



Special Thanks to Rick and Lori Elliott and Kim and Bryan Hill for chairing our Fall Festival!  
 A HUGE thank you to the committee chairs and all the volunteers who gave of their time and special talents to make it a success. Thank you also to each of you - who participated in any way – by sponsoring our festival, buying/selling raffle tickets, participating - enjoying the day with our Parish Community!

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

Whatever is good and true, think about these things.

Reading 1 Isaiah 5:1-7

Reading 2 Philippians 4:6-9

Gospel Matthew 21:33-43

**Question of the Week –**

**Adults:** What steps do you take each week to make sure you are doing as Paul directs: "Live according to what you have learned and accepted."?

**Children:** How do you thank God for the talents that you have? How do you give back to God through the use of your talent??

PARISH SUPPORT	
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 24 - 30	
WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$9,352.70
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$9,735.05
YEAR TO DATE BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$120,253.00
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTION	\$118,290.02
VARIANCE – OVER (UNDER)	
WEEKLY	\$382.35
YEAR TO DATE	(\$1,962.98)

**DID YOU KNOW... OUR PARISH FESTIVAL WAS SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7?**  
 We hope that everyone who attended made great memories with their family and friends and are looking forward to next year as much as we are! The final numbers are not in. We will pass them as soon as they are available. Many thanks and blessings to everyone who helped in any way to make it a success!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14	SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15	10:30 AM:
5:00 PM: ALTAR SERVERS: Kristen Ellett, Gracie Murphy CANDLE BEARERS: Marianna Stevenson, Lydia Treves LECTOR: Rob Barrett EMHCS: Jacquie Dahlin, Kim Hill, Jim Shepherd, Matt Swoboda, Mary Ann Taylor GIFTBEARERS: Treves Family MUSICIANS: Kim Becker NERI DOLLAR SELLER: USHERS: Vern Andersen, Rock Cramer, Jim Coe, Ron Allbright	7:30 AM:  LECTOR: Larry Ziska EMHCS: Bev Demkowski, Maria Hackenberg, Dorothy Polan, Mary Todd GIFTBEARERS: Kathy Rossitto  NERI DOLLAR SELLER: USHERS: Bill Wilber, Carl Sedlacek, Chuck Holderness, Chuck Livengood	ALTAR SERVERS: Frances Holmstedt, Lucius Moreno CANDLE BEARERS: Isabella Ramsgard, Maykayla Smedra LECTOR: Bill Cheese EMHCS: Kelli Brock, Mary Fink, Rich McShane, Jan Sammons, Nancy Ryckman  GIFTBEARERS: Doran Family MUSICIANS: Children’s Choir NERI DOLLAR SELLER: USHERS: Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock, Tim Kiuntke, Carl Cramer, Mark Lampe

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:** Bev Baer, Roy Edwards, George and Marsha Moon, Dave Parks  
**COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS:** Liz Maycock, Patty Wiederholt  
**IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12:** Roy Edwards, Rich McShane

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES OF VERA ENESEY AND ABBY BEHR HAGEN.** Vera is the sister, sister-in-law of Liz and Fred Maycock.

Abby is a St. Philip Neri School alumni & graduated from Mercy High School. She leaves behind a husband & 2 sons. There will be a visitation at Mount Olive Lutheran Church today, Sunday, Oct. 8 from 4 – 7 p.m. Funeral services will be Monday, Oct. 9 at 10:30 a.m.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES GO OUT TO DEACON CHUCK WESTKIRCHEN AND FLORENCE FITZGERALD!** Deacon

Chuck celebrated his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on October 3<sup>rd</sup> & Florence will turn 103 years young on October 8<sup>th</sup>. Please help us shower them with birthday wishes by sending a card to Deacon Chuck at Villas at San Bernardino; 2985 “G” St.; San Bernardino, CA 92405 & Florence Fitzgerald at 7714 No. 30<sup>th</sup> St.; Omaha, NE 68112-2728.



**CONGRATULATIONS AND BEST WISHES TO BILL AND JANE CHEESE AND DEAN AND BETTY SMITH!**

Bill & Jane Cheese will celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 14. Please help us shower them with best wishes by sending a card to: 13517 N. 72<sup>nd</sup> St.; Omaha, NE 68122.

Dean and Betty Smith are celebrating their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on October 18<sup>th</sup>. You are welcome to join them at 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup> when they renew their vows. They have moved in with their daughters at 16115 Manderson; Omaha, NE 68116. Please note their new phone number: 402-455-7955.

