



ADVENT PARISH MISSION! December 3rd, 4th & 5th, Sunday, Monday & Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. in Church. Begin Advent in a spirit of reflection, to prepare our hearts for Christmas. How will each of us open our hearts to let Jesus come more deeply into our lives? How will we prepare the way for his coming to us, to our families? Fr. Andy Alexander, S.J., from Creighton University will guide us for three nights of reflection on our readiness this year. Invite family & friends to this wonderful way to let the season of Advent renew our hearts.

Also, The Parish Penance Service will be Wednesday, Dec. 20th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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

Jesus' kingdom is a kingdom of actions and deeds, not merely of words.

Reading 1 Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

Reading 2 1 Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

Question of the Week –

Adults: As you grapple with this very strong, direct and demanding Gospel passage, name the people for whom you have cared personally – or if there are none, those for whom you will offer care in the coming weeks.

Children: What can you do (alone, with friends, or with your family) to help those who are without food, shelter, or have other needs? When have you seen Jesus in the poor?

PARISH SUPPORT		DID YOU KNOW... only 5 weeks left in the 2017 tax year? If you are still considering which charitable organization to contribute to please consider St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish! Thank you in advance for any amount you can contribute! Your contributions are greatly appreciated!
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12 - 18		
WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$9,352.70	
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$9,814.36	
YEAR TO DATE BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$184,385.80	
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTION	\$182,599.43	
VARIANCE – OVER (UNDER)		
WEEKLY	\$461.66	
YEAR TO DATE	(\$1,786.37)	

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

5:00 PM:

ALTAR SERVERS: Kyra Cypress, Sean Philbin

CANDLE BEARERS: Abigail Russell,
Lydia Treves

LECTOR: Jerry Bexten

EMHCS: Theresa O'Neill, Diane Sullivan,
Wayne and Ellen Russell,
Mary Ann Taylor

GIFTBEARERS: Lampe Family

MUSICIANS: Kim Hill

NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Lynn Ingraham

USHERS: Vern Andersen, Ron Allbright,
Jim Coe, Rock Cramer,
Jim Schlotfeld

7:30 AM:

LECTOR: Bruno Kozimor

EMHCS: Norine Hoffman,
Dorothy Polan,
Jan Sammons, Bonnie Shea,
Mary Todd

GIFTBEARERS: Sammons Family

NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Nancy Core

USHERS: Bill Wilber, Carl Sedlacek,
Chuck Holderness,
Chuck Livengood

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

10:30 AM:

ALTAR SERVERS: Johnny Blankenship,
Clay Bohnenkamp

CANDLE BEARERS: Thomas Bohnenkamp,
Kiara Buller

LECTOR: Dave Parks

EMHCS: Bev Baer, Bill Cheese,
Rich McShane,
Roy Edwards, Rita Ziska

GIFTBEARERS: Taborsky Family

MUSICIANS: Kim Becker

NERI DOLLAR SELLER:

USHERS: Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock,
Tim Kiuntke, Carl Cramer,
Mark Lampe

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Kelli Brock, Betty and Bob Jones, Joni Locher

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Sharon Olson, April Collamer

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30: Dorie Mittlieder, Kathy Rossitto

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CALL COORDINATOR: DeLynne Clausen

Mass Intentions November 27 – December 3

Monday	8:15 AM	Fr. Gama Int. John Jefferson Wooden +
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Joan Durr Int. Kermit Durr +
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Walter Int. Jack & Ann O'Connor +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Fr. John Int. Jerry Goeken +
Friday	8:15 AM	Memorial Society +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Louis & Florence Schaffart + Iona Dempsey +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Our Parish Family Int.
	10:30 AM	Joan McCarthy + Jim Graves +



Mark your Calendar!
February 10, 2018

Dinner & Raffle tickets
will be on sale soon!

**Fun Facts about the Soup Supper**

We served 246 people!
We made 50 – 55 gallons of soup!
We made approx. 1,000 cookies!
...And 40 loaves of bread!

