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The Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 6, 2025

HOLY MASS AND SACRAMENT OF PENANCE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday Masses:

Saturday 5:00 p.m. - Holy Name (English)
Sunday 7:30 a.m. - St. Philip Neri (English)
10:00 a.m. - St. Philip Neri (English)
12:30 p.m. - Holy Name (Spanish)

Sacrament of Penance:

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 6:45 a.m.-7:15 a.m. (Eng./Sp.) - St. Philip Neri
Anytime by appointment with a priest.

Weekday Masses:

Tuesday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - St. Philip Neri
Wednesday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - Holy Name
Thursday 6:30 p.m. (Sp.) - Holy Name
Friday 8:15 a.m. (Eng.) - St. Philip Neri

Holy Days: Please see the schedule in this bulletin.

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Office hours: Tuesday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. (Closed Mondays)

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St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament bulletin announcements:

Please send requests by noon Wednesday in writing or by email to meramm@archomaha.org.

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Isaiah 66: 10-14c Psalm 66: 1-7, 16, 20 Galatians 6: 14-18 Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20

Read the Holy Gospel: St. Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20. What words caught your attention, comforted you, or challenged you?

Prayer (Oratio) Read the Scripture passage again. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Contemplation (Contemplatio) What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

- *“At that time the Lord appointed seventy-two others whom he sent ahead of him in pairs to every town and place he intended to visit.”* Who have been my companions on my spiritual journey? How can I accompany others who are seeking Jesus?
- *“The harvest is abundant but the laborers are few; so ask the master of the harvest to send out laborers for his harvest.”* To what labor is the Lord calling me? How can I live my baptismal vocation more fully?
- *“The kingdom of God is at hand for you.”* When have I felt God’s nearness? What steps can I take to make God’s kingdom more present?

After a period of silent reflection and/or discussion, recite the Lord’s Prayer and the closing prayer from Psalm 66:

Shout joyfully to God, all the earth, sing praise to the glory of his name; proclaim his glorious praise. Say to God, “How tremendous are your deeds!”

“Let all on earth worship and sing praise to you, sing praise to your name!” Come and see the works of God, his tremendous deeds among the children of Adam.

He has changed the sea into dry land; through the river they passed on foot; therefore let us rejoice in him. He rules by his might forever.

Hear now, all you who fear God, while I declare what he has done for me. Blessed be God who refused me not my prayer or his kindness!

Living the Word this Week *How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?* Pray for those discerning a call to priesthood, the diaconate, or the consecrated life.

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

Sunday, July 13	Altar Servers	Reader	Deacon	EMHC	Music	Ushers
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 7:30 AM		Pam Hughes	George Butterfield	Maria Hackenberg Bob Jones		Norm Hanson Chuck Livengood Michael Ramsgard
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 13, 10:00 AM	Charles Bohnenkamp Solomon Parys	Bill Schmidt	Brendan Kelly	Robbie Miller Geri Schmidt	Jean and Friends	Eric Brink Gayle Haman Mark Lampe Joseph Parys

SVDP call coordinator beginning Monday, July 7: Jean Tosoni
Immanuel Hospital EMHC Thursday, July 10:
Dorrie Mittleider, Kathy Rossitto

KofC-Red Cross Blood Drive: July 19

Saturday, July 19, 7 am to 12 pm in the St. Philip Neri Activity Center. Register to give blood at www.redcrossblood.org or call Judy Smedra at 402-670-1368. You can receive a \$15 Fandango movie ticket by registering to give blood at rcblood.org/July.

Memories and Sayings of Saint Philip Neri

(Ricordi e Detti di San Filippo Neri, translated by Fr. F.W. Faber)

July: “To obtain perfectly the gift of humility, four things are required: to despise the world, to despise no person, to despise one’s self, to despise being despised.”

This is a hard but essential saying. Without humility we are unable to cooperate with the abundant graces of God. Thomas A Kempis reminds us to “forsake this wretched world” and our souls shall find rest. The commandment to love our neighbor is to recognize that all human souls are made in the image and likeness of God and to despise that image is to condemn ourselves. What we are to despise in ourselves is our fallenness and our disordered proclivities. Finally, what we ought to rightfully despise is violence against any image of God.”

<https://catholicexchange.com/12-sayings-from-st-philip-neri/>



St. Philip Neri, the Blessed Mother & the Christ Child

THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, July 6

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
 2:00 p.m. Baptism Class (Eng.) - SPN Parish Center

Monday, July 7

Tuesday, July 8

No Mass

Wednesday, July 9

No Mass

7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus - Parish Center Conf. Rm.

