

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the second collection for the people affected by the recent tornados in Pilger. Thanks to your generosity, our parish raised \$1,921.79.

Thank you also to everyone who contributed to Omaha Gives. Our parish raised \$6,125.80 which was matched at 16% which bought our total to \$7,130.24 which will be used for our parking project!

If you are interested in serving as a Lector or Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion and have not completed the archdiocesan training, there will be classes on August 10, 12 and 18th. You are invited to attend one of these sessions which are offered here in Omaha. Please contact me or Marie in the parish office no later than July 30 to register so that I may submit your names to the archdiocese no later than July 30.

This year's Annual Archdiocese Marriage Celebration Masses will be Sunday, September 7 at St. Cecilia Cathedral and Sunday, September 14 at St. Mary Church, Norfolk. Marriage Celebration is for all couples celebrating milestone anniversaries of 5, 25, 40, 50, 55, and 60 or more years of marriage. Please contact me or Marie in the parish office no later than July 25 to register so that I may submit your names to the archdiocese no later than Monday, July 28.

Blessings,

Fr. John

Question of the Week – Praise God for the blessings he has given you.

Reading 1 Zechariah 9:9-10
Reading 2 Romans 8:9, 11-13
Gospel Matthew 11:25-30

Reflection: At the beginning of today's gospel, we hear Jesus' hymn of praise to the Father. He is closer to the Father than anyone has ever been or ever will be. In fact, he is one with the Father. Jesus is both God and man.

Jesus assures us that he is "gentle and humble of heart." This gentleness is not weakness, but the strength to accept us as we are, as well as the strength to help and save us. Jesus tells us that we are to be like him in this gentleness and humility. This does not mean being a pushover. It means being patient with and respectful to others, being a peacemaker, as Jesus was. It means accepting others as they are and trying to help them become even better.

PARISH SUPPORT

WEEK OF JUNE 22 - 28

St. Philip Neri -Blessed Sacrament Parish

Weekly Revenue	\$25,931.10
Weekly Expenses	\$16,251.72
Surplus/ (Deficit)	\$9,679.38
Year to Date Revenue	\$1,291,102.25
Year to Date Expenses	\$1,390,816.89
Surplus/(Deficit)	(\$99,714.64)

DID YOU KNOW... Did you know? Our Christmas in July Tree is now up! Please visit one of the trees and pick an ornament to help the school replenish their supplies over the summer. You can drop your donation off at the rectory or just put it in the collection basket. The tree will be up through the end of July. Merry Christmas in July!!!!

MASS INTENTIONS

JULY 7 – JULY 13

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Ernest Peterson +
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Joe Reeves + Elizabeth Lastovica +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Margaret Pleiss +
Friday	8:15 AM	Mary Beth Clark +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Joe Thibodeau + John Waltermeyer +
Sunday	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Camryn Rose Storbeck + Fr. John Int. Janet Funderberg

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF OUR HOLY FATHER'S WORK IN THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION. Our contributions of \$1,026.37 will be combined with those from our brothers and sisters around the world to help the Holy Father provide essential relief to people in need. Your generosity is an act of solidarity with the universal Church answering the call to become a witness of charity. May God bless you.

OUR SUMMER CHILD CARE PROGRAM HOSTED A LEMONADE STAND on the corner of 30th & Mormon on Friday, June 27 & raised \$338 for the families in Pilger!

JULY DINING CLUB Next Stop is Sunday, July 13th at 12:00 noon at The Rustic Inn in Fort Calhoun, NE. Please let me know if you would like to join us. All are welcome! Call Maria Hackenberg at 402-493-5697 or mhackenberg@hotmail.com

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: JULY 12/13

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Aaliyah Green, Keegan Sullivan
10:30 AM: Emily Crowe, Jacob Rankin

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Izzy Braimah, Dillon Dierks
10:30 AM: Alex Brock, Tina Buller

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Rob Barrett
7:30 AM: Ilene Sedlacek
10:30 AM: Dave Parks

DEACON: 7:30 AM: Deacon Al LeClair
10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCs: 5:00 PM: Tahlyr Banks, Diane Sullivan,
Juli Bohnenkamp, Sarah Bohnenkamp,
Mary Ann Taylor
7:30 AM: Jacquie Dahlin, Dorothy Polan,
Norine Hoffman, Larry Ziska
10:30 AM: Tamatha Buell, Trudie Ahlstrom,
Fannie Parker, Nancy Ryckman

