net) and let him know you want to come. It is always a nice evening. I have it in my calendar that it begins at 6:00 pm in the Dorsey Hall at Church.

**Pray for our Religious Formation Program:** We have entered into a discernment phase with our program. We are looking at a major change that would impact our families in a most tremendous way. If parents are the first teachers of their children in the ways of faith then why isn't our program (in fact all our catechetical programs) centered around the family? And why isn't our prime mission to help parents build a faith community among themselves while at the same time giving them the tools to actually teach their children. We have to find a way to impact families because this is where faith is caught and taught and the Church has to concentrate her energies on them. The by-product are young people who not only learn but have fun with their faith. Check out the following website for more information: [www.familyformation.net](http://www.familyformation.net)

\*So far, two trips have been taken to Norfolk to observe the program that we are contemplating. It comes out of a parish in Ham Lake, MN. Fr. Tim Nolan was the founder of the program and as one of my seminary advisors when I was in college I have great respect for his holiness and desire to renew the church with Catholics committed and excited about their faith. The secular and now, anti-Christian culture will take us and our families down if we don't figure out how to rely on a

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real and loving relationship with Jesus and if we don't figure out how to live in faith as a family at home and as a family—at church.

\*A much better way to talk about Faith formation for our youth is to call it Family Formation. It's the parents that really matter. Parents can teach their kids to play softball, they can teach their kids to wash clothes, make their bed, even cook. Parents will become scout leaders, volunteer coaches and will help them do their homework. Why not also actively teach their children about one of the most important possessions of their lives.....their religion...and by example they share their love for God.

\*Mary Harper has begun meeting with small groups of parents from the program to present the possible change to them and get their input. Change is always a challenge but the fear of change is not enough to keep one from choosing a way that will deliver the gospel in a renewed way....it's all part of what is called the New Evangelization.

\*Special Presentation to all parents and any who are interested in the Catholic Faith this Sunday after the 9am mass in the parish hall.

**Family Formation Prayer: Loving Father, Son and Holy Spirit, You have guided us through the ages in our quest to know, love and serve you. Guide us now, we pray, in providing a Family Formation Program to assist our parish families as they strive to bring their children closer to you and our Mother Mary. Give these parents the desire to understand your will and share this knowledge with their children. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen**

**Year of Faith Holy Hour:** Sunday May 5<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm at the Lakeview Chapel.

**Interview on KVSS:** I will be on the radio for an interview on Tuesday, April 30 at 7pm....KVSS is FM 102.7. I am going to be on the Morning Break that begins everyday at 6:30 am and goes until 8:30 am.



### First Friday

Eucharistic Adoration will be held Friday, May 3, beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the

Chapel, 78th & Lakeview and continuing until 2:30 p.m., closing with Benediction. Spend an hour with the Lord anytime during the day.

### First Saturday Devotions

First Saturday Mass in honor of Our Lady of Fatima's request for the five first Saturdays of Reparation will be held May 4 at 8:15 a.m. Devotions, rosary and confession will begin at 7:45 a.m.

**The EPS Mother's Day Rose Donation Drive** takes place following Masses, Saturday and Sunday, May 11 and 12. As you exit church, the Knights of Columbus invite you to select a beautiful long-stem red rose in exchange for your \$5.00 donation supporting the vital work of Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS) -- a free local pregnancy center helping expectant women choose LIFE for their little ones. Giving EPS roses is a lovely way to acknowledge precious people in our lives and to protect precious babies in our community.



**FOQ June event** – Storm Chasers baseball game June 30. Werner Park, Papillion. 12:45—2:30pm picnic prior to game at 2:05. 30 people limit – please return form with remittance to the business office or place in the collection basket prior to June 1 marked "Friends on Q". Any questions, please call Rosemary at 402 933-9299 or Kathy at 402 331-4324. **STORM CHASERS VS. IOWA CUBS BASEBALL GAME, WERNER PARK, PAVILLION, JUNE 30. DEADLINE FOR TICKET PURCHASE – JUNE 1**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ # of tickets \_\_\_\_\_

\$23 for FOQ members \$25 for non-members

Please return form with payment to the business office or place in the collection.

