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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time--Year A *February 16, 2020*

Serving the Church to make Jesus Christ known and loved

Clergy & Staff

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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 18 Feb—— 9:00 am (T) Robert Spieker +
 Wed 19 Feb----- 8:30 am (N) Alice Tunink +
 9:30 am (W) Si & Germaine Berry +
 Thur 20 Feb----- 9:00 am (T) Kate Kielty +
 Fri 21 Feb----- 8:30 am (N) Elaine Glanz

 Sat 22 Feb----- 5:00 pm (N) Michael Peetz +
 7:00 pm (T) Joe & Eleanor Schaecher +
 & Living & Deceased Family Members
 Sun 23 Feb----- 8:00 am (T) Parishioner of OLMC & St. Francis
 10:00 am (N) Bernard & Helen Burbach + & Family

Quarterly Mass times switch: March 7, 2020 (Mar, Apr, May)
St. Francis Sat. 7 pm/Sun 8 am OLMC Sat- 5 pm / Sun 10 am

MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Saturday 22 February 5:00 pm	Sunday 23 February 10:00 am
EMHC's	Del & Susie Ames, Bill Kuester Dr. Russ & Joan Vetick	Kathy Schultz, Carla Teel, Marian Shabram, Michelle Ternus, Jim & Kathy Koenig
LECTOR	Tessa Hain	Doris Ternus
SERVERS	Ashlyn Rudolf, Colson Krebs, Talon Krebs	Alayna Finch, Kegan Payne, Caleb Payne
GIFTBEARERS	Bill Lyons Family	Andy Elder Family
USHERS	LeRoy Clarkson, Jeff Krebs Bill Lyons, Dale Kallhoff	Troy Shabram, Daryl Booth Andy Elder, Ted Hughes

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	Ushers	EMHCs	Lector	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
Saturday Feb 22 7:00 pm	Sam Schaecher Bill Hatterman	Rose Schaecher Joanne Penne Vernal Zwingman	Jolene Schapmann	Nate Decker Evan Decker Ashton Kuchar	Bill & Gloria Hatterman	
Sunday Feb 23 8:00 am	Ron Koch Walt Patras	Luann Koch Rosemary Patras Sheila Meyer	Emily Vaughn	Marinee Vaughn Leevi Frey Cassidy Frey	Ron & Luann Koch	Phil Chvala Danielle Johnsen



Pray for all women who are tempted to choose abortion,
 that they may have the courage to choose life..

I am back at the parishes - it's good to be back! The surgery went well, so I'm glad about that and glad that it is now behind me. Thank you to everyone for your prayers, support and well wishes. Means a lot! Knowing so many people were praying for me gave me great confidence and I feel very fortunate to have such great support.

The surgery included removing my prostate and lymph nodes outside the prostate. The testing done after the surgery confirmed the biopsy I had of cancer in the prostate, but fortunately no cancer was detected in the lymph nodes - which is very good news. Based upon the testing, it looks at this point I will *not* need further surgery, or need radiation or chemotherapy. So again great news.

My next doctor appointment is on March 9th primarily to have another PSA test, which will hopefully show a very low number. My last PSA before the surgery was very high. So hopefully the next appointment will go well, and it will just be a matter of monitoring things in the days and months and even years ahead.

I'm looking forward to things getting back to normal at the parishes for me. I am grateful for the assistance and help of Fr. Michael Eckley and Fr. James Kramper during my absence. Fr. Eckley got extra duty with two funerals. I wish I could have been there for those funerals, but grateful that an experienced priest such as Fr. Eckley was able to do so.

As mentioned in a prior bulletin, I would like to express again my special thanks to parishioner Peggy Green for the encouragement to take advantage of the opportunity to get my blood tested at Antelope Memorial Hospital at one of the *Discounted Lap Specials* and to Antelope Memorial Hospital for their work and providing this service to the community. In early detection, at a minimum, this could have potentially saved me from needing further treatment - thankful for that.

I mentioned to Archbishop Lucas during my recovery that I hope that this experience will help me to have greater empathy for those that face similar circumstances. In many ways, I feel very fortunate on how things have gone.

Please know of my heartfelt appreciation for the support and know of my prayers for the parishes. – Fr. Pat

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us.

