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The Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - August 31, 2025

HOLY MASS AND SACRAMENT OF PENANCE REGULAR SCHEDULE

Saturday and Sunday Masses

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

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. (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
 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.

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish: 402-455-1289 saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org

8200 North 30th Street, Omaha, NE 68112

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

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Parish Office: 3014 North 45th Street, Omaha, NE 68104 email: mrvallecillo@archomaha.org

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St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament bulletin announcements:

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

The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, August 31st

Sirach 3:17-18,20,28-29 Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24

Psalms 68:4-7,10-11 St. Luke 14:1,7-14

Meditation After reading the Holy Gospel (St. Luke 14:1,7-14), reflect in silence on one or more of the following questions:

- What word(s) in the passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you or challenged you?

Contemplation

Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection: What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

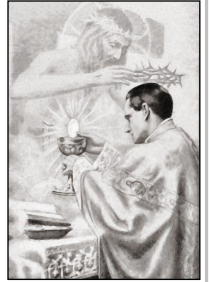
- *"The people there were observing him carefully."* When have I judged others by their appearance? How often do I gossip or intrude on others' privacy?
- *"Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table."* How great a priority do I place on the good opinion of others? When have I valued worldly esteem over spiritual growth?
- *"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you."* How can I reach out more effectively to those on the peripheries? How can I extend hospitality to those in need?

Living the Word this Week How can I make my life a gift for others in charity? Take some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, open your heart to the Lord, and ask him how you might become involved in helping the poor.

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

A Prayer for Priests, by St. 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.



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 contact information, 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, Rosemary Reeves, 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.

Happy Birthday to Rosemary "Ro" Reeves, who celebrated her birthday August 23rd. If you'd like to send her a card, please call Mary in the parish office for her address.

	Altar Servers	Reader	EMHC	Music	Ushers	Livestream
Sep. 7, 7:30 AM The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Andrew Sutherland Joel Sutherland	Jerry Ziska	Bob Jones Jan Sammons		Norm Hanson Chuck Livengood Michael Ramsgard	(7:30 am OR 10 am Mass)
Sep. 7, 10:00 AM The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Noah Leininger Solomon Parys	Theresa O'Neill	Robbie Miller Julie Misek	Jean and Friends	Eric Brink Debra Cramer Paul Gray Gayle Haman	Katherine Hamilton

SVDP call coordinator for the week of Sep. 1-7: April Collamer **Immanuel Hospital EMHC Thursday, Sep. 4:** Rita Livengood

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Fall Festival

Sunday, September 28, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.!



Incredible plans for being made for a fun-filled day for the entire family!

Our Fall Festival will have **Children's Activities, Face Painting, Cake Walk, Bingo, Country Store, Inflatables, Beer Garden, Lottery, Live Music!** **Lottery Tickets** are \$10 each and there are three chances to win: **Grand Prize \$2,500, 2nd Prize \$1,000, 3rd Prize \$500.** Tickets are at church entrances, or contact the parish or school offices. **Delicious Food both outside and inside the Activity Center!** Pulled Pork Dinner, Walking Tacos, Grilled Hamburgers & All-Beef Hot Dogs, Baked Beans, Coleslaw *using the famous recipe from Blessed Sacrament Parish!*

Fresh Homemade Funnel Cakes! Homemade Cookies, Brownies, and Desserts!

We need your help making this a success! **Country Store:** If you are handy making crafts/handmade items, canning fresh produce, baking yummy goodies, have extra produce, or new or like-new items, items are needed for our Country Store! **2-liter bottles of pop** for the Ring Toss game, **Bingo prizes** (such as small household items, paper towels, kitchen towel, stationery, toiletries, etc.), **Gift Cards, & Gift Baskets** are also appreciated! Please leave items in the box in the church narthex or at the parish office.

ALSO, it takes many hands to pull this off! We are looking for adult and teen volunteers!

Please signup using the QR code, the signup sheets at church entrances, the link at saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org/get-involved/fall-festival/, or contact Mary in the office.



