

Dear Parishioners,

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal! Our parish is at 57.3% of our goal! If you have not yet contributed to the appeal, I ask you to prayerfully consider doing so. If everyone participates, we will easily be able to reach our goal! If you have misplaced your pledge card, please be sure to pick one up at the back of church or you may contact the parish office for one.

Please be sure to stop down to the Parish Center after Mass on Sunday. We will be serving delicious soup from 11:30-4:00!

Please encourage your children to participate in the children's choir! Our next time singing will be at the 10:30 Mass on November 16th. We will practice at 9:30 on Sunday morning. All are welcome!

Many people have asked about our Christmas Mass schedule as they begin making family plans and travel arrangements. Our Christmas Mass schedule this year will be as follows: Christmas Eve: 4:00, 7:00 and Midnight. Christmas Day our Mass schedule will be 7:30, 9:00 and 10:30.

Blessings,

Fr. John

Question of the Week – How do you show your zeal for your parish church building? How do you show zeal for what happens there?

Reading 1 Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

Reading 2 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

Gospel John 2:13-22

Reflection: Jesus deeply loved the temple in Jerusalem. The temple might be compared to the Lateran Basilica in Rome. It was the central house of worship for the Jewish people. Jesus called it "my Father's house" and he drove the money changers out of it. Then he revealed that the true temple was his own body. He himself was the temple that would be destroyed and raised up again in three days.

At first the disciples did not understand this teaching. They still focused on the physical building in Jerusalem as the temple. But after Jesus' resurrection, they saw the truth as we do today.

PARISH SUPPORT	WEEK OF OCTOBER 26 - NOVEMBER 2
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$82,513.92
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$28,792.61
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$53,721.31
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$496,536.55
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$441,159.23
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$55,377.32

DID YOU KNOW... I'm sure you do know! Utilities are Expensive! Our monthly MUD bill is \$2,287.78 per month. That's \$27,453.33 per year. Our level payment plan was just increased by another \$237 per month. Thank you to everyone using the Utility Envelopes to help get us through the cold months. We really appreciate it!!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

NOVEMBER 15/16

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Dillon Dierks, Dominic Martello

10:30 AM: Aydin Meehan, Caden Tussey

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Autumn-Rose Barnes, Izzy Braimah

10:30 AM: Emily Crowe, Hannah Kimble

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Rob Barrett

7:30 AM: Hank Henkenius

10:30 AM: Kelli Brock

DEACON: 5:00 PM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

7:30 AM: Deacon Alan LeClair

10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCS: 5:00 PM: Jacquie Dahlin, Jim Shepherd,
Matt Swoboda, Mary Ann Taylor

7:30 AM: Madelaine Adler, Merl Core,

Bonnie Shea, Mary Todd

10:30 AM: Trudie Ahlstrom, Bev Baer, Rose Peck,
Nancy Ryckman

GIFT BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Bahle Family

7:30 AM: Breitzkreutz Family

10:30 AM: Brock Family

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM: Joan and Todd vonKampen and
Kevin Throne and Friends

10:30 AM: Fr. John, Deanna Reilly and the
Children's Choir

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Marcia Cusic, Mary Fink,
Kathy Rossitto

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: Lynn Ingraham

7:30 AM: Patty Wiederholt

10:30 AM: Mary Tracy

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Glenda Merwald, Patty Wiederholt

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Nancy Core, Theresa O'Neill

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: Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock, Tim Kiuntke, Carl Cramer

THANK YOU TO OUR EME'S. Judy Gubbels would like to thank our EME's for bringing communion to her while she was not feeling well. She appreciates the service & kindness shown & knows that all members of our parish who receive this service really appreciate it. Thank you & God Bless all the EME's!

TODAY! SUNDAY, NOV. 9TH, COME & ENJOY "SOUP SUNDAY" FROM 11:30 – 4 pm! Enjoy several varieties of soup – Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, Broccoli Cheese, Reuben, & more. Try one or try them all! Homemade breads! Variety of cookies!

THIS WEEK ON THE R.C.I.A. JOURNEY...

Most people know what a Bible is, even if they have never read a word of it. If you ask them what it contains, they probably will say that it is full of a lot of rules and moral teaching, and maybe some stories they learned as children, like Adam and Eve and Noah's Ark. But the Bible is much more than that. The Bible is God's love letter to humanity. In the Sacred Scriptures, our Father in heaven reaches out to lovingly talk to his children. Through the words of the Bible, God speaks to us in a deeply personal and intimate way. Within its 73 books, the Bible outlines God's plan for salvation, starting with Creation, moving through his interaction with his chosen people Israel, and finally culminating with the story of how his Son, Jesus, entered into time and put a human face on the Divine.

