



UPDATE ON THE 2017-1018 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

Thank you to those who have taken steps to participate in the mission of the Church by responding to the appeal request. It is your actions that truly demonstrates that we are one Church: encountering Jesus, equipping disciples, living mercy. To date, our parish has raised \$20,480 from 83 parishioners or 56.9%. Every gift matters. If you have misplaced your contribution card and envelope, please pick one up at the door of Church.

God speaks to us in many ways, including through this Sunday's Scripture readings.

Christ calls us to use our gifts for the Reign of God.

Reading 1 Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31

Reading 2 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel Matthew 25:14-30

Question of the Week –

Adults: Using Jesus' parable as your starting point, describe in your own words how you are using your own gifts to enrich the reign of God.

Children: Name three talents that you have. How can you use these talents in the next week to make someone's life better?

PARISH SUPPORT		<p>DID YOU KNOW... CHARLIE McBRIDE KEEPS ON GIVING? If you could measure the success of the event by the good time folks are having – the Charlie McBride Roast was over the top successful! Special Thanks to John Vejvoda for his inspiration with the idea of the Roast & his dedication to Catholic education. A BIG Thank You to Tricia Rump & Ann Woodford for coming forth and co-chairing the event with John. The bills have been paid & the final checks have been written. St. Philip Neri & St. Bernard Schools each received \$5,187.18.</p>
WEEK OF NOVEMBER 5 - 11		
WEEKLY BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$9,352.70	
WEEKLY COLLECTION	\$8,906.86	
YEAR TO DATE BUDGETED AMOUNT	\$175,033.10	
YEAR TO DATE COLLECTION	\$170,995.82	
VARIANCE – OVER (UNDER)		
WEEKLY	(\$445.84)	
YEAR TO DATE	(\$4,037.28)	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS: THANKSGIVING DAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 9:00 AM:

ALTAR SERVERS: Frances Holmstedt, Christopher Haman-Macias

EMHCs: Bill Cheese, DeLynne Clausen, Norine Hoffman, Bruno Koimor, Dave Parks

GIFTBEARERS: Huber Family

LECTOR: Hugh Reilly

Please plan to stay after Mass for a few minutes to change out the books. Thanks!

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM:

ALTAR SERVERS: Gracie Murphy, Marianna Stevenson

CANDLE BEARERS: Zach Cypress, Kristen Ellett

LECTOR: Rob Barrett

EMHCs: Jacquie Dahlin, Kim Hill, Jennifer Russell, Jim Shepherd, Matt Swoboda

GIFTBEARERS: Bahle Family

MUSICIANS: Kim Becker

NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Diane Weber

USHERS: Vern Andersen, Ron Allbright, Jim Coe, Rock Cramer, Jim Schlotfeld

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:30 AM:

LECTOR: Hank Henkenius

EMHCs: Regina Cronkhite, Bev Demkowski, Maria Hackenberg, Jeanette Pinker, Larry Ziska

GIFTBEARERS: Breitkreutz Family

NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Judy Bahle

USHERS: Bill Wilber, Carl Sedlacek, Chuck Holderness, Chuck Livengood

10:30 AM:

ALTAR SERVERS: Andrew Fink, Sophia Minturn

CANDLE BEARERS: Wyatt Brungardt, Tiana Earlywine

LECTOR: Rich McShane

EMHCs: Trudie Ahlstrom, Mary Fink, Tamatha Buell, Cathy Fluckey, Fannie Parker

GIFTBEARERS: Doran Family

MUSICIANS: Children's Choir

NERI DOLLAR SELLER: Terri Herman

USHERS: Rick Krebs, Fred Maycock, Tim Kiuntke, Carl Cramer, Mark Lampe

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND: Bev Baer, Roy Edwards, George and Marsha Moon, Dave Parks
COLLECTION MONEY COUNTERS: Larry Ziska, Charlie Buell
IMMANUEL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS – THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23: Nancy Core, Theresa O’Neill
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CALL COORDINATOR: Cheryl Henkenius

Mass Intentions November 19 - 26

Monday	8:15 AM	Teresa Hein Int.
Tuesday	8:15 AM	Walter Int.
Wednesday	8:15 AM	Joe Rossitto +
Thursday	9:00 AM	Our Parish Family Int.
Friday	8:15 AM	Vincent & Maxine McMahon +
Saturday	5:00 PM	John Gubbels + John Jefferson Wooden +
Sunday	7:30 AM	Kathy Rossitto Int. Joe Rossitto +
	10:30 AM	Kingsley & Tootie Smith + Vera Enesey +

