

Dear Parishioners,

A special thank you to all who helped with the funeral luncheons last week. Your service provides an important ministry to our parish! Many thanks to all who helped organize and provide food for our parishioners and their families and friends.

Special thanks also to all who helped with our rummage sale. We were able to raise \$1,957.69 for the general operating budget!

This weekend we pray for all of our fathers and grandfathers as we celebrate Father's Day! May the Lord continue to bless you as you guide and lead your children and grandchildren in the ways of faith!

Blessings,
Father John

Question of the Week – When have you felt “the hand of the Lord” in your life?

Reading 1 Job 38:1, 8-11

Reading 2 2 Corinthians 5:14-17

Gospel Mark 4:35-41

Reflection: Put yourself in this scene. You are in a small sailboat with the apostles. A great storm comes up and the waves crash against the boat. Jesus, who must be very tired, stays asleep. The apostles, afraid of drowning, wake Jesus up. "Be still," he tells the storm at sea, and at once there is a great calm. His disciples' mood switches from terror to awe at this sign, which recalls so vividly the words of God in the first reading.

PARISH SUPPORT	WEEK OF JUNE 7 – 13
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$13,175.02
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$11,298.33
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$1,876.69
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$1,286,126.18
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$1,254,438.65
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$31,687.53

DID YOU KNOW... Our Online Giving continues to grow? In 2013/2014 donations through our website were \$15,000.00. As we finish our second year, we are over \$46,000.00! That's a 200% increase! More and more parishes are adopting an Online Giving strategy due to the many benefits involved. One is a consistent flow of income to operate the parish. When donations are set up, they are recurring and automatic. Donations are not affected by travel, the weather, Sunday visits to other churches, or simply forgetting that envelope on Sunday! If you would like more information about Online Giving, please call the Parish Office or go to our website and click on the Donations button. Regardless of how you give,

Thank YOU for making our parish a success!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

JUNE 27/28

ALTAR SERVERS: 5:00 PM: Ryan Pfeiffer, Amir Ring
10:30 AM: David Taylor, Annie vonKampen

CANDLE BEARERS: 5:00 PM: Ryan Greenwood, Jackson Cramer
10:30 AM: Cady Bencker, Nick Meier

LECTORS: 5:00 PM: Hugh Reilly
7:30 AM: Bruno Kozimor
10:30 AM: Todd vonKampen

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, Theresa O'Neill, Mary Ann Taylor
7:30 AM: Merl Core, Dorie Mittlieder, Dorothy Polan, Michelle Zuber
10:30 AM: Trudie Ahlstrom, Fannie Parker, Ellen and Wayne Russell

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

MUSICIANS: 5:00 PM: Colleen Monti and the Church Ladies

10:30 AM: Kim Becker

NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM: Lynn Ingraham

7:30 AM: Judy Bahle

10:30 AM: Mary Tracy

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

COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Jacquie Dahlin, Charlie Buell

IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS: Bill Cheese, Dave Parks

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

ALL LADIES OF THE PARISH MAKE UP THE ALTAR SOCIETY. If you don't belong to a Circle, you are considered an inactive member. We collect inactive dues this time each year so we can pay for the Altar Breads, Missals and other special projects in the parish. Please send your dues to the Parish Office or put them in the collection basket at church with "Altar Society" noted on the envelope. Thank you to those who have already donated.

WE ARE WORKING ON OUR 2016 PARISH CALENDAR FOR THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR – JULY 1, 2015 – JUNE 30, 2016. If you have not contacted the Parish Office & spoken with Fr. John about the plans for your group for the next year, please do so as soon as possible.

FAMILY FORMATION RELIGIOUS EDUCATION REGISTRATION IS NOW

To avoid additional charges ALL REGISTRATION FORMS MUST BE TURNED IN BY July 15, 2015

Back by popular demand; we will be meeting weekly. Our class schedule will be every Sunday from 9am until 10:15am with Mass to follow. There will be no parent classes required. Registration forms will be at all of the doors of Church. Forms & payments may be put in an envelope marked "Sam Hensel" & dropped in the offering basket or turned into the Parish or School Office, or turned in directly to me. I am usually at 10:30 Mass. I will e-mail the registration form to you by request. If you home school; please let me know if you would like your child to receive their Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation with SPN School students at our annual celebrations.

Any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me. During the summer months, I work from home. My cell phone# is 402-714-1582. Please call during regular business hours of 8am-5pm. Those are the hours I am working.

Thank you & God Bless! ~ Sam Hensel
spndresamhensel@gmail.com

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS/
RED CROSS SUMMER**

BLOOD DRIVE is Saturday, July 25th, in the SPN Activity Center. Schedule your appointment at

www.redcrossblood.org use sponsor code: 009603 Questions or concerns? Call Myron Smedra at 402-457-5622.



MASS INTENTIONS JUNE 22 - 28

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Mike Alexander
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Fr. Dan Kampschneider Int. Barb Brooks +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Becker Family Int. Del Murphy +
Friday	8:15 AM	Swoboda Family Living and Deceased
Saturday	5:00 PM	Francis Hoer + Deceased Members of the Weber Family +
Sunday	7:30 AM 10:30 AM	Our Parish Family Int. Jean Brandl + John Kirchofer +

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."

