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## The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 27, 2025

#### HOLY MASS AND SACRAMENT OF PENANCE REGULAR SCHEDULE

#### **Saturday and Sunday Masses** Sacrament of Penance Saturday 5:00 p.m. (English) Holy Name Thursday 5:30 p.m.-6:15 p.m. (Eng./Sp.) Holy Name Saturday 4:00 p.m.-4:45 p.m. (Eng./Sp.) Holy Name Sunday 7:30 a.m. (English) St. Philip Neri St. Philip Neri Sunday 6:45 a.m.-7:15 a.m. (Eng./Sp.) 10:00 a.m. (English) St. Philip Neri Anytime by appointment with a priest. 12:30 p.m. (Spanish) Holy Name

#### **Weekday Masses**

Tuesday 8:15 a.m. (English) St. Philip Neri (All School Mass when SPN Catholic School is in session.)
Wednesday 8:15 a.m. (English) Holy Name (All School Mass when Holy Name School is in session.)
Thursday 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Holy Name (All School Mass when Holy Name School is in session.)
Friday 8:15 a.m. (English) St. Philip Neri (All School Mass when SPN Catholic School is in session.)

**Holy Day Masses:** Please see the schedule inside this bulletin.

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Genesis 18: 20-32 Psalm 138: 1-3, 6-8 Colossians 2: 12-14 Luke 11: 1-13

Meditation After reading the Holy Gospel (St. Luke 11: 1-13), reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions: What word or words in the passage caught your attention? What in this passage comforted you? What in this passage challenged you?

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

- "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples."
   Who taught me to pray?
   What forms of prayer do I find most fruitful?
- "Do not subject us to the final test."
   With what temptations am I struggling? What spiritual resources help me to be strong in these struggles?
- "If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"
   What good things has God given me?
   How do I share God's gifts with others?

#### Living the Word this Week

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?

Read about The Lord's Prayer in the <u>Catechism of the Catholic Church</u>, Part 4: Christian Prayer. (For an online version, go to USCCB.org and search for Catechism.)

(https://catholic.bible/lectio-divina-in-english/)

#### Prayer to St. Lucy

for the eyes of the body and those of the soul

O St. Lucy, you preferred to let your eyes be torn out instead of denying the faith and defiling your soul; and God, through an extraordinary miracle, replaced them with another pair of sound and perfect eyes to reward your virtue and faith, appointing you as the protector against eye diseases. I come to you for you to protect my eyesight and to heal the illness in my eyes.

O St. Lucy, preserve the light of my eyes so that I may see the beauties of creation, the glow of the sun, the color of the flowers, and the smiles of children.

Preserve also the eyes of my soul, the faith, through which I can know my God, understand His teachings, recognize His love for me, and never miss the road that leads me to where you, St. Lucy, can be found in the company of the angels and saints. St. Lucy, protect my eyes and preserve my faith. Amen.

Sunday, August 3	Altar Servers	Reader	Deacon	EMHC	Music	Ushers
The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 3, 7:30 AM	Joel Sutherland	Bill Cheese	George Butterfield	Dorothy Mittlieder Kathleen Rossitto		Norm Hanson Chuck Livengood Michael Ramsgard
The 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time August 3, 10 AM	Noah Leininger Solomon Parys	Sadie Bohnenkamp	Brendan Kelly	Kelli Peck Robert Miller	Jean and Friends	Erick Brink H. Carl Cramer Debra Cramer Paul Gray

**SVDP call coordinator for week of Monday, July 28:** Cheryl Henkenius **Immanuel Hospital EMHC Thursday, July 31:** Rita Livengood



# St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival Sunday, September 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.!

Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more details on how you can help make our Festival a great success! Incredible plans are being made for a fun-filled day for the entire family!

**Country Store:** If you are handy making crafts/ handmade items or canning fresh produce, items will be needed for our Country Store! New or nearly new saleable items are appreciated, also.



