

Catholic Parishes in Partnership

St. Bonaventure, Raeville | St. Boniface, Elgin | St. John the Baptist, Petersburg
Annunciation Parish serving
St. John the Baptist, Deloit | St. Peter de Alcántara, Ewing | St. Theresa, Clearwater
St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh | Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Tilden

January 4, 2026 Epiphany of the Lord

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9:30 am-Noon & 1:00-4:00 pm

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No office hours. PO Box checked regularly.

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Communication

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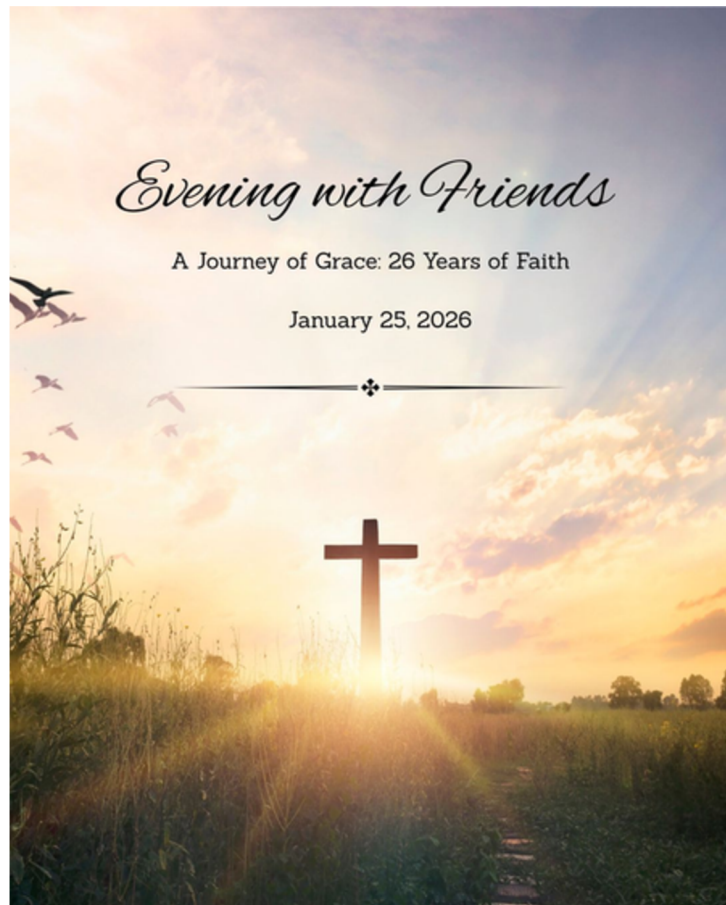
Epiphany of the Lord

“We saw his star at its rising and
have come to do him homage.”
Matthew 2:2



SPE=Ewing, STC=Clearwater, SJD=Deloit, SFN=Neligh, OLT=Tilden, SJP=Petersburg, SBR=Raeville, SBE=Elgin

Date	Time & Event
	Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7:00 P.M.
	Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00 A.M.
	Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30 P.M.
	Every 3 rd Sunday of the month SFN Divine Mercy 3:00 P.M.
	** For January - Moved to following week due to Holy Day ** SBE Adoration begins on Thursday before the first Friday of the month, following the 8:15 AM Mass, and continues through the 8:15 AM Mass on Friday.
January 5	SPE Christian Mothers Meeting 2:00 pm St. Dominic's Hall
January 6	School Resumes
January 8	SBE Adoration Begins after 8:15 AM Mass
January 8	SBE Thanksgiving Bazaar follow up meeting 7:00 pm, Convent meeting room
January 9	SBE Adoration Ends after 8:15 AM Mass
January 11	SBE Praise & Worship, 6:00 PM
January 12	SBE Altar Society Meeting 7:00 PM, Convent Meeting Room
January 17	STC - Catechist Retreat, 10AM-2PM
January 17	SJD Right to Life Fundraiser, after 5:30 PM Mass Pro-Life Resolutions for New Year
January 25	Evening with Friends A Journey of Grace: 26 Years of Faith
February 15	SPE Taste of Italy



Year End Note

Donations dated 2025 will be applied to the 2025 contribution year. Donations dated 2026 will be applied to the 2026 contribution year. God bless you for your generosity and continued support.



FINAL WEEK TO PURCHASE!

