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# The Second Sunday of Easter, Sunday of Divine Mercy - April 27, 2025

# HOLY MASS AND SACRAMENT OF PENANCE REGULAR SCHEDULE

#### **Saturday and Sunday Masses:** Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Holy Name (English) Thursday 5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m. (Eng./Sp.) - Holy Name Sunday 7:30 a.m. - St. Philip Neri (English) Saturday 4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m. (Eng./Sp.) - Holy Name 10:00 a.m. - St. Philip Neri (English) Sunday 6:45 a.m.-7:15 a.m. (Eng./Sp.) - St. Philip Neri

12:30 p.m. - Holy Name (Spanish) Anytime by appointment with priest (Eng./Sp.)

# Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - St. Philip Neri (All-school Mass when St. Philip Neri School is in session) Wednesday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - Holy Name (All-school Mass when Holy Name School is in session)

Thursday 6:30 p.m. (Sp.) - Holy Name

Friday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - St. Philip Neri (All-school Mass when St. Philip Neri School is in session)

**Holy Days:** Please see the schedule inside this bulletin.

#### **Parish Contacts:**

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Bulletin Announcements: Please submit requests for the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament bulletin by noon Wednesday in writing or by email to meramm@archomaha.org.



Thomas and Christ, by Ernst Barlach

# The Second Sunday of Easter - Sunday of Divine Mercy

Acts 5:12-16; Psalm 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24; Revelation 1:9-13, 17-19; John 20:19-31

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."

How has Jesus increased the peace in my heart?

How can I be a peacemaker in my family and community?

#### As the Father has sent me, so I send you.

How can I discern God's will for me? Where is God sending me?

## Closing Prayer (from Psalm 118)

My strength and my courage is the LORD, and he has been my savior.

The joyful shout of victory in the tents of the just:

The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

By the LORD has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes.

This is the day the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it.

**Living the Word this Week:** How can I make my life a gift for others in charity? Research charitable efforts in your parish and diocese and identify ways that you might become involved. (catholic.bible/lectio-divina-in-english)

	Altar Servers	Reader	Deacon	EMHC	Musicians	Ushers
Third Sunday of Easter May 4, 7:30 AM	Joel Sutherland Andrew Sutherland	Gerry Reinsch	George Butterfield	Bob Jones Jeanette Pinker		Norm Hanson Chuck Livengood Michael Ramsgard
Third Sunday of Easter May 4, 10:00 AM	Jack Leininger Noah Leininger	Kelli Brock	Brendan Kelly	Julie Misek Kirk Utley	Jean and Friends	Erik Brink Paul Gray Mark Lampe Joseph Parys

# **St. Vincent de Paul call coordinator** for the week of Monday, April 28: Jean Tosoni

Immanuel Hospital EMHC for Thursday, May 1:

Dorrie Mittleider, Kathy Rossitto

# **Liturgical Schedule and Mass Intentions**

# Monday, April 28

No Mass

## Tuesday, April 29

8:15 am SPN Mass: Joseph Durr

#### Wednesday, April 30

8:15 am HN Mass: Lillian Hohm +

#### Thursday, May 1

5:30 pm HN Confession (Eng./Sp.)

6:30 pm HN Mass (Sp.): Abelardo Valles +

### Friday, May 2

8:15 am SPN Mass: Memorial Society +

#### Saturday, May 3

5:00 pm HN Mass: the people of our family of

parishes

#### Sunday, May 4

6:45 am SPN Confessions (Eng./Sp.) 7:30 am SPN Mass: Bill Hackenberg +

10:00 am SPN Mass: Tom and Lora Mendicino 12:30 pm HN Mass (Sp.): Agustin Vallecillo

SPN = St. Philip Neri Church HN = Holy Name Church Masses are in English unless otherwise noted.

# Parish Support: Sunday, April 20th

Weekly Collections

ParishStaq \$ 4,149

ParishSoft \$ 205

Collections from Masses and mail \$ 5,395

Total Weekly \$ 9,749

Easter \$ 5,235

Special Donations \$ 1,934

ParishStaq is our new online giving platform for our parish. We will soon close our ParishSoft account (the old platform). If you have a recurring gift in ParishSoft, please consider canceling it and setting up a gift in



ParishStaq. If you do not have a cell phone number or email and would like to set up automatic donations, it can be done by phone or in person in the parish office. If you have any questions, please contact Mary or Ted in the parish office. Your donations help us to continue to serve you and allow us to make efforts to grow as a community. Thank you and God bless you for your faithful generosity.

