

Saint Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament

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Holy Name Catholic Church



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HOLY MASS

AND THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

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

Weekday Masses

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

Holy Days Please see the schedule inside the bulletin.

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.

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**Bulletin Announcements:** Please submit requests  
 by 1:00 p.m. Tuesday to meramm@archomaha.org  
 or call ext. 721 at either parish office.

**Lectio Divina for the Second Sunday of Lent, March 1st**

Genesis 12:1-4a Psalm 33:4-5,18-20,22 2 Timothy 1:8b-10 Matthew 17:1-9

**Reading & Meditation** *Read the Holy Gospel 2-3 times and reflect in silence.*

What words in the Gospel caught my attention, comforted, or challenged me?

**Contemplation** *Read the Holy Gospel again, followed by this reflection:*

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

- “Jesus took Peter, James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves.” Where do I go to be alone with God?

How can I make time in my schedule to spend time with God?

- “Lord, it is good that we are here.”

How can I become more aware of God’s presence in my life?

How can I be more present to my brothers and sisters in need?

- “When the disciples heard this, they fell prostrate.” How do I show reverence for God? How can I make my words and actions more respectful?

**Closing Prayer** *After silent reflection, pray the Our Father and Psalm 33.*

**Living the Word this Week** *How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?*

Each day this week, make an Examen before going to bed to become more aware of how God is present and working in your life.

How to pray an Examen: [hallow.com/blog/how-to-pray-the-examen/](http://hallow.com/blog/how-to-pray-the-examen/)



**Mr. Andrew Melliger**

Propaedeutic Year,  
St. Gregory the Great Seminary  
St. Anthony Parish, Columbus

**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.

The Third Sunday of Lent	Altar Servers	EMHC	Reader	Ushers	SPN Livestream
<b>March 7, 5:00 PM</b> At Holy Name Church		JoAnn Peterson John Mitchell Mary Adams	Richard Adams		
<b>March 8, 7:30 AM</b> At St. Philip Neri Church	Andrew Sutherland Joel Sutherland	Bill Cheese Kathy Rossitto	Jerry Ziska	Norm Hanson Chuck Livengood Michael Ramsgard	Mary Ramm
<b>March 8, 10:00 AM</b> At St. Philip Neri Church	Simeon Miller Solomon Parys Patrick Reall Sam Treves	Bill Schmidt Geri Schmidt	Ed Fink	Debra Cramer Paul Gray Gayle Haman Mark Lampe	

**SVDP call coordinator March 2-9:** Jill Reinsch

**Immanuel Hospital EMHC March 5:** Theresa O’Neill

**Annual Holy Name RAMBLER SWEEPSTAKES & ST. PATRICK’S PARTY: Sunday, March 15, 2 pm-6 pm in the Holy Name Cafeteria**



There are only 300 sweepstakes tickets sold for \$100.00 each. Each ticket allows entry for 2 adults, 2 meals, open bar, and a chance to win the Sweepstakes. First prize \$10,000, 2nd prize \$500.00, and 3rd-6th prizes \$200.00 each. You need not be present to win. *To purchase a ticket*, call Shawn Peterson at 402-681-0749 or the Holy Name Rectory. Tickets available after Masses at both parishes and at the Holy Name Fish Frys. **Door Prizes Needed:** We are looking for gifts or gift cards to use as door prizes at the St. Patrick’s Party on March 15. Please call Mary at 402-943-7678.

**Holy Name Calendar Club Winners - Congratulations!**

- February 22: Rick Kral \$50 #444
- February 23: Jaclyn Grode \$50 #1049
- February 24: Brooke Wees \$50 #453
- February 25: Mary Jo Luby \$50 #1443
- February 26: Duane Mittlieder \$50 #357
- February 27: Spyder Murphy \$50 #1429
- February 28: Joe Hebenstreit \$50 #972

*Pray the Holy Rosary*

**You’re Invited to Try Alpha in Spanish at Holy Name!**

Alpha is a welcoming place to explore life, faith, and Jesus Christ. Come as you are - no pressure or expectations, no commitment, just conversation. Alpha in Spanish **begins March 3rd** at Holy Name Parish. For more information, call Monica Valles or Miriam Rodriguez at 402-451-6622.