**Mass Intentions October 9 – 15**

Monday	8:15 AM	Teresa Hein Int. Mary Beauchene Int.
Tuesday	8:15 AM	George & Marsha Moon Int.
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Walter Int. Fr. John Int.
Thursday	8:15 AM	SPN School Teachers & Staff Int.
Friday	8:15 AM	Maxine & Vincent McMahon +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Greg Pinker + Mick O’Neill +
Sunday	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Our Parish Family Int. Fr. Mario Vera Enesey +

**SPECIAL THANKS TO KATHY ROSSITTO, CHRISTY MINOR, & COLLEEN & TONY MONTI** each for their part in growing the flowers, colorfully spraying them & creating the wreath hanging in Church. It is beautiful!

**ATTENTION PARISH MEMBERS!** October 14<sup>th</sup> is the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Our Lady’s appearance to the three shepherd children at Fatima. Fr. Mario has given his blessing for us to gather in front of the Church at noon on Saturday, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup> to recite the Rosary in celebration of this historic event. Please take a few minutes out of your busy schedules & join us in reciting the Rosary.

~ Yours in Christ, Carol Parks

**THANK YOU! THANK YOU!** This goes to Tamatha Buell who started the idea of a tour of Boys Town for Altar Society ladies, & Lynn Ingraham who conducted a fabulous tour, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>! Now we’re looking forward to Fr. Flannigan’s sainthood, & a further tour down the road of his memorial at Boystown.

**ROYAL NEIGHBORS GROUP OF ST. PHILIP NERI-BLESSED SACRAMENT HAS A NEW “ON-GOING” PROJECT!** We are helping our neighbors of Trinity Lutheran Church, 30<sup>th</sup> & Redick, collect canned goods & personal care items for their new ministry of Project Hope. They are opening a pantry once a month to help those in the area that need something to tide them over until the next pay check. So if you have some-thing something to give, please put in basket under good ole’ St. Joseph statue. They can really use soaps, lotions, toothpaste, shampoo, etc. This will be an on-going collection all year. Thanks!

**CURRENT 500 CLUB MEMBERS -**

The renewal/dinner invitation forms have been mailed to all 2016/17 500 Club members. The 500 Club Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for Sat., Oct. 21 at 6:30pm in the Parish Center. If you did not receive your renewal/invitation form, please call Ted or Lucia St. Cyr (402) 455-9859. We truly appreciate your membership & look forward to seeing you at the dinner. Please encourage your friends & family to consider joining this club.

**NOW IS THE TIME! WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS TO JOIN THE 500 CLUB.** A signup sheet that explains the 500 Club is enclosed in the bulletin. The highlights of the club are: Eleven chances every month to win cash, an annual donation to the Parish that comes from your membership fees (this has averaged \$3,000) & a delicious 500 Club appreciation dinner held every October.

Questions call Ted or Lucia St. Cyr, 402-455-9859.

**THE 2017-1018 ARCHBISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL WILL BEGIN FOR OUR PARISH NEXT WEEKEND, OCT. 14 & 15.** The financial resources generated through the Annual Appeal fund 23% of the archdiocesan budget and make certain that programs, personnel and services are fully available to serve our parishes, schools, individuals and families. The goal for this year’s Annual Appeal is \$3,650,000.

Our Parish goal is \$35,996.10. Your support is appreciated and your participation is vital to the success of this campaign. We are one Church, disciples of Jesus, called to holiness and mission. Watch the bulletin for updates.

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** began on Sept. 27<sup>th</sup> & runs through Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. This campaign focuses on prayer & fasting, community outreach, & peaceful vigil as we pray for an end to abortion. You're invited to stand & peacefully pray during this 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside the Abortion and Contraception Clinic of Nebraska (1002 W. Mission Ave., Bellevue) & Planned Parenthood (3105 N. 93rd St.), & also to help spread the word about this important community outreach. **Our parish's specific prayer day in front of Planned Parenthood will take place on October 15th from 8:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.** Please contact **Mary Fink at (402) 516-8756 to sign up to pray for one hour or visit <https://40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/omaha/>**

**FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY FOR MEN**  
Sponsored by **That Man is You!**

PROGRAM INFORMATION – THE UNVEILING OF LOVE

**Session One – What is Love?**

*Objectives:* Help men grasp the depth & beauty of the Church's vision of love & marriage by considering 7 "moments" in the Catholic Nuptial Mass; provide a mystical vision of the beauty of love that lies hidden behind the "mundane details" of everyday life; relate stories from around the globe of couples who have lived the mystery of love to its very end.

