

Dear Parishioners,

Each year in November, the Church prays for all who have gone before us. Each parish has its own unique way of remembering the dead. Here at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament, we have the tradition of writing the names of our deceased loved ones in the Book of the Dead. This book may be found on Mary's altar in the front of Church during the month of November. Please feel free to include the names of family members and friends who have passed away that you would like to remember in prayer. They need not be from our parish, they may have died many years ago, and they do not need to be of our faith. Again, this book will be located on Mary's altar, in the front of Church and those whose names are written in it will be prayed for at Mass each day throughout November. Also during the month of November, we will remember those who were buried from our Church this year with a gold candle placed on the altar. Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them!

There is still time to get your team together for the Dodge Ball Tournament next Saturday. Please note your calendar that there is a time change for Mass on Saturday. It will be at 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 7<sup>th</sup> only.

Blessings,  
Fr. John

## Question of the Week – Which of the Beatitudes do you find most challenging?

**Reading 1** Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

**Reading 2** John 3:1-3

**Gospel** Matthew 5:1-12a

**Reflection:** This reading from the Gospel of Matthew contains the Beatitudes. These statements are a summary of the way to sainthood for all the thousands and thousands of people who have followed Jesus faithfully. They show how the followers of Jesus today are to live for God's kingdom. All the rewards promised here will have their fulfillment in God's kingdom in heaven.

Jesus calls us all to holiness. By following the teachings of Jesus and the Church, celebrating the sacraments, and trusting in the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the way to heaven lies open for us. Our journey of faith may not be an easy one. There will be many hardships and challenges along the way. But if we walk humbly with our God, we will one day reach the place of justice and peace where God reigns forever.

PARISH SUPPORT WEEK	OCTOBER 18 - 24	DID YOU KNOW...
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$19,216.73	Payments for Hot Lunch and Daycare/PreK can be made online? Using our Online Giving website, you can select the Cafeteria fund & pay for your child's hot lunch, milk, or ice cream bars! Also, you can select the Preschool Tuition/Day Care fund & pay for child care or Pre-K tuition. This is a very convenient way to manage bills & you can even make them recurring so there is no forgetting to write that check! If you are a smartphone user, you can download the app called Online Giving & manage everything right from your smartphone. We hope this option makes things a little simpler for all our school parents. Thank you for participating!
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$5,855.87	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$13,360.86	
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$391,639.26	
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$415,326.95	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	(\$23,687.69)	

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

#### NOVEMBER 7/8

**ALTAR SERVERS:** 4:00 PM: Zach Cypress, Cheyanne Jones

10:30 AM: Alex Brock, Mia Dolan

**CANDLE BEARERS:** 4:00 PM: Ryan Pfeiffer, Craig Taylor

10:30 AM: Aydin Meehan, Annie von Kampen

**LECTORS:** 4:00 PM: Hugh Reilly

7:30 AM: Richard Henkenius

10:30 AM: Todd von Kampen

**DEACON:** 10:30 AM: Deacon Fred Hendricks

**EMHCs:** 4:00 PM: Kim Hill, Mary Ann Taylor  
Jim Shepherd, Matt Swoboda,  
Need 1 volunteer

7:30 AM: Regina Cronkhite, Norine Hoffman,

Kathy Rossitto, Need 2 volunteers

10:30 AM: Trudie Ahlstrom, Bev Baer, Mary Fink,  
Nancy Ryckman

**GIFTBEARERS:** 4:00 PM: Bahle Family

7:30 AM: Breikreutz Family

10:30 AM: Wolodkewitsch Family

**MUSICIANS:** 4:00 PM: Bryan Kinghorn and Friends

10:30 AM: Kim Becker

**NERI DOLLAR SELLERS:** 4:00 PM: Joni Locher

7:30 AM: Mary Todd

10:30 AM: Kara Rief

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

Joni Locher

**COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS:** Rita Ziska, David Krueger  
**IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** Bonnie Shea, Mary Todd  
**USHERS: 4:00 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

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILIES OF BETTY DICKSON AND DEACON AL LECLAIR.** Betty is the mother/mother-in-law of Patty & Danny Boisen, grandmother of Dakota, Colton, & Courtney. She was buried from St. James Church this past Monday.

Deacon Al passed away peacefully Thursday afternoon surrounded by his wife, Mitzi and their children Keith, Alan, Stephanie, Christy, and Ronny. The visitation with the family will be on Tuesday, November 3 from 5 – 7 p.m. with the rosary at 7 p.m. at St. Leo's Church, 1920 N. 102 St. Funeral services will be on Wednesday, November 4 at 10 a.m. at St. Leo's Church.