As the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains, in the Bible "God speaks to man in a human way" (CCC 109) through the work of human authors under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit. In the words of Sacred Scripture, God wants to guide our daily lives, so that we can come to know and love him on earth and be with him in heaven for eternity.

Please join us on Thursday night at 7 pm in the Parish Center as we discuss 'THE BIBLE: GOD'S LOVE LETTER TO HUMANITY'

This week's video/discussion will center on:

The Bible as God's loving communication with each of us
What we mean when we say the Bible is inspired by the Holy Spirit

The Catholic approach to interpreting Scripture correctly
How the Church discerns which books are part of the Bible (the canon of Scripture)

How we can know with confidence that the Bible contains God's revelation for our lives

How to start studying the Bible and praying with God's Word

FR. JOHN, DEANNA REILLY, & DEB VANERDWEYK INVITE THE CHILDREN WHO WOULD LIKE TO BE PART OF THE CHILDREN'S CHOIR TO JOIN US at 9:30 on November 16 to practice & be a part of the choir at the 10:30 Mass? Also, the children's choir will sing at the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass! Please watch the bulletin for practice times.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS OF ST. PHILIP NERI-BLESSED SACRAMENT Annual "Operation Christmas Child" Collection! Please place items in the basket by the St. Joseph altar by Sunday, Nov. 16th! ???'s -

call Marsha at 402-455-1485, DeLynne at 402-455-9610, or Raylyn at 402-689-8681.

GIFT SUGGESTIONS-All Ages: TOYS! Start with a central item that a child will cherish, like a beautiful doll, a deflated soccer ball with a pump, or a plush stuffed animal. Add items like cars, musical instruments, puzzles, jump ropes, etc. School supplies – pens, pencils, crayons, notebooks, coloring books, etc. Non-liquid hygiene items i.e. bar soap, combs, washcloths, toothbrushes, etc. *Younger children:* Blankets, sticker & picture books, blocks, finger puppets. *Older children:* Small tools, tape measures, sewing kits, fabric squares, etc. Deflated balls w/pumps & needles; solar calculators, rulers, scissors; jewelry.
P.S. It is a Work of Mercy!!!

NOVEMBER DINING GROUP Monday, Nov. 17th at 6 p.m. at Big Fred's Pizza (119th & Pacific). The restaurant is on the left. Please come join us! RSVP to mhackenberg@hotmail.com

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE Sat., Nov. 22 from 7am till 12 Noon at the SPN Activity Center. Please consider donating. Give blood, give the gift of life! Sponsored by our Knights of Columbus. Sign-up after Mass today! For more info. call Rob Barrett at 402-451-1524 or Myron Smedra at 402-457-5622.

ALTAR SOCIETY ANNUAL BAKE SALE & BOUTIQUE Nov. 22 & 23 in the Parish Center!

CALLING ON ALL CRAFTER'S, BAKERS AND VENDORS!! If you are a crafter or vendor & want a table or tables at our Annual Altar Society Bake Sale & Boutique on Nov. 22 & 23, please call Bev Baer 402-650-1104 to reserve your table now. We need all bakers of the parish to please donate homemade baked goods for the bake sale. More information will come later for the bake sale. This, & yearly dues are the Altar Society's main source for income so please plan to support this event. Thank you.

JUST WANTED TO LET YOU KNOW OUR THANKSGIVING COLLECTION WILL GO TO OUR ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY Money contributed in the Thanksgiving collection is used to support the work of our parish St. Vincent De Paul Society. During the last twelve months, we have received 693 calls for assistance with utilities, food, rent, & other expenses from individuals & families living within our parish boundaries. The St. Vincent De Paul Society responded to these requests in various ways including direct financial assistance of \$30,351 to the poor in our community. There are currently 19 members of the society who help in various ways including collecting food & clothing, home visits, call coordination, & working at the pantry. Please contact Bill Cheese at 402-571-1574 if you are interested in learning more about the work of the society or volunteering. Thank you to those who faithfully support our work both financially & through contributions of food & clothing.

WATCH FOR THE FAMILY GIVING CHRISTMAS TREE TO GO UP THANKSGIVING WEEKEND! The wrapped gifts must be returned by Dec. 14.

DID YOU KNOW KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS helps with Catholic advertising and communications along with the Columbia Magazine which is the largest Catholic magazine issued in the world... Contact Bob Jones for more info 402-455-9152.

Time is like a river. You cannot touch the water twice, because the

flow that has passed by will never pass again. Enjoy every moment of life.