THE WEEK AHEAD

Sunday, August 31

Coffee, rolls, pastries, 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

**SPN Church West Parking Lot CLOSED for repair
from 1:30 pm Sunday until Tuesday morning.**

Monday, September 1 - Have a blessed Labor Day

SPN Church West Parking Lot CLOSED until Tuesday

Tuesday, September 2

8:15 a.m. Mass - SPN Church

9:00 a.m. Bible Study - SPN-BS Parish Center

3:30 p.m. SVDP Meeting -SPN Activity Center Conf. Rm.

6:30 p.m. Pastoral Council - SPN Activity Center Conf. Rm.

7:00 p.m. Bible Study - SPN-BS Parish Center

Wednesday, September 3

8:15 a.m. Mass - HN Church

6:00 p.m. Fall Festival Meeting -SPN Activity Ctr. Conf. Rm.

6:15 p.m. **Sacramental Prep Meeting for Parents of ALL
children & youth from St. Philip Neri and Holy
Name Churches and Schools preparing to
receive a Sacrament this school year**
- St. Philip Neri Activity Center (gym)

Thursday, September 4

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

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

Friday, September 5

8:15 a.m. Mass - SPN Church

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

Saturday, September 6

9:00 a.m. Women's Social - SPN School Cafeteria

9:00 a.m. Little Flowers Girls' Club - SPN-BS Parish Center

10:00 a.m. Altar Boys' Training - SPN Church

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

5:00 p.m. Mass - HN Church

Sunday, September 7

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-BS Parish Center

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

Innocence Freed assists women and girls rescued from human trafficking. Nine young girls and women entered the program in June. Wishlist items for the Innocence Freed Gala silent auction: Family Movie Night (DVD for a movie night at home, movie theater tickets, popcorn, hot chocolate, snacks); Wine; Family Games & Puzzles. Please leave items under the St. Joseph altar **by September 1st**. Questions, Marsha Moon 402-455-1485 or DeLynne Clausen 402-455-9610.

Each day, Archbishop Michael McGovern prays for people throughout northeast Nebraska in his home chapel. Now, he is encouraging us to share our intentions with him. All prayer intentions submitted are confidential and not made public. Please see a video: <https://archomaha.org/prayer-requests/>

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE AND MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, September 1

No Mass

Tuesday, September 2

8:15 a.m. SPN Mass: Mary Ann Troia +

Wednesday, September 3

8:15 a.m. HN Mass: Kirby Hohm +

Thursday, September 4

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

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

Friday, September 5

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

Saturday, September 6

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

5:00 p.m. HN Mass: Kenneth Evans +

Sunday, September 7

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

7:30 a.m. SPN Mass: Intentions of the Polinski Family

10:00 a.m. SPN Mass: people of our family of parishes

12:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): Intentions of María Sánchez

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Parish Support: August 24, 2025

Weekly Offerings

ParishStaQ \$ 964

Collections from Masses and mail \$ 9,013

Total Weekly Offerings \$ 9,977

Special Offerings \$ 3,100

ParishStaQ is our new online giving platform for our parish. If you would like to set up a gift in ParishStaQ, scan the QR code or click the DONATE button on our parish website, saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org. 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 This year, 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

Pastoral Council

Our second meeting of the joint Pastoral Council between our two parishes will occur this Tuesday, September 2nd, at 6:30 p.m. in the SPN Activity Center Conference Room. Please pray for the members and for wisdom and unity in their judgments and counsel.

New Altar Boy Training Sessions

All boys in our family of parishes and schools and who are currently in the 5th Grade or older are invited to become altar boys. This is an invaluable ministry that helps boys consider a possible vocation to Holy Orders and performs a service for the parish or school. Fr. Cook will offer training at various times and at both campuses. Training will include snacks. Please register your son for a session below by contacting Mary Ramm, the secretary at SPN-BS: (402) 455-1289 or meramm@archomaha.org.