PLEASE BE GENEROUS IN THIS WEEK’S SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT. In the United States, one in six people lives in poverty. With this collection you support programs that address the causes of poverty & provide a sustainable future for those who are struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of funds collected remains in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection & work on the margins. For more information go to: www.usccb.org/cchd/collection

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FAMILY OF

Allison Henkenius. Allison is the daughter of Richard “Hank” & Cheryl. She was buried from here this past Thursday.



I JUST WANT TO THANK EVERYONE for the wonderful prayers. I am feeling much, much better because of your prayers. Your continued prayers for the sick of the parish are appreciated & very beneficial. I thank everyone very, very much.
 ~ Donna Monaghan



THE DINING GROUP WILL MEET MONDAY, Nov. 20th at 6pm at Jack and Mary’s Restaurant, 655 No. 114th St. All are welcome! Please RSVP to Maria at 402-493-5697 or hackenberg@hotmail.com

THE FAMILY GIVING CHRISTMAS TREE WILL GO UP NEXT WEEKEND – THANKSGIVING WEEKEND! ...and it will be up until all the names are gone. If you prefer, there will be a can located on the railing next to the tree for your monetary donations.

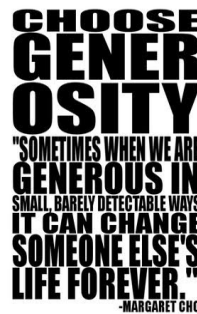
The deadline for the return of wrapped gifts is Sunday, Dec. 10. The procedure for the Christmas gifts is as follows:

- 1.) Pick gift tag from the tree. Please don’t lose the tag!
- 2.) Buy gift named on tag –



NEW ITEMS ONLY (these are gifts).

- 3.) Wrap gift. Sale tags may be left on the clothing.
- 4.) Reverse the gift tag with child’s name showing only & use as a name tag on the gift.
- 5.) Bring the gift back to Church NO LATER THAN DEC. 10! Please help the less fortunate of our Parish with a Christmas gift.



The Arts and Environment Committee would like your assistance in decorating the altar for Thanksgiving. We are collecting non-perishable items for the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry. With the Thanksgiving holiday & the onset of cold weather, the shelves are getting bare. Please help us fill the shelves of the pantry & decorate our altar by bringing non-perishable

food items & setting them in front of the altar before Thanksgiving Mass & the Masses next weekend. It is only through generous supporters that the mission to provide supplemental food to our community neighbors in need perseveres. Please help us help those less fortunate.



FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITY FOR MEN
 Sponsored by That Man is You!

PROGRAM INFORMATION – THE UNVEILING OF LOVE

Session One – What is Love?

Week 10 - Love is Unconditional

- Love Has its Own Reward
- Love as a True Good
- The Freedom to Love
- The Challenges of Love
- Money, Health and Interpersonal Issues as Sources of Stress
- Overcoming the Stress of the World
- Love is Unconditional

When? Saturday mornings (2 -13 week sessions – one in the Fall and one in the Spring)
 – done by 8:30 A.M.

Where? Parish Center

Please email or call Tom Carney to sign up or with any questions. 402-578-6879 or carneytom@yahoo.com



ADVENT PARISH MISSION Dec. 3rd, 4th & 5th, Sunday, Monday & Tuesday evenings at 7 pm. in Church. Begin Advent in a spirit of reflection, to prepare our hearts for Christmas. How will each of us open our hearts to let Jesus come more deeply into

our lives? How will we prepare the way for his coming to us, to our families?

Fr. Andy Alexander, S.J., from Creighton University will guide us for three nights of reflection on our readiness this year. Invite family & friends to this wonderful way to let the season of Advent renew our hearts.

Also, The Parish Penance Service will be Wednesday, Dec. 20th beginning at 7:00 p.m.

TONY, TONY COME AROUND...SOMETHING IS LOST & MUST BE FOUND! Judy Smedra brought a picture frame with relics to Little Flowers & she is pretty sure she forgot to take it home with her. Have you seen it? Please give the Parish Office a call!