MASS INTENTIONS		NOVEMBER 10 – NOVEMBER 16
Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Mary Beth Clark +
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Holcomb Family Living and Deceased
Thursday	8:15 AM	Chen Family Living and Deceased
Friday	8:15 AM	Our Parish Family
Saturday	5:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Weber Family Dona Leininger +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Jensen Family Living and Deceased + Kathleen Stubbs +
	10:30 AM	Tess Lawler + Dorothy Rule +

CHRISTIAN HUMOR A fifth grader looked downcast, so her teacher asked. "What's the problem Carol? I hope it's not homework again." "Well, uh, yes, it is," replied Carol "I was stupid and made my homework paper into a paper airplane." "Carol, you're right, that wasn't a very bright thing to do," said the teacher, "but this once I'll let you just unfold the paper and hand it in." "Oh, but that won't work," said Carol, looking even sadder. "You see, the plane was hi-jacked.

IF YOU'VE EVER THOUGHT ABOUT JOURNEYING TO IRELAND, this year is the year to go! Join parishioner Hugh Reilly on a spectacular tour of Ireland in the summer of 2015. We will be hosting a party to talk about all the details of the tour on Sunday, Nov. 16th at the Brazen Head Pub, 319 N. 78th St., from 5-7 pm. Please call Hugh to RSVP for the event or to ask any questions. He can be reached at 402-571-9319 or at: hreilly@unomaha.edu

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

"WE ARE CALLED TO ACT WITH JUSTICE; WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE TENDERLY, WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER; TO WALK HUMBLLY WITH GOD."

OUR SPN SCHOOL MAGAZINE SALE – FUNDRAISER ORDER DEADLINE IS TUESDAY, NOV. 11TH. They have only 1 major fundraiser per year & this is it. There are fundraiser packets by the doors of Church. You can renew your magazine subscriptions or buy a new subscription. There are also unique gifts available. Please review the fundraiser packet & participate by placing your order on line by using our school code or place your order in the collection basket & we will make sure it gets to the proper place. Keep in mind you can order on line all year long.

WITH THE COLD WEATHER AND SNOW UPON US, PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND COATS, HATS & GLOVES TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR CHILD. All of the students have recess every day, so it is necessary for them to dress appropriately. Girls may put on leggings or sweat pants under their skirts to go outside for recess. They may not wear these items during the day.

CONGRATULATIONS TO BAILEY MEEHAN! Bailey earned Honor Roll status at Gross Catholic High School for the first quarter.

Safe Environment Training Class On Wednesday, Nov. 12 there will be a Safe Environment Training Class in the Parish Center from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Sam Hensel will be the presenter & it is **FREE**. All parents, guardians, or family members, who volunteer in the school, coach an athletic team, work in the cafeteria, chaperone their child's field trip, room parents, & summer programs such as Vacation Bible School, etc. **MUST** take a Safe Environment Training Class and be certified to be able to work with the students at St. Philip Neri School & St. Philip Neri Blessed Sacrament Parish. To register, please call (402) 455-2190 or e-mail spndresamhensel@gmail.com

RONCALLI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE is Sunday, November 16, 10 a.m. – 1p.m.

MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE is Sunday, November 23, 12-2:30 p.m. For more info., contact the recruitment director, Molly Adams Woodman, at 402-571-2618, ext. 1161 or visit Marian online at www.marianhighschool.net

HY-VEE RECEIPTS – THIS YEAR'S CASH FOR STUDENTS PROGRAM began Sunday, Sept. 1st & continues through Tuesday, Dec. 31st, & includes all 14 Omaha/Council Bluffs Hy-Vee stores. Here's how it works: ANYONE who shops at any of the Hy-Vee stores can turn in receipts to the school. Hy-Vee records & totals the receipts collected & agrees to donate \$1 for every \$200 spent.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: AFTER ALL MASSES

9:00 A.M. **FAITH FORMATION – SPN School**

11:30 A.M. **SOUP SUNDAY – Parish Center**

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

6:00 P.M. **YOUTH GROUP "GET IN THE WORD" BIBLE REVIEW - School**

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10

6:30 P.M. **BOY SCOUTS – Parish Center**

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

8:15 A.M. **GRADES 1 – 4 SCHOOL MASS - Church**

9:00 A.M. **LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY – Parish Center**

12-NOON **SENIOR CITIZENS POT LUCK AND BINGO – Parish Center**

7:00 P.M. **BAPTISM CLASS – Parish Center Library**

7:00 P.M. **"MARY" BIBLE STUDY – Parish Center**

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

8:15 A.M. **GRADES 5 – 8 SCHOOL MASS - Church**

9:00 A.M. **"MOM'S" GROUP – Parish Center**

6:30 P.M. **SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING CLASS – KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING - Parish Center**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13