#### **New Liturgical Ministers Scheduling**

This is the first schedule after transitioning to the parish software suite and the first iteration of my new model. You will continue to receive an email reminder before your scheduled assignments. The frequency that you are scheduled for in August may not be consistent with where we left off in July but will balance out over time. As I become more practiced using these scheduling features, you may see slight changes. For now, the schedule will only be published by email and in the bulletin. On-line access even beyond your assignments is intended at a future date. Stay tuned to the bulletin for updates. Please be patient as we continue to consolidate and improve our parish tools.

If you have any questions about the scheduling, please feel free to contact me. Thank you for your service.

Pam Hughes, Phughes329@cox.net, 402-630-4465

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Sunday, July 27

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

#### Monday, July 28

#### Tuesday, July 29

8:15 a.m. Mass - SPN Church

#### Wednesday, July 30

8:15 a.m. Mass - HN Church

#### Thursday, July 31

5:30 p.m. Confessions (Eng./Sp.) - HN Church

6:30 p.m. Mass (Sp.) - HN Church

#### Friday, August 1

8:15 a.m. Mass - SPN Church

9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. 1st Friday Exposition - SPN Church

#### Saturday, August 2

4:00 p.m. Confessions (Eng./Sp.) - HN Church

5:00 p.m. Mass - HN Church

#### Sunday, August 3

6:45 a.m. Confessions (Eng./Sp.) - SPN Church

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# Rosaries for the Missions

Last Call - Holy Rosary Circle #2 is collecting Rosaries for the Missions. If you have Rosaries to donate, please put them in the designated baskets at church entrances by Sunday, July 27. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Yarn for Crocheted Baby Blankets**

Lois and Linda Leimbach, mother and daughter crocheters, have a heartfelt ministry of crocheting baby blankets for mothers in need at Bethlehem House. Donations of yarn are much appreciated. If you have yarn to donate, please put it in the basket near the St. Joseph altar.



**EMHCs for the Homebound** We are updating our list of homebound parishioners. If you are an EMHC (Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion) who brings Holy Communion to those unable to come to Mass, or would like to serve in this way, please contact Mary in the office.

Holy Communion for the Homebound If you or a family member are homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion in your home, please contact Mary in the office.

#### **Liturgical Schedule and Mass Intentions**

#### Monday, July 28

No Mass

#### Tuesday, July 29

8:15 a.m. SPN Mass: Joan Durr +

#### Wednesday, July 30

8:15 a.m. HN Mass: María Inés Vallecillo intentions

#### Thursday, July 31

5:30 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)

6:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): Fabián Manuel Gutiérrez Jr.

#### Friday, August 1

8:15 a.m. SPN Mass: Memorial Society +

#### Saturday, August 2

4:00 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)

5:00 p.m. HN Mass: Richard and Rita Hiber +

#### Sunday, August 3

6:45 a.m. SPN Confessions (Eng./Sp.) 7:30 a.m. SPN Mass: Martha Jones + 10:00 a.m. SPN Mass: Laurie Martin +

12:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): the people of our parishes

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#### Parish Support: July 14-20, 2025

Weekly Offerings

\$2,147 ParishStag Collections from Masses and mail \$7,086 **Total Weekly Offerings** \$ 9,233 \$ 290 **Special Offerings** 

ParishStaq is the new online giving platform for our parish. (Our account at the old platform, ParishSoft, closed July 1, 2025.) If you would like to set up a gift in our new platform, ParishStag, please scan the QR code or go to our parish website, saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org, and click the

DONATE button. Or, you can ask your bank to send automatic donations to our parish. If you have any questions or would like help setting up an automatic donation, please contact Mary or Ted in the parish office. 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. Envelopes 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.



#### From the Pastor

#### **Parish Seminarian**

Max Brown, a young adult in our parish, has been recently accepted by St. Gregory Seminary in Seward and will begin studying for the Archdiocese of Omaha. Max and his parents, Brad and Mary Kay Brown, are members of St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish and are also affiliated with St. John the Baptist Parish in Fort Calhoun.

Max is an outstanding man of faith, peace, and generosity. He will enter his first year, known as the propaedeutic year. The propaedeutic year is relatively new in seminarian formation. It is an initial year that focuses on the human and spiritual formation for gentlemen discerning a priestly vocation. We'll introduce you more to Max in the weeks and months to follow, but I wanted you to know about this exciting development. I ask all of you to begin praying for him daily, as well as for all our archdiocesan seminarians and for more young men from our parish to consider God's calling.