Week 4 – Love is a Free Gift

- The Love Story that Birthed the Paparazzi
- Reasons Couples Get Divorced
- The Reality of Dopamine
- Addiction and the Reward System
- Alcohol Consumption in College
- Intergenerational Substance Use
- First Question of Consent

*When?* Saturday mornings (2 -13 week sessions – one in the Fall and one in the Spring)  
– done by 8:30 A.M.

*Where?* Parish Center

Please email or call Tom Carney to sign up or with any questions. 402-578-6879 or [carneytom@yahoo.com](mailto:carneytom@yahoo.com)

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**...GET YOUR TASTE BUDS READY!!!**

Soup Sunday, November 12  
11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Many homemade soups! "Loaves of Memories" & Prayer Pillows available for purchase.



**UPDATE ON THE SVDP LOZIER GRANT**

Thank you for your support of our mission to help those less fortunate in our community. As of today we have received \$25,000 towards our goal of \$40,000. We continue to accept

donations as our grant agreement specifies that the Lozier Foundation will provide us with fifty cents for every dollar we receive in donations. Your donation can be placed in the Sunday collection or mailed/dropped off at the Parish Office. We appreciate your continued support.

**ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL**  
"Unity"

**THE CHILDREN CHOIR WILL BE SINGING AGAIN.** The children will be singing at the 10:30am mass on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Please have the children at the church by 9:30am sharp to practice.

**FOLLOW OUR SCHOOL FACE BOOK PAGE!** Login to Face book and search for: St. Philip Neri School Omaha and click Follow. The faculty & staff will be posting pictures of & updates on the great things that are happening in our school for you to see. Note: This is a closed page so you will have to follow it in order to see the posts.

**THE OMAHA ARCHDIOCESE IS EXPLORING STARTING A CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL LEAGUE LIKE CYO AND PAL** have operated at the grade school level. Any male not playing for his high school team would be eligible. The league would start in early December & end in February, perhaps with a tournament. A team would have one game each weekend. Please contact Shelly Philbin to express your interest at 402-740-5670 or email: [spnactivity@gmail.com](mailto:spnactivity@gmail.com)

**THE WEEK AHEAD**  
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – Parking Lot

6:45 A.M. **CONFESSIONS** - Church

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS**

**NO FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** - School

9:45 A.M. **CONFESSIONS** - Church

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

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**

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

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**

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

7:00 P.M. **FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING** – Activity Center Meeting Room

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

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

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**

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

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

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

7:00 P.M. **WALKING WITH PURPOSE BIBLE STUDY** – Activity Center Meeting Room

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12**

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

7:00 P.M. **RCIA** – Activity Center Meeting Room

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**

**NO SCHOOL – TEACHER IN SERVICE**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14**

6:30 A.M. **THAT MAN IS YOU** – Parish Center

12-NOON **CELEBRATION ROSARY** – in front of Church

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** - Parking Lot

3:45 P.M. **CONFESSIONS** - Church

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – Parking Lot

6:45 A.M. **CONFESSIONS** - Church

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS**

**FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** - School

9:45 A.M. **CONFESSIONS** - Church

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

**WE INVITE YOU TO JOIN US “WALKING WITH PURPOSE” THIS FALL.** Opening Your Heart our foundational study, is designed for women new to Walking With Purpose. Whether or not you have bible study experience; you are welcome as you are to learn how the scriptures apply to our everyday lives. This is a small group bible study that will meet every other Wednesday. For questions please call Sadie at 308-379-9876 or Sarah at 402-889-3697.

**25 YEARS AGO FR. TOM FANGMAN** was ordained a priest, & lives his life in service of God, the Church & God's people. HELP US CELEBRATE SOMEONE WHO HAS DONE SO MUCH FOR SO MANY! SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 12:30 Mass, Open House from 2 – 6 p.m. in the Aspen Lane Center at St. Patrick’s Parish in Elkhorn. Want to attend, donate, or volunteer? Visit [www.stpatselfhorn.org](http://www.stpatselfhorn.org) for more information. **RSVP & send pictures to: [celebrate@stpatselfhorn.org](mailto:celebrate@stpatselfhorn.org)**

**CHRISTIAN HUMOR** Yesterday was “Take Your Daughters & Sons to Work Day”...which basically means today is “Stay Late at Work to Catch Up On All the Things You Couldn’t Get Done Because our Kid Was Bothering You in the Office Day!”

