

\*\*\*\*\* ST. BLANCHE \*\*\*\*\*  
Mailing address: P.O. Box 412, Nordman, ID 83848

1/21 \$286.00 YTD \$31,370.30

Your donations are appreciated.

SCHEDULE OF MASSES AT ST. BLANCHE  
Sunday at 11:30 am

THERE WILL BE NO WEDNESDAY MASS  
ADORATION BEGINS AT 12:00 NOON

Next Sunday is “Food Bank Sunday.” All food donated goes to the Priest Lake Food Bank.

The next **St. Blanche Station Council** meeting is on Ash Wednesday, February 14 at 2:30 pm.

There is a **bookshelf library** in the assembly area. Anyone can take and read any book there, just bring it back when you are finished.

Please stop by after Mass for  
coffee and sweets

DEADLINE FOR THE BULLETIN IS THURSDAY AT 5 PM  
CALL THE RECTORY AT 448-2127  
OR EMAIL TO stcatherineparish445@gmail.com

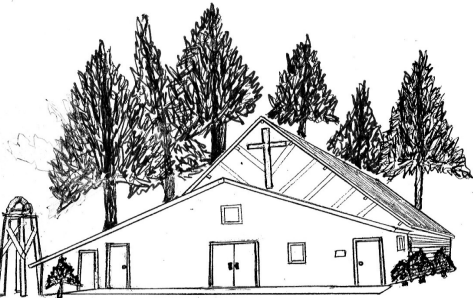
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**WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE**  
Wednesday thru Saturday 8:00 a.m.  
Tuesday Adoration 11:30 a.m.  
Tuesday Mass 12:30 p.m.

**SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE**  
Sunday 8:30 a.m.



**St. Blanche Station at Priest Lake**  
27832 Highway 57  
P.O. Box 412  
Nordman, ID 83848  
**MASS SCHEDULE**

Wednesday Adoration 12:00 noon  
Wednesday Mass 1:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass 11:30 a.m.

**Father Reginald Nwauzor, Pastor**  
Rectory/Office: (208) 448-2127

**Baptisms:** Call the Office  
**Marriages:** Four months prior notification is required  
**Funerals:** Notice should be made to the Parish Priest before arrangements are made with the Funeral Director.  
**Anointing of the sick, Communion for the sick and hospital visits:** Please call the Office to notify the priest of the need so a visit can be arranged.  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Sunday 1/2 hour before Mass and anytime by appointment.  
**New to the Parish?** Welcome to St. Catherine’s or St. Blanche!! We are happy to have you as a member of our faith community. *Please fill out a registration form which can be found in the vestibule of the church and return it to the office or place it in the weekly collection.* Once again—WELCOME!

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

January 28, 2024

Reading I Deuteronomy 18:15-20  
Reading II 1 Corinthians 7:32-35  
Gospel Mark 1:21-28

Mon:	Weekday 2 Samuel 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13 Mark 5:1-20
Tues:	Weekday 2 Samuel 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3 Mark 5:21-43
Wed:	St. John Bosco 2 Samuel 24:2, 9-17 Mark 6:1-6
Thurs:	Weekday 1 Kings 2:1-4, 10-12 Mark 6:7-13
Fri:	Presentation of the Lord Malachi 3:1-4 Hebrews 2:14-18 Luke 2:22-40
Sat:	St. Blaise Romans 5:1-5 Mark 16:15-20

<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b>
Sunday, 1/28 Our Parish Int
Tuesday, 1/30
Wednesday, 1/31
Thursday, 2/01
Friday, 2/02
Saturday, 2/03
Sunday, 2/04 Rose Kirby RIP
MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES CAN BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

THE ONE AND THE MANY

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus heals a man who was possessed. But notice that when the demon-possessed man first talks to Jesus, he uses the first-person plural pronoun to refer to himself. He says, “What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? Why does he say “us”? Why doesn’t he say “me”?

The answer, I think, is that although there is only one human body giving voice to these words, there is more than one mind behind the words. That is why that one man’s voice says “us” to refer to himself.