**St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Altar Society Meeting**

Calling all women of the parishes! Come join us for an Altar Society meeting Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m. in the Parish Center (SPN Church basement). We will brainstorm about what we would possibly like to do as the Altar Society. All women of Holy Name Parish are invited to join us.

**Daylight Savings Time**

Daylight Savings begins Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to “spring forward” and set your clocks ahead one hour next weekend.

**St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament & Holy Name Parishes are partnering for Track and Field (Grades 6-8).**

Registration has been extended to February 28. (The practice location is almost finalized.) Please register at: <https://registration.teamsnap.com/form/49581>. For details, contact Athletic Director Michele Yates at [meyates@archomaha.org](mailto:meyates@archomaha.org).

## Holy Name & St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Events

### Sunday, March 1

- 1:30 p.m. Church cleaning - HN Church  
 2:00 p.m. Baptism Class (Eng.) - SPN-BS Parish Center

### Monday, March 2

- 6:00 pm Spanish Choir practice - HN Cafeteria  
 8:00 pm HN Men's Club - HN Cafeteria

### Tuesday, March 3

- 9:00 a.m. Great Adventure Bible Study - SPN-BS Parish Ctr.  
 6:30 p.m. Joint Pastoral Council -SPN Activity Center Conf. Rm.  
 6:30 p.m. Alpha Meeting (Sp.) - HN Cafeteria  
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study & Stations of the Cross (Sp.) -HN Church  
 7:00 p.m. Great Adventure Bible Study - SPN-BS Parish Ctr.

### Wednesday, March 4

- 3:15 p.m. Holy Name SVDP Meeting - HN Church Narthex  
 4:00 p.m. SVDP Pantry - HN Church Narthex/lobby  
 6:15 p.m. Religious Ed. Classes - SPN Activity Center  
 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Parent/Sponsor & Child meetings  
 (Eng./Sp.) - SPN Activity Center

### Thursday, March 5

- 3:00 p.m. *Lectio Divina* Bible study (Eng.) - HN Church Chapel  
 3:30 p.m. SVDP Meeting - SPN Activity Center Conf. Rm.  
 7:30 p.m. HN Organ Practice - HN Cafeteria, Church

### Friday, March 6

- 4:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Holy Name Fish Fry - HN Cafeteria  
 6:30 p.m. Lenten Meatless Potluck Meal - SPN-BS Parish Ctr.

### Saturday, March 7

- 9:00 a.m. Women's Gathering - SPN School Cafeteria  
 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Liturgical Ministers' Day - SPN-BS Parish Ctr.

### Sunday, March 8

- 3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Chili Cookoff & Feed - SPN-BS Parish Ctr.

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### Holy Name Parish Gifts: February 22nd

Budgeted Weekly Operating Costs	\$ 9,476.00
Sunday Tithe Collections	\$ 4,171.84
Maintenance	\$ 81.00
Over/Under budgeted amount	\$- 5,223.16

### Holy Name Catholic Church Online Donations

 ParishStaq is the online giving platform for Holy Name Catholic Church. To set up an online gift in ParishStaq, scan the QR code or click the "Online Giving" button at the Holy Name parish website, [holynamemaha.org](http://holynamemaha.org). Or you can ask your bank to send donations automatically to our parish. If you have any questions, please contact Miriam in the parish office. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.

### St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Second Collections

**Easter Flowers:** This Sunday, March 1st, we will have a second collection for Easter flowers. Thank you for your generosity.

**Black and Native American Missions:** Next Sunday, March 8th, we will have a second collection for Black & Native American Missions. Thank you for your generosity.

## Sacred Liturgies and Mass Intentions

### Saturday, February 28

- 4:00 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)  
 5:00 p.m. HN Mass: The Millán Álvarez Family

### Sunday, March 1

- 6:45 a.m. SPN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)  
 7:30 a.m. SPN Mass: the people of our family of parishes  
 10:00 a.m. SPN Mass: Larry Ellet +  
 12:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): María de la Luz Velázquez +

### Monday, March 2

No Mass

### Tuesday, March 3

- 8:15 a.m. SPN Mass: John E. Schaffart Jr. +  
 6:30 p.m. HN Stations of the Cross (Sp.)