ST. PHILIP NERI SCHOOL

“Unity”

- November 21 2nd Quarter Progress Reports go home
- November 22 - 27 Thanksgiving Break
- November 28 Classes resume
- December 14 All School Christmas Program 1:45 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. – Activity Center
- December 19 Make-up date for Christmas Program, if needed
- December 21 January 3 - Christmas Break
- January 4 Classes resume

Hy-Vee Receipts – This year’s **CASH FOR STUDENTS** program **began on Friday, Sept. 1st** & continues **through Sunday, Dec. 31, 2017** & includes the Omaha & Plattsmouth **Hy-Vee stores**. Please drop them in the Collection Basket or mail them to the St. Philip Neri School Office.

~ **NERI DOLLAR NEWS** ~

We have stocked up on Grocery Neri Dollars! Please keep Neri Dollars in mind when planning your Thanksgiving dinner.



Applebee's Neri Dollars are now pre-order. We will not keep Applebee's Neri Dollars on hand.

All preorders are due by 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays.

THE WEEK AHEAD

SOUP SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION – Trailer in Parking Lot

SPECIAL COLLECTION – CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN DEVELOPMENT – 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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

6:30 P.M. **CUB SCOUTS** - Parish Center

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

PROGRESS REPORTS GO HOME - School

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

3:30 P.M. **8TH GRADE RETREAT AT ST. THOMAS MORE**

7:00 P.M. **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** - Activity Center Meeting Room

7:00 P.M. **ST. JAMES BIBLE STUDY** - Parish Center

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING BREAK

9:00 A.M. **ST. JAMES BIBLE STUDY** - Activity Center Meeting Room

7:00 P.M. **WALKING WITH PURPOSE BIBLE STUDY** - Activity Center Meeting Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23 – THANKSGIVING

NO SCHOOL – RECTORY CLOSED – NO RCIA

9:00 A.M. **MASS** – Church

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

NO SCHOOL – RECTORY CLOSED

CRAMER – BLAUHORN REHEARSAL - Church

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

6:30 A.M. **THAT MAN IS YOU** - Parish Center

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION –in Parking Lot

RENEE CRAMER – BRAD BLAUHORN WEDDING - Church

NERI DOLLARS SOLD AFTER MASS

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 – SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING

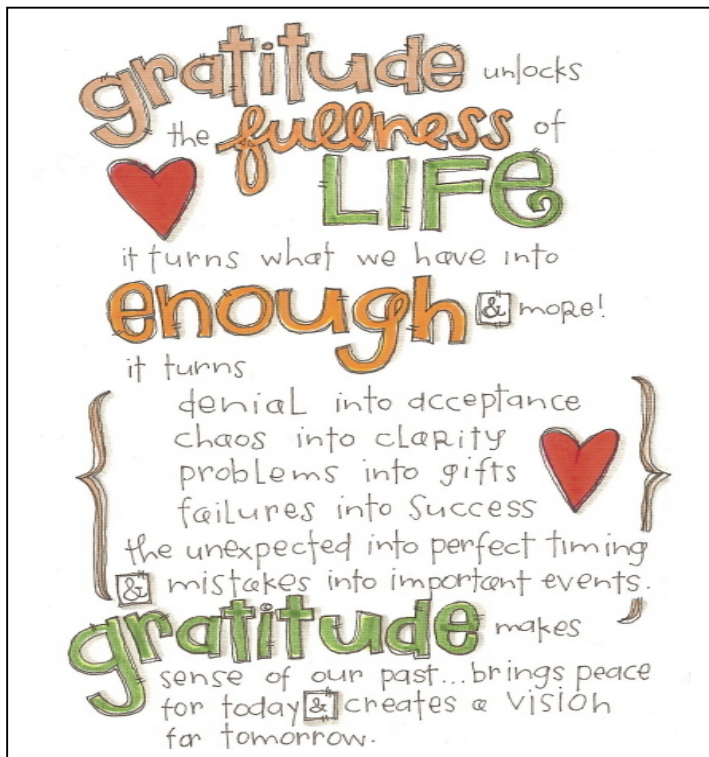
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NO FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

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



CHRISTIAN HUMOR Years of smoking finally caught up with my friend, John. One morning when he keeled over at work, clutching his heart. He was rushed to a hospital & peppered with questions. “Do you smoke?” asked a paramedic. “No,” John whispered. “I quit.” “That’s good. When did you quit?” “Around 9:30 this morning.”

