

Dear Parishioners,

We are at 33.1% of our goal for the Archbishops' Annual Appeal! Thank you to all who have contributed! If you have not already returned your pledge card, please do so as soon as possible so that we might reach our parish goal! If you have misplaced your pledge card, there are envelopes with the pledge cards at the doors of Church. Please stop and get one.

We are currently looking for three people to head up next year's Parish Festival. If you would be interested, please be sure to contact me at the Parish Office.

Also, I am looking for some people who would be interested in helping out with a Mass at Hidden Hills Health and Rehabilitation Center on First Fridays. We would need people to lector, to distribute communion, visit with people and bring them down to Mass and take them back to their rooms. If you would be interested with this ministry, please contact me at the Parish Office.

I am also looking for someone to be the Activity Center Coordinator. This job has been done by Lynn Ingraham for many years and she would like to "retire". I would like to thank her and her family for their many years of service. The Activity Center and D. J. Sokol Gymnasium was created to meet the spiritual, educational, and social needs of the Parish, its parishioners, and friends. The coordinator would schedule and assign use and space in the Activity Center and Gym, oversee events – both Parish and Public, set up, clean up, along with many other duties as assigned. This position will require evening and weekend hours. Please contact me at the Parish Office if you would like to learn more about this position.

Finally, thank you to all who helped to make our Ministry Fair a success! We had many people stop by and sign up for new ministries.

**Blessings,
Fr. John**

**Question of the Week – Pray for married couples.
How does your parish support them? How do you?**

Reading 1 Isaiah 25:6-10a

Reading 2 Philippians 4:12-14,19-20

Gospel Matthew 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

Reflection: This is a story that actually happened: When a groom-to-be called off the wedding, the bride decided to go ahead with the wedding banquet. Instead of inviting friends and relatives, she invited some homeless people. These unlikely guests in their thrift-shop clothes had a wonderful time. And the bride who didn't become a bride had the joy of sharing her banquet with them. This story is very similar to today's gospel and the parable Jesus tells about the feast hosted by God. The invited guests do not show up, so other guests are gathered from the streets and invited to share the table and the joy. Sometimes we might ignore God's invitation.

PARISH SUPPORT	WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 28 - OCTOBER 4
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$13,975.45
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$26,975.26
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$12,999.81)
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$363,204.14
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$328,859.69
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$34,344.45

DID YOU KNOW... that as we practice the Corporal Works of Mercy – "to feed the hungry" during the month of October – our food barrels in Church with hold your donations of canned meats, fruits, vegetables, peanut butter, tomato sauce & pasta ? Our St. Vincent de Paul Society Committee gets calls daily from people who are less fortunate and need food.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

OCTOBER 18/19

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Izzy Braimah, Aaliyah Green

10:30 AM: Bode Bench, Tina Buller

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Keegan Sullivan, Dominic Martello

10:30 AM: Steven Hensel, Hannah Kimble

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Hugh Reilly
7:30 AM: Bruno Kozimor
10:30 AM: Rita Ziska

DEACON: 5:00 PM: Deacon Fred Hendricks
7:30 AM: Deacon Alan LeClair
10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCs: 5:00 PM: Diane Sullivan, Matt Swoboda, Jim Shepherd, Theresa O'Neill
7:30 AM: Regina Cronkhite, Maria Hackenberg, Dorothy Polan, Sue Schartz
10:30 AM: Bev Baer, Tamatha Buell, Mary Fink, Cathy Fluckey

GIFT BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Treves Family
7:30 AM: Polan Family
10:30 AM: Doran Family

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM: Fr. John, Mrs. Reilly and the Children's Choir
10:30 AM: Colleen Monti and the High School Choir

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

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: joni Locher
7:30 AM: Mary Todd
10:30 AM: Mary Tracy

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Glenda Merwald, Nancy Bohnenkamp

