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Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time--Year C

August 25, 2019

Serving the Church to make Jesus Christ known and loved

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WEDDINGS: Contact the Pastor six months before your wedding date
BAPTISMS: Contact the Pastor to arrange for class time and date
CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before Sat. and Sun. Masses; 15 minutes before weekday Masses. Confessions also available by appointment.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!
 Call the Parish Office to register:
 OLMC-Tilden: 402.368.7710
 SFA-Neligh: 402.887.4521

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tues 27 Aug---- 9:00 am (T) Terrence Connelly +
 Wed 28 Aug ---- 8:30 am (N) Earl & Bernice Schindler +
 9:30 am(NCRC) Busch Living & Deceased Family Members
 Thur 29 Aug---- 9:00 am (T) Living & Deceased Members Dickey Family
 Fri 30 Aug ---- 8:30 am (N) Fran McCoy +
 Sat 31 Aug -----5:00 pm (N) Klayton Parks +
 7:00 pm (T) Christopher Schaecher +
 Sun 1 Sept ---- 8:00 am (T) Parishioners of OLMC & St. Francis
 10:00 am (N) Living & Deceased Members of Leonard & Thelma Sauser Family

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed this Sun, Aug 25 at 3 pm.

Quarterly Mass times switch: Sept 7, 2019 [Sept, Oct, Nov]
 (OLMC) Sat. 5 pm / Sun.10 am:
 (N) Sat.- 7 pm / Sun. 8 am:

MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Saturday 31 Aug, 5:00 pm	Sunday 1 Sept, 10:00 am
EMCH's	Dale Kallhoff, Del & Susan Ames Ron Beacom, Milly Clemens	Carla Teel, Bill Kuester, Nick Strom, Linda Wingate, Bob Eggerling, Doris Ternus
LECTOR	Tessa Hain	Ron Gilg
SERVERS	Ashton Higgins, Jaxon Nelson Christian Behnk, Layne Bullock	Alayna Finch, Charlie Carothers Emma & Elise Ruterbories
GIFT BEARERS	Brad Higgins Family	Jim Koenig Family
USHERS	LeRoy Clarkson, Trent Hoefler Jeff Krebs, Troy Shabram	Chad Shabram, Ted Hughes Andy Elder, Randy Kallhoff

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	USHERS	EMHCs	Lectors	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
Saturday Aug 31 7:00 pm	Roger Kee Phil Chvala	Mary Rautenberg Vernel Zwingman Mike Dusel	Jolene Schapmann	Nate Decker Evan Decker Kirsten Dusel	Roger & Geri Kee	
Sunday Sept 1 8:00 am	Dave Miller John Frey	Jim O'Brien Ed & Ruth O'Brien	Ruth Miller	Carney Black JJ Black Logan Black	Ed & Ruth O'Brien	Mary Hecht Mary Fox



Pray that fulfill Christ's commandment to love all people by defending the right to life of all.



St. Francis – Religious Education

Religious Education classes will start **Wednesday, September 4th**, 6:00pm start (K-7) and 7:15pm start (8-12). An all Parents Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28th at 7:00pm, including an important Confirmation Parents Meeting to follow that evening.

My thanks to the teachers and aides for this year: **Lesley Johnson (K), Kelsey Blakeman (1st), Kelly Starman and Terra Kimes (2nd), Sara Muslik (3rd), Jenni Breuer and Simon Beacom (4th), MacKenzie Rudolf (5th), Melissa Henery and Donna Taylor (6th/7th), Tracy Booth and Michelle Carothers (8th), Angie Belitz and Beth Ramold (Confirmation), after Confirmation: Becky Kerkman and Beth Ramold (9th), Trent and Hannah Hoefler, and Angie Belitz (10-12), Natalie Bitney (Music) and Amy Baker (Director).**

We had a teacher’s meeting in preparation for the new school year on August 21st. One item I mentioned, that I certainly try to apply and remind myself, is the saying “you can’t give what you don’t have.” We can’t impart our faith, unless it is part of who we are, thus teaching includes trying to grow in the spiritual life too.