**Tithing Envelopes** We have a new envelope company for those who want to receive envelopes for their donations. They are mailed every two months to save postage costs. To be added to or removed from our envelope mailing list, please contact Mary in the parish office. As always, there are additional envelopes for your use near the church entrances. Thank you for your generosity to our parish.

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY, APRIL 27

6:45 A.M. CONFESSIONS (Eng./Sp.) - SPN Church

7:30 A.M. MASS - SPN Church

10:00 A.M. FIRST COMMUNION MASS - SPN Church

12:30 P.M. FIRST COMMUNION MASS (Sp.) - HN Church

#### MONDAY, APRIL 28

#### **TUESDAY, APRIL 29**

8:15 A.M. MASS - SPN Church

9:00 A.M. BIBLE STUDY: CORINTHIANS - Parish Center

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#### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30

8:15 A.M. MASS - HN Church

7:00 P.M. YOUTH GROUP - Parish Center

#### THURSDAY, MAY 1

3:30 P.M. SVDP MEETING - SPN Activity Center

5:30 P.M. CONFESSIONS (Eng./Sp.) - HN Church

6:30 P.M. MASS (Sp.) - HN Church

#### FRIDAY, MAY 2

8:15 A.M. MASS - SPN Church

9:00 A.M.-9:00 P.M. 1ST FRIDAY EXPOSITION - SPN Church

3:30 P.M. LITTLE FLOWERS - Parish Center

#### SATURDAY, MAY 3

4:00 P.M. CONFESSIONS (ENG./Sp.) - HN Church

5:00 P.M. MASS (ENG.) - HN Church

#### SUNDAY, MAY 4

ROLLS, DOUGHNUTS, ETC.!
AFTER 7:30 AM & 10 AM MASSES

6:45 A.M. CONFESSIONS (Eng./Sp.) - SPN Church

7:30 A.M. MASS - SPN Church

10:00 A.M. MASS - SPN Church

12:30 P.M. MASS (Sp.) - HN Church

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# Rolls, Doughnuts, Etc.!

Sunday, May 4th after the 7:30 am & 10:00 am Masses, enjoy delicious rolls, doughnuts, coffee cake, etc. and beverages in the Parish Center! All are welcome.



The Garden Angels are getting busy!

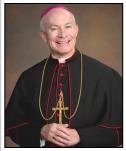
Spring is here! If you would like to help defray the cost of beautifying our grounds, please drop your change in the watering cans near the church entrances or put it in an envelope marked "Garden Angels" in the collection basket. If you would like to help by pulling weeds, planting, or watering, please call the office.

# Novena for Pope Francis +

A novena for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father, Pope Francis, began on April 26th, the day of his funeral, but it can be started anytime. Copies are at church entrances.

https://www.usccb.org/novena-memory-pope-francis

# Let's Thank Archbishop George J. Lucas



Farewell Mass Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27th, 10:30 am at St. Cecilia Cathedral. After shepherding the Archdiocese of Omaha for nearly 16 years, Archbishop George J. Lucas is preparing to begin well-deserved retirement in May. You're invited to join Archbishop Lucas at a Mass of Thanksgiving as he completes his service as Archbishop of Omaha and marks the 50th anniversary of his

priestly ordination. A light reception will follow in the gym.

# The Most Rev. Michael G. McGovern

will be installed as the sixth Archbishop of Omaha on Wednesday, May 7th, at 2 p.m. in St. Cecilia Cathedral. Due to limited seating and to ensure the guests of Archbishop-designate McGovern can attend, this will be a ticketed event. The Mass will be livestreamed at Archomaha.org and YouTube, and also broadcast on Spirit Catholic Radio.



On Tuesday, May 6th at 7 p.m. Solemn Vespers with Archbishopdesignate McGovern will be held at St. Robert Bellarmine Church, 11802 Pacific St. in Omaha. Vespers will be livestreamed at: www.stroberts.com/. Vespers will be followed by a public reception.

More opportunities to welcome our new Archbishop will be announced in the near future. Please pray for Archbishop-designate McGovern and Archbishop Lucas.

#### **Anniversaries of Ordination**

Deacon Brendan Kelly was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Omaha on May  $4^{th}$ , 2013. Please congratulate him and pray for him and his family on his  $12^{th}$  anniversary of ordination.