#### **El Congreso**

Today is the last day of El Congreso, our annual spiritual conference in Spanish offered by the Archdiocese of Omaha. I hope many were able to attend and received graces, grew in friendship, and learned more about our Savior and our Catholic Faith.

#### St. Alphonsus Liguori

Unlike most Catholic churches, Holy Name doesn't have a formal, saintly patron. It isn't named after a Saint but after Jesus Himself, and we commemorate the Memorial of the Most Holy Name of Jesus every January. Perhaps the closest thing to a patron for the parish is St. Alphonsus Liguori, whose Memorial is this Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>.

St. Alphonsus, C.Ss.R, was an outstanding moral theologian and, in 1732, founded the Redemptorists. This is the religious congregation of brothers and priests that served Holy Name Parish from its inception in 1918 until care of the parish was transferred to the Archdiocese of Omaha in 2005. Redemptorists are missionaries who live in community, imitate Christ, give missions, and passionately preach the Gospel, especially to the poor and marginalized. There are currently more than 5,300 Redemptorists ministering in 78 nations. The Redemptorist suffix, C.Ss.R., is the abbreviation of the congregation's official name in Latin: *Congregatio Sanctissimi Redemptoris*, which means Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer.

St. Alphonsus and the Redemptorists had many struggles during St. Alphonsus' lifetime but both persevered. At the age of 71, St. Alphonsus developed rheumatic pains that left his head incurably bent down at the neck. In fact, the pressure from his chin caused an inflamed wound upon his chest. This is why he is often depicted in art with a low cast head. During his final eighteen months of life, he experienced terrible anxieties, temptations, fears, and scruples. He also had

moments of spiritual consolation and even ecstasy with the Lord, but these were rarer. He died on August 1, 1787.

St. Alphonsus Liguori, pray for us.

#### Safe Environment Training/Recertification

With our parishes' festivals on the horizon and our schools and other activities beginning even sooner, all adults who will have any contact with children, i.e., adult volunteers for festivals, catechesis, chaperones, coaches, liturgical ministers, etc., must be Safe Environment certified through our archdiocesan process. Our Safe Environment certifications are valid for six years but please be aware if you need to be recertified, which is an easy process.

For those who have never been certified, there are countless opportunities offered throughout the metro area and year; however, we are offering two classes on our parish campuses to make things easier for you.

- S.E. Initial Certification Class in English: Wednesday, August 6, 6:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., in SPN Church basement.
- S.E. Initial Certification Class in Spanish: Wednesday, August 27, 6:30 p.m. in the HN Church basement.

Again, ALL adults who have ANY contact with minors in the name of the Church MUST be Safe Environment certified before volunteering in any activities organized by our parishes and schools. This includes:

- All employees, full or part-time.
- All adults who volunteer at parish festivals, Fish Frys, pancake breakfasts, Movie Knights, and other activities where children are present.
- Any adults participating in school activities, such as school visits, lunch helpers, class parties, childcare, chaperones, or field trip helpers.
- Coaches, assistant coaches, referees, or volunteers for all sports activities. This includes anyone working concessions, among other roles.
- Catechists and other volunteers for Religious Education, OCIA, and other formation events where children are present.
- Liturgical ministers, e.g., ushers, lectors, EMHCs, music ministers, etc., because of altar servers, children's choir members, gift bearers, etc.
- Any group or individual that hosts events where minors are invited.

If you have any questions or want to verify if you are already certified, please don't hesitate to call John Gencarelli, the Adult and Youth Evangelization Director for both our parishes and SPN Catholic School (HN School has its own S.E. coordinator). You can reach him at either parish office or email him at jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

PS If your 6-year certification has expired for more than 60 days, you will need to retake the in-person class again, so please be attentive to recertifying.