### Wednesday, March 4

- 8:15 a.m. HN Mass: Charles & Madeline LaHood +  
 2:30 p.m. SPN Stations of the Cross

### Thursday, March 5

- 5:30 p.m. HN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)  
 6:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): The Paniagua Family +  
 7:00 p.m. HN Holy Hour with Vespers (Sp.) & Adoration

### Friday, March 6

- 8:15 a.m. SPN Mass: Memorial Society +  
 9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. SPN First Friday Exposition  
 6:00 p.m. SPN Stations of the Cross

### Saturday, March 7

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

### Sunday, March 8

- 6:45 a.m. SPN Confessions (Eng./Sp.)  
 7:30 a.m. SPN Mass: Bill Hackenberg +  
 10:00 a.m. SPN Mass: Dale & Teresa Hein +  
 12:30 p.m. HN Mass (Sp.): people of our family of parishes

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### St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament

#### Parish Support: February 22nd

Weekly Offerings	
ParishStaq online offerings	\$ 1,129.40
Collections from Masses and mail	\$ 10,706.00
Total Weekly Offerings	\$ 11,835.40
Special Offerings	\$ 1,499.75

### St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Online Donations

 ParishStaq is our parish's online giving platform. To set up an online gift in ParishStaq, scan the QR code or click the DONATE button at [saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org](http://saintphilipneriblessedsacrament.org), our parish website. Or you could ask your bank to send donations directly to our parish. If you have any questions, please contact Ted or Mary in the parish office. Thank you and God bless you for your generosity.



## From Our Pastor Father Cook

### Get to Know Your Staff

We are blessed to have amazing staff members serving our parishes. To know them better, their backgrounds, personalities, and duties, I have commissioned them to take a Sunday every two months and to write a column in the bulletin. Their topics may edify and inspire, explain what they are working on, or reveal their interests. I hope you enjoy their columns in our bulletin.

### Rotating Columnists:

- First Sundays: Fr. Cook, Pastor
- Second Sunday A: John Gencarelli, Director of Youth and Adult Evangelization in English
- Third Sunday A: Sr. Beatriz Castañeda, HN Hispanic Ministry Coordinator
- Fourth Sunday A: Ted Snoddy or Miriam Rodriguez, Business Managers for the respective parishes
- Fifth Sundays: Fr. Cook, Pastor
- Second Sunday B: Anne Jensen, Principal of St. Philip Neri Catholic School
- Third Sunday B: Monica Valles, Director of Adult Evangelization in Spanish and Religious Education for Children
- Fourth Sunday B: Sandy Leininger, SPN-BS Website & Database Coordinator

### Scrutinies

Next Sunday, on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, we will celebrate the first of three liturgical scrutinies for our elect, those who will be received into full communion with the Catholic Faith this Easter. We will celebrate two more scrutinies during both the 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Masses on the Sundays thereafter, but what is a scrutiny? The *Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)*, prepared by the International Commission on English in the Liturgy and the Bishops' Committee on the Liturgy, explains the spiritual significance of these ancient rites:

“Because they are asking for the three sacraments of initiation, the elect must have the intention of achieving an intimate knowledge of Christ and his Church, and they are expected particularly to progress in genuine self-knowledge through serious examination of their lives and true repentance. In order to inspire in the elect a desire for purification and redemption by Christ, three scrutinies are celebrated. By this means, first of all, the elect are instructed gradually about the mystery of sin, from which the whole world and every person longs to be delivered and thus saved from its present and future consequences. Second, their spirit is filled with Christ the Redeemer, who is the living water (gospel of the Samaritan woman in the first scrutiny), the light of the world (gospel of the man born blind in the second scrutiny), the resurrection and the life (gospel of Lazarus in the third scrutiny)” (§142, 143).

“The scrutinies are meant to uncover, and then heal all that is weak, defective, or sinful in the hearts of the elect; to bring out, then strengthen all that is upright, strong, and good. For the scrutinies are celebrated in order to deliver the elect from the power of sin and Satan, to protect them against temptation, and to give them strength in Christ, who is the way, the truth, and the life” (§141).

Though the scrutinies are for the elect, we all need to be aware of the reality of sin, the temptations of the devil, and the triumph of Christ every Lent. Please pray for our adult brothers and sister who will be baptized and fully initiated this Easter: Brenda Heraclio Flores, Luis Hernández, Dan Schildtknecht, and Sklyer Spoonemore.