Deacon George Butterfield was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate for the Archdiocese of Omaha on May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012. Please congratulate him and pray for him and his family on his 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination.







### From the Pastor

## + Pope Francis R.I.P.

Though His Holiness, Pope Francis, had been in declining health and was very ill a month ago, it still came as quite a surprise to awake last Monday morning to the news that he had passed away. Pope Francis served as supreme pontiff for 12 years, beginning on March 13, 2013, following the resignation of Pope Benedict XVI. He died on April 21, 2025, just over a month after his 12<sup>th</sup> anniversary as pope and on Easter Monday. Born Jorge Mario Bergoglio on December 17<sup>th</sup>, 1936, Pope Francis was the first Jesuit to be elected a pope and the first to use the name Francis after St. Francis of Assisi.

Like St. Francis, Pope Francis aspired to rebuild the Church in our increasingly faithless, selfish, and fractured times. He reminded us consistently and constantly of the Church's central mission, to go out into the world and to evangelize, especially by attending to the weakest and most marginalized in society. We cannot wait for or just hope souls will find Jesus Christ in the Catholic Church. We must actively seek out the lost, listen to them, love them, and invite them to repent of sin and to embrace the God Who made and redeems them. Pope Francis set this bar early on his pontificate by calling for an Extraordinary Jubilee, the Year of Mercy, from late 2015 through 2016. As we celebrate the Feast of Divine Mercy today and the Octave of Easter itself, let us imitate Pope Francis' willingness to encounter people where they are and invite them to more. Let us truly follow our Savior and be merciful.



I could quote many beautiful and profound quotations attributed to Pope Francis, but one simple one has always resonated in my heart: "Let God surprise you!" Indeed, the Heavenly Father surprised us with Pope Francis and will surprise us again with his successor. Let us pray for the eternal repose of Pope Francis' soul and for the discernment of the Cardinals, who will soon gather to elect a new pontiff. May His Holiness rest in peace, and may the Lord bless and protect our future Pope, whomever that may be.

"O God, faithful rewarder of souls, grant that your departed servant, Pope Francis, whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of your Church, may happily enjoy forever in your presence in heaven the mysteries of your grace and compassion, which he faithfully ministered on earth. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever." -Roman Missal

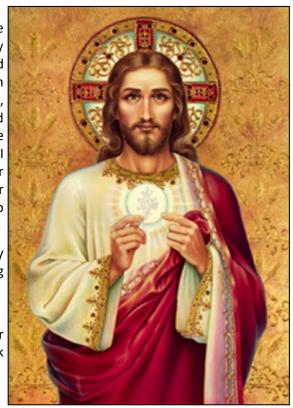
# **First Communions Today!**

I am so proud of the children in both of our parishes and schools who are making their First Communion this weekend at the 5 p.m. Mass on Saturday (Holy Name School), and at the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday (SPN-BS Parish and St. Philip Neri Catholic School) and at the 12:30 p.m. Mass on Sunday in Spanish (Holy Name Parish). What a fitting day to receive Jesus' very Presence, on the octave of Easter, the day of Divine Mercy! The parents, teachers, and catechists of these little ones have taught them well and now they are receiving the fruit of their labors: Nothing less than union with God Himself! I thank Monica Valles, our Bilingual Director of Religious Education, and our catechists from our parishes and our teachers from our schools for their guidance and formation of our kiddos, and especially all of you parents who are the primary educators and formators for your children in the ways of faith.

Congratulations, second graders! I know you little ones make Jesus very happy, and He listens to your prayers in a special way. Thank you for inspiring us by your example and enthusiasm for Christ!

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection Today

Today, April 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, we take up a special second collection at all our parishes' Sabbath Masses to benefit the Home and Foreign Missions. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



# Children's Day

You have heard of Mother's Day and Father's Day, but did you know that there is Children's Day? Many Latino cultures have the tradition of celebrating kids every year on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Please consider making this Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> special by celebrating the gift of your own children and every child. Next to salvation itself, children are the greatest gift the Lord can bestow upon the world: "Every child comes with the message that God is not yet discouraged of man," (Rabindranath Tagore).

# Do You Receive Parish Updates?

The fastest way to know what's happening in our parishes is by registering for Flocknote, our parishes' communications app that sends notifications to you by way of SMS text messaging and emails. You choose the manner



of message delivery and which categories of information you'd like to receive and can opt out at any time by texting "stop". It takes just a minute to sign up. Simply scan the QR code on the back of the church pews. It's that easy!