GIFT BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Bohnenkamp Family
7:30 AM: Polan Family
10:30 AM: Cheese Family

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM: Bryan Kinghorn and Friends
10:30 AM: Kim Becker and Friends

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Merl and Nancy Core,
Marcia Cusic, Mary Fink, Kathy Rossitto

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: Susan Matsunami

7:30 AM: Patty Wiederholt 10:30 AM: Kara Rief

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Nancy Core, Theresa O'Neill

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Rich McShane, Roy Edwards

USHERS: 5:00 PM: Fred Bonacci, Dave Sedlacek, Jim Coe,
Ron Allbright, Rock Cramer

7:30 AM: Bill Wilber, Carl Sedlacek, Chuck Holderness,
Chuck Livengood

10:30 AM: Tom Mendicino, Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock,
Carl Cramer

ATTENTION LADIES! You should have recently received a letter regarding Altar Society membership & dues. **PLEASE SEND YOUR DUES TO THE RECTORY OR PUT THEM IN THE COLLECTION BASKET AT CHURCH WITH "ALTAR SOCIETY" NOTED ON THE ENVELOPE.**

CHRISTIAN HUMOR There was an elderly man visiting a doctor for his check-up as he was leaving he asked the doctor if he could recommend a specialist for his wife. "What's wrong with her?" asked the doctor. The old man explained that her hearing was getting so bad that it was almost embarrassing. The doctor said he knew of several specialists that could help but he wanted the old man to do a little test when he got home to help the doctor determine the severity of her hearing loss. The doctor said "When you get home, make sure your wife's back is turned to you and ask her a question. If she doesn't respond walk closer and ask her again. Keep doing this until she answers and let me know the results". That night when the old man opened the door of his home he could see his wife in the kitchen preparing dinner. She was at the counter with her back to the door. "What's for dinner?" the old man asked. His wife did not respond so he walks to the doorway of the kitchen and asked the question again. Still, he was greeted with silence. This time he walks up just behind her and asks once again "What's for dinner?" His wife spins around a bit agitated and says "For the third time, Fried Chicken!!"

WHAT DOES BEING HUMBLE MEAN? (Hint: The word humble comes from the Latin word humus, meaning "earth." What do we mean when we say someone is "down to earth"? That is what humility is! It is the opposite of snobby, and a great compliment. Why?)

How will you be humble today? How will you be gentle to yourself and others?

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, JULY 6

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – in front of School

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: After all Masses

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

3:00 P.M. **WEBELO'S SCOUT MEETING** – Parish Center

SATURDAY, JULY 12

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: After 5:00 Mass

SUNDAY, JULY 13

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: After all Masses

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD – During 10:30 Mass

The Mission of St. Philip Neri School is to build the body of Christ by promoting academic, social and spiritual growth in a challenging educational environment.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WHO EARNED "HONORS" FOR THE SECOND SEMESTER AT AREA CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOLS!

GROSS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Honor Roll - Bailey Meehan, Tahlyr Banks

26TH ANNUAL ANN'S ATTIC CLOTHING SALE St. Pius X/St. Leo Gym 69th & Blondo St. Enter off of 69th St. **Open** July 17 from 9 am – 7 pm, July 18 from 9 am – 5 pm, July 19 from 9 am - 12 Noon Men's, Women's & Children's - Quality Clothing of ALL Sizes – Coats & Shoes, Linens No Checks, Cash Only – No Early Sales!

BEAU ON BOW – A GENDER REVEAL CAKE COMPETITION Sat., July 19 at 10 am at College of St. Mary's Mercy Hall You are invited! This charitable event will pair up expecting mothers with bakers to reveal the gender of their baby in a sweet way. General admission is \$5. RSVP to 402-502-9224 or register on line at www.BethlehemHouseOmaha.org

FOR ADULTS WHO ARE DIVORCED, WIDOWED OR LEGALLY SEPARATED A Beginning Experience (BE) Weekend retreat for the widowed, separated & divorced is planned for **Aug. 8-10** at the Archdiocese Retreat Center, St. Joseph's Hall, 3330 N. 60 St. The loss of a loved one through separation, divorce or death is one of life's most traumatic experiences. This retreat is designed to be a time to heal & a time to turn the pain of loss into an adventure of grace. Open to individuals of all faiths. Pre-registration required. Cost is \$100 semi-private or \$125 private sleeping room. For more info. & an application, visit www.beginningexperienceofomaha.org or call/email Kay Buhrman at the Family Life Office at 402-551-9003 Ext. 1304, ekbuhrman@archomaha.org