

Dear Parishioners,

Each year the Omaha Urban Council of Catholic Women honors a Catholic woman who has made significant contributions to the life of her parish. I am pleased to announce that this year's honoree for St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish is Marie McFarland. Please join us in honoring Marie at a luncheon to be hosted at Christ the King Parish Center on Thursday, May 7. The cost of the luncheon is \$15. Please mail your reservations or drop them by the Parish Office before April 15.

It is the time of year when we are seeking nominations for Parish Council and the Board of Education. This year we are in need of three candidates for the Board of Education and four candidates for the Parish Council. If you are interested in running for these positions, please let me know at the parish office or contact our Board of Education President, Bruno Kozimor or our Parish Council President, Larry Ziska.

I am still in need of two couples who would be willing to oversee our parish festival this year. If you would be interested in helping out your parish in this capacity, please let me know at the Parish Office no later than May 1. It is time to start planning!

**Blessings,
Father John**

**Question of the Week – When do you find forgiving easy?
When is it difficult?**

***Reading 1* Acts 4:32-35 *Reading 2* 1 John 5:1-6 *Gospel* John 20:19-31**

Reflection: Put yourself in Thomas' place. When the risen Jesus appeared to the other disciples, you were absent. Now they are insisting that not only did they see him, but he breathed the power of the Holy Spirit on them. Poor Thomas! You definitely feel left out. So you insist that you will never believe unless you get to stick your finger into Jesus' wounded hands and side.

A week later you have an opportunity to be true to your word. Jesus once again appears and invites you to touch and examine his wounds. Your doubts are blown away! You exclaim, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus points out that you believe because you have seen him for yourself. But who do you now hear him praising?

PARISH SUPPORT	WEEK OF MARCH 29 – APRIL 4	DID YOU KNOW... that we budget \$50,000 as income in our Annual Parish Budget from the Fall Festival to assist with operating expenses? It is an important Parish event that cannot take place unless we have many hands to make. We need a commitment from two couples to plan and oversee the event and many volunteers the day of the event to make it a success.
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$19,940.53	
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$18,755.57	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$1,841.96	
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$1,019,573.27	
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$1,018,661.12	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$912.15	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

APRIL 18/19

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Dillon Dierks, Clint Dierks

10:30 AM: Bode Bench, David Taylor

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Dominic Martello, Craig Taylor

10:30 AM: Annie vonKampen, Ben vonKampen

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Rob Barrett

7:30 AM: Peg Ricketts

10:30 AM: Theresa O'Neill

DEACON: 5:00 PM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

7:30 AM: Deacon Alan LeClair

10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

EMHCS: 5:00 PM: Juli Bohnenkamp, Kim Hill,
Jim Shepherd, Theresa O'Neill

7:30 AM: Norine Hoffman, Kathy Rossitto,
Mary Todd, Michelle Zuber

10:30 AM: DeLynne Clausen, Angie Bahle-Lampe,
Bev Baer, Bill Cheese

GIFT BEARERS: 5:00 PM: O'Neill Family

7:30 AM: Haines Family

10:30 AM: Taborsky Family

MUSICIANS: 7:30 AM: Colleen Monti and the Church Ladies

10:30 AM: Children's Choir with Kim Becker and
Deanna Reilly

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: joni Locher

7:30 AM: Patty Wiederholt

10:30 AM: Jane Cheese

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Madelaine Adler, Mary
Breitkrutz, Regina Cronkhite, Mary Ann Taylor

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Patty Wiederholt

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Roy Edwards, Rich McShane

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

CONGRATULATIONS TO TED AND LUCIA ST. CYR! Ted and Lucia will celebrate their 40th wedding anniversary next Sunday, April 19th. If you would like to help us shower them with best wishes, please mail your cards/letters to: 3714 Mormon St.; Omaha, NE 68112.

BLESSINGS AND WELCOME TO YOUR NEW FAITH... Bryan Sites was baptized by Fr. John & along with **Carrie LeClair & Brihana Wilds** also received the sacraments of the Eucharist & Confirmation on Holy Saturday! It was a beautiful service, in part to the great music by **Joan & Todd vonKampen, Kevin Throne, & Drew Neneman**, the decorating by our Arts and Environment Committee – especially **Colleen & Tony Monti, Kathy Rossitto, Christi Miner, Katrina & Wyatt Brungardt**, The RCIA Team, & the participation by so many SPN-BS families & friends. Alleluia says it all!

SPECIAL THANKS to **Nancy Ryckman & Tamatha Buell** for creating the beautiful banners & **Bryan & Michele Kinghorn & Kinghorn Gardens** for the use of the stones for our tomb.