Thursday, July 10

5:30 p.m. Confessions (Eng./Sp.) - HN Church
 6:30 p.m. Mass (Sp.) - HN Church

Friday, July 11

No Mass

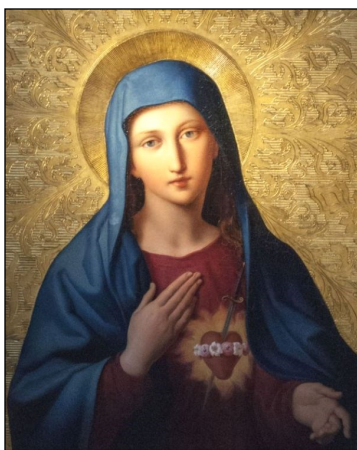
Saturday, July 12

4:00 p.m. Confessions (Eng./Sp.) - HN Church
 5:00 p.m. Mass - HN Church

Sunday, July 13

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

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



The Pope's Prayer Intention for July is for formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life, and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

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



Pray the Rosary

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 7

No Mass

Tuesday, July 8

No Mass

Wednesday, July 9

No Mass

Thursday, July 10

5:30 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)
 6:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): Cirilo Degante +

Friday, July 11

No Mass

Saturday, July 12

4:00 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)
 5:00 p.m. HN Mass: the people of our family of parishes

Sunday, July 13

6:45 a.m. SPN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)
 7:30 a.m. SPN Mass: Tom Cogan +
 10:00 a.m. SPN Mass: Vincent and Maxine McMahon +
 12:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): Francisco Cortés Bahena +

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Parish Support: June 23-29, 2025

Weekly Offerings

ParishStaQ	\$2,543
ParishSoft	\$50
Collections from Masses and mail	\$6,758
Total Weekly Offerings	\$9,351
Special Offerings	\$1,425

ParishStaQ is our parish's new online giving platform. Our old platform (ParishSoft) closed July 1, 2025. If you would like to set up a recurring gift, you could also ask your bank to send automatic donations or use our new platform, ParishStaQ. To use ParishStaQ, please scan the QR code or go to our website (<https://saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org>) and click the Donate button. 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

Fr. Cook Away

Fr. Cook will be away on vacation July 7-13. Thank you for your patience during these times and for any delayed responses. Please pray for his refreshment and safety.

Weekday Morning Masses Canceled

With Fr. Cook away on vacation July 7-13, the 8:15 a.m. weekday Masses on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday, July 8, 9, and 11 are canceled. We apologize for the inconvenience but hope you will attend Mass at nearby parishes on these weekdays.

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.

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.

Ad Gentes Missionary Congregation

On July 12-13, Fr. John Paul Ezesuokwu of the *Ad Gentes* Missionary Congregation will visit our family of parishes as part of the Archdiocese of Omaha's Missionary Cooperation Plan for the Pontifical Mission Societies.



Ad Gentes Missionary Congregation and Society includes priests, religious brothers, religious sisters, and lay missionaries devoted to grassroots missionary work as agents of evangelization in both rural and urban areas. They currently serve in Africa in Nigeria, Burkina Faso, and Malawi; and in the United States.

Founded on June 1, 2003 by Rev. Vitalis Anyanike, the Institute is committed to the holistic development of people, communities, and cultures. The missionaries serve as beacons of hope amid human suffering - responding to the deep needs of those affected by misery, loneliness, violence, and hunger, which often impact children, women, and the elderly the most. They are dedicated to the integral development of the human person, addressing both spiritual and material needs. Through ministries in education, healthcare, counseling, youth empowerment, and community development, they support those on the margins of society - especially immigrants, displaced persons, and refugees. *Ad Gentes* missionaries also stand in solidarity with Christian minorities living in predominantly Islamic regions, offering accompaniment and pastoral care. <https://www.adgentesmissionaries.org/>

A Treasury of Prayers pocket-size booklets were donated by an alum of St. Philip Neri Catholic School & Parish. They are located at church entrances. Please take one or several!



Marriage: Source of Hope, Spring of Renewal. Pursue a Lasting Love.

For resources to strengthen your marriage or family or advice for dating couples: www.foryourmarriage.org

Formed.org Our parish has a subscription to Formed. Formed has Catholic Bible studies, video, audio, children's resources to help you grow in your relationship with Christ and His Church. To sign up, visit <https://formed.org/signup>, enter your parish St Philip Neri Church, and your name and email address. Formed also has an app for your phone.