### Joint Pastoral Council

The members of the Joint Pastoral Council are asked to attend their next meeting on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room of the SPN Activity Center (gym).



### Eucharistic Exposition Opportunities

In honor of First Friday, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. (it ends earlier than usual because of Lenten Stations) this Friday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, in the main part of St. Philip Neri Church. There is also daily Exposition, Monday-Friday (Monday-Thursday during Lent), in the Prayer Chapel of St. Philip Neri Church from 5 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Every Wednesday there is Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m. in the Prayer Chapel of Holy Name Church.

Everyone is invited to come and spend some time with Jesus at these special times, and all committed adorers are asked to attend their particular hour or plan for a substitute: We can never leave the exposed Eucharist unattended and vulnerable.

### Birthdays

Br. Gerardo Moises Gutiérrez Rivas, who lives in the Holy Name Rectory and is an Assistant Professor at Creighton University in Interdisciplinary Leadership, turns 62 today, March 1<sup>st</sup>. Our HN Maintenance Supervisor, José Alberto Alcantar, celebrates his birthday this Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. Please wish them both birthday greetings if you see them on the HN campus.

## Advertisers for the Bulletin

We are grateful for our supporters advertising in our bulletin. Please look at the back cover of this bulletin and consider their services. Would you like to help defray the cost of our parishes' bulletins and promote your business or message at the same time? We are accepting additional advertisers for our bulletins. Please contact the respective parish office for more information: Miriam at Holy Name at 402-451-6622 or mxrodriguez@archomaha.org; or Ted at St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament at 402-455-1289 or trsnoddy@archomaha.org.

## Holy Name Fish Frys

Enjoy Omaha's original and world's best Fish Fry in the Holy Name Cafeteria on the Fridays of Lent. Please invite your family and friends to attend and consider volunteering in some capacity. Food service begins at 4:30 p.m. and concludes at 8 p.m. To volunteer, please call Downey Fitzgerald, 531-375-5872.

- Feb. 13<sup>th</sup> Served: 1,428
- Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> Served: 1,056 (day after the snowstorm)
- Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> Served: \_\_\_\_\_

## 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 the Sacraments of 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, phillipsjm1@gmail.com
- **Classes in SPANISH** - Sister 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. The next class is March 1.
- **Classes in Spanish** normally occur every other month on a Sunday from 3 p.m.-6 p.m. in the Holy Name Cafeteria. The next class is April 19.



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.

## Stations of the Cross during Lent

At St. Philip Neri Church

- Friday 6 pm (Feb. 20 - March 27)
- Wednesday at 2:30 pm w/ SPN School students (Feb. 25; March 4, 18, & 25)

At Holy Name Church

- Tuesdays at 6:30 pm (Spanish) (Feb. 24; March 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31)
- Friday, March 27, 2 pm (English) with HN School students



## Lenten Abstinence from Meat

Those aged 14 and older are required to refrain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all the Fridays of Lent. There are no exceptions to or exemptions from this expectation.

## Lenten Fasting

Those between ages 18 and 59 should fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. This consists of one full meal and two smaller meals during the day, without snacks. Those unable to fast for health reasons are exempt.



## Meatless Potluck Dinners on the Fridays of Lent

after 6:00 pm Stations of the Cross in St. Philip Neri Church.

All are invited! Please bring a meatless dish to share.

## Resetting Parish Sick Lists

From time to time, we reset the petition in the Mass that includes the names of those asking for our prayers. If you or a loved one would like to be included in our Sabbath petitions, please contact either the Holy Name or St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament parish offices and speak with the respective secretary. We are honored and humbled to intercede for our fellow parishioners and suffering neighbors.

## Holy Name Catholic Church Mass Intentions

Just a reminder if you would like to have a Mass offered for an intention at Holy Name Catholic Church, please come to the Holy Name parish office or call Reyna (402-451-6622 ext. 800) to schedule a Mass intention.

## IPF Lenten Morning of Reflection

Saturday, March 14, 8:15 am-10:30 am at Christ the King Parish in Omaha. The morning is offered by the Institute for Priestly Formation (IPF). It will begin with Mass at 8:15 am, followed by a light breakfast, a reflection by Fr. Jim Rafferty entitled "See How Much He Loved Him," and time for prayer. There is no cost to attend. Register at priestlyformation.org or call Dawn at 531-272-8498.