SPECIAL THANKS to those who worked & those who came, those who spread the word, & ALL who helped to make it a success! \$2,038 has been set aside to use for items needed on the Altar & at Mass.

Mark your Calendar: Soup Sunday - November 11, 2018



The winner of the "sponsor" drawing is Kathy Rossitto. Kathy will be having dinner with Fr. Mario. Special Thanks to Chick-fil-a & Jerry Ziska & the Blue Knights for their donations to the "food" at the Festival. Again a HUGE thank you to each of you who helped make it a success! The date has been set for next year! See you October 7, 2018 for another big day of fun!

THE FAMILY GIVING CHRISTMAS TREE IS UP! ...and it will be up until all the names are gone. If you prefer, there will be a can located on the railing next to the tree for your monetary donations. **The deadline for the return of wrapped gifts is Sunday, December 10.**

The procedure for the Christmas gifts is as follows:

- 1.) Pick gift tag from the tree.
Please don't lose the tag!
- 2.) Buy gift named on tag –
NEW ITEMS ONLY (these are gifts).



- 3.) Wrap gift. Sale tags may be left on the clothing.
- 4.) Reverse the gift tag with child's name showing only & use as a name tag on the gift.
- 5.) Bring the gift back to Church **NO LATER THAN DEC. 10!** Please help the less fortunate of our Parish with a Christmas gift.

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

"Unity"

November 28th - Classes resume
December 14th - All School Christmas Program at
1:45 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
December 19th - Make-up date for Christmas Program,
if needed December 21st
January 4, 2018 - Classes resume

Hy-Vee Receipts – This year's **CASH FOR STUDENTS** program **began on Friday, Sept. 1st** & continues **through Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017** & includes the Omaha & Plattsmouth **Hy-Vee stores**. Please drop them in the Collection Basket or mail them to the St. Philip Neri School Office.

LEARN HOW TO SING & DANCE IN A SHOW CHOIR, meet new friends, have some fun & **PUT ON A SHOW!!!** Join us for the annual Show Choir Camp for 4th-8th grade girls at Mercy High School on Dec. 9th from 9 AM-4:30 PM. For more details go

to: http://www.mercyhigh.org/editoruploads/files/show_choir_camp.pdf

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

PROGRAM INFORMATION – *THE UNVEILING OF LOVE*

Session One – What is Love?Week 11 - Love is Sacrificial

- Freedom to Love
- Church's Mystical Vision of Love
- Merciful Gift of Self
- Wired for Compassion
- The Battle of Love
- Compassion of Christ
- The Gift of the Eucharist

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

TONY, TONY COME AROUND...SOMETHING IS LOST & MUST BE FOUND! Judy Smedra brought a picture frame with relics to Little Flowers & she is pretty sure she forgot to take it home with her. Have you seen it? Please give the Parish Office a call!

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

NO FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27

NO SCHOOL – TEACHER IN SERVICE

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28

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

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

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

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 29

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

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

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 30

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

FIRST FRIDAY, DECEMBER 1

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

9:00 A.M. **FIRST FRIDAY EXPOSITION AND ADORATION** - Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2

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

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NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 3

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

9:00 A.M. **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** – School

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

7:00 P.M. **ADVENT PARISH MISSION** – Church

CHRISTIAN HUMOR

Mom: Having trouble with your computer, son?

Son: My PC says it can't see my printer.

Mom: I'm not surprised. Look how messy your room is.

Some people wake up feeling like a million bucks...

I wake up feeling more like 'Insufficient Funds.'"

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GRANT UPDATE! Our goal is \$40,000 to receive matching funds from Lozier. We are currently **\$13,134.37 short** of meeting our goal. Please prayerfully consider donating to our most worthy & much needed ministry. Place your donation in the collection basket marked "SVdP Grant" or mail it to the Parish Office.

REMEMBERING OUR LITTLE ONES MISCARRIAGE AND INFANT

LOSS PRAYER AND SUPPORT GROUP: If you have experienced a pregnancy or infant loss recently or years ago, please join us in the Social Hall every third Sunday of the month from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. This prayer & support group will be a safe confidential place to ask for prayers, remember your loss, share your feelings, fears, memories, pictures, anything you wish with those that truly understand. For more information, please contact Kristin Heilman at 402-250-7758 or kristin_heilman2811@yahoo.com or Marci Petta at 402-502-4416 or marcipetta@yahoo.com. We look forward to praying with you & supporting you through your loss journey.