6:00 A.M. **"COME AND SEE" MEN'S FAITH FORMATION – Parish Center**

8:15 A.M. **ALL SCHOOL MASS - Church**

7:00 P.M. **RCIA – Parish Center**

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – in front of School**NERI DOLLARS SOLD:** After Mass**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16**8:00 A.M. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PANCAKE BREAKFAST**
– Parish Center**NERI DOLLARS SOLD:** After all Masses9:30 A.M. **CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE** - Church**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD** – During
10:30 Mass**MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN 40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

by praying during our parish's scheduled prayer times at Planned Parenthood. Thanks also to those who may have spent time praying at the Abortion & Contraception Clinic of Nebraska & from their homes as well. The 40 Days for Life website states that a reported 546 babies were saved from abortion during this worldwide campaign! You can read more at www.40daysforlife.com Our witness makes a difference!

ST. ROBERT'S SERIES ON COMMUNICATION Mondays, Nov. 10, 17 & 24 Fr. Roza & Dr. Sean Stevens will present a series of talks on "Understanding and Communicating with Loved Ones," Mondays of November, 7-9 p.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 11802 Pacific. Eucharistic Adoration will follow. For more info., call St. Robert's Parish Office at 402-333-8989.

RONCALLI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL FALL PLAY Nov. 13-16 "*Those That Play The Clowns*" at Roncalli Catholic High School, 6401 Sorensen Parkway. Tickets available at the door: \$8 for adults & \$5 for students. For information, call 402- 571-7670 or email bjdreilly@gmail.com

COFFEE + PRAYER = CONSCIOUS CONVERSATIONS W/YOUR CREATOR! Nov. 14-16 Includes presentations on the Venerable Bishop Fulton Sheen, one of the first to use radio & TV to evangelize, as well as an opportunity to pray Bishop Sheen's famous Holy Hour. Learn of his love for Mary, the "lovely Lady dressed in blue," and enjoy times of silence, spiritual direction & the sacraments. May this retreat, which is co-sponsored by the Pro Sanctity Movement, stir into flame our relationship with the Lord & guide us to a greater capacity to communicate our faith with others, learning from a holy Master, Bishop Fulton Sheen! Register now by calling 402-352-2177 St. Benedict's Ctr, Schuyler, NE.

ACAPPELLA OMAHA CHORUS OF SWEET ADELINE'S INTERNATIONAL PRESENTS ITS 2014 FALL SHOW – REFLECTIONS featuring a Cappella Harmony in a Variety of Musical Tastes & Genres! Sat., Nov. 15 at 7 pm at the Papillion/LaVista High School; 84th & Centennial Sts. Get your tickets (\$15 ea.) from Deb VanErdewyk or another chorus member, or log onto AcapellaOmaha.com, visit the Box Office the night of the performance.

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS MASS St. Bernard's Church (3601 N. 65th St.) is hosting the Archdiocese of Omaha Pregnancy & Infant Loss Mass on Monday, Nov. 17th at 7pm. Join Fr. Walter Nolte & the Archdiocese Children's Choir for this special Mass of comfort, healing & hope as we celebrate & honor our children. sources offering outreach & education. For more info. contact Kay Buhrman or Elizabeth Abbott at 402-551-9003, ext. 1306.

PREPARE FOR THE SEASON OF THANKSGIVING by attending "A Day of Gratitude"... A retreat day at Knowles Mercy Spirituality Center on Tuesday, Nov. 18 from 9 am to 3 pm. True thanksgiving is a gift of grace as it enables you to connect more genuinely with God. Savor & cherish the bountiful gifts God has given you during this reflective & prayer filled day of refreshment, rest & renewal. **Facilitator: Nancy Greenberg** has steadily moved away from many years of leadership involvement in teaching, prayer & worship, & has evolved into helping people be still and hear God. **Fee: \$40 includes continental breakfast & lunch.** To register call 402-359-4288 or go online to our website at www.kmscenter.org

"EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS" – "The Nebraska Legislature Weighs Options!" Effie Caldarola, Field Organizer for Nebraskans for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (NADP), returns to give update on Nebraska Legislature's consideration of passing life in prison without parole instead of giving the death penalty. Nov. 20, 7 to 8:30 p.m. at Seven Oaks at Notre Dame dining room, 3439 State St. Use the north entrance by the flag pole, 35th & State. Call 402-982-9933.

2015 ARCHDIOCESE OF OMAHA MARCH FOR LIFE PILGRIMAGE January 20-25, 2015 Defend the right to life & visit holy & historical sites in Washington, DC, & Gettysburg, PA, on this pilgrimage for high school youth & young adults ages 19-34. For more info. visit www.RespectLifeOmaha.com or contact Elizabeth Abbott: emabbott@archomaha.org; 402-551-9003 ext. 1306. Registration & payment deadline: Nov. 24, 2014.