#### **First Friday**

This Friday, August 1<sup>st</sup>, is the First Friday of the month and the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed in St. Philip Neri Church from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. All are invited to pay a visit to our Eucharistic Jesus. All adorers who have adopted an hour of adoration on First Fridays are asked to attend their hour or find a substitute: We can never leave the exposed Eucharist alone and vulnerable to neglect or sacrilege.



#### Wednesday Morning Sacristan(s) Needed

I need help setting up the weekly Wednesday Mass at 8:15 a.m. in HN Church throughout the year. The duties are light, and I will gladly train any sacristans. The role requires the sacristan to arrive at least fifteen minutes before Mass and to help with light clean up after Mass. During the summer, this Mass is held in the HN Prayer Chapel. During the academic months, this liturgy occurs in the HN Church proper. Please contact me, Fr. Cook, if you are willing to help in this invaluable way.

**Staff Birthday:** This Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup>, our Parish and School Communications Coordinator, Sandy Leininger, celebrates her birthday. Please say a prayer for her and wish her well.

**Staff Away:** Our shared bilingual Director of Religious Education, Monica Valles, will be away on vacation July 18-30. Our shared Director of Evangelization of Adults and Youth in English, John Gencarelli, will also be on vacation this week, July 28-August 1.

#### **Mark Your Calendars**

Please take a moment to save these dates in your calendars:

- HN Parish Festival: Sunday, Sept. 14, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
- SPN-BS Fall Festival: Sunday, Sept. 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### 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. 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.

**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.

Redeemed: Restoring Your Masculine Identity in Christ Men's Retreat: August 1-2 at St. Patrick Catholic Church, Fremont. Moving testimonies will ignite your desire to pursue authentic healing and receive the truth of your identity as a beloved son. During this 2-day retreat, you will come face to face with your brokenness and gently receive the Father's love for you through community, brotherhood, and reflection. Topics: Masculinity, Fatherhood, Sonship, Restoration, Purpose & Mission, Power & Freedom. Inperson or livestream options. Register: jpiihealingcenter.org.

**Essential Pregnancy Services Breakfast for Life:** August 9, 9:15 am, St. Vincent de Paul Parish, Omaha. Speaker: Coleen Kelly Mast. Tickets \$40, students \$25; purchase tickets online at friendsofeps.org or call 531-239-3129.

Marriage Celebration Mass: Sunday, August 10, 10:30 am at St. Cecilia Cathedral with Archbishop Michael McGovern. All are invited to the Mass, honoring the beauty and Christian witness of Sacramental Marriage. NO RSVP is required.

**TRIUMPH of the HEART: The Untold Story of St. Maximilian Kolbe's Passion.** August 14, 7:00 pm, an exclusive pre-release screening of this extraordinary Catholic film will be at Marcus Twin Creek Cinema in Bellevue on the Feast of St. Maximilian

Kolbe. View a trailer and sign up for tickets: toth -bellevue-ne.eventbrite.com. This pre-release screening offers exclusive content and a special message from director Anthony D'Ambrosio.



#### **High School Youth Ministry**

Wednesday, September 10, 7:00–8:30 pm: Kickoff Night for High School Youth Group! Meet in the SPN-BS Parish Center. High school students from St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament and Holy Name are invited and encouraged to join us. Bring your friends too!

We're launching a brand-new year of Youth Group, and you won't want to miss it! Join us for our first Large Group Gathering of the year, packed with food, fun, and faith. It's a perfect chance to reconnect, meet new friends, and get a taste of what's ahead before we dive into our weekly Small Groups.

#### Mark Your Calendars!

Here are the dates for our other exciting Large Group events throughout the year:

- December 10 Christmas Party & Gift Exchange
- March 18 Special Lenten Gathering
- April 29 End-of-the-Year Bash & Games

Stay tuned for more details as each event approaches. Let's make this year unforgettable!

#### **Exciting Changes in Youth Ministry!**

We're thrilled to announce a new chapter in High School Youth Ministry at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament and Holy Name Church! This fall, we're moving from our traditional large group gatherings to a small group model that meets in mentors' homes. These weekly gatherings will offer a more personal, faith-filled environment where young people can build stronger connections with their peers and grow deeper in their relationship with Christ.