When Jesus heals the man, he does so by ridding him of all minds but one, the man’s own. In healing him, Jesus makes him single-minded. And so the Gospel Reading calls to our attention what an affliction it is to be double-minded.

Even just dealing with the double-mindedness of a long bad habit can be miserable and devilishly difficult. Someone says to you when you are trying to diet and not doing particularly well, “Do you want another helping of pasta?” And what is the answer? Do you want more pasta? You do, you know you do, don’t you? And yet somehow you really don’t either.

And so, as we know from our own painful experience, being double-minded is a kind of slavery to our worst selves.

Real freedom is being able to do what you want to do. But if you have two minds about something, which mind is the real you? How can there be one real you when you are in two minds about something? That’s why you aren’t free when you are double-minded. No matter what you do, you aren’t doing what you want to do because there isn’t just one you.

Like the demon-possessed man in the Gospel Reading, you will be free only when you are single-minded. But the demon-possessed man in the Gospel Reading was single-minded only after Jesus had healed him.

And so here is the lesson for us. In another Gospel text (John 8:32), Jesus tells his disciples that they will know the truth, and the truth will make them free. For those who will come to Jesus to be freed from their demons, he himself is that healing Truth that will make them free.

\*\*\*\*\* ST. CATHERINE \*\*\*\*\*

**PRAYERS REQUESTED FOR THE SICK, FOR THOSE HOMEBOUND, FOR THOSE OTHERWISE IN NEED IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY**

ST. CATHERINE: Mary Schetter, Billie Serbell (sister of Berta Bagley), Mary Smith, Doug Wagner, Steven Buhl, Martha Baldenegro (mother of Roxanne Gawel), Nanci Henning, Gary Domke (friend of Diane Madoski), Rachelle Buhl (mother of Jacob Buhl), Sister Leslie, Gary Bell, Fransiska Clement, Elaine Schmitz, Mack Harrison, Pete Robinson, Jim Cramer.

ST. BLANCHE: Justin Carver, Jackson Valdez (great grandson of Dick Hamm), Gracia Anderson, Bob Cummings (son-in-law of Dick Hamm)

*Please submit names to the rectory of those who need to be added to this list. Names are periodically timed out. If they need to be put back on the list, please email or contact the rectory.*

1/21	\$1,154.00	YTD	\$43,683.75
Thank you for your donations.			

The Pope’s Intention for February is for the terminally Ill. Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

During Father Reggie’s trip to Nigeria (Jan 3 to Feb 13), Father Benjamin Onyemachi and Father Anthony Ujagbo from St. Mary’s in Moscow will celebrate Masses on Sundays with confessions one half hour prior to Mass. There will be no weekday Masses during this time.

Next Sunday is Food Bank Sunday. Please bring your donations with you to church.

Please visit our website at [www.STCATHERINEPR.com](http://www.STCATHERINEPR.com). Kathleen Cook has done an amazing job of updating and making it more interactive. Please visit the site and let us know what you think! If you have any parish-related photos and would like to share them on our webpage, please email them to Kathleen: [KCWITHBLESSINGS@gmail.com](mailto:KCWITHBLESSINGS@gmail.com)

2023 Tax Donation Letters will be sent out in the next few weeks.

Please bring in your blessed palms from last year ASAP so that they can be burned for ashes for Ash Wednesday.

**BEWARE!!!** There is a phishing email going around which appears to have been sent from Father Reginald and can start out with What’s Up Dear as the byline. It should be deleted and is not legitimately from Father Reggie.

**WOMEN'S GUILD:** The next Guild meeting will be held after Mass on February 11.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS:** The next meeting is scheduled for February 11 after Mass.

**EASTER FLOWER FUND:** Please consider donating to the Easter Flower fund for St. Catherine’s Altar. If you would like to donate please look for the Altar Flower Donation envelopes in the back of church. If you would like to have the donation dedicated to someone specific, please add their name and there will be a memorial list published in our Easter bulletin. Checks may be made out to Floral Traditions. Thank you for your generosity and for being a part of our Easter celebration.