

Dear Parishioners,

This week we begin the holy season of Lent. The next 40 days are a time to turn to the Lord and renew our spiritual lives. We do this through prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Please remember that Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence. We partake of only one full meal on these days and abstain from meat. All other Fridays during Lent are days of abstinence when we do not eat meat. On Fridays during Lent, we will have Stations of the Cross at 2:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. Our 6:30 Stations will be followed by a simple potluck meal. Please bring a dish and the recipe to share. Let us pray for one another during this holy time.

Blessings,  
Fr. John

## Question of the Week – Who inspires you to "leave everything" and follow Jesus?

**Reading 1** Isaiah 6:1-2a, 3-8

**Reading 2** 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11

**Gospel** Luke 5:1-11

**Reflection:** We can be sure that Peter remembered the scene in today's gospel story as clearly as Isaiah recalled his own vision of God. Even though Simon is convinced that there are no fish available, he tells Jesus, "At your command, I will lower the nets." His trust is rewarded not only by a huge catch of fish, but by Jesus' call to become a disciple. Peter, James, and John, overwhelmed by the presence of Jesus, drop everything and follow Him.

PARISH SUPPORT WEEK	JANUARY 24 – 30	DID YOU KNOW... THE RECTORY AND SCHOOL HAVE NEW COPY MACHINES? We signed a new lease that will save us \$4,000.00 per year! We will be selling the previous machines soon. We have two RICOH/MP 6000SPF machines. If you know of a small office that might be interested in purchasing one or both, please have them contact Fred Doran at 402-455-1289. Thank you!
WEEKLY REVENUE	\$47,239.16	
WEEKLY EXPENSES	\$16,440.68	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$30,798.48	
YEAR TO DATE REVENUE	\$773,164.24	
YEAR TO DATE EXPENSES	\$758,567.42	
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)	\$14,596.82	

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

**ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10 NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR ALL MINISTRIES AT ALL MASSES FEBRUARY 13/14**

**ALTAR SERVERS:** 5:00 PM: Kaycie Negus, Craig Taylor  
10:30 AM: Keegan Sullivan, Annie von Kampen

**CANDLE BEARERS:** 5:00 PM: Jackson Cramer, Ryan Greenwood  
10:30 AM: Mia Dolan, Nick Meier

**LECTORS:** 5:00 PM: Theresa O'Neill  
7:30 AM: Jan Sammons  
10:30 AM: Todd von Kampen

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

**EMHCS:** 5:00 PM: Juli Bohnenkamp, Jacquie Dahlin, Ellen and Wayne Russell, Matt Swoboda, Need 1 volunteer  
7:30 AM: Bob and Betty Jones, Larry Ziska, George and Marsha Moon, Need 1 volunteer  
10:30 AM: Bev Baer, Bill Cheese, Bob and Marj Ryckman, Need 2 volunteers

**GIFTBEARERS:** 5:00 PM: O'Neill Family  
7:30 AM: Haines Family  
10:30 AM: Cheese Family

**MUSICIANS:** 5:00 PM: Drew Neneman  
10:30 AM: Kim Becker

**NERI DOLLAR SELLERS: 5:00 PM:** Lynn Ingraham

7:30 AM: Mary Todd

10:30 AM: Jane Cheese

**COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND:** Mary Breitkrutz, Ellen and Wayne Russell, Mary Ann Taylor

**COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS:** Rita Ziska, Dave Krueger

**IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTER:** 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

**CONGRATULATIONS TO DAVE AND PAT ADAMS!** They celebrated their 65<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on February 5<sup>th</sup> ...and they are still friends! Please help us shower Dave and Pat with best wishes by mailing a card to: 5418 Reynolds St.; Omaha, NE 68152-1830.

**TODAY, SUNDAY THE BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA CELEBRATE SCOUT SUNDAY.** This is done to celebrate the birthday of Scouting in America & also to emphasize the 12<sup>th</sup> point of the Scout Law, "A Scout is Reverent". At the 10:30 Mass, Scouts & Scouters will be taking part in the Mass, & some of our Scouts will be awarded the religious emblem they have earned.

Congratulations CJ, Isaiah, Eli, Joseph, and Joel!

**CHRISTIAN HUMOR** A woman walks into a bank in NYC before going on vacation & asks for a \$5,000 loan. The banker asks, "Okay, miss, is there anything you would like to use as collateral?" The woman says, "Yes, of course. I'll use my Rolls Royce." The banker, stunned, asks, "A \$250,000 Rolls Royce? Really?" The woman is completely positive. She hands over the keys, as the bankers & loan officers laugh at her. They check her credentials, make sure she is the title owner. Everything checks out. They park it in their underground garage for two weeks. When she comes back, she pays off the \$5,000 loan as well as the \$15.41 interest. The loan officer says, "Miss, we are very appreciative of your business with us, but I have one question. We looked you up & found out that you are a multi-millionaire. Why would you want to borrow \$5,000?" The woman replies, "Where else in New York City can I park my car for two weeks for only \$15.41 & expect it to be there when I return?"