An important reminder for me as a priest, that unless I am trying to stay close to the source, the divine life, to Jesus, my efforts to impart the faith will suffer. Thus, the importance of mass, confession, prayer and including time in front of the tabernacle. Trying to grow in the spiritual life, to be present with the Lord. A good reminder I think for us all!!

Gospel – 21th Sunday of Ordinary Time

A note on the Gospel: In response to the question, “Lord, will only a few people be saved?” Jesus responds, “Strive to enter through the narrow gate, ...” Jesus does not say strive to enter the “wide” gate or follow the wide expansive path to eternal life. No, Jesus says “narrow” and then continues, “for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough.”

It seems like there is a current thought or impression that everyone, or almost everyone will go to heaven. Our Gospel this week gives a caution or pause I think to that impression. We believe in a loving and merciful God, but considering Jesus describes it as a narrow gate, I think should give us pause, and to increase our desire to fully repent, to make use of the sacrament of confession, to eliminate as much as we can sin in our lives that we may strive to enter through the narrow gate.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)

Do you know someone that is not Catholic, but may have interest in becoming Catholic? Maybe a close relative or friend, or maybe your spouse who has been considering it. RCIA classes will be available starting in September. If you would like more information about RCIA and or would like to begin the classes, please contact me or the parish office. *Fr. Pat*

Next weekend only--Mass schedule change:

- Sat Aug 31, 7 pm St. Boniface, Elgin
- Sun Sept 1, 10 am St. John the Baptist, Petersburg

Area Parish Mass Schedule:

- Saturday 5:00pm St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh
- Saturday 5:30pm St. Peter de Alcántara, Ewing
- Saturday 7:00pm St. John the Baptist, Petersburg
- Saturday 7:00pm Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden
- Sunday 8:00am St. Bonaventure, Raeville
- Sunday 8:00am Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden
- Sunday 10:00am St. Boniface, Elgin
- Sunday 10:00am St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh
- Sunday 10:00am St. Theresa of Avila, Clearwater
- Sunday 11:30am St. John the Baptist, Deloit (*Rural St. John's*)

St. Francis of Assisi families responsible for cleaning the church in August

Aug 29 Kenny Parks, Matt Parks, Chad Shabram

If you are unable to fulfill your assigned time, please find a substitute.

Fall Festival News Monthly chairwomen will be contacting Rosary Sodality members for raffle prize donations this month. If you would like to donate a prize and do not receive a call, you may contact Sheila Parks @ 402-887-4001 or Martha Eilers @ 402-368-5884.

Praying for vocations: Our **Travelling Vocation Cross** has started its journey thru our parish families again as we continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. Mary Frasch is hosting the Vocation Cross currently. Please contact Kathy Sauser for hosting arrangement. Vocation prayer cards for your use may be found at the back of church and in the vocation cross box.

CCD Teachers and anyone who may have contact with our youth (i.e., chaperones, drivers, aides) 18 and older **must be Safe Environment** certified before September 4. A training session will be held at:

Sacred Heart Parish - Norfolk - Mon., Aug. 26th 6:00 pm

Please contact Natalie Bitney at 402-929-0077 if you have questions about Safe Environment.

Father John Norman will also be offering a live Safe Environment training on Wed., Sept. 4th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. The session will be held at St. Theresa's Hall in Clearwater. You will need to register for the class online <https://omaha.cmconnect.org>. Deadline to register is the day of the training. [Note: this is live training for those never trained before, or if your certificate has expired. There is an option for Online training on the omaha.cmconnect.org site, but it is only for renewal, prior to your expiration date].

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION **Religious Education will start the 4th of September.**

Registration is still going on please hand your registration in at the parish office or bring to Parent meeting We are still in need of several aids for the K - 6th grades.