## **Becoming Catholic for Youth & Adults**

Becoming Catholic (R.C.I.A. or O.C.I.A.) is our process for anyone 8 years and older desiring to receive Baptism as a Catholic. It is also our process for any already baptized, Catholic adults (16 years of age and older) who are still in need of receiving Confirmation, Reconciliation, and/or First Communion. If you or a loved one would like to learn more, please contact the respective parish office **OR** one of our Becoming Catholic coordinators:

- (Classes in ENGLISH) Jodi Phillips at phillipsjm1@gmail.com
- (Classes in SPANISH) Sr. Beatriz Castañeda at bcastaneda@archomaha.org

# **Baptism Classes**

Our Baptism preparation sessions in English and in Spanish are for expectant parents and for parents with unbaptized infants or small children under the age of 7, along with their potential godparents.

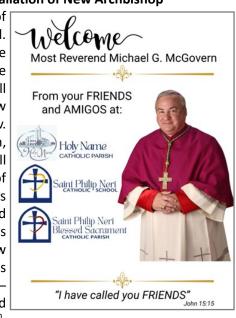


- Classes in English normally occur from 2 p.m.-4 p.m., usually on the First Sunday of every month in the Parish Center (basement) of St. Philip Neri Church.
- Classes in Spanish normally occur every other month on a Sunday from 3 p.m.-6 p.m. in the Holy Name Cafeteria. Participation in one of our preparation classes, either in Spanish or in English, is necessary to schedule a day and time for a Baptism in either HN or SPN churches. Formal registration and participation in the parish is a prerequisite, and pre-registration is further required to attend the class. Please contact the secretary of your respective parish office, Holy Name or St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament, to

determine future classes and to pre-register.

# **Lottery to Attend Installation of New Archbishop**

This is quite a time of transition for us all. Not only will we be welcoming a new Pope soon, but we also will receive our archbishop, Most Rev. Michael G. McGovern, on May 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be a celebration of Solemn Vespers (Evening Prayer) and reception afterwards with the new archbishop that open to the public first come, first served on Tuesday, May 6<sup>th</sup>



at 7 p.m. in St. Robert Bellarmine Church.

His Excellency will be officially installed as our new archbishop at St. Cecilia Cathedral on Wednesday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. The installation Mass and ceremony, however, is a ticketed event and not open for general admission. Every parish throughout the entire Archdiocese has been given only 2 tickets to the installation to share with its parishioners. To that end, if you are an officially registered member of SPN-BS Parish AND are truly able to attend the installation Mass at 2 p.m. on May 7<sup>th</sup>, you can participate in a lottery to receive one of our two tickets by visiting or by calling the SPN-BS Parish Office FROM NOW UNTIL NO LATER THAN 12 NOON, THIS FRIDAY, MAY 2<sup>nd</sup>. Emails and text messages will NOT be considered. Please clearly give your full name, best phone number, and email contact information, in person or by voicemail recording at the secretary's extension. Only those who honor the deadline and follow these instructions precisely will be included in the drawing. Winners of the tickets will be notified in the afternoon of Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## **OUCCW Woman of the Year Award**

I am proud to announce that SPN-BS parishioner, Joann Feller, will receive the illustrious Woman of the Year Award on behalf of our parish. Given by the Omaha Urban Council of Catholic Women, Joann will receive this award during a special luncheon at Christ the King Church at 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Seats are limited so, to reserve your seat and pay the fee, please contact the parish office. Please congratulate Joann on seeing her.

Religious Articles: Holy Name Church sells beautiful and helpful religious articles after the weekend Masses on Sat. at 5 p.m. and on Sun. at 12:30 p.m. The quaint, little shop is in the north hallway just off the church's narthex (lobby). We hope you visit it and grow in faith and share it with others.



Four marriage-focused presentations:

- o The Stunning Beauty of Sacramental Marriage
- o Creating a Catholic Culture in Our Homes
- Four Holy Habits when Difficulties Arise
- o Advice for Married Couples from St. Ignatius

Registration opens at the end of April. This retreat will sell out! Space is limited. Visit https://cloistersontheplatte.com/or contact 402-509-6250 or info@cloistersontheplatte.com.