## Neri Circles: Growing in Faith Together

### Pray ~ Share ~ Belong

Beginning this Lent, St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament invites you to join Neri Circles- small gatherings in parishioners' homes where we share a simple meal, pray with Sacred Scripture using *Lectio Divina*, and enjoy meaningful Christian fellowship. These Circles offer a welcoming place to deepen your relationship with Christ, form lasting friendships, and experience the joy of belonging to a faith-filled community. Whether you are looking to grow spiritually or simply spend time with others who share your faith, Neri Circles are a beautiful way to live our faith together. Join a Circle this Lent and beyond. Contact Robbie Miller - miller.robby@gmail.com or 317-554-9252 (Eng.)

### Lectio Divina Prayer Group

**Thursdays at 3:00 pm in the Holy Name Church Chapel.** All adults from HN and SPN-BS Parishes are invited to a *Lectio Divina* Bible study prayer group (in English). We reflect on the readings for the following Sunday's Mass. *Lectio Divina* is a slow, prayerful method of reading and praying with a short passage of Scripture.

### Small Group Ministry at Holy Name

Starting in Lent: (English) Small group ministry is where faith comes alive through friendship, prayer, and shared life, and offers 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. We are looking for Small Group Leaders. Lead and/or join a small group this Lent and beyond. Contact John Gencarelli at 402-800-3850 or jgencarelli@archomaha.org (Eng.)

**For information on groups in Spanish**, please contact Monica Valles at 402-451-6622 x 802 or mavalles@archomaha.org.

### Women's Connection Gatherings

**March 7, 9:00 am-10:30 am** in the SPN School Cafeteria. Are you looking to meet new people and enjoy good conversation? Join other women from our parish and school for fun, relaxed get-togethers. Think coffee, snacks, laughter, and making new friends - no homework, no pressure. Come as you are, stay for the connection. Please bring a snack to share.

### Steubenville Youth Conference 2026

**July 17-19, 2026:** At each **Steubenville Youth Conference**, teens experience a life-changing encounter with Jesus Christ that ignites their faith, strengthens their prayer life, leave as transformed disciple-makers, and empowers them to live on mission long after the conference ends.

**Deposits are DUE.** Contact John Gencarelli at 402-800-3850 or jgencarelli@archomaha.org.

**Meetings and Fundraiser** dates will be confirmed soon. All participants are expected to attend.

### Young Adults (Ages 21-39)

**VENI Young Adult Holy Hour:** 2nd Friday of the month, 7:30 pm in St. Cecilia Cathedral. Join over 100 young adults ages 21-39 gather for Eucharistic Exposition, opportunities for Confession, praise and worship, and an exhortation. After Adoration, young adults stick around for pizza and drinks.

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

## Religious Education & Sacramental Prep

**March 4: Confirmation Parent/Sponsor & Confirmandi Meeting** A parent or the sponsor of any child receiving Confirmation this spring is required to attend, along with his or her confirmand (child receiving Confirmation), the educational session this **Wednesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> from 6:15 pm- 7:45 pm in the St. Philip Neri Catholic School (please enter ONLY through the north door to the Activity Center)**. The session in Spanish will occur in the gym and the session in English will take place in the cafeteria.

**March 4: Religious Ed classes** 6:15 pm to 7:45 pm in the St. Philip Neri Activity Center. Please arrive a few minutes early to help us begin on time.

**Confirmation Retreat - Saturday, March 28** from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm at the Pro Sanctity Retreat Center, 11002 N 204<sup>th</sup> St, Elkhorn, NE. All students from SPN-BS and HN preparing for Confirmation must attend our Confirmation Retreat. This important day of prayer, learning, and community to help candidates grow close to Jesus as they prepare to receive the Holy Sacrament of Confirmation.

### Little Flowers Girls' Club®

**March 14, 9:00 am-10:30 am** in the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Center (church basement). All girls from SPN-BS and HN Parishes are invited. Designed for girls in kindergarten-5<sup>th</sup> grade, and 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders as helpers.