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Bonnie Shea, Mary Todd

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

HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY TO FLORENCE FITZGERALD, HAPPY 95TH BIRTHDAY TO WARNER MOSS, AND HAPPY 80TH BIRTHDAY TO MARY ANN TAYLOR! Florence celebrated her 100th birthday this past Saturday, Warner will celebrate his 95th birthday & Mary Ann will celebrate her 80th on Tuesday, October 14th. Please help us shower Florence, Warner, and Mary Ann with birthday wishes. Please mail your card for Florence to 7714 N. 30th St.; Omaha, NE 68112-2728, for Warner to 7166 N. 79th Plaza; Omaha, NE 68122-1459 and for Mary Ann to 11902 Bennington Rd.; Omaha, NE 68142-1335.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY OF DOROTHY RULE. Dorothy is the wife of Maurice Rule. The visitation will be today, Sunday at 6 p.m. at Roeder Mortuary 108th St. Chapel and the funeral will be here on Monday, at 10 a.m.

PRAYER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED 40 Days for Life began on Sept. 24th & runs through Nov. 2. 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 & 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 times are from 9:00-10:00 a.m. in front of Planned Parenthood on these upcoming Fridays: October 17, October 24 & October 31.** You may sign up via Sign Up Genius, or by calling Mary Fink at 402-614-

7677. For more info., contact the campaign team at 402-399-0299 or 40DaysOmaha@gmail.com. This local vigil is sponsored by Nebraskans United for Life.

MEN'S FAITH FORMATION INVITATION Looking for a spiritual fitness workout? **"Come and see"** (John 1:46) the new men's faith formation program beginning Thursday mornings, Oct. 16 at 6:00 to 7:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. This Fall's 8-week program by Crossing the Goal Ministries (www.crossingthegoal.com <<http://www.crossingthegoal.com/>>), of EWTN television and radio fame, will focus on the Our Father. Former NFL wide receiver Danny Abramowitz and team (Peter Herbeck, Curtis Martin, and Brian Patrick) will present a hard hitting look at Catholic spirituality for men. Forward moving and no nonsense, they will lay out a powerful game plan for incorporating the wisdom of the Our Father into everyday life. With solid Catholic teaching from Scripture, the Catechism, the Saints, and more they will show how to become the man Christ calls us to be and will give us the tools to make it happen. Please call Tom Carney with any questions – 402-578-6879.

THE PANCAKE MAN IS COMING!!! Circle #2, Holy Rosary Circle, is hosting the Pancake man next Sunday, October 19. Again, a beautiful quilt made & donated by Marcia Adler will be raffled. Raffle tickets for the quilt are for sale at the doors of Church after Mass. We appreciate your support.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BUNDLE SUNDAY WEEKEND. There will be a truck will be in the SPN back parking lot on Sat. & Sun., Oct. 25 & 26. We will be there before & after all masses to receive clothing & other household items. Great time for cleaning out the closets to get ready for winter!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!! THE 2ND ANNUAL DODGE BALL TOURNAMENT will take place on Saturday, Nov. 8th. **Mass on Saturday, Nov. 8th will be at 4 p.m.** There will not be a 5 pm Mass. Mass time is changed for that day only! The Dodge Ball Tournament is sponsored by the Home and School & all proceeds will benefit the Home and School Projects. Talk with your family & friends & get a team together! Watch the bulletin for details on registering your teams!

ON SUNDAY, NOV. 9TH, COME & ENJOY "SOUP" SUNDAY FROM 11:30 – 4 pm! Enjoy several varieties of soup – Chicken Noodle, Vegetable, Broccoli Cheese, Reuben, & more. Try one or try them all! Homemade breads! Variety of cookies!

CALLING ON ALL CRAFTER'S, BAKERS AND VENDORS!! Our Annual Altar Society Bake Sale & Boutique is coming soon! If you are a crafter or vendor & want a table or tables, please call Bev Baer 402-650-1104 to reserve now. We need all bakers to please donate homemade baked goods for the bake sale. More information will come later for the bake sale. This, & yearly dues are the Altar Society's main source for income so please plan to support this event. Thank you.

YOUR SUPPORT OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL IS APPRECIATED! As we look at our lives and the many ways God has blessed us, let us give back a proportionate gift to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal as a way of saying thank you to the Lord. Our archdiocesan church family is truly an extension of our parish life. We are grateful to those who have elected to take part in this effort already!