# Easter Flowers were donated in memory of:

Dale Taylor, Sharon Lemkau, Jeanette Haman, Lois Adler, Fred Simmons, Haberl Family, McGovern Family, Sheehan Family, James & Mary Wade, Wade Family, Seffron Family, Carstens Family, Bernie Leimbach, Gatrost & Geier Families, Richard & Stella Wertzberger, Robert & Marilyn Podany, Rita J. Ziska, Clifford Family, Orris Family, Jerry & Katie Zenk, Bill Sammons, Harold & Midge Cramer, Raymond J. Agosta, Daniel J. Agosta, Royce & Patti Anderson, Todd A. Fehrman, Raymond Mensen, Gary Mensen, Mark Mensen, little Larry Mensen, Harold & Pauline Halstead, Holmstedt Family, Hackenberg Family, Kammerer Family, Jim Dimock, James & Mary Dimock, Clarence & Barbara Utley, Kenny Welch, Army Zortman, Mr. & Mrs. Delbert Unger, Herb Andrews, Betty Andresen, Jim Wonder, Coran Family, Morrisey Family, Virginia Andersen, Dick & JoAnn Watson, Joan Kelly, Michael A. Nelson, James Lohmeier, Rita Breen, Maurice Breen, Patricia Novak, Jim Herman, Dan & Elaine Carney, Georgia Henderson, Bertha McCants, Larry McCants, Gregory McCants, Frank McCants Sr., Frank McCants Jr., Shellie Sims, Kenneth Paul Leininger, Marjorie Ann Knapke, Maximilian Xavier Finney, Francis & Margaret Pleiss, John & Agnes Schaffart Sr., Wolf Family, Rick Watson Family, Coe Family, Edward J. Ramm Family.

# **Easter Giving to SPN-BS Parish**

As we approach Easter, we are thankful for the many blessings the Lord has bestowed upon us, especially our parish and school. When considering a charitable gift to St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish or St. Philip Neri Catholic School, please remember some of these gift options:

- A gift of securities.
- A gift of a life insurance policy.
- An estate gift through your Will and/or Trust.
- A year-end gift of cash.

For more information on how to do so, please contact our business manager, Ted Snoddy, at trsnoddy@archomaha.org, or Tony LaMar, *Legacy Planning Officer*, Archdiocese of Omaha at 402-557-5650 or ajlamar@archomaha.org.

Thank you for your remarkable generosity in tithing and giving to our Sunday collections throughout the year. Like Christmas, the Easter Sunday offering is crucial to our yearly budget and to our cash flow. I cannot thank you enough for your extraordinary love of our parish and school, and for your continued financial support.



# **Nebraska Catholic Day of Giving**

May 7, 2025 will be a joyous day for Catholics in the Archdiocese of Omaha as we install our new Archbishop, the Most Reverend Michael G. McGovern. As we celebrate this day, we also ask you to prayerfully consider making a donation to the Nebraska Catholic Day of Giving.



Center.

With the peculiar blizzards in March and the corresponding power outages, St. Philip Neri Catholic School & Activity Center completely lost one of its industrial air conditioning units. Will you help us replace this very costly and necessary air conditioner by contributing to St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish on the Nebraska Catholic Day of Giving?

From April 21 to May 14, you can make a donation online using a special link on our parish website or Facebook page, or at: nebraska.igivecatholictogether.org/organizations/st-philip-neri-blessed-sacrament. Or place your donation in the collection basket at Mass in an envelope marked Catholic Day of Giving. We are blessed to have so many generous parishioners!

# **High School Youth Ministry**

PARENTS or other groups: If you can help provide snacks or donate money or gift cards to Baker's, go to our website: saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org/faith-formation/#youth -1 or email jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

April 30: All High School youth from SPN and HN are invited to join us from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm for the last Youth Group night. Food, fun and games. If the weather is nice, we'll go outside for some games.

May 7: Pre-Steubenville informational meeting 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm in the St. Philip Neri Parish Center located under the church. All youth, chaperones, and parents must attend.

June 15-19: Totus Tuus All 7th-12th grade students are invited to join us for Totus Tuus from 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm each night, Sunday to Thursday. Please meet in the St. Philip Neri Parish Center located under the church. Dinner will be served.

June 16-20: Please sign up to help with the Totus Tuus day program which runs from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. We need several teens to help with the younger children. This is available for service hours at your high school also.

July 18-20: Steubenville Youth Conference All youth will meet at St. Philip Neri Church at 6:15 am on Friday to pack the bus, celebrate Mass at 6:30 am with Fr. Cook, and load the bus to travel to Springfield, MO for the conference.

