Holy Trinity ParishJune 6, 2021Fr. Steven SnitilyPastorPost Office Box 39Rectory: 545-2691623 No. Madison St.Cell Phone: 417-3052Brainard, NE 68626To Rent Hall: 545-2352Parish Website: www.holytrinitybrainard.comfr.steven-snitily@lincolndiocese.org

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Confessions: 30 min. before weekend Masses
The Holy Rosary: 20 min. before each Mass
Perpetual Help Devotions: after Mass each Tuesday

Divine Mercy Chaplet: after Mass each Friday

Weekday Masses NO MASS June 7 Mon. June 8 Tues. 7:30 AM Leonard Bruner June 9 Wed. 7:30 PM Denis & JoEllen Vrbka Thurs. 7:30 AM June 10 Henry Piitz June 11 Fri. 7:30 AM Jerry Meister Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time 6:30 PM For the Parishioners June 12 Sat 9:00 AM Don Dolezal June 13 Sun. Adults 05/30/21 \$ 1,171.00

Online Giving \$ 1,458.00 Loose Plate \$ 55.00 Votive Candles \$ 58.45

New Ministry Schedules are available on the parish website. There are also hard copies in the back of church.

Holy Trinity Quilters will be meeting at the Klein Center on June 7 at 1:00 p.m. Bring your usual tools and you are welcome to wear a mask. Please contact Sharon with any questions!

Bloodmobile: The bloodmobile will be in Brainard on Tuesday June 8, from 12:00-6:00. Appointments are required, to make one please contact Denise Bruner. They kindly request that people show up on time for their appointments. Be sure to eat and drink before giving blood.

The Bishop's Charity and Stewardship Appeal (CSA)

Thank you to all who have already contributed to the annual DDP appeal. Thus far, the amount pledged exceeds our goal for the year. As a reminder, 80% of the funds raised will be returned to the parish. 100% of the funds raised over the goal are returned to the parish. This year, our parish goal is \$10,230.00. Those who would still like to make their contribution are encouraged to do so. **Please be sure to sign your pledge card**. **Make checks out to CSA or DDP.** To give online, go to www.lincolndiocese.org.

<u>Please pray for our religious sisters</u>: Sr. Joan Kolbe from Wall, SD who is a Jr. Sister at the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln. She will take her final vows on August 14, 2021.

The Butler County Right to Life will be sponsoring an ad in The Banner Press for Father's Day again this year. If you would like to submit any names to be published in the ad you may do so in the back of church by June 7th. Enter the name on the list and check the appropriate box: In Honor of (if living) or In Memory of (if deceased). The cost is \$2 per name. You may put your money in the envelope on the table marked "Father's Day Ad Money." Checks can be made to: Butler County Right to Life. If you have any questions, you may contact Nancy Vrbka at 402-545-2025 or 402-367-8835.

Retreat for Mothers: June 26th, 2021, the very popular Retreat for Mothers of young children will be happening at the Good Counsel Retreat house. Fr. Ben Holdren will be giving a series of talks. This is a daylong retreat and babies are welcome. Virtual option available also! For more info and to sign up: https://lincolndiocese.regfox.com/ymretreat

Diocesan Canoe Trip is open to high school youth and college students. Adults are also invited along as sponsors/drivers. Join us in a couple of lazy days along the Niobrara River, along with fellowship, Mass and a lot of fun! Hurry, because space is limited: July 11-13, 2021 [20 spots remaining] and July 13-15, 2021 [58 spots remaining] are the two options. To register go to www.lincolndiocese.org/canoe

<u>50 Days for 50 States</u>: In preparation for the 245th birthday of our country on July 4, the LDCCW would like to invite everyone to join in a special time of prayer entitled "50 Days for 50 States." We will be asking God to bless each person and each state in the United States. Prayers may be formal or private. Nebraska is assigned June 6-12. Please join in this special time of prayer for our nation.

The presence of Christ in the Eucharist: This weekend, we celebrate Corpus Christi, which is Latin for "The Body of Christ". Why do Catholics believe that Jesus is truly present in the Eucharist? We are the only Christians (other than the Orthodox and Coptic churches) that hold this belief. We claim the Eucharist is not just a symbol, a representation, or a commemoration of the Last Supper, but it is the body, blood, soul, and divinity of Christ. This is why we genuflect at the tabernacle when we enter church. If we are genuflecting to a piece of bread, then we are guilty of the grave sin of idolatry. The reason for our belief is simple. We believe it is the body of Christ because Jesus said it was. It is worth reading the sixth chapter of John. It is just one chapter and takes a few minutes to read. When people question Jesus, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

he doesn't say it is just figurative, but he repeats himself four times, saying "My flesh is true food and my blood is true drink." At the end of the chapter, some of the disciples walk away from Jesus and no longer follow him. Jesus did not tell them to come back because they misunderstood him. He just let them walk away. Then Jesus turned to Peter and the Apostles and told them they could walk away too if they don't believe. The teaching of the True Presence is not easy, but we can have faith because Jesus himself confirmed it in John 6 and we have the testimony from the theologians of the early Church. When a person truly accepts this teaching with firm faith, it leads to an increased desire to be near the Blessed Sacrament and receive it regularly. It leads to a desire to make visits to the church during the week and participate in Eucharistic adoration and look forward to Mass. St. Cyril, around the year 350 AD, wrote: "Do not, therefore, regard the bread and wine as simply that; for they are, according to the Master's declaration, the Body and Blood of Christ. Even though the senses suggest to you otherwise, let faith make you firm. Do not judge in this matter by taste, but be fully assured by the faith, not doubting that you have been deemed worthy of the Body and Blood of Christ."

June 12 Saturday Mass at 6:30 PM

Acolyte: Kurt Palik Lector: Lyle Janak Servers: Volunteers Rosary: Diane Pleskac

June 13 Sunday Mass at 9:00 AM

Acolyte: Doug Vrbka Lector: Larry Ratkovec

Servers: Wyatt Steager & Dustin Jelinek

Rosary: Darlene Kucera