**MASS INTENTIONS FEBRUARY 8 - 14**

Monday	8:15 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Joe Reeves + Vincent & Maxine McMahon +
Wednesday	6:30 AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Winkleman Family
	8:15 AM	PJ Int. Bob Beauchene +
	7:00 PM	Barbara Herold + Rodney Manson +
Thursday	8:15 AM	Mary Beth Clark + Fred Gibilisco
Friday	8:15 AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Winkleman Family Betty Louk +
Saturday	5:00 PM	Bob McGargill + Glenda Merwald +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Living and Deceased Members of the Jim Murray Family
	10:30 AM	Our Parish Family

**40 DAYS FOR LIFE** Our parish is joining other Christians in participating in 40 Days for Life, 40 Days of prayer & fasting for an end to abortion, which is taking place from Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> - March 20<sup>th</sup>. You're also invited to stand & peacefully pray during a 40-day vigil in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood (3105 N. 93<sup>rd</sup> St.) & the Abortion and Contraception Clinic of Nebraska (1002 W. Mission Ave., Bellevue) & to help spread the word about this important community outreach. **Our parish's scheduled upcoming prayer times are from 9:00 - 10:00 a.m. in front of Planned Parenthood (3105 N. 93<sup>rd</sup> St.) on the following Fridays: Feb. 12, Feb. 19, Feb. 26, Mar. 4, Mar. 11, & Mar. 18.** Please call Mary Fink at 402-614-7677 to sign up for one or more days of prayer time. You may also contact the campaign team at 402-399-0299 or [40DaysOmaha@gmail.com](mailto:40DaysOmaha@gmail.com). This local campaign is sponsored by Nebraskans United for Life.

**BE SURE TO MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** Stations of the Cross each Friday during Lent at 6:30 p.m. beginning February 12 - the first Friday of Lent. We will have stations at 6:30 followed by a pot-luck. Please bring your favorite meatless dish to share & the recipe. We will collect the recipes & compile them into a book to share. If you don't cook, please feel free to join us for fellowship & conversation after we pray this ancient prayer of the church. We will also offer Stations of the Cross with the students of our school at 2:30 p.m. in church.

~ **NERI DOLLAR NEWS** ~

**SINCE LENT IS BEGINNING NEXT WEEK**, please think about some of the gift cards we carry that you can use at local restaurants.

Restaurants who serve fish:

Bonefish Grill    Tussey's  
Red Lobster    Long John Silver's

Restaurants who serve pasta:

Carrabba's    Tussey's



**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 THE FOLLOWING SPN STUDENTS** who attained "Honor Roll" for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter!

**6<sup>th</sup> Grade 2<sup>nd</sup> Honors:** SOPHIA MASON, DRU OXENRIDER, JULIAN ROSAS-MARTINEZ, DAVID TAYLOR, SOPHIA WAGONER-STRAUB

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade 1<sup>st</sup> Honors:** ANNIE VON KAMPEN

**7<sup>th</sup> Grade 2<sup>nd</sup> Honors:** JACKSON CRAMER, EMILY CROWE, KOBE MULCAHY, SAM PARYS, JERAD PECK, JOHN PLEWA

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade 2<sup>nd</sup> Honors** SYDNEY CAMPBELL, MIA DOLAN, ADRIANNA KRUEGER, GENESIS MULCAHY, KAYCIE NEGUS, KEEGAN SULLIVAN, GRACE TREVES, GINA TROIA

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:**

- Wednesday, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> - Ash Wednesday
- Thursday, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> - 1:00 dismissal; 2-6 p.m. Parent/Teacher conferences (by request)
- Friday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL
- Monday, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL - Teacher in-service
- Friday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross at 2:30
- Friday, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup> - Stations of the Cross at 2:30

**THE MCS HONOR BAND JOINS THE MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL BAND** in a pops concert on Tuesday, Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Marian High School Performing Arts Center, 7400 Military Ave.

**SAVE THE DATE! KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP** will be held on Wed., March 9, 2016. Please encourage your friends & neighbors to send their children to St. Philip Neri School & attend our Kindergarten Round-Up. Please call the school if you have any questions, 402-455-8666.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7 SCOUT SUNDAY

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – Trailer in Parking Lot

**HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS – SPECIAL COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES**

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER THE MASSES**

**NO FAMILY FAITH FORMATION**

**NO CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

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

## TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

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

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

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

7:00 P.M. **KNIGHTS AND WIVES DINNER** - Parish Center

## ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

6:30 A.M. **MASS** - Church

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

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

7:00 P.M. **MASS** - Church

## THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

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

1:00 P.M. **EARLY DISMISSAL – PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES** - School

