

Dear Parishioners,

This week we began the 2016-17 school year. There was a lot of activity in our school this summer to prepare for the new school year. It is wonderful to see the students back and eager to learn. Our enrollment remains steady.

Our class sizes are:	Pre-school M/W/F - 21	Pre-school T/Th - 10	Kindergarten - 12
	1 st grade - 17	2 nd grade - 19	3 rd grade - 21
	4 th grade - 21	5 th grade - 15	6 th grade - 11
	7 th grade - 14	8 th grade - 13	

**Blessings,
Fr. John**

Question of the Week – How did the Secular Franciscans get their name?

The accent on *secular* is to make it clear the order is for people living in the mainstream of life. As Lester Bach, O.F.M., put it in *Franciscan Way of Life: A Commentary on the Rule of the Secular Franciscan Order*: "The secular Franciscans live in the world, i.e., not joined to or in convents, monasteries or friaries. The 'place' of holiness for Secular Franciscans is in the marketplace of the world, in the homes and neighborhoods where they dwell."

The members of the Secular Franciscan Order are to infiltrate society from within. By their presence in its midst, they are to change society for the better. The title does not indicate that God is separate from society or the created world. It rather speaks of the desire of its members to make God ever more present to daily life.

For more information about the Secular Franciscan Order, you can call 1-800-FRANCIS.

PARISH SUPPORT WEEK OF JULY 31 – AUGUST 13		DID YOU KNOW... Our numbers this week reflect the first two weeks of August instead of one? We were unable to provide numbers for last week so we combined them for this week. You will see that registration for the new school year went well as we brought in over \$45,000. Also, the rummage sale at the end of July made \$2,000 for our general fund and Christmas in July provided over \$1,800 for our school supplies. Thank you to everyone contributing to these events and the great volunteers that make it happen! You are making a difference!
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$68,907.18	
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$17,803.94	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$51,103.24	
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$117,185.27	
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$115,789.65	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$1,395.62	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

AUGUST 27/28

- ALTAR SERVERS:** 5:00 PM: Clint Dierks, Dillon Dierks
10:30 AM: Jerad Peck, David Taylor
- CANDLE BEARERS:** 5:00 PM: James Borosko, Jarrad Borosko
10:30 AM: Andrew Fink, Nick Meier
- LECTORS:** 5:00 PM: Rob Barrett
7:30 AM: Larry Ziska
10:30 AM: Dave Parks
- DEACON:** 10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks
- EMHCs:** 5:00 PM: Kim Hill, Ellen and Wayne Russell, Angie Bahle-Lampe, Mary Ann Taylor, Need 1 volunteer
7:30 AM: Regina Cronkhite, Norine Hoffman, Kathy Rossitto, Dorothy Polan, Mary Todd, Need 1 volunteer
10:30 AM: Tamatha Buell, Bill Cheese, DeLynne Clausen, Mary Fink, Need 2 volunteers
- GIFTBEARERS:** 5:00 PM: Lampe Family
7:30 AM: Huber Family
10:30 AM: Ryckman Family
- MUSICIANS:** 5:00 PM: Colleen Monti and the Church Ladies
10:30 AM: Bryan Kinghorn and Friends

- NERI DOLLAR SELLERS:** 5:00 PM: Lynn Ingraham
7:30 AM: Judy Bahle
10:30 AM: April Collamer
- COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:** Kelli Brock, Bob and Betty Jones, Joni Locher
- COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS:** Larry Ziska, Charlie Buell
- IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:** 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, Mark Lampe

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO FR. JOHN AND VIRGINIA PINKER!



Fr. John will be celebrating his "31st" birthday on Friday, August 26th.
Virginia will be 90 years young also on Friday, August 26th. Please join us in

wishing both of them a very Happy Birthday. If you would like to send birthday wishes to Virginia,

please mail them to: Virginia Pinker; 6801 N. 67th Plz., Apt. 27; Omaha, NE 68152.



PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES OF MERL CORE AND DANIEL LEE. Merl is the husband of Nancy Core. The visitation will be here on Monday from 5 - 7 p.m. with the rosary at 7. The funeral will be here on Tuesday at 10 a.m. Daniel is the brother-in-law of Chuck and Ann Massengale. A memorial service for Daniel was held in Mead, NE this past Saturday.

