

Dear Parishioners,

This week we are very excited as we begin a new academic year. We welcome back all of our students, faculty and staff. Hopefully the summer has been a time of refreshment and renewal for all. Please join us for our opening All School Mass on Thursday, August 18 at 8:15 a.m.

A reminder that since Assumption of Mary falls on a Monday this year, it is not considered a holy day of obligation.

Please be sure to mark your calendar for our upcoming Fall Festival which will be on Saturday, September 24.

**Blessings,
Fr. John**

Question of the Week – Aren't annulments just a Catholic form of divorce?

You hear this misstatement often: "An annulment is just a Catholic way of getting a divorce." You hear it said by many people in many different circumstances (and there are times when it seems there is an element of truth in this statement). Yet an annulment is very different from a divorce. Divorce is the legal dissolution of a marriage. An annulment is a legal declaration that a valid sacramental marriage never existed.

There are many reasons why two particular people cannot join their lives in the marriage project. It is not always a culpable lack of generosity. Sometimes it becomes apparent only years after the wedding ceremony that there was no marriage there in the first place. To declare publicly that the marriage never existed is what Catholics call an "annulment."

PARISH SUPPORT WILL RETURN NEXT WEEK

DID YOU KNOW... that the above question of the week has been taken from Sadlier "Gather In My Name" website? This is no longer available to me. At least I have not been able to access it. I have found a new question of the week site. I hope you will enjoy it.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

AUGUST 20/21

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Gracie Murphy, Marianna Stevenson
10:30 AM: Sam Parys, Amir Ring

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Wyatt Brungardt, Jackson Cramer
10:30 AM: Zach Cypress, Kobe Mulcahy

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Jerry Bexten
7:30 AM: Hank Henkenius
10:30 AM: Jan Sammons

DEACON: 10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCs: 5:00 PM: Kim Hill, Ellen and Wayne Russell, Jim Shepherd, Mary Ann Taylor, Need 1 volunteer
7:30 AM: Maria Hackenberg, Kathy Rossitto, Bonnie Shea, Mary Todd Michelle Zuber, Need 1 volunteer
10:30 AM: Tamatha Buell, Cathy Fluckey Nancy Ryckman, Rita Ziska, Need 2 volunteers

GIFTBEARERS: 5:00 PM: Bahle Family
7:30 AM: Schonberner Family
10:30 AM: Doran Family

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM:
10:30 AM: Kim Becker, Deanna Reilly, Deb Van Erdewyck

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: Joni Locher
7:30 AM: Patty Wiederholt
10:30 AM: Terri Herman

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Bev Baer, Roy Edwards, George and Marsha Moon, Dave Parks

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Liz Maycock, Patty Wiederholt

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Roy Edwards, Rich McShane

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

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!*

PLEASE BRING ONE FOOD ITEM (example: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Rice, Canned Soup, Vegetables or Fruit) for our St. Vincent de Paul Food Barrels in Church next weekend. Any loose change or dollar bills dropped in the Poor Box would also be appreciated.

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 "I'm sorry," said the clerk in flower shop, "we don't have potted geraniums. Could you use African violets instead?" Replied the customer sadly, "No, it was geraniums my wife told me to water while she was gone."

Mass Intentions August 15 – 21

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Our Parish Family
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Donna Leininger + Marie McFarland Int.
Thursday	8:15 AM	Kermit Durr + Colleen Minturn +
Friday	8:15 AM	Donna Sobotka + Jack and Ann O'Connor +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Joe Thibodeau + Carol Anderson +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Kathy Rossitto Int. Pat Ricketts Int.
	10:30 AM	Deacon Al LeClair + Richard Hensel Int.

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

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



Welcome
Teachers,
Students,
And
Staff!

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot
NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS
NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

MONDAY, AUGUST 15 – ASSUMPTION OF MARY

4:00 P.M. **ICE CREAM SOCIAL** - School
6:30 P.M. **CUB SCOUTS** – Parish Center

TUESDAY, AUGUST 16

7:00 P.M. **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – Activity Center Meeting Room

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 17

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL – Noon Dismissal

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

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~ **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.

ATTENTION ALL CRAFTERS AND BAKERS:

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish is making a change in our annual Altar Society Bake Sale and Boutique. It is now going to be a Craft Show and Bake Sale, held in our Activity Center on Sat., November 19, 2016. We are still asking all women to please bake for this ALL DAY EVENT. We will need items to be dropped off Friday evening at the Activity Center. ALL proceeds from the bake sale & table rentals will go to the Altar Society's funds to help pay for Hosts (Altar Breads), Missals, & other Altar Society funded events.

If you are a CRAFTER & interested in a table or tables for the Craft Show, please contact Beverly Baer at 402-650-1104 or email at bbaer1234@aol.com for details. There is a deadline for registrations so don't wait. Spaces will be filled on a first come-first serve basis & are open to the public.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO HELP WOMEN CHOOSE LIFE FOR THEIR BABIES? Metro Pro-life Advocates offers a peaceful, prayerful, law-abiding method that seeks to reach a woman's heart so she can confidently choose life! If you are interested in being either a prayer partner or a sidewalk counselor, please join other like minded women & men at our next training class. It will be held on Saturday, Aug.20th from 8:30 - 11:30 a.m. at St. Mark's Hall (by St. Mary's Church) 812 W. 24th Ave. in Bellevue. If you any questions or to register, please contact Liz Miller at 402-991-1116 or e-mail her at MPLA@cox.net

6th Annual Breakfast for Life Essential Pregnancy Services, serving expectant mothers & parenting families, invites you to its 6th Annual Breakfast for Life event on Saturday, Aug. 27 at St. Robert Bellarmine Catholic Church (11802 Pacific St.) in the Mainelli Parish Center. Guest motivational speaker, Gail McWilliams, will share her journey of motherhood & her passion to provide life-affirming options to woman & families facing crisis pregnancies. Open to the public & includes a continental breakfast catered by Wheatfields. Tickets \$30 ea. or four for \$100 & may be purchased by calling 402-554-0121 or online at www.friendsofeps.org/rsvp.html RSVP by Aug. 22.