MASS INTENTIONS

OCTOBER 13 – OCTOBER 19

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Forget Family Living and Deceased
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Elizabeth Lastovica + Agnes Jensen +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Dona Leininger + Donna Weaver Int.
Friday	8:15 AM	Lorraine Demulling + Holcomb Family Living and Deceased
Saturday	5:00 PM	John and Agnes Schaffart + Deceased Members of the Weber Family
Sunday	7:30 AM	Our Parish Family
	10:30 AM	Al Little + John Kirchofer +

THIS WEEK ON THE R.C.I.A. JOURNEY...

From the time of the Apostles, Christians have gathered on Sundays to celebrate the Lord's Supper. Early Christians would read the Scriptures, listen to a homily, and pray prayers of petition. The priest then offered bread and wine, and the people received the Eucharist in Holy Communion. It was the Mass then—and it is the Mass today.

In order to better appreciate the sacred mysteries of the Liturgy, we need to understand how the Mass is arranged and what happens in each of its four basic parts. We then can begin to understand how Christ's one sacrifice on Calvary is made present to us through the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. As we do so, we enter more profoundly into the sacred Liturgy and encounter Jesus, present and alive for us today.

Please join us on Thursday night at 7 pm in the Parish Center as we discuss **Walk through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy**. This week's video/discussion will center on:

- How the Mass we celebrate today links back to apostolic times
- The four main sections of the Mass
- How we encounter God in the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Eucharist
- What we can do to "get more" out of every Mass
- Why we must attend Mass on Sundays and holy days of obligation

CHRISTIAN HUMOR Through the pitch-black night, the captain sees a light dead ahead on a collision course with his ship. He sends a signal: "Change your course 10 degree east." The light signals back: "Change yours, 10 degrees west." Angry, the captain sends: "I'm a navy captain! Change your course, sir!" "I'm a seaman, second class," comes the reply. "Change your course, sir." Now the captain is furious. "I'm a battleship! I'm not changing course!" There is one last reply. "I'm a lighthouse. Your call."

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

"WE ARE CALLED TO ACT WITH JUSTICE; WE ARE CALLED TO LOVE TENDERLY, WE ARE CALLED TO SERVE ONE ANOTHER; TO WALK HUMBLY WITH GOD."

OUR 7TH GRADE TEACHER IS FEATURED ON CREIGHTON'S WEBSITE:

<http://www.magisctc.org/magis-difference/teacher>

Here is the "Teacher's Spotlight" article!

ANGELA RICHARD: UNIVERSITY OF ST. THOMAS
 "Children, like all of us, are drawn to holiness that is portrayed as beauty and joy." - Angela Richard

I want to bring about a more fervent generation of Catholics through education. I want to speak to students during the formative phase of their lives. I hope to guide their minds when they are at the point where they need to make the decision for themselves if they want to be active in their faith. I want to show them the goodness and beauty of Catholicism so that they may be proud of it, be passionate about it, and treasure it. I believe I can most effectively evangelize to these young people by becoming a Catholic high school teacher. As a teacher I hope to show them how their faith can be applied in every portion of their lives, including their interests and modern culture.

A wise teacher once told me: "This is why you must live beautiful lives: You must be lights for the world, because that light is attractive and people will want to know its source." These words have remained with me ever since and drive my daily living - especially my teaching. We teach by example. Children, like all of us, are drawn to holiness that is portrayed as beauty and joy. The pillar of Spirituality in Magis encourages me to be a leader of faith and an example of holiness to my students and teaches me how to fulfill my goal of bringing everything I do in the classroom back to the source of it all - the Catholic faith.

THE SPN STUDENT COUNCIL IS COLLECTING NAMES OF ALL ACTIVE & RETIRED MILITARY MEMBERS TO HONOR ON VETERAN'S DAY. Student Council members will write the names of all Military Members on Red Hearts. The heart will be hung on the wall by the cross in the Front Lobby of the school. All names can be emailed to Cheryl Swanson at ceswanson@schools.archomaha.org. You can also put the names in an envelope with Cheryl Swanson's name on it in the collection basket. Names should be received before November 5th.