## Women's Social

### Crocheting/Knitting Group

We are collecting yarn to make hats for the Stephen Center. Please drop off donated yarn in the back of church in the boxes marked for this project. Any questions, contact Nancy Gourley at 402-926-9350.

### Craft Group

Please join us on Tuesday, May 7, from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Multipurpose room. We will be making cement stepping stones for the garden. For any questions, contact Judy Rogers at 402 339-9752 or [jrrogers1@cox.net](mailto:jrrogers1@cox.net).

### Walker Totes

The Women's Quilting and Sewing Group has walker totes available for any parishioner needing one; fabric is gender appropriate. Contact Judy at 402-593-9378 or [jhaug@cox.net](mailto:jhaug@cox.net)



### Last Week to register for the Tournament!!!

The St Gerald Knights of Columbus and St Gerald Men's Club are sponsoring the 17th Annual Fr William A Foster Memorial Golf Tournament. \$90 per golfer or \$360 per team and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, lunch, raffle tickets, refreshments, fellowship & prizes. Call 402-331-1955 to register and make payment by May 3rd.

**Retirements**

Mr. Dave Garland, St Gerald principal for many years is retiring at the end of this school year. We thank him for his many years of dedication to our school children and families.

Also retiring are two of our wonderful teachers, Mary Kay McQuilgan and Sue Hodoly. We thank them for teaching our children and being a part of their lives.

Best wishes to all of you for a happy retirement.

**Family Night Out**

Join our school families at Don & Millie's, 84th & Q, on May 7, from 4-9pm for a night out. A percentage of your meal will go to our Home and School. Thank you.

**May Crowning**

St Gerald School May Crowning will be May 10 at 8:15am at the Church, 96th & Q.

**Perpetual Adoration: Call Mary Ann at 402-331-0926**

**Monday:** 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 8am, 1pm, 6pm, 7pm

**Tuesday:** 12am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 10am, 7pm

**Wednesday:** 12am, 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 11am, 4pm

**Thursday:** 12am, 1am, 2am, 3am, 7am, 10am, 11am, 3pm, 4pm, 11pm

**Friday:** 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 5am, 8am, 1pm, 3pm, 6pm, 8pm, 10pm

**Saturday:** 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 5am, 10am, 11am, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm, 5pm, 6pm, 8pm, 9pm, 10pm, 11pm

**Sunday:** 12am, 1am, 2am, 3am, 4am, 5am, 2pm, 5pm, 6pm, 7pm

**Friends on Q Thursday May 9th**

11:00 am meet inside at Lauritzen's garden. Admission \$7.00 or garden membership. Self guided tour for LEGO exhibit & Spring gardens. Lunch is available for purchase 10am - 2pm. Please call Barb 402-593-0838 if you are going to have lunch to give them tentative count. Hope to see you there.

**Mary Harper**

Director of Religious Formation  
**Work.....402-331-1955 x25**  
**Email...mharper@stgerald.org**

**Children's Stewardship Corner**

*I took care of the tortoise right away.*

*John*

*Be Good! Casey*

*I helped take care of Ava and got her to fall asleep. I did that to help my mom out. Anna*

*I was nice to my brother & sister.*

*Riley*

**RE May Crowning, Wed. May 1st @ 6:15pm at 96th & Q Church. Families are welcome.**

\***Totus Tuus** dates for those entering grades 7-12, June 23 -27 & for those entering 1-6, June 24-28. Registration has begun. Please click on Religious Education on the website @www.stgerald.org for registration and medical release forms.