THE SCHOOL OFFICE WILL BE OPEN FROM 8:30 A.M. – 1 P.M. each day through June 30th. The office will be closed during July.

LITTLE FLOWERS GIRLS CLUB: Get those Registration Forms in soon to ensure your spot for next year! We meet once a month after school for about 1 1/2 hours. We have fun making crafts, singing & playing while learning about a different saint & virtue each month. For girls in grades K-4th grade. We'd love to have you join our group! Call Amanda Sherer for more information 712-216-1713.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SUNDAY, JUNE 21 – HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES

NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

SATURDAY, JUNE 27

SPECIAL COLLECTION – PETER'S PENCE – at Mass

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

SUNDAY, JUNE 28

SPECIAL COLLECTION – PETER'S PENCE – at all Masses

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

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

CHRISTIAN HUMOR Jim, a collections specialist, was on his first day of work for his new employer & was assigned to collect a past due balance from a company that was a customer of his employer. He had been provided with a standard script that he was to use where he was to ask for "Accounts Payable" when calling the customer so that he could talk with someone about the payment of the past due bill. He made the call, asked the receptionist for "Accounts Payable", & waited for what seemed to be forever on hold. Finally, after a very long time, the receptionist, who was also on her first day on the job & new to the world of business, came back on the phone & stated, "I am sorry, but I have looked down our list of employees & I do not find anyone named Accounts Payable."

Build me a son, O Lord, who will be strong enough to know when he is weak, and brave enough to face himself when he is afraid; one who will be proud and unbending in honest defeat, and humble and gentle in victory.

Build me a son whose wishbone will not be where his backbone should be; a son who will know Thee and that to know himself is the foundation stone of knowledge.

Lead him I pray, not in the path of ease and comfort, but under the stress and spur of difficulties and challenge. Here let him learn to stand up in the storm; here let him learn compassion for those who fail.

Build me a son whose heart will be clear, whose goal will be high; a son who will master himself before he seeks to master other men; one who will learn to laugh, yet never forget how to weep; one who will reach into the future, yet never forget the past.

And after all these things are his, add, I pray, enough of a sense of humor, so that he may always be serious, yet never take himself too seriously. Give him humility, so that he may always remember the simplicity of true greatness, the open mind of true

wisdom, the meekness of true strength.

Then, I, his father, will dare to whisper, "I have not lived in vain"
by **General Douglas MacArthur**

The above was written in the early days of World War II, as a spiritual legacy to his son Arthur. Made public after the general died in 1964.

It is easy to become a father; it's much more difficult to be a Dad.

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

2015 MARRIAGE CELEBRATION Archbishop George J. Lucas invites you to attend the annual Mass honoring marriage & your anniversary Sunday, Sept. 13th. Rosary at 1:30pm, Mass at 2 pm. St. Cecilia's Cathedral, 715 N. 40th St. Seating begins at 1:15 p.m. Reception immediately following ceremony. Registration required by Monday, July 27th. Co-sponsored by the Family Life Office & Spirit Catholic Radio. Please call the Parish Office at 402-455-1289 to register. Araceli Gonzalez 402-551-9003 x 1300.

FLANAGAN'S BOYS – A MUSICAL PRODUCTION OF THE LIFE & TIMES OF FR. FLANAGAN An original musical inspired by Fr. Flanagan & his child-based ministry is being performed at 7p.m. on June 26 & 27 & at 2 p.m. on June 28. The show is at the Music Hall located on Boys Town's campus. Tickets are \$12 for adults & \$6 for students & can be purchased either at the door, or at Gloria Deo, 13065 W. Center Rd. For more information, email intern@fatherflanagan.org

I-80 COLLAR SERIES Spirit 102.7 FM presents the first ever I-80 Collar Series – a softball game between priests of the Diocese of Lincoln and the Archdiocese of Omaha.

WHEN: TODAY Father's Day
June 21 Tailgating begins at 3:30 p.m. and the game begins at 5:00 p.m.

WHERE: Werner Park in Papillion

TICKETS: Purchase online at www.spiritcatholicradio.com or at the Spirit 102.7 FM studios, Gloria Deo, Adoremus & The Cosgrave Company, & the Vocations Office or vocations@archomaha.org



Contemplative Awareness: A Spiritual Quest, June 27, with Sr. Kathleen Courtney, OSB, & Sr. Ann Marie Petrylka, OSM. Living in the midst of busyness & chaos can overwhelm, discourage, & paralyze the best of us. Take time out to feast on God's passionate & unconditional love in an atmosphere of prayer. Presentation, reflection, discussion, handouts & an art experience (optional). Program fee: \$30. Lunch is available for \$10.02 (incl. tax). For more information call (402) 352-8819 or visit www.StBenedictCenter.com