**HAPPY 60<sup>TH</sup> WEDDING ANNIVERSARY** to John and Margaret (Babe Welchert) Manson! The couple were married on November 5, 1955 at St. Philip Neri Church where they are still parishioners. They will celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with their family - 6 children & their spouses, 8 grandchildren & 1 great grandchild. Please help us shower them with best wishes by sending cards to 7615 N. 58<sup>th</sup> St. Omaha, NE 68152.

**500 CLUB NEWS** The 500 Club had their annual dinner on October 17. Special thanks to all my helpers, George & Marsha Moon, Bruno & Alice Kozimor, Chuck & Rita Livengood, Carol & Dave Parks, Jocelyn St. Cyr & Jason Rankin, & Mary Lee Ferraguti. There were many compliments on the delicious dinner catered by Tussey's Bar and Grill. The \$25.00 cash winners at the dinner were Rita Livengood, Marcella Hendricks, Rob Barrett, Pat Hodges, Jim Huber & Bev Baer.

Our September winners were \$140 - Dorothy Polan,  
 \$72 - Jeanne Little, \$32 - Nicole Treves,  
 \$24 - Sue Schartz, Jim Lohmeier, Kathleen Smith,  
 \$20 - Mary Wurgler, Betty Andresen,  
 \$15 - Marcella Hendricks, Nancy Hendricks, Jo Lohmeier.

...And a very special thank you to all the members who renewed their memberships and a very warm welcome to our new members.  
 ~ Ted & Lucia St. Cyr

**OUR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HAVE A BUSY MONTH AHEAD!**

They will be selling raffle tickets for a chance at a \$100 Neri Dollar Grocery Gift card (\$1 ticket/6 for \$5) at the doors of Church before & after Mass. The drawing will be at the Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> Pancake Breakfast. On Sat. & Sun. – Oct. 31/ Nov. 1 & Nov. 7/8, the Knights will also be at the doors of Church scheduling appointments for the Knights of Columbus-Red Cross Blood Drive taking place in the Activity Center on Saturday, Nov. 21. Also on Nov. 7 & 8, the Knights will be selling Honey to benefit the Ollie Webb Center for \$5 per bottle.

**3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL DODGE BALL TOURNAMENT IS NEXT SATURDAY, NOV. 7<sup>TH</sup> AT 5 PM** in the St. Philip Neri Activity Center. There are still openings for teams. Call your family, neighbors, & friends & get a team together for an evening of competitive fun! Sign up today at: <http://spndodgeball3.brownpapertickets.com> Not a player but would like to support SPN Home and School? Email [spn.homeandschool@gmail.com](mailto:spn.homeandschool@gmail.com) to find out how! Spectators are welcome! \$2 admission \$10 per family. Concessions will be available! Music, Fun, Food!!!

**MEN'S FAITH FORMATION** That Man is You! – Dedicated to "walking the talk" & providing men the opportunity & frame work to build out their very own spiritual plan of life. The Spirit of Nazareth -"Come & see" (John 1:46) the latest from That Man is You! A thoroughly & solidly Catholic men's faith formation program ultimately designed around a personal encounter with Jesus Christ, so that He can take us further. Join us **TUESDAY** mornings from 6- 7:30 a.m. in the Parish Center. Have questions? Call Tom Carney at 402-578-6879.

**Session 7: Set Your Mind on Things Above**

- The Illuminative Way
- A French Doctor and His Journey to God
- The Human Mind: Made for More
- The Temptation to Suppress the Truth
- Contemplation and Union with God
- The TMIY Man's Intellectual Formation
- How Am I Elevating My Mind to God?

**33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY** Prepare to give yourself to Jesus through Mary following the book **33 Days to Morning Glory** by Fr. Michael Gaitley & its DVDs & group-retreat materials. We will read, ponder & meet six times

Tues. 9:15 - 10:45 am. Nov. 3rd thru Dec. 8

Or Sat. 9:00 - 10:30 am. Nov. 7th thru Dec 12

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Memorial Society
Wednesday	8:15 AM	PJ Int. Joseph Troia +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Ray Mensen + Winkelman Family Living and Deceased
Friday	8:15 AM	Our Parish Family Int.
Saturday	4:00 PM	John Gubbels + Carol Anderson +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Terry Ricketts Int. Living and Deceased Members of the Jim Murray Family
	10:30 AM	Joe Reeves + Ed Maguire +

In the Parish Center (Church basement) Books are \$30 or we have donated copies & child care too! Call Erin 402-619-3523

**CALLING ON ALL CRAFTERS, BAKERS AND VENDORS!!** If you are a crafter or vendor & want a table or tables at our annual Altar Society Bake Sale & Boutique on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, please call Bev Baer 402-650-1104 to reserve your table now. We will need all bakers of the parish to please donate homemade baked goods for the sale. They will need to be dropped off in the Parish Center (basement of the church) between 3 & 5 pm on the 21<sup>st</sup>. This & the yearly dues are the Altar Society's main source of income, so please plan to support this event.

### ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

"Show me the path where I should walk, O Lord; point out the right road for me to follow." Psalm 25:4

**CONGRATULATIONS TO CLAIRE FINK, WHO EARNED FIRST HONORS AND ASARAR GONY FOR EARNING SECOND HONORS** at Mercy High School for the first quarter.

**IS IT TIME TO REORDER YOUR MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS?** Is there a magazine you have been wanting to order & just have not made the time to do so? St. Philip Neri School is having a Magazine only Fundraiser. You can order a new subscription or renew your current subscription. There are flyers at the doors of Church with information about what magazines are available and how to order them.

**MERCY HIGH SCHOOL INVITES 6<sup>TH</sup>, 7<sup>TH</sup>, & 8<sup>TH</sup>, GRADE GIRLS & their parents to an Open House at 48<sup>th</sup> & Woolworth on Sunday, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup> from 12:30-3 p.m.** Tour Mercy's modern educational facility, meet faculty & students, & learn more about how Mercy High School is the right place for you.

**OPEN HOUSE SET FOR NOV. 15 AT RONCALLI CATHOLIC** Do you know a 7th or 8th Grade student looking for a Catholic High School? Tell them to come experience the PRIDE that comes from being part of Roncalli Catholic. We're hosting an open house on Sunday, Nov. 15, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. This is a chance for students to see the school, meet the teachers, & learn about all that Roncalli Catholic has to offer.

**MASS INTENTIONS NOVEMBER 1 - 8**

**THE NEED IS GREAT!** Please bring one food item (ie: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Rice, 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.

### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 1

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – In trailer in parking lot

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER ALL MASSES**

**COFFEE AND ROLLS** – Parish Center

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

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

3:00 P.M. **SCOUTS** - Parish Center

#### MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7:00 A.M. **KINGHORN GARDENS MEETING** - Parish Center

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

6:00 A.M. **THAT MAN IS YOU** - Parish Center

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

9:15 A.M. **33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY** – Parish Center

6:00 P.M. **ARTS AND ENVIRONMENT MEETING** – Parish Center Library

7:00 P.M. **ACTS OF THE APOSTLES BIBLE STUDY** – Parish Center

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4

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

9:00 A.M. **ACTS OF THE APOSTLES BIBLE STUDY** – Seven Oaks

6:30 P.M. **FIRST RECONCILIATION FAMILY CLASS** - Parish Center

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5

7:00 P.M. **RCIA** - Parish Center

#### FIRST FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 6

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

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

9:00 A.M. **CIRCLE MEETING** - Parish Center

9:00 A.M. **33 DAYS TO MORNING GLORY** – Parish Center Stage

9:00 A.M. **CONFIRMATION RETREAT** – Pro-Sanctity Retreat Center

4:00 P.M. **TODAY ONLY – MASS TIME CHANGE**

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS**

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – OLLIE WEBB HONEY**

**SUNDAY SOLD AFTER MASS**

5:00 P.M. **3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL DODGE BALL TOURNAMENT –**  
Activity Center

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8****NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS****KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS – OLLIE WEBB HONEY  
SUNDAY SOLD AFTER MASS**

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

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

3:00 P.M. **SCOUTS - Parish Center**

**MAKE A CHILD'S LIFE JOYFUL!** Again this year we are collecting for Operation Christmas Child in the basket under the St. Joseph altar. Remember to keep items small enough to fit into a shoe box. We can use large shoeboxes, toys – small dolls, toy trucks, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, balls, toys that light up & make noise (with extra batteries), school supplies – pens, pencils, crayons, markers, stamps & ink pad sets, writing pads, solar calculators, coloring & picture books, hygiene items – toothbrushes, mild bar soap, combs, washcloths, & other items including t-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hairclips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries). Please do not donate used or damaged items; war-related items such as guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; out of date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; or breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; or aerosol cans. **Items must be dropped off by Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>.** Questions? Please call SPN Royal Neighbors coordinators, Marsha Moon 455-1485, DeLynne Clausen 455-9610 or Raylyn Ramsgard 689-8681.