# Little Flowers Girls' Camp

Little Flowers Girls' Club is a fun and faith-filled Catholic club for girls in kindergarten through 4th grade. Fridays from 3:30 pm to 4:30 pm in the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. Next meetings: May 2 Divine Mercy Suncatchers; May 9 Rosary walk & end of year party! If you can help bring snacks, please contact Maggie Peklo at 402-917-6196.

# Religious Ed & Sacramental Prep

First Communion and Confirmation: Director of Religious Education for children, Monica Valles, will be contacting everyone via Flocknote for all sacramental information.

Mercy High School has many Summer Camps for Girls of various ages. https://www.mercyhigh.org

# **Chesterton Academy of Omaha Summer Camps**

June 2-6: Mock Trial Camp, 7th-10th (in the fall) grade

June 9-12: Amor Verus: Theology & Service Camp, 7th-9th grade

June 23-27: Sacred Art Camp, 3rd-6th grade

June 23-27: Shakespeare Camp, 7th-12th grade

June 30-July 10: Sewing Camp, 7th-12th grade to adult

July 7-10: Fairy Tale Camp 2025, 7th grade to adults.

July 21-24: Formation and Fun Camp, 3rd-6th grade

https://chestertonomaha.org/events/

Camp Fun & Faith for Girls: Day Camp June 2-6, Jr. High June 9-13, Grade School June 16-20 or 23-27, High School July 7-10. Register at midwest.prosanctity.org under the Camp Fun & Faith tab. Questions: camp@prosanctity.org or 402-289-1938.

Roncalli Catholic Youth Summer Camps are a great place for any young athlete looking to improve skills, work hard, make new friends, and have fun! Camps are for students entering 5th -8th grade (unless noted). www.roncallicatholic.org/athletics

# **Totus Tuus 2025**

June 15-20: Totus Tuus is a Catholic summer youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. All 1st-6th graders are invited to join us Monday to Friday from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm at the St. Philip Neri Activity Center at 8202 N 31st St. All 7th-12th graders are invited Sunday to Thursday nights from 6:30 to 8:45 pm in the St. Philip Neri Parish Center located under the church. Registration will be available on our website soon.

#### **HELP NEEDED FOR TOTUS TUUS:**

- We need one family where two male missionaries can stay for the week. You would provide sleeping arrangements along with breakfast each morning. They arrive Saturday, June 14th and depart Saturday, June 21st. They won't spend much time in your home. They usually leave by 8:00 am each morning and return about 10:00 pm. Questions, contact John Gencarelli at igencarelli@archomaha.org.
- We need adult volunteers for the Totus Tuus day program. You need to be Safe Environment Certified and available the week of Totus Tuus, June 16-20 from 9:00 am to 2:30 pm. Signup will be available soon.

# Young Adults (Ages 21-35)

PUBS "pick-up Bible study": All are welcome to come the weeks they can. Check out the PUBS slack channel to learn more about when this group meets!

For other events in the Omaha area, go to the Omaha Young Adults website: https://www.archoyoungadults.org, or join Slack at https://archoyoungadults.slack.com/.

#### Adult Faith Formation

March 11th - May 23rd: Adult Bible Study on Corinthians. We meet Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. or 7:00 p.m. in the SPN-BS Parish Center. For questions, call Diane Sullivan 402-571-2078 or 402-305-9792, or Marsha Moon 402-455-1485.

# Join a Small Group in 2025

To join a small group, use the QR Code or link on our saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org. Let's start gathering in the name of Jesus and grow in our faith together! If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact John Gencarelli jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

V2 Virtus et Veritas Catholic Camps for Young Men Summer Camp for Young Men entering 6th grade through 9th grade. Week 1: July 13-19, Week 2: July 20-26. 7 days and 6 nights at Camp Kateri Tekakwitha, McCool Junction, NE. This camp is full of fun, engaging activities, personal growth, inspiring worship, and spiritual development. Adult volunteers are needed. v2ministries.org/adventures

# 21st Annual Fathers and Sons - Together Forever

July 12-13, Saturday 8 am till Sunday noon. This retreat for fathers (grandpas, too) and their sons ages 11-17 provides opportunities for deepening the faith of fathers and the growth of their sons into mature manhood in the context of the Catholic faith. Talks by fathers and sons, lots of oneon-one time, Mass, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Adoration and Benediction, morning prayer, hayrack ride, water balloons, game night, fathers vs. sons dodgeball! Visit www.fathersandsonstogether.org or call Ed DeSimone 402-679-1841. Register: St. Benedict Center 402-352-8819.



# ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CORNER

"They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share."

(I Timothy 6:18)

As we pass through the cold winter months and the warm summer months, and the higher MUD and OPPD bills that follow, we are gearing up for the many requests for assistance from those who have to choose which bill to pay to keep within their budget. Too often we have renters who tell us that they must turn the heat up and run it longer because the house is poorly insulated, which inflates the bill and takes money away from rent payments and eventually other bills - you get the picture.

Through the Good Works of the SPN-Blessed Sacrament SVDP Society, we can offer assistance with their bills in addition to referrals to other agencies that might be of help. Because of our Parish family's Generosity we are 'Ready to Share our time, our possessions, and ourselves in this mission of Charity' which is included in the Prayer we recite at our monthly meetings. We have a long history here at St. Philip Neri of answering the calls from those in need and responding with prayers and assistance. We will continue our Mission in 2025 and beyond with our SVDP Volunteers and with the backing of the SPN-Blessed Sacrament Parish Family. "We thank You, Lord, for the many blessings we receive from those whom we visit. Help us to love and respect them, to understand their deeper needs and to share their burdens and joys as true friends in Christ."

THANK YOU!

The SPN-Blessed Sacrament St. Vincent de Paul Society



Society of St. Vincent de Paul Strawberry Brunch! All proceeds benefit the SSVP Omaha Food Pantry. Tickets \$45 each include delicious brunch & drinks. Register online at https://www.ssvpomaha.org/strawberry-brunch.html or mail your name, address, phone, email, and check to: SSVP, 1715 Izard St, Omaha NE 68102. Kindly RSVP by May 1st. A registration form may be downloaded from ssvpomaha.org. If unable to attend, donations are gratefully appreciated!



# Mr. Andrew Nigro

St. Paul Seminary Discipleship II

Saint Gerald Parish Ralston, Nebraska

As a parish and school, we are praying for the Seminarians of the Archdiocese of Omaha.

#### A Prayer for Vocations

O God our Father, You promised "I will appoint shepherds for My sheep who will shepherd them so that they need no longer fear and tremble: and none shall be missing." (Jeremiah 23: 4-5). Hear the prayers of Your flock. Through the intercession of Your beloved priest, Saint John Vianney, we beg You to call to the sacramental priesthood generous men who will desire nothing more than to serve You in imitation of Your Son, Our Lord Jesus Christ, our High Priest.

And after You call them, we pray that You sustain the doubtful, console the discouraged, and strengthen the weak as they start the long and demanding preparation for the priesthood.

Mary, Mother of priests, and example of faithful, humble, and joyful acceptance of God's will, help all those who are called to the priesthood to open their ears and hearts to the gentle call of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (www.pnac.org)

# **KNIGHTS NOTES**

- The April 9th Council Mtg. opened nominations for the following roles: Grand Knight/Deputy Gr. Knight, Treasurer/ Recorder & 3rd Yr. Trustee. Other open positions include Advocate & Inside Guard. Nominations are open until Sunday, May 4th. Elections will be at the May 14th meeting.
- The Council will again offer one-time scholarships for SPN 8th graders continuing on to Catholic High Schools. We will offer scholarships in these amounts: (1) \$500 Council Scholarship Award, and (3) \$350 Alum Can Scholarship Awards. Applications are available at the school office.
- Our Alum Can Project will also make a \$1,000 donation to the SPN School Tuition Assistance Program.
- The Council approved a \$600 donation towards replacing the Garbage Disposal in the Parish Ctr Kitchen.
- Jim Huber and Gerry Reinsch were recognized as our Knight (s)-of-the Month for all their hard work washing & cleaning our plates & utensils at our recent Pancake Breakfasts.
   THANK YOU, Brother Knights!
- The next Movie Knight is set for Saturday, May 17th.
- Our next Pancake Breakfast will be Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>.

**Pro-Life Scholarships** Want to persuade people to be Pro-Life...while receiving funding for school? Apply for the Phillip Baumberger Scholarship today! Scholars can earn \$2,000 per year, up to \$8,000 during undergraduate college while changing hearts and minds on abortion. Application deadline May 5th. www.abortiondialogueacademy.org/scholarship/



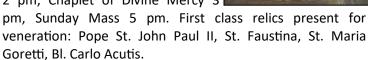
May 7, 2025

Help us replace our broken Industrial Air Conditioning Unit in the SPN Activity Center.