IF YOU ARE A SCHOOL PARENT & ARE IN NEED OF VOLUNTEER HOURS & you like to garden, contact Peg Ricketts at 402-455-3377 or Mary Todd at 402-455-5021. They are in need of people to cut back hostas & weed some flowerbeds.

THE SPN SCHOOL STUDENTS WILL HAVE THEIR PICTURES TAKEN ON WEDNESDAY, OCT. 15TH. Please dress up! Students in the T-TH Pre-K class will have their pictures taken on re-take day.

MERCY HIGH SCHOOL IS SPONSORING A SHOW CHOIR CAMP FOR GIRLS IN 4TH THROUGH 8TH GRADES ON SATURDAY, NOV. 1. Camp runs from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. At 4, parents can meet us in the gym for the performance! Cost is \$25 & includes lunch & snacks. For a sign up form, please visit the Mercy web site mercyhigh.org. Questions? email the Music Director, Pat Yunker at yunkerp@mercyhigh.org

HY-VEE RECEIPTS – THIS YEAR'S CASH FOR STUDENTS PROGRAM began Sunday, Sept. 1st & continues through Tuesday, Dec. 31st, & includes all 14 Omaha/Council Bluffs Hy-Vee stores. Here's how it works: ANYONE who shops at any of the Hy-Vee stores can turn in receipts to the school. Hy-Vee records & totals the receipts collected & agrees to donate \$1 for every \$200 spent.

God designed the family to give us all the very best chance to reach our goal of eternity in heaven with him.

~ St. Anthony Messenger

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12 – CLERGY APPRECIATION DAY

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: AFTER ALL MASSES

9:00 A.M. **FAITH FORMATION – CONFIRMATION PREP** – SPN School

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

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

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

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

8:15 A.M. **GRADES 1 – 4 SCHOOL MASS** - Church

9:00 A.M. **LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY** – Parish Center

12-NOON **SENIOR CITIZENS POTLUCK AND BINGO** – Parish Center

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

7:00 P.M. **“MARY” BIBLE STUDY** – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15 – PICTURE DAY AT SCHOOL

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

9:00 A.M. **“MOM’S” GROUP** – Parish Center

3:15 P.M. **LITTLE FLOWERS** – Parish Center

5:45 P.M. **8TH GRADE CLASS DINNER** – Parish Center

7:00 P.M. **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** – St. Philip Neri Church

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

6:00 A.M. **“COME AND SEE” MEN’S FAITH FORMATION** – Parish Center

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

7:00 P.M. **RCIA** – Parish Center

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

NO SCHOOL – TEACHER IN SERVICE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – in front of School

4:00 P.M. **CHILDREN’S CHOIR PRACTICE – CHILDREN’S CHOIR AT 5:00 PM MASS** - Church

SPECIAL COLLECTION – WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - At Mass

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: After Mass

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MOVIE KNIGHT – Parish Center - After Mass

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

SPECIAL COLLECTION – WORLD MISSION SUNDAY - At All Masses

8:00 A.M. **CIRCLE #2 QUILT RAFFLE AND THE PANCAKE MAN PANCAKE BREAKFAST** – Parish Center

NERI DOLLARS SOLD: After all Masses

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

OMAHA LANCERS FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT Tuesday, Oct. 14th at

7:05 P.M. Pick up a flyer at the doors of church & take it to the Ralston Arena Box Office (hours are on the bottom of the flyer) to redeem it & receive discounted tickets - \$13 ea. No limit to the number of tickets that can be purchased with the offer unless the game has sold out before the offer has been redeemed. Questions? Contact Gavin Utesch at 402-943-4732 or gutesch@lancers.com

“STOP GANG VIOLENCE!” EXPAND YOUR HORIZONS PROGRAM

Janee Pannluk from Impact One Community Connection, Inc., will present Thursday, Oct. 16, 7-8:30 p.m. at Seven Oaks at Notre Dame dining room, 3439 State St. Please use the north entrance by the flag pole, 35th & State.