**One Host Family is Needed** - Please call if you are interested in hosting 2 young people in your home for the week. We also need families to host a dinner for the teams (8 individuals) in their home. **Please pray for the success of Totus Tuus.**

**Gross Catholic High School** presents William Shakespeare's "Romeo & Juliet". 7:00pm Friday May 10th - Sunday May 12th with an additional 2:00 matinee on Sunday May 12th. Adults: \$7.50, Students 12-18: \$5, Under 12: \$3. 7700 S 43rd St. Bellevue, 402 734-2000. Contact saladee@gcgmail.org for more info.

Adult Education—Year of Faith  
**33 Days to Morning Glory by Fr. Gaitley** each Sat. May 4 - June 8 at 9am at the school library ending on the feast of the Immaculate Heart. Please call or email Mary Harper for registration and book purchase.

*Making a difference for good in our world.*

**Kathy Kensinger,**

Director of Youth/Young Adult Ministry  
 Work.....402-331-1955x18  
 Cell .....402-880-9717  
 Email.....kathyk@stgerald.org

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to all who volunteered to help with our Youth events this Spring!

- Confirmation: Kim Brokke, ribbons; Scott and Lori Koraleski, certificates; Cathy Quandahl, Joan Johnson and Tina Silva, the Confirmation party; Judy Durbin and Mike Schilmoeller, catechists.
- Musicians: Bekki Koenig, Chuck Vana & our Youth Music Group.
- Facilitators: Tim Mundorf, Sherry Bourne and Kim Brockhaus.
- **Our Awesome Youth Core Team** who plan our Youth Masses and social and service events!

And a special thanks to the many volunteers and participants who are the foundation of our program. Please pray for the continued success of Youth Ministry in our parish!

**Upcoming Youth Ministry Events: May 5th, 10:30 am: Mass in honor of our Graduating Seniors and Gratitude for our Youth Ministry Program.** All graduating seniors and their families are invited to this Mass which will include a blessing and a gift for our graduates. Mass will be followed by a reception in the Fellowship Hall for families who have a graduate and for all who have been involved with Youth Ministry. Please contact Kathy by May 1st if you are planning to attend.

**CathOlympics**

**May 5th, 5:30 – 7:30 pm**

8th –12th graders are invited to the Fr. Foster Parish Center for an evening of games, relay races, music and food from around the world, to celebrate the end of the year and welcome our graduating 8th graders into our high school Youth Ministry program. We will end the evening with our ever-popular greased watermelon wars!

**WEEKDAY MASSES FOR APRIL 29-MAY 4**

<b>Mon 4/29/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†Sally Strehle
	12:15 pm - Church	Special Intentions of Joel & Angel Komla-Ebri
<b>Tues 4/30/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†Jean Y. Afanoukoe
	12:15 pm - Church	†Bernie Wilson
<b>Wed 5/1/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†Walt Koziol
	10:30 am - Waterford	†Barb Aitkenhead
	12:15 pm - Church	†Howard & Freddie Palma
	6:15pm - Church	Special Intentions of Religious Ed Children and Religious Formation
<b>Thur 5/2/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†Howard & Margaret Hoody
	12:15 pm - Church	†Matthew Schimonitz
<b>Fri 5/3/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†Judy Slimm
	9:00 am - Chapel	†Lois Kubat
	12:15 pm - Church	†Bernice Gustas
<b>Sat 5/4/13</b>	8:15 am - Chapel	†John Socha

**MASSES FOR 6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

<b>Sat 5/4/13</b>	5:00 pm - Church	PH	St Gerald Parishioners
<b>Sun 5/5/13</b>	7:00 am - Chapel	OK	†Paul, Lucille & Denny Simmons
	7:30 am - Church	PH	†Jack Gohr
	9:00 am - Church	OK	†Bill Goblirsch
	10:30 am - Church	PH	†Doris Schmid
	12:00 pm - Church	OK	†Charles Troia

**Readings for the Week of April 28, 2013**

Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35  
 Monday: Acts 14:5-18/Jn 14:21-26  
 Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Jn 14:27-31a  
 Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Jn 15:1-8 or Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Mt 13:54-58  
 Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Jn 15:9-11  
 Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Jn 14:6-14  
 Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Jn 15:18-21  
 Next Sunday: Acts 15:1-2, 22-29/Rv 21:10-14, 22-23/Jn 14:23-29

**Rest In Peace**

Please pray for the repose of the souls of parishioner Marge Pope, for Katie Peeler, and for Joan Ratigan, sister of parishioner Deb Molek. May their souls and all of the souls of the faithfully departed rest in peace with our Lord.