### Totus Tuus 2026

**June 14-19: Mark Your Calendars!** Totus Tuus is a Catholic summer youth program. It is open to all 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> graders during the day and 7<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders in the evening. Information and forms will be available in March.



### The Great Adventure Bible Study

The Great Adventure Bible Study (in English) continues Tuesdays at 9:00 am or 7:00 pm in the St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Center (church basement). This is the second half of a 24-week study. Questions? Please call Diane Sullivan at 402-305-9297 or Marsha Moon at 402-455-1485.

### FORMED.org

Resources for adults, youth, and children to grow in their relationship with Christ and his Church: Catholic movies, Bible studies, talks, audio books, and spiritual reflections (English and Spanish). FREE for all St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament parishioners. Signup at [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup): click "Find Your Parish Subscription," enter your parish St Philip Neri Church, your name, and your email.

### V2 Summer Camp for Boys 6th-9th Grade

Is your son looking for adventure this summer? VS Ministries summer camp offers boys a week full of fun, Catholic faith formation, team-based competition, and outdoor activities.

**Camp Dates:** Week 1: July 19-25, Week 2: July 26-August 1.

**Location:** Camp Kateri Tekakwitha in McCool Junction, NE.

**Campers:** Boys entering 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2026. **Youth**

**Leaders:** Young men entering 10<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2026.

**Cost:** \$725 until May 31. \*Scholarships available. Registration and info. at [v2ministries.org](https://v2ministries.org) or email [info@v2ministries.org](mailto:info@v2ministries.org).



## 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)*

Thanks to so many who gave as a memorial for Rich Muff to our St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament SVdP Society and to Rita Muff for her generous gesture. Also, thanks to the SPN-BS K of C for their donation. These dollars will help us to serve those in need.

As the weather warms up, the utilities are shutting off service to households that are behind on their bills. These shutoffs cease during cold weather and when they start up, our calls increase substantially.

We empty our SVdP Food Donation boxes every other week and bring the contents to our sister parish, Holy Name, for use at their food pantry. Items that are always in need are cereal, peanut butter, boxed dinners, flour, and sugar. Please think of those in need when grocery shopping and pick up an item or two for the donation boxes.

Please remember those in need in your prayers, they truly depend on SVdP for the bare necessities of living. Thank you again for helping the less fortunate in our community.

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament SVDP Society

### Holy Name St. Vincent de Paul Pantry

1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month, 4 pm to 6 pm in the Holy Name Church narthex/lobby. Next dates: March 4 and 18.

**Come to Me 2026 Healing Retreat** March 14, 10 am to 5:30 pm at St. Wenceslaus Hall, 15353 Pacific St. No cost, but you must **register by March 3** at [www.archomaha.org](http://www.archomaha.org) in the "Come to Me 2026 Healing Retreat"



section or call 402-827-3798. This retreat is for all who long for healing of past hurts and want to reclaim their identity as sons and daughters of the Father. Deacon Tim McNeil will speak on God's gift of restoration and mercy through a relationship with Jesus Christ. Fr. Andy Sohm will offer Mass. Confessions, spiritual direction, time for prayer, and fellowship.

### 40 Days for Life: February 18-March 29

*40 Days for Life* is a campaign of prayer, fasting, and peaceful prayer vigil outside abortion centers. Many women choose life when they see people praying outside abortion centers. Please sign up at the links below or simply come to pray 8 am to 8 pm.

- **Omaha Vigil** at Planned Parenthood, 3105 N 93rd St. [www.40daysforlife.com/en/omaha](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/omaha). Questions? Contact Liz Sambol at 402-651-4789 or [elizabeth.sambol@gmail.com](mailto:elizabeth.sambol@gmail.com).
- **Bellevue Vigil** at 1002 W Mission Ave. Questions? Contact [engage@nebraskansembracinglife.org](mailto:engage@nebraskansembracinglife.org) or 402-399-0299. [www.40daysforlife.com/en/bellevuene](http://www.40daysforlife.com/en/bellevuene).

**"The Way of the Cross," a free concert by Donna Cori**, Friday, March 6, 6:00 pm at St. Thomas More Church, Omaha.

**Bethlehem House 2026 Gala** Thursday, March 12, at UNO Scott Conference Center. Doors open at 5:30 pm. Registration and details are at: <https://one.bidpal.net/bhgala2026/welcome>.