THEOLOGY ON TAP The Franciscan Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother will be speaking **ANSWERING GOD’S CALL TO RELIGIOUS LIFE** Oct. 16th 7:30 - 10 pm at Legends 6810 N. 102nd Circle, Theology on Tap is a Catholic speaker series for young adults in their 20’s & 30’s, single & married. It is for those that have questions about their faith & who like to gather with friends in a comfortable atmosphere. We come together for food, fun, faith & fellowship in local restaurants/bars.

COME JOIN THE OMAHA ARCHDIOCESE AND ST. GERALD CHURCH FOR THE CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING. We will be focusing on growing our faith & spirituality independently & collectively with our grandchildren or with any child that we have a grandparent type of relationship. Meeting will begin with Mass at 8:15 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 18th at St. Gerald’s Lakeview Church, 7858 Lakeview St. Meeting to follow in the Lakeview chapel at 9:00 a.m. Any questions please contact Kay Buhrman at 402-551-9003, ext. 1304 or Vici Hegarty 402-880-6318.

RONCALLI CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL’S 16TH ANNUAL JUNIOR HIGH LOCK-IN All 7th & 8th Graders are invited for a night of fun with friends! Saturday, Oct. 18 from 5–11 p.m. with registration & check-in from 5-6 pm. Activities for the night include: An Awesome Dance, 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, Dodge Ball, Movies & Games, Talent Show, Ping Pong Tournament, & Video Games For add’l info., call 402-571-7670.

ST. FRANCES CABRINI PARISH (10th & William just south of the Old Market) **SPAGHETTI DINNER SUNDAY, OCT. 19 FROM 12 TO 6.** Adults \$9, Children \$5. Enjoy our wine, cannolis, homemade meatballs, sauce, & Italian cookies. Take out is available. Proceeds will go to All Saints School.

50TH ANNIVERSARY OF MASS FOR SHUT-INS The Serra Club of Omaha invites you to attend the 50th Anniversary of the Mass for Shut-Ins, with Archbishop George J. Lucas as the main celebrant, Monday, Oct. 20, 7 p.m. at St. Robert Bellarmine Church. A reception will follow in the Mainelli Center.

ST. CECILIA CATHEDRAL CHOIR & TRINITY EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL CHOIR with Orchestra presents “Requiem Mozart” as part of the observance of the Commemoration of All Souls, Sunday, Nov. 2 at 3 p.m. at St. Cecilia Cathedral. Admission is free.

PREGNANCY AND INFANT LOSS MASS St. Bernard’s Church (3601 N. 65th St.) is hosting the Archdiocese of Omaha Pregnancy & Infant Loss Mass on Monday, Nov. 17th at 7pm. Join Fr. Walter Nolte & the Archdiocese Children’s Choir for this special Mass of comfort, healing & hope as we celebrate & honor our children. A light reception will follow in the school basement with resources offering outreach & education. For more info. contact Kay Buhrman or Elizabeth Abbott at 402-551-9003, ext. 1304.

2nd Annual—St. Philip Neri COED DODGE BALL TOURNAMENT

Saturday Nov. 8th, 2014 – 5:00PM

TEAMS:

Coed teams of 6 (min 3 females)

\$90/team. 21 yrs+ please!!

Limited teams so sign up EARLY!

<http://spndodgeball2.brownpapertickets.com/>

Not a player but want to donate?? You CAN!

Email us at spn.homeandschool@gmail.com

**Rules of the game – www.dodgeballusa.com/rules.html

Costumes optional—prize for BEST!

SPECTATORS:

ALL are welcome to attend

\$2.00 adults

\$1.00 students/kids

\$10/family max

**all spectators can vote for best costume☺

CONCESSIONS

AVAILABLE:

Pizza – Nachos

Candy – Popcorn

Water – Gatorade – Soda

BEER

MUSIC!!

FOOD!!

FUN!!

LOCATION:

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL
ACTIVITY CENTER
8202 N. 31ST ST. - OMAHA, NE

PLEASE
REGISTER
ONLINE BY
OCTOBER 31ST

QUESTIONS?

NEED MORE INFO?

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HELP US BUILD COMMUNITY!!

PROCEEDS TO SPN HOME & SCHOOL GENERAL FUND

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Saturday Mass at 4:00pm for this event ONLY!!