**CHRISTIAN HUMOR A Nun Grading Papers:**

**PART 1 OF 4** Can you imagine the nun sitting at her desk grading these papers, all the while trying to keep a straight face & maintain her composure?

Pay special attention to the wording & spelling. If you know the bible even a little, you'll find this hilarious! It comes from a catholic elementary school test. Kids were asked questions about the old & new testaments. The following 25 statements about the bible rewritten by children. They have not been retouched or corrected. Incorrect spellings have been left in...

1. In the first book of the bible, Guinness. God got tired of creating the world so He took the Sabbath off.
2. Adam and Eve were created from an apple tree. Noah's wife was Joan of Ark. Noah built an ark and the animals came on in pears.
3. Lots wife was a pillar of salt during the day, but a ball of fire during the night.
4. The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic genitals.
5. Sampson was a strongman who let himself be led astray by a Jezebel like Delilah.

**Additional Prayer Opportunities to End Abortion** Join other pro-lifers in peaceful prayer on Mondays & Thursdays from 8 a.m. to 1p.m. in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 3105 N. 93<sup>rd</sup> St. when open appointment times

for abortions are available at this location. A priest or other volunteer leads prayers during the 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. prayer hour on Thursdays. You are also invited to pray on Fridays (7:30 a.m. to 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. to noon on Fridays in Bellevue. Prayer volunteers are also especially needed on Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 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](http://www.RespectLifeOmaha.com), or contact Whitney Bradley at [wabradley@archomaha.org](mailto:wabradley@archomaha.org) or 402-551-9003 x1306.

**THE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL THRIFT STORES 11<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL WINTER COAT GIVEAWAY** will be held on Saturday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> at 2101 Leavenworth St. from 8 a.m. – 1 p.m. Free coats, hats, scarves & boots. One coat per person. No ID required. For additional information, call 402-341-1688.

**THANKFUL FOR HEALTH SR. CITIZEN HEALTH FAIR** Nov. 12 from 1-3 pm at the Florence Community Center, 2920 Bondesson St. Blood Pressure screening, education on nutrition & risk factors.

**OUT OF THIS WORLD HARMONY – GOOD FOR WHAT'S ALIEN YA!**

Our own Deb Van Erdewyk, as a member of the Acappella Omaha presents its 2015 Fall Show on Sat., Nov. 14<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. at Papillion La Vista High School. Don't miss this chance to see & hear Acappella Omaha, Roctoava, FEVER!, Firelight, and Fun-tastics in this zany galactic musical comedy! To purchase tickets, or for more information, contact Deb, go to [AcappellaOmaha.com](http://AcappellaOmaha.com) or call 402-932-0155 or visit the Box Office on Performance Night.

**FACES OF HOPE AUTHENTIC AFRICAN CHARITY ART SHOW** Fr. Vitalis Anyanike, Pastor of Holy Name & St. Benedict the Moor Parishes would like to extend an invitation to the fundraiser dinner on Nov. 15 for the Ad Gentes Missionary brothers and sisters based in Nigeria. Please call Sonja Puszewski for more information 402-214-4933, e-mail [puszewskiso@gmail.com](mailto:puszewskiso@gmail.com)

**REMEMBRANCE MASS** Those who have experienced the loss of a child before birth or during infancy & those wishing to honor these individuals & families are invited to join Fr. Michael Voithofer at St. James Church on Nov. 17 at 7 p.m. This special Mass will offer comfort, healing & hope as we celebrate & honor our children.

**THE MONTHLY CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION MEETING** will be held Tues., Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 p.m. at St. Gerald's Church, 9602 Q St. in Fellowship Hall. We will be planning the 1<sup>st</sup> annual Christmas party for grandparents & grand children. Come help us make plans for a special way to celebrate! Any questions please contact Kay Buhrman at 402- 551-9003, ext. 1304 or Vici Hegarty 402-880-6318.

**TURNER DANCE IS CURRENTLY ACCEPTING ENROLLMENT** for ages 3 & up. Ballet, Jazz, Tap & Hip Hop classes offered on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Saturday afternoons at the Florence Community Center. Certified & Professional Instruction at an Affordable Price. Come in, try a Class Free of Charge! For more info., call 402-321-2299 or email [turnerdance09@yahoo](mailto:turnerdance09@yahoo)