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. **The deadline to sign up is today!** Signup sheets are at the doors of Church.

JOIN THE DINING GROUP at: The Special, 303 Fort Crook Rd. in Bellevue, NE on Tuesday, August 23rd at 6pm. Please come & join us. RSVP to Maria Hackenberg at 402-493- 5697 or mhackenberg @ hotmail.com

THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ANNUAL FAMILY PICNIC for the Council is Saturday, August 27 at Rossitto's - after 5pm Mass. As usual it's a potluck, so bring a side, salad, or dessert to SHARE. The Council will provide Burgers, Dogs, & Drinks. Any Knight or Knight's family wishing to attend please contact Tim Kiuntke.

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 your favorite activity & sign up now! **It's a party for our entire community! Bring your family, friends and neighbors!**

CHRISTIAN HUMOR Our pastor, an avid golfer, was once taking part in a local tournament. As he was preparing to tee off, the organizer of the tournament approached him & pointed to the dark, threatening storm clouds, which were gathering around. "Preacher," the organizer said, "I trust you'll see to it that the weather won't turn bad on us?" Our pastor shook his head. "Sorry," he replied. "I'm sales, not management!"

~ **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.

Mass Intentions August 22 – 28

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Our Parish Family
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Sam Hensel Int. Donna Sobotka +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Del Murphy + Joy Jary +
Friday	8:15 AM	Father John Andrews Int. Vincent and Maxine McMahan +
Saturday	5:00 PM	John Gubbels + Iona Dempsey +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Renie Murray + Patricia Sedlacek +
	10:30 AM	Steven Hensel Int. Jack and Glenda Merwald, Bob McGargill +

ST. PHILIP NERISCHOOL

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

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, AUGUST 21

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 22

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 23

7:00 P.M. **SCHOOL BOARD MEETING** – Activity Center Meeting Room

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FR. JOHN!

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

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6:30 P.M. **KNIGHTS FAMILY PICNIC** – Rossitto's

SUNDAY, AUGUST 28

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

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.

Saint Philip Neri – Blessed Sacrament Parish

2016



Fest

Saturday, September 24

3rd Annual Halfway to Heaven Hill Challenge 5K
Kids 100 Yard DASH

Register now at

<https://runsignup.com/Race/NE/Omaha/Halfway2HeavenHillChallenge5K>

Country Store –
HandMade/HomeMade/HomeGrown

Great Food

Beer Garden - Husker Game!

Games, Nerf War –
Inflatable's for the Kids

Raffle with \$2,500.00 Grand Prize

... And Nine Other Great Prizes!





3rd Annual Halfway 2 Heaven Hill Challenge 5K

Saturday,
September 24

St. Philip Neri-Blessed
Sacrament Parish
8200 North 30th Street

Registration ends September 21, 2016 @ 11:59pm CDT

[https://runsignup.com/Race/NE/Omaha/
Halfway2HeavenHillChallenge5K](https://runsignup.com/Race/NE/Omaha/Halfway2HeavenHillChallenge5K)

Course starts and finishes on 31st Street in front of St. Philip Neri School.

Halfway 2 Heaven Hill Challenge 5K

Start Time: 10:30am CDT

5K course through the hills of Historic Florence with a "Mercy Route" option for those needing a little shorter course. Timed event.

Price: \$30.00 Race Fee + \$2.50 SignUp Fee

Registration open to all ages.

5K registration includes race entry, event koozie and drink tickets redeemable at the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Festival directly following the race!!

Kids 100 yard DASH - Age 5 and under

Waves Start Time: 10:00am CDT

When registering for the Kids 100 yard dash,

Price: \$5.00 Race Fee + \$2.50 SignUp Fee

please register according to their age/ability!!

You are welcome to bring chairs for after the race or for those attending to cheer you along!!
Strollers are also welcome!!

If you would like supporting our event, but aren't up to maneuvering the course, there is a donate option! Please contact the Parish Office or Sadie for more information. This Hill Challenge is part of our Parish Annual Festival and all proceeds help fund our parish, our catholic school and all the programs affiliated with St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament! THANK YOU for your support!

For more information, call Sadie Bohnenkamp at 308-379-9876