Small groups will begin meeting the week of September 14th and continue weekly throughout the school year. A few large group gatherings will also be planned throughout the year.



Sign up by August 17th to reserve your spot! Use the link to register or scan the QR code. Let's grow together in faith, friendship, and discipleship! https://shorturl.at/34uxw

#### Religious Ed & Sacramental Prep

Share Your Faith - Make a Difference! Catechists & Helpers Needed for 2025–2026 Do you have a heart for children and a love for our Catholic faith? We're looking for joyful, faith-filled volunteers to join our Religious Education team as catechists and classroom helpers for the upcoming school year. No teaching experience is needed. If you're willing to share your time, love for Christ, and desire to help form young disciples, we'll provide the training and support you need. Answer the call to serve - and watch your own faith grow as you help shape today's generation of Catholics. To learn more or to sign up, contact Monica Valles, Director of Religious Education for children, at 402-455-1289 ext. 804 or email mavalles@archomaha.org.

Catechists & Helpers Meetings: August 20 & 27, 6:15 pm to 7:45 pm in the Holy Name Cafeteria.

#### Religious Ed Registration is Now Open!

It's time to register for the 2025-2026 Religious Education program at our parish! We are excited to welcome all children and youth as we begin another year of growing in faith, prayer, and knowledge of our Catholic tradition.

Religious Education is offered for students in grades 1 through 8, including preparation for First Communion, Reconciliation, and Confirmation. We encourage all families to sign up early so we can plan for materials and class sizes. **Don't wait - sign up now!** Stop by the parish office during regular hours to pick up a form. If you are new to the program or have questions, please contact Monica Valles, Director of Religious Education for children, at 402-455-1289 ext. 804 or email mavalles@archomaha.org.

#### Parent Meetings 6:15 pm SPN Activities Center

September 3, Sacramental Orientation Meeting: All parents of children preparing to receive First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation during this coming year are invited to attend our Sacramental Orientation Meeting. This important meeting will provide an overview of the sacramental preparation process, important dates, expectations, and opportunities to support your child's faith journey. At least one parent or guardian is required to attend. We look forward to walking with you and supporting you as your child prepares to receive these sacred Sacraments.

September 10, Religious Education Parent Meeting: We invite all parents with children enrolled in our Religious Education program to join us for an important Parent Meeting. This gathering is a key part of our partnership with you in passing on the Catholic faith to your children. We'll go over the year's schedule, curriculum highlights, sacramental preparation details, and ways you can support your child's spiritual growth at home. We'll also share opportunities to get involved and answer any questions you may have. Your presence is important and appreciated!

September 17, First Night of Classes: 6:30 pm-7:45 pm in the St. Philip Neri School & Activities Center. We're excited to welcome all our students and families back for the start of a new year of Religious Education! Our catechists are ready to journey with your children as they grow in their love for Christ and the Church. Please arrive a few minutes early to help us begin on time. We look forward to a faith-filled year of learning, prayer, and community. Thank you for making your child's religious formation a priority!

#### Little Flowers Girls' Club®

A Fun & Faith-Filled Catholic Club for Girls. Little Flowers is a vibrant Catholic program where young girls grow in virtue, friendship, and faith. Designed for girls in kindergarten through 4th grade, this club offers a joyful environment where they learn about the lives of the saints, memorize Scripture, and develop a deeper love for Jesus and His Church, all while having fun!

Each meeting includes hands-on activities, crafts, prayer, and engaging lessons focused on a different virtue, inspired by the example of a saint. Through Little Flowers, girls not only grow in their Catholic identity but also form meaningful friendships that nurture their hearts and souls.

Whether your daughter is new to the faith or already loves learning about God, she'll feel welcomed, encouraged, and inspired in Little Flowers. Come blossom in faith with us!

Gatherings resume in August 2025. For more information, contact John Gencarelli, jgencarelli@archomaha.org.



# Mr. Harrison Elhabbal

St. John Vianney Seminary Discipleship II

St. Wenceslaus Parish Omaha, Nebraska

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

#### **Prayer for Priests by Saint John Vianney**

O God, please give your Church today many more priests after your own heart. May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance, being examples of humility and poverty, shining models of holiness, tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God, and zealous dispensers of your grace in the Sacraments.