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us.

The Way: A Healing Retreat for Male Survivors of Abuse

Registration is now open for The Way: A Healing Retreat for Male Survivors of Abuse. The Diocese of Grand Island Victim Assistance Ministry, in collaboration with the Victim Assistance Ministries in the Archdiocese of Omaha and Diocese of Lincoln, is hosting the retreat March 20-22, 2020 at Camp Comeca in Cozad, Nebraska. The Way is a 3-day guided meditation and prayer experience for men whose abuse by another has deeply affected their heart, mind, body and soul. The Way Retreat was developed in the Archdiocese of Atlanta, by Victim Assistance Coordinator Sue Stubbs, who will facilitate this retreat along with Gerry Crete Ph.D., M.Ed., NCC. For more information, go to <https://www.gidiocese.org/safe-environment/victim-assistance> To request an application email bheidt@gidiocese.org, or call Elizabeth A. Heidt Kozisek, Ph.D. at 308-382-6565.

The Archdiocese of Omaha is committed to reporting all incidents of sexual abuse in the Church and those we become aware of in the community.

In Nebraska, every adult (19 and older) is a "mandatory reporter"--i.e. *any person who has reasonable cause to believe that a child has been subject to abuse or neglect is required by law to make a report to the Nebraska CPS hotline and/or Law Enforcement.* (Nebraska Revised Statute 28-711)

If you observe or suspect sexual abuse:

Call the Nebraska Child Abuse CPS Hotline at 1-800-652-1999/local law enforcement agency for all concerns of minors (18 years and younger) or vulnerable adults.

After reporting concerns to civil and law enforcement authorities, all suspected sexual abuse concerns of a minor/vulnerable adult regarding clergy, employees or volunteers acting on behalf of the Church are to be reported to Archdiocesan Victim Outreach and Prevention Office Director, Mary Beth Hanus, 402-827-3798 or mbhanus@archomaha.org or the Chancellor at 402-558-3100.

The Archdiocese has a sincere commitment to protect our children and to provide care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families who have been injured by someone acting on behalf of the Church.

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

- Feb 20** Dane Harley, Kenny Parks, Brian Harrison
- Feb 27** Troy Shabram, Bob Eggerling, Doug Haselhorst, Terry Sehi

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

Rosary Sodality meeting postponed, the meeting will be held Tues 18 Feb, at 7:00 pm.

Praying for vocations: Our traveling Vocation Cross continues it's journey thru our parish families as we pray for vocations to the priesthood. Please contact Kathy Sausser for hosting arrangement. Vocation prayer cards for your use may be found at the back of church and in the vocation cross box.

Envelopes in which to submit (St. Patrick's) **BASH donations** are available in the back of church. Your support is much appreciated.

Reminder—Please **sign up for the St. Patrick day bash**. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church for different jobs. Thank you.

OLMC Religious Education -- Feb 19, 2020
Grades K-8 7:00 to 8:00 pm Regular Class
Grades 9-12 7:00 to 8:00 pm Regular Class

Grades 9-12 --Bingo at Prairie View. (Mar. 11, Mar. 25, Apr. 15)

RELIGIOUS

February 19, 2020

Grades K-8 6:00 to 7:00 pm Regular Class
Grades 9-12 7:15 to 8:30 pm Regular Class

THANK YOU! The brunch committee would like to genuinely thank everyone who volunteered time, money, or food donations to the brunch. Even after 10 years of helping with this, we are still amazed every year with the generosity of our parish members. Also thank you to all who attended to make the event a success! Congratulations to our \$100 raffle winner, Jeannie Booth.

*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections
 FEB 9, 2020*

SFA-Neligh	OLMC-Tilden
*Weekly offering	*Weekly offering
Needed: \$2,675.42	Needed: \$ 884.62
Regular Coll. \$2,136.00	Regular Coll. \$1,741.00
Home & Foreign	Bash to date: \$1,880.00
Missions, (4 in 1)	Utilities; \$500.00
Collection: \$641.00	Candles: \$151.35
Building Fund: \$305.00	

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.