THANK YOU TO EACH OF YOU WHO DONATED MONEY TO PURCHASE FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR FOR EASTER in honor of or in memory of these loved ones: Todd Fehrman, John Waltermeyer, Agnes, Robert, Donald, & Leonard Jensen, Vicki Havener, Dan Cuva, Anderson & Rossitto Families, Russell & Ament Families, Deceased Members of the Schaffart & Pleiss Families, Clara McGovern, Inez Haberl, Eugene & Celeste Larkin, Dan Tosoni, Bob Schartz, Tom Dowd Jr., “just because”, Beatrice Gama, Richard d’Autremont, Anastacia Sopia Rosser, Leo & Dorothy McGrain, Dale Taylor, Sharon Lemkau, Katie Bieker, David Burke, Jim Kubes, Phil & Ruth Hughes, Becky & Jerry Hughes, Frank & Christine Kubes, Marjorie Henn, Frank Kubes, Hazel & Elmer Werth, Donald Bohn, Maxine & Gene McFarland, Daniel M. Morrissey, Ray Mensen, Gary Mensen, Mark Mensen, Larry Mensen, Doran & Kirchofer Families, Parents of Mick & Theresa O’Neill.

SINCE EASTER SUNDAY WAS THE FIRST SUNDAY OF APRIL, the coffee & rolls reception is this weekend after Mass on Sunday in the Parish Center.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MARIE MCFARLAND! Marie will be honored as “Outstanding Catholic Woman of 2015 for St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament” on Thurs., May 7 at the Awards Luncheon at 11:30 am at Christ the King Parish Center. If you would like to join us for the luncheon, please call the Parish Office to make your reservation **BEFORE Noon, Wed., April 15**. The cost is \$15. Please make your check payable to **OUCCW**.

KC MOVIE KNIGHT Saturday, April 18 in the Parish Center. This month’s feature; “**BIG HERO 6**” Determined to uncover a mystery, a boy forms his friends into a band of high-tech heroes called “Big Hero 6.” Cartoons will still be shown after the 5pm Mass, with the Video Presentation starting at 6:30pm. Featuring fresh-cooked “Hots & Brats”, Cold Sodas, & “The World’s Best Popcorn” all for a Free Will Donation.

DO YOU HAVE CLEAN, GENTLY USED CLOTHING, COATS OR HOUSEHOLD ITEMS & WANT TO FIND THEM A GOOD HOME? You are in luck! The weekend of April 18/19, St. Vincent de Paul will have a truck in our parking lot to accept your clean, gently used donations.

**** A SPECIAL REQUEST TO THE BAKERS OF THE PARISH ****

Pies, Cakes, Bars are needed for the Notre Dame Pork Dinner! Desserts can be dropped off at the Activity Center on Saturday, April 28 from 10 AM – Noon & Sunday, April 29 after Mass.

THE PASTORAL COUNCIL & BOARD OF EDUCATION ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING NOMINEES for the upcoming elections to be held this May. To be an eligible candidate you must be at least 18 years old & a registered St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament parishioner. Elected members will serve for a minimum of 3 years & can be re-elected for an additional 3 year term. If you wish to be considered in the election, please call the Parish Office & submit your full name & your phone number. We will also require a bio. You may also contact Larry Ziska, current Council president at zziska@aol.com via email or ph# 402-451-3189 or Bruno Kozimor, current School Board president at 402-455-3994 with your nominations. If you have any questions regarding the Pastoral Council & Board of Education, please do not hesitate to call Larry or Bruno. Thank You for your consideration!

THE GARDEN ANGELS ARE GETTING BUSY. If you would like to help defray the costs of beautifying our grounds, please drop your change in the water cans by the doors of Church or you can put it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket. If you would like to help by pulling weeds, planting, or watering, please call the Parish Office.

CHRISTIAN HUMOR The man charged into the jewelry shop, slammed his fists angrily on the showcase, removed a wrist watch from his pocket and shook it under the nose of the owner. “You said this watch would last me a lifetime,” he yelled. “Yeah,” admitted the owner. “But you looked pretty sick the day you bought it.”

MASS INTENTIONS APRIL 13 -19

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Swoboda Family Living and Deceased Giitter Family April Birthdays
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Dorothy Rule +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Teachers and Staff of St. Philip Neri School
Friday	8:15 AM	Lexington Family Living and Deceased
Saturday	5:00 PM	Joe Thibodeau + Gene Leininger +
Sunday	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Our Parish Family Int. Sam Hensel Int. Mary Anne Doran +

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.”