<i>Sunday, 4/28</i>	
7:30am - Donut Sunday	Fellowship Hall
11:30am - Welcome Registration	Family Room
1:30pm - Marriage Encounter	Multipurpose Room
<i>Monday, 4/29</i>	
6:30pm - Scouts	Fellowship Hall
<i>Tuesday, 4/30</i>	
7pm - Men's Recovery	Business Office
7pm - AA	Conference Room
<i>Wednesday, 5/1</i>	
6:15pm - RE May Crowning & Mass	Church
<i>Thursday, 5/2</i>	
7pm - Scouts	Family Room
7pm - KC Officers	Multipurpose Room
6pm - Catechist Dinner	Fellowship Hall
<i>Friday, 5/3</i>	
3pm - Scouts	School Library
6pm - Clergy Appreciation	Fellowship Hall
<i>Saturday, 5/4</i>	
9am - 33 Days to Morning Glory	School Library
<i>Sunday, 5/5</i>	
10:30am - African Mass	Chapel
10:30am - Senior Mass & Reception	Fellowship Hall
5pm - Bridge Club	Multipurpose Room

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**Pentecost Novena**

Pentecost Novena of Masses at St Cecilia Cathedral, 701 N 40th St. Come and unite in prayer as we as the Holy Spirit to touch the hearts of all mankind to know the Eternal Truths of God, and to pray for His seven wonderful gifts. May 10-18 at 7pm each night except May 17 at 8pm. Questions call Colleen, 773-425-3377.

**Donation Report**

Sunday(4/21/13)	\$22,592.73
ACH	\$0.00
Week Total	\$22,592.73
Weekly Budget	\$21,520.00
YTD Total	\$1,184,401.92
YTD Budget	\$1,244,750.00
Variance	\$(60,348.08)



The following entered the Catholic faith and our parish community through Baptism. Welcome to the Christian community!

*Calleigh Jane Morfeld  
 Emma Kay Leuschen  
 Sophia Lynn Taft  
 Javier Osvaldo Gomez*

**Bag the Basic Coordinator**

**Needed:** Anyone interested in becoming the coordinator for this worthwhile ministry, please call the business office for information.

## Ministry Schedule for May 4-5

- 5pm:** **EMHC** - B Hunt, M Hood, R Goodrich, R & R Iwan, N Keenan, J Zabrocki, V Graff, J Kowal, L Harral, L Turco, S Plaza **Lectors** - R Martin, D Marx **Servers** - M Brase, H Martin, J & M Riesberg **Greeters** - R Divis, S & M Harman, J Cattoni **Security** -M Kennelly, B Osterman **HOPE** -M McKeighan, K Trudell
- 7am:** **EMHC**- M Ward, D Kolenda **Lector**- R Guthrie **Servers** - E Swoboda **Greeter** - J Kolenda
- 7:30am:** **EMHC**-B Wachtler, J Hood, J Feda, R & M Stracke, K & R Staroska, J & J Quinn, K Goodro, B McDowall, B Krzemien **Lectors** - S Wachtler, F Abboud **Servers**- M Thiele, S Pelan, A Heig, A Hood **Greeters**- M Wordenkemper, J & M Sestak **Security**- Bob Hoffman, J Franzluebbbers **HOPE**- K McGill, D & L Sobczyk
- 9am:** **EMHC**- J Eckerson, A Goblirsch, S Eschliman, D Banchor, L & K D'Ercole, J & B Tometich, G & D Bennett, M White, G Hacker **Lectors** - M Dinneen, T Banchor **Servers**- A White, K Koenig, Z Malesker, B Albert **Greeters** - J Sterba, K Jackson, B Sutton **Security**-J Bertich, J Bolin **HOPE**- T Burns, K Jackson
- 10:30am:** **EMHC** - R & B Pille, N Schmitz, J Fochek, A Beaty, J & P Neuberger, B Smith, J McKernan, C Baum, S Trigg, J Luebbert **Lectors** - D Carney, K Kozelichki **Servers**- O Horner, J Rife, S Nebel, H Carney **Greeters**- S Horner, S Gallagher, A Foley **Security**-K Gallagher, J Moore **HOPE**- C Keenan, G Lofgren
- Noon:** **EMHC**- J Stringer, S Lukowski, S & R Lukowski, M Chiarbos, C Carbullido, A Raab, M Sanchez, S Mandolfo, M Olson **Lector** - M Alba **Servers**- E & N Bourne, J Dermody, J Brennan **Greeters**- J Kalina, F Curran **Security**- G Brokke, L Robb **HOPE**- J Schutz, J Haug