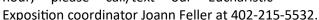
April 27, 3 pm at St. James Church, 4710 N. 90th St. Holy Hour with Confessions, Eucharistic Exposition, Benediction, and Divine Mercy Chaplet. Shereen Yusuff will speak on her journey from Islam to atheism to Catholicism.

April 27, 2 pm-6 pm at Christ the King Church, 654 S. 86th St. Livestream at ctkomaha.org/divinemercy. Speakers, Confessions 2 pm, Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3



#### **Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament**

is normally offered at St. Philip Neri Church Monday through Friday 5 pm to 9 pm (the final hour being 8 pm to 9 pm) in the Prayer Chapel. On First Fridays, Exposition hours are 9 am to 9 pm in the church proper. More dedicated adorers are needed. If you are interested in signing up for a weekly holy hour, please call/text our Eucharistic



**Adoration** hours without Exposition are available anytime. There is a church door with a code for entry. For details, please contact Mary in the parish office.

# Dear Eucharistic Exposition Faithful,

Note that my subscription to the National Catholic Register allows me to print articles. Going forward, there will be one or two on the shelf in the Prayer Room. Enjoy.

Joann Feller, Coordinator, 402-215-5532.



# Holy Hour to Pray for Ordinandi and Seminarians

Monday, May 19, 7:00 pm at St. Cecilia Cathedral in Omaha. All the faithful are invited to a special Holy Hour to pray for Transitional Deacons Logan Hepp, Brian Hula, and Will Targy, who will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood on June 7; and for Mr. Michael Figura, a seminarian who will be ordained to the transitional diaconate this fall in Rome.

# **Annual Golf, Tennis & Pickleball Outing for Vocations**

Monday, June 9 at The Pines Country Club in Valley. Registration begins at 11 a.m. (best ball format), followed by a cocktail hour and dinner. Tennis and Pickleball will be at Genesis Health Club at 2 p.m. Hosted by the Serra Clubs of Omaha and West Omaha. All proceeds support the vocations programs of the Archdiocese of Omaha.

Early registrations are welcome! To register as a player or sponsor and pay online, visit https://serrawestomaha.org/golf/. If you wish to pay by check, download the pdf registration form at the website and mail your completed form and check per the instructions at the bottom of the form. For guestions, contact Joe Grier at 402-680-6654.

# The Way: A Healing Retreat for Survivors of Abuse

Men's Retreat: May 30-June 1, Women's Retreat: July 18-20 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat Center, Waverly, NE. To request an application, please contact Mary Beth Hanus, 402-827-3798 or mbhanus@archomaha.org. A service of the Diocese of Lincoln and the Archdiocese of Omaha.

Formed.org Our parish has a subscription to Formed.org. Formed offers Catholic Bible studies, video, audio, and children's resources to help you grow in your relationship with Christ and His Church. To sign up, go to formed.org/signup and click "Create a New Account". Enter your parish (St Philip Neri Church or Zip code 68112), and add your name and email. Formed also has an app for your phone. If you have any questions, please contact Mary in the office.



# **TOTUS TUUS 2025**

June 16th to June 20

# **Kids Day Program**

# 1st to 6th Grade:

Monday, June 16th to Friday, June 20st 9:00 am to 2:30 pm daily St. Philip Neri School Activity Center

# **Register HERE!**

\$40.00 Per Child, \$100.00 Per Family With 3 or More Children Scholarships Available!











# **TOTUS TUUS 2025**

June 15th to June 19

# **Teen Program**

Sunday, June 15th to Thursday, June 19th

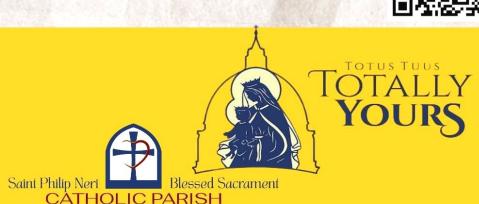
- 6:30 pm to 8:45 pm nightly
- SPN-BS Parish Center

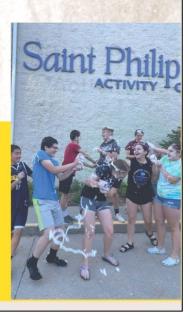
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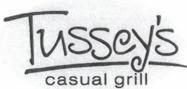
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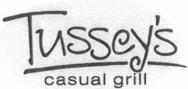
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