- **Boys in SPN-BS Parish:** Saturday, September 6th, 10 a.m.-12 noon in St. Philip Neri Church
- **Boys in HN Parish:** Sunday, September 7th, 1:45 p.m.-3:45 p.m. in Holy Name Church (originally scheduled August 31st)

Fr. Gama

Fr. Augustine Gama is back in the United States for a few weeks and offered to celebrate Masses at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church. A priest of the Diocese of Songea, Tanzania, Fr. Gama was never assigned to SPN-BS Parish, but he lived in the rectory when he first came to the United States and was completing further studies. He became a welcome friend to parishioners, and it is easy to see why: He is a wonderfully holy, cheerful, and devout missionary priest.



*Fr. Augustine
Gama*

While later serving formally as an associate pastor in other archdiocesan parishes, e.g., Mary Our Queen, etc., Father Gama has always had a special fondness for SPN-BS and for all of you. Fr. will be the celebrant of the morning confessions and the two Masses in English next Sunday, August 31st at SPN Church. Please welcome him back.

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

Parent Meeting for All Children Receiving Sacraments

Is your child hoping to receive the sacrament of Confirmation and/or First Communion during this 2025-2026 academic year? **All parents of such children and youth**, whether they are enrolled in Holy Name or St. Philip Neri schools, our parishes' Religious Education Program, or homeschool, **MUST attend the informational meeting to register their children and to learn about the expectations and dates for reception of said sacraments in the 2025-2026 school year.**

The meeting will occur on **Wednesday, September 3rd**, from 6:15 p.m.-7:45 p.m. in St. Philip Neri Activity Center (8202 N. 31st St., Omaha, NE 68112).

- **All attendees should enter the buildings through the Activity Center entrance.**
- English-speaking parents will meet in the SPN school cafeteria;
- Spanish-speaking parents will meet in the SPN Activity Center (gym).
- At least one parent or an adult guardian must be present for the meeting.

For more information, please contact Monica Valles at mavalles@archomaha.org or by calling either the HN or SPN-BS parish office.

Religious Education Program Registration

We are now accepting registrations for our 2025-2026 Religious Education Program until the end of August. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. in the Saint Philip Neri Catholic School, located at 8202 N 31st St, Omaha NE. Please register for R.E. at the Holy Name Parish Office, located at 3014 N 45th Street, during regular business hours. For any questions, please contact Monica Valles at 402-451-6622 x804 or mavalles@archomaha.org

- **(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.

St. Philip Neri- Blessed Sacrament

FALL FESTIVAL

September 28, 2025
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

- Beer Garden
- Country Store
- Pulled Pork Dinner
- Walking Tacos
- Live Music!
- Funnel Cakes
- Face Painting
- Inflatables

KIDS GAMES

FREE
ADMISSION!

8202 North 31 St
Omaha



iHoly name Festival!

September 14, 2025

Join us for our Parish Festival!
Fun, food, and games for everyone in the community!

From: 11AM-5PM
Mass: 12:30PM

2901 Fontenelle Blvd. Omaha, NE 68104

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FALL FESTIVAL 2025



SUNDAY

SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
11 - 4 PM

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8200 North 30th Street Omaha, NE

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VOLUNTEERS
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DRINK TICKET**



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HOURS!**

[WWW.saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org/
get-involved/fall-festival/](http://www.saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org/get-involved/fall-festival/)

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!



Religious Articles: Holy Name Church sells beautiful and helpful religious articles after the weekend Masses on Saturday at 5 p.m. and on Sunday 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.

Holy Family Ranch Fall Festival: Sep. 13, 10 am-7:30 pm in Scribner, NE. Space is limited. Please RSVP by August 31 at holyfamilyranch.org or 531-777-8727.

Magnificat Omaha Women's Brunch: Sep. 20, 9:30 am at St. Robert Bellarmine, Omaha. Speaker Felice Gerwitz. Buy tickets (\$20) at: magnificatomaha.org

High School Youth Ministry

Wednesday, September 10, 7:00–8:30 pm: Kickoff Night for High School Youth Group packed with food, fun, and faith. It's the perfect chance to reconnect, meet new friends, and get a taste of what's ahead before we dive into our weekly Small Groups. Bring your friends too! Meet in the SPN Parish Center. High school students from St. Philip Neri and Holy Name are invited and encouraged to join us.