JOIN OTHER PRO-LIFERS IN PEACEFUL PRAYER ON MONDAYS from 8 a.m. to 1p.m. in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 3105 N. 93rd St. A priest or other volunteer leads prayers during the 11a.m. – 12 p.m. prayer hour on Mondays. You are also invited to pray on Fridays (7:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.) & Saturdays (7:30 – 10 a.m.) at the Abortion and Contraception Clinic of Nebraska at 1002 W. Mission Ave. in Bellevue. Priests lead group prayer from 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. on Fridays in Bellevue. Prayer volunteers are especially needed on Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 3 – 5 p.m. & on Fridays from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. in Bellevue. Prayers are offered at the Omaha Planned Parenthood on Saturday mornings from 10 – 11 a.m. as well. For more info., contact Whitney Bradley at 402-551-9003 x1306 or wabradley@archomaha.org or visit www.RespectLifeOmaha.com

Upcoming Retreats at St. Benedict Center, Schuyler, NE. November – December 2017

Christmas Craft Show: a special two-week opportunity to do Christmas shopping at St. Benedict Center, Nov. 26 – Dec. 10, M-F 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. A very large variety of crafts & gifts made by area artists will be on sale. Book & Gift Store will be open M-F 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Sat. 9:30–10:45 a.m., 1–4 p.m.; Sun. 1–3 p.m.

Visit Nativity Scenes: Nov. 26 – Dec. 17, 2017; Jan. 2 – 5, 2018, 8 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Everybody is invited to make a pilgrimage to St. Benedict Center, view God's Love made visible in nativity scenes from the Holy Land, from Africa,

~ NERI DOLLAR NEWS ~

We now have \$10 Target gift cards Neri Dollars! Please keep Neri Dollars in mind when planning your Christmas Gift Giving.



All preorders are due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.

Asia, South & North America & Europe & pray for peace, which our world so urgently needs. No admission fee.

Christmas Pageant, Saturday, Dec. 2, 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. About 15 Teens of Divine Mercy Parish, Schuyler, present a heart-warming, brand new play in several acts related to the Christmas message, which brings home in an unforgettable way what this feast is all about. This show for the whole family takes place indoors. Afterwards, there is hot chocolate, cider, coffee, & homemade Christmas cookies. Adults \$ 3 / Children \$ 1.

For more information about the above events, visit www.StBenedictCenter.com or call 402-352-8819.

CITIZEN JOURNALIST SANDRA MERRITT OF CALIFORNIA WILL HEADLINE NEBRASKANS UNITED FOR LIFE'S CELEBRATION OF LIFE DINNER Friday, Jan. 12 at the DC Centre, 11830 Stonegate Dr. Merritt participated in an undercover video sting that exposed Planned Parenthood's sale of aborted baby body parts. Come hear Merritt tell of the historic legal battle it has become & the remarkable undertaking that remains. Tickets are \$45 each & may be purchased by clicking "Donate" at nufl.org, or by mailing a check to NUFL, 143 S. 38th St., Omaha, NE 68131.

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL TRIVIA NIGHT will be held on Sat., January 13 beginning at 6:00pm. Register your team of eight players & pay online by December 22 at www.mercyhigh.org/events

All are welcome to participate in this fun event.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

EPS – Director of Finance and Administration Essential Pregnancy Services in Omaha is searching for qualified candidates to fill their newly structured Director of Finance & Administration position. This is a full-time, salaried position. Full job description can be found on the Archdiocesan website. Submit inquiries to director@essentialps.org.

EPS – Director of Events and Community Outreach Essential Pregnancy Services is searching for qualified candidates to fill their Director of Events & Community Outreach position. This is a part-time position. Full job description can be found on the Archdiocesan website. Submit inquiries to janeth@essentialps.org



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