



First Friday Adoration and Exposition

This past Friday we had First Friday Adoration and Exposition from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. If you did not get a chance to sign up and would like to participate, you are welcome to join us on the First Friday of the month and spend time with Jesus, who is truly present in the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to receive a call when the scheduled adorers cannot make it, please call the Parish Office and add your name, number and email address to the substitute list.

God speaks to us in many ways, including through this Sunday’s Scripture readings.

The cross is a way that leads us to true life.

Reading 1 Jeremiah 20:7-9

Reading 2 Romans 12:1-2

Gospel Matthew 16:21-27

Question of the Week –

Adults: Jesus gives us the core truth to life and eternal happiness — the cross.

Name the cross that you carry. How is it bringing you closer to God?

Children: In order to follow Jesus, we have to do hard things, to carry our own crosses.

What is a cross that you are carrying right now?

In what ways can you ask Jesus to help you with your cross?

PARISH SUPPORT	
WEEK OF AUGUST 21 - 27	
WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$9,051.00
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$6,486.09
YEAR TO DATE BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$73,705.00
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTION	\$66,398.32
VARIANCE – OVER (UNDER)	
WEEKLY	(\$2,565.00)
YEAR TO DATE	(\$7,306.68)

DID YOU KNOW... THE PARISH FALL FESTIVAL IS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7?
 You should have received the request for sponsorship and the information about the Raffle in the mail. The Grand Prize for our raffle is \$2,500.00 Cash! If you sell the winning ticket, you will receive a cash prize of \$100! Please prayerfully consider helping our parish by being a sponsor (making a donation to assist with the expenses of the festival) and/or buying and selling raffle tickets. Festival information and raffle tickets are available on the table in front of the Mary statue in Church. Thank you for your continued support!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10	10:30 AM:
5:00 PM:	7:30 AM:	ALTAR SERVERS: Lilly Bauer, Christopher Haman-Macias
ALTAR SERVERS: Wyatt Brungardt, Kristen Ellett	LECTOR: Alyce Kozimor	CANDLE BEARERS: Isabella Ramsgard, Maykayla Smedra
CANDLE BEARERS: Jordan Rogers, Abigail Russell	EMHCs: Norine Hoffman, Bruno Kozimor, Dorothy Polan, George and Marsha Moon	LECTOR: Bill Cheese
LECTOR: Hugh Reilly	GIFTBEARERS: Polan Family	EMHCs: Bev Baer, Tamatha Buell, DeLynne Clausen, Dave Parks, Rita Ziska
EMHCs: Jacquie Dahlin, Jennifer Russell, Wayne and Ellen Russell, Mary Ann Taylor	NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Mary Todd	GIFTBEARERS: Wolodkewitsch Family
GIFTBEARERS: Lampe Family	USHERS: Bill Wilber, Carl Sedlacek, Chuck Holderness, Chuck Livengood	MUSICIANS: Colleen, Deanna, Deb, Tom
MUSICIANS: Kim Hill		NERI DOLLAR SELLER: April Collamer
NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Lynn Ingraham		USHERS: Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock, Tim Kiuntke, Carl Cramer, Mark Lampe
USHERS: Vern Andersen, Rock Cramer, Jim Coe, Ron Allbright		

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Kelli Brock, Bob and Betty Jones, Joni Locher
COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Rita Ziska, David Krueger
IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7: Roy Edwards, Rich McShane

The Archdiocese of Omaha’s 140 parishes are sponsoring a second collection to support victims of Hurricane Harvey and to provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses.

There will be a special collection next weekend of September 9-10. Funds given to the collection will support the humanitarian and recovery efforts of Catholic Charities USA and will provide pastoral and rebuilding support to impacted dioceses through the USCCB. The hurricane has affected southeast Texas, including the Archdiocese of Galveston-Houston, and also Louisiana.

“The people of the archdiocese have a generous history of assisting our suffering brothers and sisters throughout the world with our prayers and resources,” said Deacon Tim McNeil, chancellor of the archdiocese.

Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters in Texas hard-hit by Hurricane Harvey.

Mass Intentions September 4 - 10

Monday	9:00 AM	Bev Rawley + John McGargill Int.
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Our Parish Family Int.
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Walter Int.
Thursday	8:15 AM	Johnny Waltermeyer + Dot Luers +
Friday	8:15 AM	Vincent & Maxine McMahon +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Paddy Hobbert + Ronald Schmitz +
Sunday	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Peg Ricketts Int. Dave & Carol Parks Int. Josephine Zich +

PLEASE NOTE: On Monday, September 4th, Mass will be celebrated at 9:00 a.m. Mass will be celebrated each Monday thereafter at 8:15 a.m.

