

Dear Parishioners,

As we prepare to begin a new school year, we have chosen as our theme the "Gifts of the Holy Spirit". Each year our school chooses an overriding spiritual theme to guide our focus and the direction of our walk with the Lord. The themes we have focused on in the past have included: The Beatitudes, The Corporal Works of Mercy, and Are You On The Right Road to Heaven. This year we have decided to focus on the gifts of the Holy Spirit. Each month we will be unpacking and reflecting on the meaning of one of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts are: Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Counsel, Fortitude, Piety, and Fear of the Lord. Can you still name The Beatitudes and The Corporal Works of Mercy? Please pray for our teachers and staff as they return to school this week and prepare to education and form our young people in the ways of the faith.

**Blessings,
Fr. John**

Question of the Week – Who is the Patron Saint of Tailors?

According to *Patron Saints* by Michael Freeze (Our Sunday Visitor), the 12th-century Homobonus is the patron saint of both sailors and tailors. Born in Cremona, Italy, he was known for his charity and devotion to the Blessed Sacrament. He was a married man with a reputation for honesty in business and saw his trade as a gift from God with responsibilities to people.

PARISH SUPPORT WEEK OF JULY 24 - 31		DID YOU KNOW... Our new church air conditioners are working? Of course everyone is cool and comfortable but did you know they are REALLY working? At this time last year, our OPPD account had a small credit balance of a few hundred dollars. This year we have a credit balance of over \$3,000.00! This means our new and more efficient air conditioners are saving us money! We will soon get a refund from OPPD and our level monthly payment plan will decrease. Now that is really COOL!!
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$9,749.23	
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$21,768.75	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$12,019.52)	
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$48,278.09	
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$97,985.71	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$49,707.62)	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:**AUGUST 13/14**

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Alex Negus, Ryan Pfeiffer
10:30 AM: Amir Ring, Craig Taylor

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Zach Cypress, Kristen Ellett
10:30 AM: Emily Crowe, Nick Meier

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Theresa O'Neill
7:30 AM: Alyce Kozimor
10:30 AM: Dave Parks

DEACON: 10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCs: 5:00 PM: Juli Bohnenkamp, Jim Shepherd, Matt Swoboda, Jacquie Dahlin, Mary Ann Taylor, Need 1 volunteer
7:30 AM: Bev Demkowski, Bruno Kozimor, Dorie Mittlieder, Dorothy Polan, Need 2 volunteers
10:30 AM: Trudie Ahlstrom, DeLynne Clausen, Cathy Fluckey, Fannie Parker, Need 2 volunteers

GIFTBEARERS: 5:00 PM: O'Neill Family
7:30 AM: Breikreutz Family
10:30 AM: Wolodkewitsch Family

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM: Colleen and Friends
10:30 AM: Colleen Monti and the Church Ladies

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: Susan Matsunami
7:30 AM: Mary Todd
10:30 AM: Kara Rief

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Bill Cheese, Norine Hoffman, Mary Todd

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Rita Ziska, David Krueger
IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Bonnie Shea, Mary Todd

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, Mark Lampe

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES OF MARY ROSSITTO, DANNY LOHMEIER, AND TAMMY GATROST. Mary is the wife of Alfred Rossitto. Danny is the son of the late Ray & Aggie Lohmeier. Danny was buried from St. James Parish this past Tuesday. Tammy is the daughter of Mike and Bobbie Gatrost. There was a Celebration of Life service for Tammy at Missouri Valley High School this past Saturday.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE SUCCESS OF THE PARISH SUMMER SALE by donating items, helping to set up, or working the Sale! Our Parish made \$1,892.99!

MATTHEW - The King and His Kingdom In this study, see how Jesus fulfills God's promises to the people of Israel & onto his new kingdom. Learn how Jesus established his kingdom on earth in his Church. Discover how Christ instituted the sacraments, especially the Eucharist, so that we could share in his divine life. Offered Tuesday evenings in the Parish Center or Wednesday Mornings at Seven Oaks. Signup sheets are at the doors of Church.