High School Youth Ministry

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

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://forms.gle/1X21N13N29q1sD6d8>



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!

Young Adults (Ages 21-35)



VENI Young Adults Holy Hour: Friday, July 11, 7:30 pm at St. Cecilia Cathedral. Join us for an evening of Adoration and fellowship at Veni, a night for young adults across the Archdiocese to come together in worship.

PUBS: This "pick-up Bible study" requires no preparation or commitment. All are welcome to come in the weeks they can without the fear of falling behind. Check out the PUBS slack channel to learn more about when this group meets!

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

Discover the Power of Small Groups

Small groups are where faith comes alive through friendship, prayer, and shared life. In a world that often feels busy and disconnected, small groups offer a space to grow in faith, support one another, and deepen our relationship with Christ. Whether you're seeking spiritual growth, meaningful community, or a place to belong, small groups are where the Church becomes family.

Join a small group - and experience the joy of doing life and faith together. Need help finding a small group to fit your needs? Contact John Gencarelli, jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

Religious Ed & Sacramental Prep

Catechists & Helpers Needed for 2025-2026 Share Your Faith - Make a Difference! 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: Mark Your Calendars. *DON'T DELAY!* Our first meeting will be Wed., August 20 in the Holy Name Cafeteria.

Religious Formation classes kick off in September:

- September 3 - Parent Sacramental Preparation Meeting
 - September 10 - Parent Orientation Night
 - September 17 - First Day of Classes for Students
- We're excited to begin another year growing in faith together!



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!

Meetings resume in September. For more information, contact John Gencarelli, jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CORNER



"Give and it will be given to you; a good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and overflowing, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure with which you measure will in return be measured out to you." (Luke 6:38)

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



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**KNIGHTS
NOTES**

July KofC Council Business Mtg: Wed., July 9th, 7 pm in the Parish Ctr. *All Knights are asked to attend if possible.* What can we do to increase Member Participation in Council Activities (Socializing, Pancakes, Movie Knights, etc.)?

BLOODMOBILE! Red Cross Blood Drive: Saturday, July 19th, 7 am-12 noon in the School Activity Ctr. Sign up at <https://www.redcrossblood.org> or call Judy Smedra 402-670-1368.

Annual Priest Appreciation Steak Fry: Monday, July 29th - 530 pm Social, 6:30 pm Serving at Mt. Michael. Cost \$30 at the door. All KNIGHTS welcome to attend.

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 have REALLY found those while sorting the Alum Cans!) Please place bags of beverage cans on the west side of the shed in the church parking lot.

SALT (*Sages, Advisors, Listeners, Laughers, Teachers, Talkers*)

If you haven't connected with a member of our SALT parishioners, please consider sending a note or card, making a phone call, or visiting. For addresses or phone numbers, please contact Mary in the parish office. Our



SALT members are Theresa Andrews, Gerald & Pat Hodges, Phyllis Huser, Jean Jones, Jim Kimble, Fred Maycock, Mary Miner, Rich & Rita Muff, Sharon Olson, Bob & Fannie Parker, Carol Parks, Pat Potter, Carol Schade, Donna Thibodeau, Michael Tillotson, JoAnn Todd, and Jane Vlcek. Thank you to all who are helping them stay in touch with their parish.

July - Month of The Most Precious Blood of Jesus

Blood of Christ, Eucharistic drink and refreshment of souls, save us.

Almighty and eternal God, Thou hast appointed Thine only-begotten Son the Redeemer of the world, and willed to be appeased by His Blood. Grant we beg of Thee, that we may worthily adore this price of our salvation, and through its power be safeguarded from the evils of the present life, so that we may rejoice in its fruits forever in Heaven. Through the same Christ our Lord. *R. Amen.*

(From the Litany of the Most Precious Blood of Jesus)



Mr. Casey LaMotte

**St. John Vianney Seminary
Discipleship III**

**Saint Robert Bellarmine 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; Zealous dispensers of your grace in the Sacraments. May their loving devotion to your Son Jesus in the 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!

Camp Fun & Faith for Girls: High School July 7-10. Register at midwest.prosanctity.org/camp-fun-faith/. Scholarships available. camp@prosanctity.org or 402-289-1938.