RCIA NEWS

Is God calling a relative, friend, or YOU to inquire about the Catholic Church?

Is this the year you or a loved one decides to take the first step on a wonderful journey towards God.

If so, join RCIA, (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults), this Fall. You will learn about the Catholic Church, The Holy Mass, the Seven Sacraments and much more.

If you are a baptized Catholic but have not received the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Eucharist, or Confirmation, RCIA is also for you.

We begin in September. If you are interested – or know someone who is, please call the Parish Office (402-455-1289) and speak with Fr. Mario.

HOT 500 CLUB WINNERS RECEIVED SOME GREEN IN AUGUST

\$130 - George Moon \$70 - Patricia Hodges
 \$30 - Nancy Ryckman \$25 - Francis McGovern
 \$20 - Robert Jones, John Smith
 \$15 - Mike Sutherland, Cynthia Henderson, Ann Taylor,
 Rich McShane, Randy Nekuda

ST. MARTHA’S CIRCLE #1 INVITES ITS MEMBERS to join us at Kathy Rossitto’s home on Sunday, Sept. 3 at 3:30 p.m. to enjoy Dessert!, a meeting & a collection of dues.

REMEMBER THE BIBLE STUDY ON ST. JAMES begins this Tuesday evening at 7:00 PM in the Parish Center & on Wednesday morning at 9:00 AM in the Activity Center. The cost is \$5.00 for the workbooks.



Saturday, October 7

The Country Store for the Fall Festival is changing names - Introducing **“The Corner Market”!** We will still have fresh produce & homemade crafts & goods.

We are accepting donations of house plants & produce now. All donations must be received by Sept. 30.

If you have anything that you would like to donate, please contact Julie Doran 402-573-6539 or DeLynne Clausen at 402-455-9610.

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL
 “Unity”

A WARM WELCOME TO TWO NEW TEACHERS on our staff this year. Miss Hailey Schroer is our new fourth grade teacher, & Mrs. Lisa Plewa joins us as the new PE/Health/Spanish Teacher. Double “Congratulations” to our 3rd grade teacher, Mrs. Monica Ottinger & her husband, Grant who welcomed twins in July! Henry, Agnes and Mrs. Ottinger are doing very well. Please keep the Ottinger Family, our new teachers, our returning teachers & staff, & our students & their families in your prayers in the 2017-18 school year.

FOURTH ANNUAL-HALFWAY 2 HEAVEN HILL CHALLENGE

October 7, 2017

****new & improved route****

Kids 100 yd dash 10:00am \$5.00

5k walk/run 10:30am \$30.00

Register online @

<https://runsignup.com/race/ne/omaha/halfwaytoheavenhillchallenge5k>



Questions & for more info: Call or text Sadie at 308-379-9876

5k race entry includes 2 drink tix redeemable at the

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival - 11:00am

Like us on Facebook!!!

<https://www.facebook.com/halfway2heavenhillchallenge5k/about>

CHRISTIAN HUMOR The man passed out in a dead faint as he came out of his front door onto the porch. Someone dialed 911. When the paramedics arrived, they helped him regain consciousness & asked if he knew what caused him to faint. "It was enough to make anybody faint," he said. "My son asked me for the keys to the garage, & instead of driving the car out, he came out with the lawn mower.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

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

3:30 P.M. **CIRCLE 1 MEETING AT KATHY ROSSITTO'S**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4 – LABOR DAY

9:00 A.M. **MASS** - Church

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

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

7:00 P.M. **ST. JAMES BIBLE STUDY** – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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

9:00 A.M. **ST. JAMES BIBLE STUDY** – Activity Center

Meeting Room

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

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

6:00 P.M. **OPEN HOUSE – CURRICULUM NIGHT** –
St. Philip Neri School

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6:30 P.M. **REHEARSAL** - GUZMAN-PADOLINA - Church

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION - Parking Lot

2:00 P.M. **ELIDA GUZMAN - MELVIN PADOLINA WEDDING** - Church

SPECIAL COLLECTION: CATHOLIC CHARITIES
NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS PICNIC – Rossitto Home

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

SPECIAL COLLECTION: CATHOLIC CHARITIES

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

TASTE OF FLORENCE – Florence Home

2:00 P.M. **MARRIAGE CELEBRATION MASS** –
St. Cecilia's Cathedral

~ **NERI DOLLAR NEWS** ~

Are you a SPN School family?
Would you like to reduce the amount of your tuition?
Purchase Neri Dollars! 90% of the profit we earn from each gift card you purchase will go directly towards reducing your tuition! A family member or friend may also contribute to your account, if they complete a "Family Order Form".