We will have a **mandatory parent** meeting for all parents **K - 12** on **28 of August** at 7:00 pm with a confirmation meeting to follow.

Thank you all for your continued support for the education of our youth and continue prayers please. God Blessings to all.

Raffle tickets are on sale in the entry of OLMC for the OACCW convention. You can purchase your raffle tickets before Masses from now until Sept 10th.

The **OLMC Catholic Women** are asking for new board books for babies for The Layettes of Love. The Layette program is operated by The Christ Child Society of Omaha and Fr. Keiter, Chapter President. (Layettes are wonderful diaper bags packed full of baby necessities and are made available for newborns and parents in need). If you would like to donate, please purchase new board books and place them in the designated box in the front entry of OLMC. If you wish to give a monetary gift so that books can be purchased for you, please place your donations in an envelope marked **Board Books** and drop it in the collection basket during Masses. The RC Deanery will be collecting books and donations from now thru Oct 6th for the Layettes.

**Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections
Aug 18, 2019**

SFA-Neligh *Weekly offering Needed: \$2,675.42 Regular Coll. \$2,004.00 Assumption \$438.79	OLMC-Tilden *Weekly offering Needed: \$884.62 Regular Coll. \$725.83 Assumption \$242.00 Candles \$56.92
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God Bless you for your generosity!

*This amount reflects weekly giving over 52 weeks. It anticipates other amounts collected, for example, for Christmas, Easter, Holy Days, and other parish donations will be at certain or close to budgeted amounts in addition to this weekly giving amount.

SFA-Neligh

Rosary every Tue, 10 am in Church, Everyone welcome.

The Willows: Rosary, Sat at 10 am;

Knights of Columbus: 1st Tue, 8 pm

Rosary Sodality: 2nd Tue, 7:00 pm

Parish Council: Sept 19, 6:00 pm

Fin. Council: TBA

OLMC-Tilden

Knights of Columbus (see Neligh)

Catholic Women meet : 1st Tue 9:30 am every 3 months, Mar, June, Sept, Dec.

Parish/Finance Council: TBA



Please call June Andersen (887-4937) Milly Clemens (887-5069) or the parish office (887-4521) to add names to the prayer list. Names will be listed for three weeks or as long as necessary. Thank you for praying for those most in need

Please remember to pray for: St. Francis-Neligh
Matt Evans, Dr. Dwaine Peetz, Larry Braband, Robin Boschult, Annette Anderson, Marty Wagner, Lyla Mechaley, Barb Roland, Keith Palmer, Becky Baker, Mason Rayer

Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden
Nate Thiele, Nancy Hecht, Matt Evans, Joel Rivera, Larry Chroetlin, Gary Inlow, Allery Klabenes, Jenny White, Sena Lowery, Rick Stahno, Shirley Burkhardt, Fred Sandquist, Robert Petersen

Announcements

Mark your calendars and Please plan to attend, St. John the Baptist Catholic Church, **Parish Bazaar, Sun 1 Sept.** Werner Hall, 106 North 4th Street, Petersburg. 10 a.m. Mass
11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Meal in our air conditioned Werner Hall ~ Meal cost Adults \$12 ~ Children \$6 (ages 4-12)
Serving: Roast beef, sausage, mashed potatoes & gravy, Cole slaw, homegrown sweetcorn, cucumber salad, and desserts. Meal to be followed by Parish Auction, Parish Raffle, Collector Gun Raffle, & Quilt Raffle. Kids' Activities, BINGO, & Social Garden (Ongoing). Hope to See you There!!

All Catholic Women are **invited to the 95th Convention of OACCW**, Mon 16 Sept, 9 am to 3 pm, at St. Rose of Lima Parish Center, 1316 W. 5th St. Crofton, NE. Guest speakers will be Sr. Roanne Ocken, and Linda Kerkman OACCW President. **Registration \$25 by Sept. 3rd.** Registration covers morning coffee/rolls and lunch. Program includes 8 a.m. Rosary, Mass with Archbishop Lucas and Archdiocesan Priests. Make check payable to RNC Deanery; mail registration to Diane Shafer, 402 E. Mosher St., Randolph NE 68771. Include name, address, phone or email, deanery and parish. For more information call Diane Shafer, 402-337-0564 or ask your guild president.