COPING WITH LIFE ALONE for Adults & WHO AM I NOW? for Children at St. Leo's Church 1920 N. 102 St., Thurs. evenings at 7 p.m., July 2 - August 6. COPING WITH LIFE ALONE SESSIONS for adults designed to help adult individuals work through the trauma of divorce, separation or the loss of a spouse through death. These sessions are open to individuals of all faiths. This peer to peer ministry of people caring for people is sponsored by The Beginning Experience Team of Omaha. Cost is \$25.00. Scholarships are available. Pre-registration is

not required. **"Who Am I Now?" for children** ages 5 -15 will be held in conjunction with the Coping With Life Alone Sessions for adults. This program is designed to help children adjust to the changes in family life due to the death of a parent or the divorce or separation of their parents. The children are placed in age appropriate groups & guided in activities designed to help them express feelings about their experience. Cost is \$10 for one child or \$15 for a family. Scholarships are available. **Pre-registration is required for the Children's sessions.**

SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO RELAX & READ A GOOD BOOK! Plan on attending one of the below book group gatherings at Knowles Mercy Spirituality Center (a retreat center located 1 mile west of 264th & W. Center Rd). The **Christian Literature discussions** are coordinated by Judith Barnes, who has a background in Christian publishing, library science, & book reviewing. A \$12 fee includes a delicious home cooked meal. Make your reservation now by calling 402-359-4288.

Wednesday, July 22 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Esther** by Angela Hunt. When an ambitious tyrant threatens genocide against the Jews, Esther must take a stand for her people. (2015, 348 pages)

Wednesday, August 19 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **The Legend of Sheba** by Tosca Lee. The Queen of Sheba journeys north with a caravan of riches to pay tribute to King Solomon. The author will be joining the group. (2014, 323 pages)

For more info. about this book discussion group or to learn more about the retreat center, call 402-359-4288 or go to our web site at www.kmscenter.org or email kmscenter@mercywmw.org

THE LITTLE JAYS ATHLETICS YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM is now taking applications for its 2015 Flag & Tackle Football Teams. Flag teams: players entering 3rd through 6th grade in the fall of 2015, all games played at Creighton Prep. Tackle teams: players entering 6th grade in the fall of 2015, limited to two teams, non-parent coaches, & competes against area Metro teams. All practices will be held at Creighton Prep. On-line registrations are being accepted at <https://little-jays-football.sportssignup.com/> Teams will be filled on a first come/first serve basis. Questions can be directed to Mark McQueen at mmcqueen@bairdholm.com or 402-636-8308. Andy Yost at Ayost@prep.creighton.edu

ST. ROBERT BELLARMINE PARISH IS TURNING 50 IN 2016! In celebration of this milestone, St. Robert Bellarmine parish will be holding several events, including an all-school reunion, Sept. 19, 2015. Please help us to include as many past graduates as we can. If you are an alumni—or the parent of a graduate—please visit the St. Robert's website www.stroberts.com/school & click on the "School Alumni" heading. Fill out the alumni form as we work to gather current contact information. Also you can "Like" us on Facebook to help spread the word. If you have any questions, please contact the parish office at 402-333-8989.

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.

Spain, Lourdes & Fatima Pilgrimage: Space is still available to come along Nov. 9-19, 2015 to the great shrines to Mary in Lourdes, France & Fatima, Portugal. We will visit many great sites in Spain as well. Cost is \$3,279 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure & more info., contact Fr. Dan Guenther, P.O. Box 658, Cherokee, Iowa 51012, call 712-225-4606 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com

When God Created Fathers"

When God created Fathers

by Erma Bombeck

When the good Lord was creating fathers, He started with a tall frame.

A female angel nearby said, "What kind of father is that? If you're going to make children so close to the ground, why have you put fathers up so high? He won't be able to shoot marbles without kneeling, tuck a child in bed without bending or even kiss a child without a lot of stooping."

...And God smiled and said, "Yes, but if I make him child-size, who would children have to look up to?" And when God made a father's hands, they were large and sinewy. The angel shook her head sadly and said, "Do you know what you're doing? Large hands are clumsy. They can't manage diaper pins, small buttons, rubber bands on ponytails or even remove splinters caused by baseball bats." And God smiled and said, "I know, but they're large enough to hold everything a small boy empties from pockets at the end of a day, yet small enough to cup a child's face."

And then God molded long, slim legs and broad shoulders. The angel nearly had a heart attack. "Boy, this is the end of the week, all right." she clucked. "Do you realize you just made a father without a lap? How is he going to pull a child close to him with the kid falling between his legs?" And God smiled and said, "A mother needs a lap. A father needs strong shoulders to pull a sled, balance a boy on a bicycle or hold a

sleepy head on the way home from the circus."

God was in the middle of creating two of the largest feet anyone had ever seen when the angel could contain herself no longer. "That's not fair. Do you honestly think those large boats are going to dig out of bed early in the morning when the baby cries? Or walk through a small birthday party without crushing at least three of the guests?" And God smiled and said, "They'll work. You'll see. They'll support a small child who wants to ride a horse to Banbury Cross or scare off mice at the summer cabin or display shoes that will be a challenge to fill." God worked throughout the night, giving the father few words but a firm, authoritative voice and eyes that saw everything but remained calm and tolerant. Finally, almost as an afterthought, He added tears. Then He turned to the angel and said, "Now, are you satisfied that he can love as much as a mother?" The angel shutteth up.