A SPN School family using Neri Dollars & spending \$100 Neri Dollars per week at Family Fare, receiving \$4.50 per week tuition credit – after 52 weeks would receive \$234 tuition credit!

Please see the Family Order Form at the doors of Church!
All special preorders are due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5 FROM 7 PM - 10 PM AT A VIEW ON STATE - 13467 STATE STREET

Join all the Husker greats as we roast Nebraska Legend Charlie McBride! Featuring guest speakers such as Trev Alberts, Danny Noonan, Jason Peter, Oudious Lee, Jack Pierce & many others...
All proceeds raised will help support at-risk students from low-income families at St. Bernard & St. Philip Neri Schools in northeast Omaha with funds for tuition assistance & technology programs.

Join our champions in the fight against poverty by promoting academic excellence!

Tickets - \$50.00 Tax Deductible - Hors D'oeuvres
- A fabulous evening of unheard stories from Husker greats!

Table (10 seats) - \$1,500.00 - All of the above,
PLUS! - Early Entrance at 6:15 for photo opts with former players & coaches - Drinks provided – 1 Signed Husker Football

Got questions? Email: Trish at: trump@unmc.edu or Text: John at 402-415-5395.

Stop by the Parish Office to purchase tickets or make a donation or mail donations or ticket requests to: St. Bernard 3601 N. 65th Street, Omaha, NE 68104, Attn: Rose Flores

FREE ORGANIC COMPOST Resembles Black Dirt for gardens – Tilled shavings & horse manure – must come out & pick it up! Call Rose Edwards at 402-571-2171.

VIGIL FOR LIFE Help build the culture of life through prayer! Join Archbishop Lucas for the Vigil for Life at 8 a.m. on Sept. 23 at St. Mary Church (2302 Crawford St. Bellevue). There will be a Mass followed by exposition & a rosary procession to the Bellevue abortion facility. For more info., visit www.archomaha.org & click on the events calendar or contact Whitney Bradley at wabradley@archomaha.org or 402-551-9003 ext. 1306.

OMAHA ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (OACCW) INVITES ALL WOMEN TO THE 93RD CONVENTION, "ST. JOSEPH, PROTECT OUR CHURCH". Monday, Sept. 25 9 am - 3 pm at the Nielsen Center, 200 Anna Stalp Ave. West Point, NE Guest Speaker: Mrs. Sharon Doran, Founder & Director of Seeking Truth will present a talk on St. Joseph, titled, "No Ordinary Joe". Registration of \$25 due by Sept 19. Registration covers morning coffee/rolls & lunch. Program includes 8:30 am Rosary, Mass with Archbishop Lucas & a raffle drawing at 3 pm. No Walk-ins. Make checks payable to RNE Deanery CCW. Mail registration to Theresa Spader, PO Box 584, Lyons NE 68038. Include name, address, phone, deanery & parish. Motel reservations: Horizon Inn, 877-372-1959 by Sept. 10. Mention OACCW for reduced rate. For more info., call Mary Goff 402-687-2687 or Mary Strohmeier 402-687-9578

RACHEL'S VINEYARD: Healing the Pain of Abortion, One Weekend at a Time There are many post-abortive women & men in our churches today who live in silent torment. They are slowly self-destructing. They believe that if their friends knew what they had done they would be rejected & condemned. Yet, Jesus' heart is moved & He has pity upon them as they suffer in pain & grief. If you or someone you know is suffering from an abortion decision, discover Jesus' merciful heart which brings peace & comfort. Rachel's Vineyard retreats are all about healing the pain of abortion one weekend at a time. The next Kansas City retreat will take place on September 22-24, 2017. Please call 816-679-4973 or email rvkcmo@gmail.com for confidential information & to **start the healing.**

WE KNOW THERE ARE MANY QUESTIONS ABOUT PLANNING A CATHOLIC FUNERAL. Rites, final arrangements and cost? Catholic Cemeteries will be hosting a summer workshop Series on Saturday, September 30 at 10:30 a.m. in the Calvary Cemetery Office at 78th St. & West Center Road. This is an information only gathering to learn how faith, liturgy, & practical cemetery planning can assist you in the immediacy after death. A free preplanning brochure will be provided for all who attend. We look forward to answering any questions you may have. Space is limited. RSVP by the Mondays prior to each workshop with Deacon Jim Tardy at 402-391-3711 or jtardy@catholiccem.com

CANCER SUPPORT GROUP If your cancer has come back, or you're living with chronic cancer treatments, this group will focus on ways to help you feel better, cope with cancer, deal with treatment, & lift each other's spirits. The group meets the second & fourth Tuesday of each month, 4:00-5:30 p.m., at the Servite Center of Compassion, 7400 Military Ave.