Exciting Changes in Youth Ministry! 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 begin meeting the week of September 14th and continue weekly through the school year. A few large group gatherings are also planned throughout the year.



Sign up by September 7th to reserve your spot! To register, use the link or scan the QR code. Let's grow together in faith, friendship, and discipleship! <https://shorturl.at/34uxw>

Young Adults (Ages 21-35)

Mondays at 6:00 pm: Pick Up Sand Volleyball at Papio Bay Aquatic Center, 812 East Halleck Street, Papillion, NE 68046.

September 12: VENI, 7:30 pm-10 pm at St. Cecilia Cathedral, 701 N. 40th St. Join us for a night of Adoration and a social hour with other young adults in the Omaha area!

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

Women's Gatherings

Stronger Together - Connect, Laugh, Grow

Looking to meet new people and enjoy good conversation? Join other women from our parish and school for four fun, relaxed get-togethers. Think coffee, snacks, laughter, and making new friends - no homework, no pressure! Come as you are, stay for the connection! Dates & Locations:

- Sat, Sep 6, 9 am-10:30 am • School Cafeteria
- Thu, Oct 2, 6 pm-7:30 pm • Parish Center
- Sat, Nov 1, 9 am-10:30 am • School Cafeteria
- Thu, Dec 4, 6 pm-7:30 pm • Parish Center

The Great Adventure Bible Timeline

You can understand the Bible! The Great Adventure Catholic Bible Study will help you make sense of the Bible, and experience the life-changing power of God's Word.

Tuesday, September 2: 9:00 am or 7:00 pm in the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Center. This is a 24-week study, with a break after the 12th week. Questions? Call Diane Sullivan 402-305-9297 or Marsha Moon 402-455-1485.

Snacks for Alpha Youth

Can you help bring snacks for Alpha Youth with the 7th and 8th graders from both the school and Religious Education program? We need help providing hospitality for our Confirmation Candidates participating in Alpha this Semester.

- Sign-up: Religious Ed, Wed: <https://tinyurl.com/3jbtm6mr>
- Sign-up: SPN School, Mondays: <https://tinyurl.com/2tchb36y>

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. Help shape the next 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.

Safe Environment Training: All catechists & helpers who do not have Safe Environment certification **MUST** attend a training session. Many classes are available in Omaha in English or Spanish. Signup at <https://omaha.CMGconnect.org> or call Monica Valles at 402-455-1289 x804.

Religious Education Registration Now Open!

It's time to register for the 2025-2026 Religious Education program at our parish! Religious Education is offered for students in grades 1-9, including preparation for First Communion, First Reconciliation, and Confirmation. Stop by the parish office during regular hours to pick up a form. If you are new to the program or have any questions, please contact Monica Valles at 402-455-1289 ext. 804 or email mavalles@archomaha.org.

Parent Meetings (6:15 pm at SPN Activity 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. **At least one parent or guardian is required to attend.**

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. We'll go over the year's schedule, curriculum highlights, and ways you can support your child's spiritual growth at home. *Your presence is important and appreciated!*

September 17, First Night of Classes: 6:30 pm-7:45 pm at the St. Philip Neri School & Activities Center. 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®

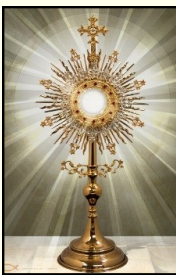
Saturday, September 6: 9:00 am-10:30 am Little Flowers meet in the SPN-BS Parish Center.

All girls from SPN-BS and HN Parishes are invited. Designed for girls in kindergarten through 5th grade, *this year we are accepting 6th-8th graders as helpers, also*. To register your daughter, scan the QR code, pick up a form at church entrances or at the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament or Holy Name parish offices, or register online at saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org. For more information, contact John Gencarelli at jgencarelli@archomaha.org.



Formed.org offers Catholic Bible studies, video, movies, audio, and children's resources. Sign up at formed.org/ signup, enter your parish St Philip Neri Church, your name, and email. Formed also has an app for your phone.

Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament is normally offered Monday through Friday from 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 to adore Our Lord and rest awhile. 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.

As some of you know, there are reprints of selected *National Catholic Register* articles in the Prayer Room. Right now there is a 'numbers' one entitled 'Where is Catholicism Growing in the US?' It is very interesting. Another tells about a miracle as recent as July 24 in Naples, Italy. And another tells about our brothers and sisters in the Texas flood recovery process. We have so much to be thankful for. Think about joining the Eucharistic Exposition group to do just that. Joann Feller, Coordinator, 402-215-5532.

Christian Humor

- Somebody left a grocery list in a cart that read, "Coffee and stuff to eat with coffee." So, I'm pretty sure my soulmate is out there.
- Don't worry about getting older. You're still gonna do dumb stuff, only slower.
- Shopping - the exercise I need.
- How many roads must a man walk down before he admits he's lost?

Stewardship Reflection *"Rather, when you hold a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; blessed indeed will you be because of their inability to repay you." (Luke 14:13-14)* One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return. This is difficult for some to comprehend in the "consumerist" culture the we live in. This is even difficult for many parish communities that have become heavily dependent on parish fundraising events to support the mission and ministry of their local parish. Generally speaking, at a parish fundraiser, you pay money and receive something in return, it's a financial transaction. This is opposed to our parish offertory at Holy Mass, where we unite our sacrifice with Jesus' and renew our covenant relationship with Him.

Legacy Reflections We appreciate the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have left bequests to St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament. These gifts help us to build a solid foundation for the Catholic formation of future generations. Please prayerfully consider doing the same. If you have done so, please notify Ted Snoddy, *Business Manager* at 402-455-1289 or trsnoddy@archomaha.org; or Tony LaMar, *Legacy Planning Officer*, Archdiocese of Omaha at 402-557-5650 or ajlamar@archomaha.org.

KNIGHTS NOTES



Knights Mass: August 31st, 10 am Mass. August is again a month with 5 Sundays. The Knights of Columbus will take on the needed positions August 31st at 10 am Mass at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish. Help us welcome Fr. Tino Gama, who is back for a visit!

Save The Date! The Knights Family Picnic: Saturday, Sept. 20 at the Carneys' Barn! The Knights will provide burgers/dogs/drinks again. Please bring a 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!

Parish Festival: Sept. 28 Knights from our Council will be grilling fresh burgers & hot dogs for our upcoming Parish Festival!! KNIGHTS: Please check your emails to sign-up for a shift with your Brother KNIGHTS! Or contact either Jerry Ziska or Tim Kiuntke to help fill a shift.

KC Movie Knight is Back!! On Saturday, August 23rd, this month's feature was "Doc Savage". About 25-30 people (adults & kids) attended and enjoyed this 1975 swashbuckling adventure! **Next Movie Knight: Saturday, October 23rd!** Any ideas for a great Halloween movie?

Red Cross Blood Drive: THANK YOU to all our Donors!! Saturday, July 19th, the Knights hosted a Red Cross blood drive in the SPN Activity Center. We collected 21 pints of blood!

Next Red Cross Blood Drive: Saturday, November 15th in the St. Philip Neri Activity Center, sponsored by the Council.



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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)

We recently re-visited the Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), where a scholar of the Law stood up to test Jesus, asking, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus answered with a story of a man who fell victim to a calamity and, while others walked past without offering help, a man from Samaria stopped and assisted him in his time of need with compassion and shelter. When Jesus asked him who was a neighbor to the man by the side of the road, he answered, "the one who treated him with mercy". Jesus answered, "Go and do likewise."

The SPN-Blessed Sacrament SVDP Society, with the support of our Parish Family, is striving to answer that question daily with the many calls for assistance from people who are just like the victim of the Parable, caught up in a calamity and looking for help. Thank you to all our volunteers and parishioners who are supporting our mission to "Seek and find the forgotten, the suffering, or the deprived, so that we may bring them Your love". We also support the Holy Name Food Pantry with your donations of canned goods, pasta, and breakfast cereals, which can be placed in the containers at church entrances.

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