May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the Most Holy Eucharist and to Mary his Mother be the twin fountains of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

Mary, Queen and Mother of the Clergy, pray for us!



#### ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CORNER

For I was hungry and you fed Me, I was thirsty and you gave Me a drink, a stranger and you welcomed Me, naked and you gave Me clothes. (Matthew 25:35-36a)

The SVDP Society has just completed the first quarter of 2025 in which we received over 100 calls for assistance! We provided help with utility bills, rent, food, and household goods. One particular request was from a single mother of three who was relocating due to an abusive situation and just needed the basics to start over. We were able to partner with the NE Department of Health, All Communities Outreach, and the Food Pantry to help the family get caught up on their utilities and move forward one step at a time.

Many of the situations that we encounter in the calls for assistance are complicated and involve our SVDP volunteers teaming up with other agencies in our area to help resolve the problems the families are facing. We can be *The* solution or many times a *Part* of the solution, but either way we can offer prayers and support to those who call St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament in their time of need.

We are especially thankful for the prayers and support we receive from our Parish Family - we could not do this alone! Please continue to help us on our Mission of Charity and also in our support of the Holy Name Food Pantry. Canned goods, pasta, and breakfast cereal are popular items requested and the need is always growing. Since the beginning of January we have contributed over 52 sacks and 12 large & small boxes of groceries to the pantry!

Thank you! From St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament SVDP

Marriage: Source of Hope, Spring of Renewal. Pursue a Lasting Love. For resources to strengthen your marriage and family and advice for dating couples: foryourmarriage.org



# KNIGHTS NOTES

Annual Priest Appreciation Steak Fry: Monday, July 28 at Mount Michael, 5:30 pm Social, 6:30 pm Serving. Cost \$30 at the door. All KNIGHTS are welcome to attend.

**Knights Mass: August 31st, 10 am.** August is again a month with 5 Sundays. Therefore, the Knights of Columbus will take on the needed positions August 31st at 10 am Mass at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish.

Save The Date! The Knights Family Picnic: Saturday, Sept. 20 at the Carney's Barn! The Knights will provide burgers/dogs/drinks again. Please bring side dish/salad/dessert to share! Stay tuned for further details. Thank You so much to Tom & Patty Carney for hosting our picnic again this year!

Just a Reminder: We can only accept Aluminum Beverage Cans. No Pie Tins, No Steel Cans of ANY KIND, No Plastic Bottles. Also, no bottles of dish soap, hair extensions, or the odd sweat sock! (Yes, we REALLY have found those while sorting the Alum Cans!) Please place bags of beverage cans on the west side of the KC shed in the church parking lot. Thank you for your support.

Sending our Sincere Appreciation to Tim Kiuntke, Larry Ziska, Dave Bohnenkamp, Robert Barrett, Mike Holmgren, Neil Leininger and his 2 sons Noah and James, Joe Parys and his 2 sons Solomon and Jeremiah, and Carl Cramer for all their help and participation in sorting aluminum cans Saturday morning and into the afternoon. They REALLY cleared out a lot of cans and a light can be seen at the end of the tunnel! Their efforts resulted in bagging, transporting, and redeeming 15 bags of nickel cans which yielded \$180.00!! While transporting the bags, the sorting continued. Dave Bohnenkamp removed a pickup bed loaded with crushed cans to be redeemed for weight! Neil and his sons continued to sort with Rob until they all left at 2 pm!!

In all, this effort involved 24 hands which made the tedious work easier and was truly a success!! Perhaps on future can- sorting Saturdays, more KNIGHTS and SPN students will get involved and we will have more successes like today's! There are many more cans to be sorted and the contributions keep coming every day!! But we can actually walk into the shed! Please always remember the money from our can collection and sorting efforts is given as Scholarships to our Graduating 8th Graders attending Catholic High Schools.

Thank you and God bless!! Jerry Ziska, Grand Knight

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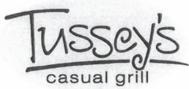
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