**~ NERI DOLLAR NEWS ~**

As you plan for your holiday gift giving & shopping needs, keep Neri Dollars in mind. It is a great way to give back without taking money out of your pocket! Remember St. Philip Neri School families can received tuition credit by completing a “Family Order Form” when purchasing Neri Dollars. *All special preorders are due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.*



**LEUKEMIA & LYMPHOMA LIGHT THE NIGHT EVENT** The mission of the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society (LLS) is to cure leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease & myeloma, & improve the quality of life of patients & their families. There is an annual Light the Night Event where funds are raised in support of the LLS mission. During the event, there is a walk where walkers carry an iconic Light the Night illuminated lantern. White lanterns are carried by & in honor of survivors & the power of research. Red lanterns are carried in support of patients & finding cures. Gold lanterns are carried in remembrance of those we have lost. Our daughter, Tammy Gatrost, is this year’s LLS (Nebraska Chapter) Memorial Honoree. Tammy passed away on July 31, 2016 from complications after a stem cell transplant. We thank you for your prayers & support during that difficult time. This year’s The Light the Night Event is going to be held at Stinson Park on October 21. If you would like to support this event by walking, registration begins at 5:30 & the walk will begin at 7. If you would like to support the LLS mission with a donation, you can contribute to “Team Tammy” by going to the team page at <http://pages.lightthenight.org/ne/OmahaL17/TeamTammy>. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Bobbi Gatrost at 402-453-5002. ~ Thank you.

**Everyone Deserves a Little Fun**

**Junior Bowling League Now Forming**

(Saturday Morning's @ 9:00am)

The benefits are countless:

- Learn the lifetime sport of bowling
- Development of your child’s overall skill set
- Positive venue for social interactions
- Develop camaraderie amongst its participants
- Have fun while getting fit.

**Adults – Thinking about a league?**

- Singles-Couples-Teams – Welcome
- Immediate openings on Friday Nights
- Many parishioners already in league
- I’ll guarantee you’ll have fun!

**The North Bowl** (Parishioner Owned) **(402) 453-5500**



**UPCOMING EVENTS AT ST. BENEDICT CENTER, SCHUYLER, NE,  
OCTOBER 2017**

**From Here to Hope: Our Mission of Mercy**, Oct. 14, one-day retreat with Fr. Joseph Nassal, a Missionary of the Precious Blood from Liberty, MO. During the Holy Year of Mercy, Pope Francis encouraged faith communities to open their doors so that all pilgrims might find welcome & experience God's mercy & compassion. But it is also necessary for people of faith to be ministers of mercy in the world—to go out into the streets to share the mercy of God with those on the margins of life. Today we will explore in both practical & prophetic ways how to live God's tender mercy in our everyday lives. Program fee: \$30. Lunch is available at the Center for \$10.50 (includes tax).

**One-person Theater: Far as the Eye Can See**, Oct. 15, performance celebrating Nebraska's 150<sup>th</sup> birthday by actor Pippa White. This show tells true stories of the prairie & its people: the early pioneers who crossed it, the later pioneers who settled it, the brave people of the Dust Bowl, & the Native American people who struggled to keep the prairie that once belonged only to them. Pippa White calls her unique, captivating, & touching productions "part theater, part storytelling, part history." She has extensive background in theater & television, including five years as a hostess on daily morning television at ABC in San Francisco, CA. Advance & Senior/Student Tickets \$7, Tickets (Door) \$9

**You are Enough! A Retreat for Women**, Oct. 21 - 22, with Mary Guynan, Tonya LeGrande & Vicki Pribil. As women, we try to be it all, do it all, & make it all work for everyone in our lives. We tend to hold ourselves to impossible standards & judge ourselves based on all we are not, yet think we should be. Let God breathe new life into you & know that you are enough. This retreat is for women of all ages. The weekend will include presentations, prayer, guided meditation, shared reflection, and opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Adoration & Mass. Saturday, 9:30 a.m., to Sunday, after lunch.

**Personality and Prayer**, October 28 – 29, with Benedictine Oblate Jodi Blazek Gehr. Through prayer, we grow in our relationship with God. As our personality profiles differ, so do the kinds of prayer that we feel drawn to naturally. There is not only one right way to pray. We can pray using Holy Scripture, the Psalms, our own words, images, stories, silence, nature, body postures, music ... During this retreat, allow yourself to see with new eyes the best ways for you to connect to God through prayer. Saturday, 9:30 a.m., to Sunday, after lunch.

**Register for the above retreats by calling 402-352-8819 or visit [www.StBenedictCenter.com](http://www.StBenedictCenter.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.

**"EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS"** – "Challenging Injustice: What's my role? Understanding how to interrogate bias & racism as an ally." -- Presented by Ay Spievy, one who facilitates both conversations & action planning for organizations, communities & individuals around inclusion & equity frameworks. **Oct. 19, 7 to 8:30 p.m.** at Notre Dame Housing Senior Center, 3439 State St. Use the north entrance by the flag pole. Call 402-982-9933.