## St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament KNIGHTS NOTES - SAVE THESE DATES!



- **Sunday, March 8**, 3-6 pm: Chili Cookoff & Feed
- **Wednesday, March 11**, 7 pm: KofC Meeting in the Parish Center Conference Room
- **Saturday, March 21**, 6:30 pm: Next Family Movie Knight

### Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament

**At Holy Name Church**, Exposition is offered Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Thursday from 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. For more information, please call the Holy Name parish office at 402-451-6622.



**At St. Philip Neri Church**, Exposition is offered Monday-Friday (Monday-Thursday during Lent) from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. (the final hour being 8 p.m. to 9 p.m.) in the prayer chapel. *On the First Friday during Lent, March 6*, Exposition is 9 a.m. to 6 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 Joann Feller at 402-215-5532.

**Adoration without Exposition** is available anytime. There is a church door with an entry code at SPN and HN Churches. For details and the door code, contact Mary in the parish office.

### Dear Adorers at St. Philip Neri Church,

Just so you know, most of the articles I've printed from the *National Catholic Register* are in a binder on the bookshelf. If any are usable to you, please take them. Don't worry about letting me know or bringing them back. Two of the newest articles, from January 26, are biographies, and one is a history of the Hail Mary. Very interesting.

Also, the 6 pm hour on Tuesdays and Wednesdays seems to need the most help. If you can squeeze one of those hours into your schedule, call/text Joann Feller at 402-215-5532.

**Catholic Cemeteries Stations of the Cross on the Wednesdays of Lent** at 6:00 pm in Holy Angels Mausoleum in Resurrection Cemetery, 7800 W. Center Rd. These Stations are especially helpful for those who recently lost a loved one.

**Grieving with Hope Retreat:** Saturday, March 7, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Galway Room of St. Patrick Parish in Elkhorn. This is a one-day retreat for those who have lost a loved one. RSVP at [tinyurl.com/gwhstpats2026](http://tinyurl.com/gwhstpats2026). For any questions, please contact Mandy Busch at [mbusch@stpatselfhorn.org](mailto:mbusch@stpatselfhorn.org).

### Broom-Tree Retreat Center, Irene, SD

- **Day of Recollection:** Tuesday, March 10, 10 am-3 pm. *Staying Faithful to Our Lenten Penances*, directed by Fr. Joe Forcelle. This one-day retreat includes Holy Mass, two conferences, lunch, Holy Hour, opportunity for Confession.
- **Silent Ignatian Retreats for Men or Women**  
Men: June 18-21, Oct. 15-18, Nov. 19-22  
Women: April 16-19, May 7-10, June 25-28, Aug. 27-30, Oct. 1-4, Nov. 5-8. (You can signup on a waitlist if it is full.)  
**Register:** [www.broom-tree.org/retreats/scheduled-retreats](http://www.broom-tree.org/retreats/scheduled-retreats). For information: [broomtree@sfcatholic.org](mailto:broomtree@sfcatholic.org) or 605-263-1040.

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# CHILI COOKOFF & FEED

Come to vote or just to eat. We'll have lots of chili, hot dogs and all the fixings!

Enter your family favorite chili recipe by emailing [tsammons01@gmail.com](mailto:tsammons01@gmail.com) no later than Saturday, March 7th by 5:00 p.m. Each participant will need to bring their chili in a crock pot to the Parish Center by 2:45 p.m. on Sunday March 8th.

You may enter multiple chilis.  
**Four categories for judging:**

- Homestyle (classic tomato, beef, beans)
- Traditional (tomato, beef, no beans)
- Other (White chicken, venison, pork)
- Vegetarian (no meat)

**Free Will Donations!**

**Sunday, March 8**  
 3:00-6:00 PM  
 SPN-BS Parish Center

FOR BULLETIN ADVERTISING information, please contact Ted at [trsnoddy@archomaha.org](mailto:trsnoddy@archomaha.org) or 402-455-1289; or Miriam at [mxrodriguez@archomaha.org](mailto:mxrodriguez@archomaha.org) or 402-451-6622.

Volunteers are welcome. To volunteer, call Downey Fitzgerald 531-375-5872.

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 Doors close at 8pm, we serve till around 8:30pm  
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