

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

2/4 \$409.00 YTD \$32,171.30
Your donations are appreciated.

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

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS, FEBRUARY 14 AT 1:00 PM
ADORATION BEGINS AT 12:00 NOON

STATIONS OF THE CROSS EACH FRIDAY DURING LENT AT 5:00 PM
FOLLOWED BY A LENTEN SOUP MEAL.

The next **St. Blanche 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
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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
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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!

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 11, 2024

Reading I Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46
Reading II 1 Corinthians 10:31—11:1 ;
Gospel Mark 1:40-45

Mon:	Weekday James 1:1-11 Mark 8:11-13
Tues:	Weekday James 1:12-18 Mark 8:14-21
Wed:	ASH WEDNESDAY Joel 2:12-18 2 Cor 5:20—6:2 Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18
Thurs:	Lenten Weekday Deuteronomy 30:15-20 Luke 9:22-25
Fri:	Lenten Weekday Isaiah 58:1-9a Matthew 9:14-15
Sat:	Lenten Weekday Isaiah 58:9b-14 Luke 5:27-32

MASS INTENTIONS
Sunday, 2/11 Our Parish Int
Tuesday, 2/13
Wednesday, 2/14
Thursday, 2/15
Friday, 2/16
Saturday, 2/17
Sunday, 2/18 Our Parish Int
<small>MASS INTENTION ENVELOPES CAN BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF THE CHURCH</small>

ONLY SAY THE WORD, AND MY SOUL SHALL BE HEALED

In the Gospel Reading, Jesus reaches out to touch a leper; and, by touching him heals him. Leprosy is a disease worth fearing. It disfigures and disables a person. The ancient world thought it could be transmitted by touch. For the sake of the health of the community, the law made lepers outcasts; but, even without the law, nobody wanted to touch a leper. The leper healed by Jesus must have lived without the touch of another human being for a long time.

How welcome the touch of Jesus must have been to that leper! And how overjoyed he must have been when he found himself healed!

Leprosy is not the only thing that severely disfigures and disables a person. Sin does so too. And the touch of Jesus that heals leprosy heals sin as well. That is why, at mass, we pray, “Only say the word, and my soul shall be healed.” Forego touch, Lord! We would be so overjoyed if you just said the word! Your healing would be so welcome to us!

But we say those words at every mass, week after week, year after year. And still we struggle with our sins. Somewhere Nietzsche says, unkindly, about Christians, “They don’t even look like the redeemed!” That is a painful accusation, isn’t it? Why aren’t we healed, by word or by touch, as the leper was? Why do we have to keep asking for the Lord’s healing touch at every mass?

But think about it this way: how would Nietzsche know what the redeemed look like? For that matter, how would we? Why should we think that we are in a position to see the healing that the Lord does in our lives? Why would we think that we are in a position to judge how far we have come in conquering the sin in ourselves? The Lord tells us not to judge others (Mt 7:1). Why should we think we are able to judge ourselves?

So we do not have to see the effects of the healing touch of the Lord in order for it to do its work. The touch of the Word, for whose healing word we pray at every mass, does its healing deep within. Our job is to be open to that touch.

***** 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, Larry Madoski.

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.

2/4	\$1,103.00	YTD	\$46,670.75
Thank you for your donations.			

Ash Wednesday is February 14. Masses at St. Catherine will be at 8:00 am and 5:00 pm. Mass at St. Blanche will be at 1:00 pm with Adoration scheduled at 12:00 noon.

FATHER REGGIE WILL BE RETURNING TUESDAY. HOWEVER, IF FOR SOME REASON HE DOESN’T MAKE IT BACK, ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES WILL BE CANCELLED. PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE TUESDAY NIGHT FOR UPDATED INFO. THANK YOU!

There will be a special Diocesan Collection next Sunday for the Black and Indian Missions / Home Missions. Please be generous.

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

BEWARE!!! There is a phishing email going around which appears to have been sent from Father Reginald. He will not send out emails requesting donations, etc. Do not respond to it. Mark it as spam.

WOMEN'S GUILD: The Guild will meet downstairs after Mass this morning. All ladies of the Parish are welcome.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: The Knights will meet after Mass this morning downstairs. Please feel free to join them.

PARISH COUNCIL: The next meeting is at 5:00 pm on Thursday, February 22.

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.

YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US DOWNSTAIRS AFTER MASS FOR COFFEE, TREATS, AND FELLOWSHIP!