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL GRANT UPDATE! Our goal is \$40,000 to receive matching funds from Lozier. We are currently \$13,134.37 **short** of meeting our goal. Please prayerfully consider donating to our most worthy & much needed ministry. Place your donation in the collection basket marked “SVdP Grant” or mail it to the Parish Office.

REMEMBERING OUR LITTLE ONES MISCARRIAGE AND INFANT LOSS PRAYER AND SUPPORT GROUP: If you have experienced a pregnancy or infant loss recently or years ago, please join us in the Social Hall every third Sunday of the month from 7 p.m. - 8 p.m. This prayer & support group will be a safe confidential place to ask for prayers, remember your loss, share your feelings, fears, memories, pictures, anything you wish with those that truly understand. For more information, please contact Kristin Heilman at 402-250-7758 or kristin_heilman2811@yahoo.com or Marci Petta at 402-502-4416 or marcipetta@yahoo.com. We look forward to praying with you & supporting you through your loss journey.

JOIN OTHER PRO-LIFERS IN PEACEFUL PRAYER ON MONDAYS from 8 a.m. to 1p.m. in the public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood at 3105 N. 93rd St. A priest or other volunteer leads prayers during the 11 a.m. – 12 p.m. prayer hour on Mondays. You are also invited to pray on Fridays (7:30 a.m. – 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. – 12 p.m.

on Fridays in Bellevue. Prayer volunteers are especially needed on Thursdays from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m. & 3 – 5 p.m. & on Fridays from 7:30 – 9:30 a.m. in Bellevue. Prayers are offered at the Omaha Planned Parenthood on Saturday mornings from 10 – 11 a.m. as well. For more info., contact Whitney Bradley at 402-551-9003 x1306 or wabradley@archomaha.org or visit www.RespectLifeOmaha.com

Upcoming Retreats at St. Benedict Center, Schuyler, NE. November – December 2017

Christmas Craft Show: a special two-week opportunity to do Christmas shopping at *St. Benedict Center*, Nov. 26 – Dec. 10, M-F 2 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., Sat.-Sun. 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. A very large variety of crafts & gifts made by area artists will be on sale. Book & Gift Store will be open M-F 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.; Sat. 9:30–10:45 a.m., 1–4 p.m.; Sun. 1–3 p.m.

Visit Nativity Scenes: Nov. 26 – Dec. 17, 2017; Jan. 2 – 5, 2018, 8 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Everybody is invited to make a pilgrimage to St. Benedict Center, view God’s Love made visible in nativity scenes from the Holy Land, from Africa, Asia, South & North America & Europe & pray for peace, which our world so urgently needs. No admission fee.

Christmas Pageant, Saturday, Dec. 2, 5 p.m. & 7 p.m. About 15 *Teens of Divine Mercy Parish, Schuyler*, present a heart-warming, brand new play in several acts related to the Christmas message, which brings home in an unforgettable way what this feast is all about. This show for the whole family takes place indoors. Afterwards, there is hot chocolate, cider, coffee, & homemade Christmas cookies. Adults \$ 3 / Children \$ 1.

For more information about the above events, visit www.StBenedictCenter.com or call 402-352-8819.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES “CARS FOR KIDS”



Do you have an extra vehicle sitting in your driveway, garage or storage that could be put to good use? We accept & pick up all vehicles running or not. We also accept campers, boats and motorcycles in working condition. Your donation is tax deductible. Contact Deacon David Klein at 402-829-9241 to donate. Or fill out the vehicle donation form on line at www.ccomaha.org

CITIZEN JOURNALIST SANDRA MERRITT OF CALIFORNIA WILL HEADLINE NEBRASKANS UNITED FOR LIFE’S CELEBRATION OF LIFE DINNER Friday, Jan. 12 at the DC Centre, 11830 Stonegate Dr. Merritt participated in an undercover video sting that exposed Planned Parenthood’s sale of aborted baby body parts. Come hear Merritt tell of the historic legal battle it has become & the remarkable undertaking that remains. Tickets are \$45 each & may be purchased by clicking “Donate” at nufl.org, or by mailing a check to NUFL, 143 S. 38th St., Omaha, NE 68131.

Please keep our service men & women in your prayers.