COME JOIN IN THE FUN! Our Fall Festival is Sept. 24th & filled with things to do! It's an all day affair, starting with our 5K Hills of Florence Challenge, a great cook-out, music, games, & activities. An expanded country store you **MUST** explore! We will have Mass on the Grass & an evening with Huskers on the screen, snacks, & refreshments in our beer garden! Welcoming volunteers – 1st come, 1st serve – pick you're an activity you enjoy! *It's a party for our entire community! Bring your family, friends and neighbors!*

ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH MAKE UP THE ALTAR SOCIETY. If you don't belong to a Circle, you are considered an inactive member. We collect inactive dues (\$10) this time each year so we can pay for the Altar Breads, Missals & other special projects. Please send your dues (\$5 for active members/\$10 for inactive members) to the Parish Office or put them in the collection basket at church with "Altar Society" noted on the envelope. Thank you to those who have already donated!

CHRISTIAN HUMOR The young man comes running into the store & says to his buddy, "Tommy, somebody just stole your pickup truck from the parking lot! Tommy reacts, "Did you see who it was?" The young man answers, "No, I couldn't tell... but I did get his license plate number!"

Mass Intentions August 8 – 14

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Joe Reeves + Beth Barnhart +
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Agnes and John Schaffart + Bev Rawley +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Mary Beth Clark + Betty Louk +
Friday	8:15 AM	William and Doralyn Huerter + Treves Family Int.
Saturday	5:00 PM	Junior Eilers + Deceased Members of Circle 1 +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Margaret Manson + Jerry and Katie Zenk +
	10:30 AM	Our Parish Family

THE NOTRE DAME SISTERS HAVE BEEN SERVING FOR MORE THAN 105 YEARS IN THE FLORENCE AREA, Omaha & throughout the Midwest. They have invited more than 130 volunteers to attend an appreciation event in our Parish Center to express their gratitude to them for their assistance in helping the Sisters in their ministries, including Safe Homes, the Coalition on Human Trafficking, Notre Dame Housing, Social Justice education, tribal reservation ministry, international relief work, & prayer ministry. If you would like to learn more about volunteer opportunities with the Notre Dame Sisters, please contact Scot Adams, P.h.D. at 402-455-2994 or sadams@notredamesister.org

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

"Gifts of the Holy Spirit - Wisdom, Understanding, Knowledge, Counsel, Fortitude, Piety, and Fear of the Lord"

NOW IS THE TIME TO REGISTER FOR SPN VOLLEYBALL! Registration forms are available at the doors of Church. Please pick up the form & return it to the SPN School office by August 10th!

**THE WEEK AHEAD
SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

MONDAY, AUGUST 8

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 9

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 P.M. **KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING** – Parish Center

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

9:00 A.M. **ALTAR SOCIETY LEADER MEETING** – Parish Center

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR! There will be an Altar Society Leader Meeting on Saturday, August 13th at 9 a.m. in the Parish Center.

~ **NERI DOLLAR NEWS** ~

Be sure to use Neri Dollars for all your back to school shopping! Check the on-hand and pre-order list located at the doors of Church. *All special preorders are due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.*



The Florentine Players Present – RUN FOR YOUR WIFE
Aug. 11-13 7 p.m. at the Florence Hall Bottomless Beer & Pop \$5, Friday only: 402BBQ Food Truck from 6-7 p.m.
Tickets: \$10 ea., \$8 for seniors (65+) For reservations call 402-455-6341.

TEMPORARY CHANNEL FOR MASS FOR THE SHUT-INS Usually broadcast on WOWT Channel 6, it will temporarily move to WOWT's affiliate, "Antenna TV," which is available through Cox Cable-Omaha, Channel 126; Century Link-Omaha, Channel 9; & through TV antennas on Channel 6.3 each Sunday, July 17- Aug. 21 as NBC-TV covers the 2016 Summer Olympics. It will continue to be aired at 10:30 a.m. The Mass also is available every Sunday via the Archdiocese of Omaha's website at archomaha.org/news/gallery. It will return to WOWT-Channel 6 on Aug. 28.

BEING A SOLDIER IS MORE THAN COURAGE, IT'S SACRIFICING YOURSELF FOR SOMETHING GREATER THAN YOURSELF. PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SOLDIERS AND THEIR FAMILIES.