Need 3 more (single or family households) to meet participation goal at OLMC.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Parish	Goal	Current	Percent of Goal	Goal - Participation	Current - Participation
St. Francis	\$8,695.37	\$8,862.00	101.9%	20.4%	26.3%
OLMC	\$2,646.33	\$3,114.00	117.7%	23.8%	21.4 %

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:** Feb 20, 6 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. The below lists are those in need of prayers or continuing prayers. Most recent prayer requests will be included as part of the petitions during weekend masses for three weeks or as long as requested. Thank you for praying for those in need.

Please remember to pray for: St. Francis-Neligh
 Dr. Dwaine Peetz, Larry Braband, Robin Boschult, Craig Allemang, Larry Shavlik, Marie Johnson, Lyla Mechaely, Marty Wagner, Traci Werkmeister, Carol Diedrichsen, Sylvie Evert, Jack Conger, Lyle Mackel, Jane Schultz

Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden
 Nate Thiele, Nancy Hecht, Matt Evans, Larry Chroetlin, Jenny White, Rick Stahno, Robert Petersen, Mardell Kohl, Annie Leinen, Jackie Burgmen, Les Wilson, Keryl Meduna, John Gladem

Announcements

~~**POTATO BAKE** Saint John the Baptist Catholic Church in Petersburg will have a Potato Bake on **Sunday, February 23** from 5:00 - 7:00 pm at Werner Hall – 106 North 4th Street, Petersburg. Baked potato with several toppings to choose from and homemade desserts. Everyone is welcome.

~~**St. Bonaventure Parish Breakfast** will be held Sunday, **March 1st in the Raeville Parish Hall** serving from 8:30 a.m. until noon. The menu includes Pancakes, French toast, sausage, ham, dessert and beverages. Free will donation. Proceeds will be donated to area seminarians-Zach Eischeid of Elgin and Luke Schmitz of Albion, and the Antelope and Boone County Food Pantries. Raffle drawing will also be held

~~**1/22-3/25 Pro-Life Essay Contest** Give voice to your pro-life values! The Archdiocese Pro-Life Essay Contest is now taking entries from students in grades 7-11. Prizes range from \$20-\$40, and first place entries will be submitted to the Knights of Columbus statewide contest. For the writing prompt and submission details visit <https://archomaha.org/essaycontest/>. For more information contact Whitney Bradley, Respect Life Apostolate Coordinator, at wabradley@archomaha.org or call 402.551.9003 x1306

~~**St. Boniface Parish** in Elgin is **seeking consignment items and donations** for their Saturday, March 14 Spring Benefit Auction. They offer competitive commission rates and no commission charged on smaller “no sale” items. Items are subject to Committee’s Acceptance. Looking for Antiques, Collectibles, Machinery, Equipment, Implements, Vehicles, Tools and Supplies by February 18 for listing. To consign, call Matt Beckman, 402-843-6045 or Luke Beckman, 402-843-0598. All Proceeds to benefit St. Boniface Parish, Elgin.

Seeking Truth Bible Study of John --- Building parish life through community study of God’s Word. Please join us **Sun, Feb 16, 2 pm** in the St. Francis Church Hall. This week will be Lesson 20, John, Chapter 19. Find in the vestibule of church the lesson for the upcoming week. All are welcome.

Quest ~~A Christian Experience for High School freshmen and Sophomores

Come, Join in the Experience. Quest brings young people together, to meet them where they are, and to invite them to “Search For” and Seek Out” a deeper understanding and appreciation of themselves, others and their God. It is a journey, challenge, adventure, and hopefully a discovery.

When: March 21-22, 2020,

Begins: Saturday 8:00 am

Ends: Sunday about 2:00 pm

Where: Tintern Retreat & Resource Center, Oakdale, NE

Apply: All Retreat Forms may be obtained via Facebook page:

Quest Northeast NE or gcschum@megavision.com

Discover & Deepen Your Relationship with the Holy Spirit this Lenten Season

join us at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish hall
on Sunday evenings from 7-8 p.m.

for the DVD presentation of *The Wild Goose**
by Fr, Dave Pivonka

on the following dates:

February 23, March 8, March 15, March 22, March 29, April 5

*for more information go to <https://thewildgooseisloose.com>

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.olmctilden.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