Tonic Sol-fa, the award-winning a cappella group, will be performing in Elgin again this fall! The Pope John Music Department will host the group on **Sat 21 Sept** at 7:00 p.m. in the St. Boniface Auditorium. Tickets can be purchased for \$20 in advance through Pope John school, a high school choir or band member, or through the website <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/elgin-ne-tonic-sol-fa-tickets-69202978973>. They can also be purchased for \$25 at the door.

Gifts and Fruits: Cultivating a Spirit-Filled Marriage, September 7 – 8, retreat for married couples at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with EWTN and Spirit Catholic Radio speakers *Jim and Maureen Otremba* from Minnesota. Transformation happens when couples accept and live out the gifts and fruits of the Holy Spirit. During this engaging weekend, each couple will be empowered with tools and practices that will bless their marriage with new and abundant fruit. Includes talks, personal and couple reflection time, Mass and Reconciliation. Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to Sunday after lunch. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

From Inspiration to Illumination: An Introduction to The Saint John's Bible, Tuesday, September 10, 7:00 p.m., talk at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, by *Tim Ternes* from Minnesota. The Saint John's Bible is the first handwritten bible, commissioned by a Benedictine monastery in more than five hundred years. Through video and rich visual images, participants will be guided through the story of the stunning work of art with its 160 major illuminations. Learn about the processes, tools, methods, and materials behind the making of The Saint John's Bible; explore several artworks through guided imagery discussions; handle vellum samples and a quill; and see large fine art reproductions of the seven volumes. Free of charge. For more information call (402) 352-8819 or visit www.StBenedictCenter.com.

"Hunger Does Not Take a Day Off"

Through Christ's merciful love, we can help those individuals and families across northeast Nebraska who struggle daily to put food on their tables. Catholic Charities is asking for our financial assistance for their emergency food pantries through a special collection- "Hunger Does Not Take A Day Off" to take place in our parishes on Aug 31 and Sept 1. All proceeds will go directly to Catholic Charities' food pantries to feed our neighbors in need.

Don't Miss the 42nd Archbishop's Dinner for Education--A Celebration of Education

Get your tickets now for the **42nd Archbishop's Dinner for Education, Thursday, Sept. 12, at the Embassy Suites in La Vista**. This annual celebration of Catholic education recognizes outstanding teachers and administrators throughout our Catholic school system, thanks those who support our schools and raises vital scholarship funds for low-income students to attend Catholic schools.

Social hour begins at 6 p.m. followed by dinner and a program at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$150 each or \$65 for patrons under the age of 35. **To purchase tickets online go to <https://give.archomaha.org/Dinner2019> contact Janet Griffin at 402-827-3764, jmgriffin@archomaha.org.**

Proceeds from the dinner are used to provide a \$5,000 gift to each 2019 honoree and to fund scholarships for families in need. Scholarship dollars raised are administered by the Children's Scholarship Fund of Omaha.

With the combined parish bulletin, we request that all announcements be submitted to the office (sfa or olmc) by Thursday noon of each week. Announcements not received by Thur. may not be published. Thank You.

Visit parish website: www.olmetilden.org or www.stfranciscc.org for weekly bulletins, Mass times, liturgical ministers' and religious education schedules, Parish & Finance Council news, parish women's organizations, Knights of Columbus events, web links, events & announcements, and more. For SFA parish hall rentals and events call the parish office. For OLMC call Mary Rautenberg at 402-368-2231 & Loretta Nykodym 402-368-2182.

For OLMC maintenance call Stan Schapmann 402-368-5906. SFA call Del Ames 402-276-0184