### Nourish Your Spirit as You Nurture Your Baby

Sat, May 4 from 9-11:00am, \$25

The birth of a child-what a blessing!

As you journey these first months of your life as a mother to this new child, you are invited to take a morning to reflect upon and celebrate the sacred task you are engage in every day as you care for the little one.

Presenters: Laura Baum Parr and Cynthia Kritenbrink, Servite Center of Compassion, 7400 Military Ave. To register contact Margaret Stratman OSM at 402-951-3026 or email [scc@osms.org](mailto:scc@osms.org). Register online at [www.osms.org](http://www.osms.org)

### EPS Walk for Life

Essential Pregnancy Services, 908 West Mission Ave in Bellevue.

Saturday, May 11, registration opens at 9am, walk begins at 10am. Call or stop by EPS Center for sponsor sheet. 402-933-2988.

### 6th Annual Walk/Run

Join us for the 6th annual Cinco de Mayo walk/run Sunday, May 5. First run starts at 8:20am. Visit the website at [cincodemayoomaha.com](http://cincodemayoomaha.com) for details and entry forms.

### Ladies' Day of Recollection

Sponsored by St Bernadette's Altar Society. Presentation by Fr Mike Eckley, Sat, May 4, at St Bernadette Social Hall. \$15 with 8:30-9am Check in, 9-11:30am presentation followed by a luncheon. Call Cheryl Adamson at 402-731-9674 to make your reservation. Deadline is April 30.

**The Holy Family Shrine** will host a concert on May 12 at 4pm with Mirela Mlynska and children, ages five to twelve. They will perform many sacred instrumental songs. Accompanying them will be congregational singing. This blend of talent will provide an evening filled with musical delight and the beauty of the Shrine. A reception will follow the concert. All free will donations go to support the Shrine.

### Pasta! Pasta! Pasta!

Pasta Dinner Fundraiser sponsored by the American Italian Heritage Society. Spaghetti w/meatballs dinner includes Italian salad, bread & butter. Sunday, May 5, Noon-6pm at St Joan of Arc, 74th & Hascall. \$8.50 adults, \$4.25 children

**Can You Help?** We need people who are offering an hour or more to stand at the Planned Parenthood, north of 93rd and Maple on Thursdays 8 to noon. Now that we made it through the winter please come and stand up for those who cannot stand up for themselves. God will surely reward you. Let us rejoice for we have life and even more abundantly through HIM. If you can help, please call Monika at 402 390 2753.

### Spiritual Adoption - Please Pray:

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the preborn child that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion. Source: Prayer of Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

### Bloom: A retreat for Mothers and Daughters, ages 11-14

July 27-28, Saturday 9am until Sunday at noon. St Benedict Center in Schuyler. Cost is \$164.92 for mother and daughter in shared room which includes five meals for mother and daughter, materials and program. For more information contact Debbie Sheehan at 402-680-0376 or [d.sheehan@yahoo.com](mailto:d.sheehan@yahoo.com).