THE SERVITE CENTER OF COMPASSION offers support to help those dealing with dementia in loved ones. The group meets with facilitator Nancy Flaherty, MS, CDP, the first Thursday of each month, from 10-11:30 a.m., at 7400 Military Ave. There is no cost. To register, call Sr. Margaret Stratman at 402-951-3026.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A HOSPICE VOLUNTEER? Methodist Home Health & Hospice, CHI Health at Home Hospice, along with the VNA Hospice would like to invite you to consider becoming a hospice volunteer. Caring and compassionate people are needed to help provide companionship & support for individuals living with terminal illness & their families. Upcoming classes are on Sept. 7, 9 & 11. For more info or to request an application, please contact: Methodist Home Health, Roz Merrick at 402-354-3200, CHI Health at Home Hospice, Mary Pendell at 402-898-8239 or VNA Hospice, Celeste Sully Feuerbach at 402-930-4143

UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. BENEDICT CENTER, SCHUYLER, NE, SEPTEMBER 2017

Our Heart, God's Home: Henri Nouwen on the Spiritual Life, Sept. 8 – 10, with Wil Hernandez, PhD, Obl. OSB. In this retreat, we will explore Henri Nouwen's insights on how we can cultivate a more intimate, centered, & attentive heart in order to deepen our communion with God. This communion will transform our relationship with the world around us. We will engage in personal solitude, individual heart reflections, small group interaction, and liturgical prayers together. Fri., 7:30 p.m., to Sun., after lunch.

Saints Come in Clusters: St. Dominic, Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati and St. John Paul II, Sept. 22 - 24, with Father Marcus Knecht & Teresa Monaghan, AO, co-sponsored by the Pro Sanctity Movement. We will highlight three male saints starting with St. Dominic (+1221) who influenced Pier Giorgio Frassati (from Italy), who, in turn, impacted many young people, as well as adults, including St. John Paul III! Learn these men's secrets for holy lives, how they influenced each other to sainthood, & let them inspire you for your journey of holiness! Fri., 7:30 p.m., to Sun., after lunch.

The Foundational Intimacy: Eucharist as a Model for Marriage, Sept. 30 – Oct. 1, with EWTN & Spirit Catholic Radio presenters Jim & Maureen Otremba from Minnesota. Come discover new connections between the Eucharist & marriage. In this energetic presentation, married couples are invited to explore parts of the liturgy including gathering, repentance, breaking open the Word, & partaking of the very Body & Blood of Christ. Applying insights gained & practicing skills for enhancing intimacy,

spouses are renewed in their love for the Eucharist & their sacrament of marriage. Includes talks, personal & couple reflection time, Mass & Reconciliation. Sat., 9 a.m., to Sun., after lunch.

Register for the above retreats by calling 402-352-8819 or visit www.StBenedictCenter.com

COLUMBIAN FATHERS 22ND ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT Monday, Sept. 25 at Tregaron Golf Course Check in & lunch begin at 11:30 a.m. Golf commences with shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. For more info, call Jeff or Jolene at 402-291-1920 Register online at www.columban.org/golf

ST. AUGUSTINE INDIAN MISSION – GOLF SCRAMBLE FUND & FRIEND RAISER on Friday Sept. 29th at Quarry Oaks in Ashland, NE. For more information & to register for golf go to: <https://QuarryOaks.com/StAugustineMission/> We are also looking for Hole Sponsorships. If interested please contact Kelly at 402-557-5652. / kavazquez@archomaha.org All proceeds will go to the St. Augustine Indian Mission School.

Please join us at...

**Saint Philip Neri–Blessed Sacrament Parish
8200 North 30th St.**

2017



Saturday, October 7

4th Annual Halfway to Heaven Hill Challenge 5K
Kids 100 Yard DASH starts at 10 a.m.

Register now at

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

...then join us at the Fall Festival!

The Corner Market – Sweet Shop
HandMade/HomeMade/HomeGrown

Great Food

Beer Garden -
Husker Game!

Games –
Inflatables for the Kids

Raffle with
\$2,500.00 Grand Prize!



Open to the Public!

FOURTH ANNUAL HALFWAY 2 HEAVEN HILL CHALLENGE

October 7, 2017

****new & improved route****

Kids 100 yd dash	10:00am	\$5
5k walk/run	10:30am	\$30

Register online @ <https://runsignup.com/race/ne/omaha/halfway2heavenhillchallenge5k>

Questions & for more info:

Call or text Sadie @ 308-379-9876

5k race entry includes 2 drink tix redeemable at the
St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival - 11:00am



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