21st Annual Fathers and Sons - Together Forever

July 12-13, Saturday 8 am to Sunday noon, at St. Benedict Center, Schuyler, NE. Retreat for fathers (grandpas, too) and sons ages 11-17. 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 one-on-one time, Mass, opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Adoration and Benediction, morning prayer, hayrack ride, water balloons, game night, and fathers against sons dodgeball! For questions, call Ed DeSimone 402-679-1841. To register, call the St. Benedict Center at 402-352-8819. www.fathersandsonstogether.org

V2 Virtus et Veritas Catholic Camps for Young Men

Summer Camp for Young Men entering 6th through 9th grade. Week 1: July 13-19 (registration open), Week 2: July 20-26 (waitlist). 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. <https://v2ministries.org/adventures/>

The Way, a healing retreat for survivors of abuse. The women's retreat will be July 18-20 at Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat Center in Waverly, Nebraska. This is a three-day guided meditation and prayer retreat for healing of heart, mind, body, and soul. To register, contact Mary Beth Hanus at mbhanus@archomaha.org, 402-827-3798.

Holy Name Calendar Club July 8 is the deadline to participate in the Calendar Club. Ticket \$25. There are 365 chances to win a \$50 prize and even more on First Fridays and holy days. Tickets are available after weekend Masses in Our Lady Store at Holy Name Church or in the rectory during office hours. Questions, call Kathie Hahn at 402-201-3757.

Fr. Ssonko Fundraiser for St. Mary's Primary School in Busaabala, Uganda: Friday, July 11, 5:30 pm Social, 6:30 pm Dinner and Program at St. Patrick Church, Gretna. Tickets \$40 in the St. Patrick office or online: stpatricksgretna.org/father-ssonko-fundraiser/. Questions, please contact Megan Seamann, meseamann@archomaha.org, 402-332-4444.

St. Pius X Parish Ann's Attic Clothing Sale & Garage Sale

July 10-12: Thursday & Friday 9 am-6 pm, Saturday 9 am-noon at 6905 Blondo St. In the Gym: gently used clothing for all ages and sizes. On Friday, buy 1 bag & get 50% off 2nd bag. On Saturday, free clothes (free will offering). In the Parish Center: furniture, kitchen ware, pictures, books, etc. Donate items July 5-8. www.stpiusxomaha.org

St. Peregrine Mass Saturday, July 19, 11 am at Our Lady of Sorrows Chapel, 7400 Military Ave, Omaha. All seeking the intercession of St. Peregrine, patron saint of those dealing with cancer, are invited to a special Mass offered for those who are ill and their loved ones.

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament is normally offered Monday through Friday, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (the final hour being 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.) in the Prayer Chapel. On First Fridays, Exposition is from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the church proper. Come away to a quiet place and rest awhile by adoring Our Lord. More dedicated adorers are needed. If you are interested, please call/text our Eucharistic Exposition coordinator Joann Feller at 402-215-5532.



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

On June 27, the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, we had our own brand of First Friday Adoration to accommodate the July 4 Holiday. As you know, covering a 12-hour stretch of time is difficult. I'm here to tell you we have the best Adorers in the city.

Considering the 12 time slots, seven 'regulars' were able to fold into the odd day. The other 5 hours were covered by switching partners, splitting partners, switching hours, a new recruit and any other "can do" arrangement available. Everyone pitched in to make the day work. Thank you, Mary Ramm for keeping a watchful eye.

All told, there are 40 some parishioners officially involved in this awesome group that adores Jesus in the evenings and all First Fridays - even our self-proclaimed First Fridays. Consider joining. Call me to pick a time that works for you.

Joann Feller

Eucharistic Exposition Coordinator
402-215-5532

p.s. If you already have your own appointed time, keep it. Your work is valuable, too.

Christian Humor

- Most stress is caused by three things: money, family, and family with no money.
- Let's all take a moment to recognize the true heroes of the season - elastic waistbands.
- My wrinkles show I laughed, my grey hair shows I cared, my scars show I lived, and my stomach shows I really like biscuits and gravy.
- If you want to hide something from your husband, put it eye level in the refrigerator.
- Enjoy your day. If you feel like doing some work, sit down and wait until that feeling goes away.

Holy Hour of Adoration and Benediction July 14, 7 pm at St. Columbkille Church, honoring St. Kateri Tekakwitha. An hour of prayer, Sacred Scripture, silent adoration, meditation, and music. The hour ends with Benediction sung in Latin.

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