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

## FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 12

**NO SCHOOL**

## SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – Trailer in Parking Lot

**BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS – SPECIAL COLLECTION**

**NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS**

## SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** – Trailer in Parking Lot

**BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS – SPECIAL COLLECTION AT ALL MASSES**

**NERI DOLLARS 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

DON'T GIVE UP *CHOCOLATE* THIS LENT Have you

ever had a memorable Lent? More importantly, have you ever had a life changing Lent? Maybe it's time you try something different. Sign up for Dynamic Catholic's email program Best Lent Ever®. Each day you'll receive an email with a short video featuring Matthew Kelly & a member of the Dynamic Catholic Team. Using Matthew's new bestseller *Rediscover Jesus* as their guide, they will take you on a 40- day spiritual journey to encounter Jesus—and yourself – in a deeply personal way. The program is free! Sign up at [DynamicCatholic.com/Lent](http://DynamicCatholic.com/Lent) ...and YES there are still copies of *Rediscover Jesus* available at the doors of Church!

**K OF C ANNUAL CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH** Today, Feb. 7th at 11 a.m. in Schwertley Hall at St. John the Baptist Church in Fort Calhoun. Guest speaker is Abbot Michael Liebl. He will be speaking on "Strengthening the Family". Children 5 & under \$5, Adults \$10, Families of 5 or more \$25.00. All proceeds go towards the "One Life One Rose" Campaign.

**ANNULMENT SEMINAR** – Febr. 11 at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, at 6:30 p.m. Deacon Ron Ryan from the Omaha Archdiocese Tribunal Office will talk about Canon Law & the theological reasons for obtaining an annulment. Time will be available for questions & answers about the annulment process. Contact Kay Buhrman, at 402-551-9003, ext 1304 or email [ekbuhrman@archomaha.org](mailto:ekbuhrman@archomaha.org) for more info or to register.

## A LENTEN MISSION OF MERCY

St. Pius X Church 6905 Blondo St. 3 Mondays @ 7PM  
Refreshments offered at 6:30 & 8:00 in the church narthex

**Feb. 15** - Jack Jezreel: A Faith that Does Mercy

The Gospel invites us to a great love that can transform our hearts & transform the world. In this Extraordinary Year of Mercy, come hear a word about how the faith links us with each other & with all those who struggle, & how we might embrace a life-giving commitment to mercy-in-action.

**Feb. 22** - Frank Runyeon: The Letter of James, Works of Mercy

**Feb. 29** - Archbishop George Lucas: Jesus, the Face of the Father's Mercy

**MEN'S JUBILEE OF MERCY**, formally known as the Heartland Men's Conference, *Men of Mercy, Men of Prayer* is Saturday, Feb. 27 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Christ the King Church. For more info. contact Beth Carlson: [bccarlson@archomaha.org](mailto:bccarlson@archomaha.org) or 402-557-5610 or to register online visit [www.regonline.com/mensjubilee](http://www.regonline.com/mensjubilee)

**MAGNIFICAT - OMAHA, NE** is hosting a breakfast for women to share together in that same spirit of gratitude & praise of God, Sat., Feb. 27 at 9 a.m. at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church. After the meal, there will be a time of prayer for the needs of all present & an opportunity to hear Sr. Ann Shields experience of the transforming love of Christ in her own life. \$15 fee. **To Register:** Send \$15 per person via check by Sat., Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>

to Magnificat; c/o Kathy Wheeler; 830 S. 122<sup>nd</sup> St.; Omaha, NE 68154 PRE-PAID REGISTRATION ONLY, NO WALK-INS  
**In case of inclement weather**, your payment will be considered a donation to Magnificat-Omaha.  
Our expenses stay the same so we will not be able to give refunds. **Scholarships Available Questions?** Call Kathy Wheeler 402-657-3835.

**LENTEN DAYS OF REFLECTION:** February 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm & March 1 at 7pm at St. Francis Borgia in Blair. "Rich in Mercy: Discovering the Heart of Jesus" Omar Gutiérrez will explore what mercy means by delving into meditations of Pope St. John Paul II and Pope Francis on mercy. Using Church teaching, scripture, art, and literature Omar will invite participants to enter into this Year of Mercy with the hope of encountering Jesus so as to be the face of mercy to others.

**MARIAN JR. CRUSADERS GIRLS BASKETBALL** Tryouts are at Marian High School; 7400 Military Ave.

3-4<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts are 5:00-6:15 Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>

7-8<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts are Monday March 7<sup>th</sup>  
(7<sup>th</sup> 6:15-7:30) (8<sup>th</sup> 7:30-9:00)

5-6<sup>th</sup> grade tryouts are Wednesday March 9<sup>th</sup>  
(5<sup>th</sup> 6:15-7:30) (6<sup>th</sup> 7:30-9:00)

Register at [www.leaguelineupmarianjrcrusaders.com](http://www.leaguelineupmarianjrcrusaders.com)

*We encourage girls to also play for their school teams!*