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Family Class will be Monday, April 13th

from 6 – 8 p.m. in the Parish Center. Our 2nd Graders will celebrate their First Holy Communion at the 10:30 a.m. Mass on Sunday, April 19th.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! The last day of the 2014-15 school year will be Wednesday, May 20th. The students will have an end of the year Mass at 2 p.m. on Wednesday with dismissal at 3:15.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, APRIL 12

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

ROLLS AND COFFEE – Parish Center after all Masses

9:00 A.M. **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION AND CONFIRMATION PREP CLASS** - School

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD – During 10:30 Mass – All Children Welcome!

MONDAY, APRIL 13

7:00 P.M. **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILY CLASS** – Parish Center

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

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

9:00 A.M. **WOMEN'S IGNATION PRAYER/STUDY GROUP** – Parish Center

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

7:00 P.M. **PSALMS – STUDY GROUP** – Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

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

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

6:00 P.M. **FAMILY FAITH FORMATION** - School

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

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

7:00 P.M. **RCIA** – Parish Center

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – in front of School

SVdP SPRING BUNDLE SUNDAY – in Church Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

KNIGHTS MOVIE KNIGHT - Parish Center after 5:00 Mass

SUNDAY, APRIL 19

SVdP SPRING BUNDLE SUNDAY – in Church Parking Lot

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

10:30 A.M. **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** – During 10:30 Mass

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

SPRING CLEANING...FOR YOUR LAWN! Mowing, trimming, dethatching, & general cleanup... And we cover when you go out of town! Call SPN Alum Nick Swoboda at 402-670-3047.

THE NEED IS GREAT! Please Bring One Food Item (example: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Rice, Canned Soup, Vegetables or Fruit) for our St. Vincent de Paul Food Box in Church next weekend. Any loose change or dollar bills dropped in the Poor Box would also be appreciated.

BE A VOICE FOR THE VOICELESS. Join others in peaceful prayer to end abortion on Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. - 1p.m. in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 3105 N. 93rd St. or Fridays & Saturdays at the Abortion & Contraception Clinic of Nebraska at 1002 W. Mission Ave. in Bellevue. Priests lead group prayer from 11 - noon on Thursdays at Planned Parenthood & Fridays in Bellevue. Prayer volunteers are also needed on Thursdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in Bellevue. Prayers are offered at the Omaha Planned Parenthood on Saturday mornings from 10 -11 a.m. as well. For more information visit www.RespectLifeOmaha.com or contact Elizabeth Abbott at emabbott@archomaha.org or 402-551-9003 ext. 1306.

God our Father, Maker and lover of peace, To know you is to live, And to serve you is to reign. All our faith is in your saving help; Protect us from men of violence And keep us safe from weapons of hate. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please continue to pray for our service men and women, our veterans and their families.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY – TODAY, APRIL 12 DAY OF GRACE

PROGRAM Christ the King Church 654 S. 86 St. 2 – 6 pm The Chaplet of Divine Mercy along with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 3 pm & Holy Mass at 5 pm. For more info. call 402-498-9871.

THE FAMILY LIFE SPAN & BEREAVEMENT GENERAL MEETING is Tues., April 14, 6:30 p.m., at Omaha Durham Museum, 801 S. 10th St. Please RSVP to Kay Buhrman at 402-551-9003, ext. 1304.

WOMEN IN MINISTRY: GIFTS, GOALS AND GRACE Friday, April 17, 9am - 3:30 pm Presentations will focus on: the gifts women bring to & receive from ministry; meeting the challenges of ministry; claiming our call to ministry; & caring for ourselves as we minister. Helpful for women in any pastoral or church-related ministry regardless of their religious denomination. \$50 includes lunch Presenters: Sr. Marie Micheletto, RSM & Sr. Ginny Silvestri, OSM For more info. contact Sr. Margaret Stratman, OSM at sc@osms.org or 402-951-3026.

LEARNING TO LIVE WITH DEMENTIA SERIES This is a FREE educational series designed especially for CAREGIVERS (who cannot attend sessions during the work week) who are interested in learning about the different types of dementia as well as how to manage symptoms. The dates are: Saturdays – May 2 & June 6 from 9:30-12:30 at St. Vincent de Paul Church at 14330 Eagle Run Drive. The information and sharing helps participants understand how to give the best possible care to loved ones. Participants are asked to attend both sessions. For more info. or to register contact Wendy Everson at everson@sudpomaha.org or call 402-496-7988.

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

NEED A COUPLE OF VOLUNTEERS TO DRIVE RESIDENTS OF SEVEN OAKS of Florence to grocery store once or twice a month. Should be

able to drive small bus. No CDL required. Please call Cheryl Poulin at Seven Oaks ph# 402-451-4477.