Once-A-Month Club Tickets

This is the final week to purchase tickets for St. John's, Petersburg Once-a-Month Club! Please contact any of the individuals listed below to secure your ticket.

- Hank Thieman ~ 402-447-4183
- Lynnette Seier ~ 402-843-8914
- Jay Pelster ~ 402-973-2789
- Eric Petsche ~ 402-843-6297
- Adam Wies ~ 402-843-8786
- Kevin Schumacher ~ 402-843-6171

- Shirley Henn ~ 402-843-8734
- Rick Pelster ~ 402-608-0212
- Clyde Stuhr ~ 402-843-0236
- Peter Starman ~ 402-843-0445
- Kay Preister ~ 402-843-8838



St. Boniface Sausage

St. Boniface sausage patties for sale. A package of four for \$7.50 please contact (call or text) Betty Getzfred 402-843-8274.



Aluminum Cans

With the holidays behind us, many families may have aluminum cans ready to recycle. We are happy to accept your aluminum can donations. Please place bagged cans in the trailer located at the southwest end of the Pope John School parking lot. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

2025 Archbishop Annual Appeal



Parish	Goal	Contribution	% of Goal Reached
ANN	\$35,195	\$18,551	55.27%
SBR	\$4,370	\$2,755	63.03%
SBE	\$25,527	\$16,792.29	65.78%
SJP	\$5038	\$3,445	68.37%

Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

serving St. John the Baptist, Deloit | St. Peter de Alcantara, Ewing

St. Theresa of Avila, Clearwater | St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh | Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Tilden

Stewardship for December 27-28

God bless you for your generosity!

Christmas	\$32,980.80
Sunday Offertory	\$8,127.00
Sunday Online Giving	\$100.00
God's Portion	\$4,445.00
All Saints Day	\$40.00
Immaculate Conception	\$40.00
Seminary	\$40.00
Retired Religious	\$1,295.00
OLT Building	\$140.00
SPE Building	\$480.00

Building Fund money goes into a Reserve account. If you are donating to the Building Fund, please write a separate check. *Thank you for your generosity!*



**** February 15th**
**** Taste of Italy**
**** More Info to Come Soon!**



SFN January Cleaning Schedule

Jan 3rd	Dewey Teel, Cody Schacht, Lyle Meis
Jan 10 th	Linda Wingate, Pauline Tolfa, Roger Blakeman
Jan 17 th	Jim McNally, Dan Murray, Jon Strom
Jan 24 th	Brian Christiansen, Loren Grosserode, Les Ridder
Jan 31st	Andy Elder, Jim Koenig, Dane Nielsen

Announcements!!



SJD Right to Life Fundraiser - January 17

Our theme for The Right to Life Event this year, is Pro-Life Resolutions for New Year! Father Kramper will be there to honor the babies baptized at St. John's Deloit in 2025!! Mass at 5:30, followed by a meal in the parish hall.



OLT Donations for Birthright

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Women will be collecting layette items for Birthright. A donation box is located just inside the first set of double doors. Needed items include diapers, wipes, blankets, sleepers, and other infant essentials. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



SAVE THE DATE STC Catechist Retreat

St. Theresa Church will be hosting a Catechist Retreat on January 17th from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. RSVP to Chantelle at 402-843-0573 or ckdempster@archomaha.org.



SPE Christian Mothers Meeting

St. Peter's Christian Mothers will have their next meeting on Monday, January 5, 2026, at 2:00 pm at St. Dominic's Hall. Come and help us make some big decisions.



SFN Advent Baby Shower Thank You

We are truly grateful to everyone who generously contributed to the Advent Baby Shower. Your thoughtfulness and generosity bring hope and joy to mothers and families in need. All gifts will go to Birthright in Norfolk, and each donation makes a meaningful difference. Thank you for sharing your love and care this season!

Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Regina Krebs, Angela Hardisty, Glen Grahleer, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett Kielty, Phyllis Dusel, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Sister Joseph, Yvonne Duggan, Anna Murdy, Steve Herrington, Ladd Chandler, Kathy Long, Gerald Schapmann, Olivia Trease Anderson, Annie Laurie Schapmann, Angela Wortman, Katie Zurcher Eggers, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Dana Sheridan, Emily Bromley, Jane Marke, Michelle Raclawski, James Brown, Lester Perske, Vince Kallhoff, Ed O'Brien, Mike Neiberger, Rick Kester & family, Donna Taylor

To add to the prayer line call for St. Francis, call Susie Ames at 402-929-0038, Milly Clemens 402-649-3194, or the Neligh Office at 402-887-4521. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, call Jeanne Dahl at 402-640-6466, St. Theresa's call Teresa Kester 402-750-0262, St. John's call Jeanne Knievel 402-929-0847, St. Peter's call Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755.

Stewardship for December 27-28

St. Johns, Petersburg	
Christmas	\$15,743.00
Sunday Offertory	\$1,051.00
Sunday Online Giving	\$25.00
Utilities	\$250.00

St. Bonaventure, Raeville	
Christmas	\$7,254.85
Sunday Offertory	\$4,790.00
God's Portion	\$2,250.00
Utilities	\$100.00
Maintenance	\$100.00

St. Boniface, Elgin	
Christmas	\$36,150.00
Sunday Offertory	\$5,159.00
Insurance	\$25.00
God's Portion	\$5,000.00
Holy Days	\$1,000.00

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Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

Congratulations to Jack & Taylor (Schumacher) Borer on the baptism of their son, Finn, at St. Boniface in Elgin on December 28, 2025!

Announcements!!



St. John's Petersburg Snow & Ice Removal January R - Z

Parking lots, walkways & steps at all entrances of the Church & Rectory as well as parking lot, sidewalks & front entrance of the Parish Office & Werner Hall. Staff are in the Parish Office every day of the week & quilters use the Werner Hall on Tuesdays. Please clear Cemetery Driveways when there is a funeral. Thank you for your service to our parish.



St. Boniface Snow & Ice Removal

St. Boniface Men's Circle

SUNDAYS *ALL CIRCLES*

Mondays CIRCLE 1

Tuesdays CIRCLE 2

Wednesdays CIRCLE 3

Thursdays CIRCLE 4

Fridays CIRCLE 5

Saturdays CIRCLE 6

Men's Circle Leaders are asked to be the lead on your day and make sure enough help is lined up. This is for the walkways, steps, ramps, parking areas & all entrances of the Church, North entrance of rectory, Convent, the residence at 207 Remington & Gym. Students use the NW door of church for lunch. The ramp door is where commodities are delivered. Thank you!

MEETING

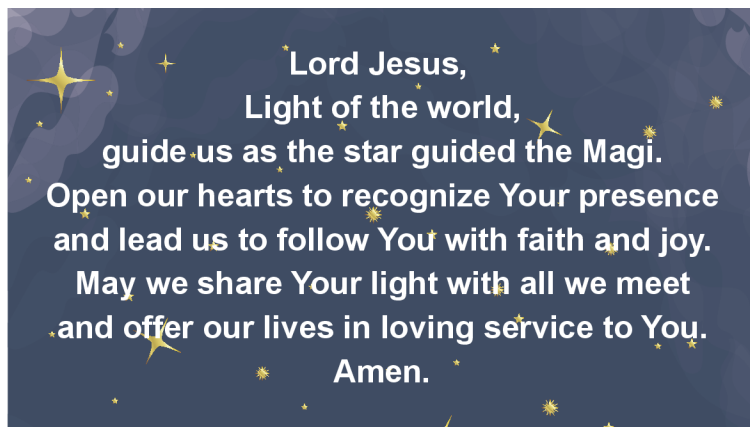
SBE Thanksgiving Bazaar Committee

The St. Boniface Bazaar Committee will hold a follow-up meeting on Thursday, January 8, at 7:00 p.m. in the Convent meeting room.

MEETING

SBE Altar Society

The St. Boniface Altar Society's next meeting will be on Monday, January 12th at 7:00 p.m. in the Convent meeting room.



St. John's, Petersburg, St. Boniface, Elgin & St. Bonaventure, Raeville Prayer Line

Laura Ferando, Brandon Henn, Adam Kester, Larry DeMuth, Neil Childers, Loretta Zegers, Gloria Lordemann, Chris Baum, Ann Beckman, Gene Heithoff, Fallon Sue Heying, Judy Johnson, Denise Jamison, Bruce Baum, Travis Pieper, Phil Stuhr, Patrick Stuhr, Judy Zegers, Mike Dwyer, Brett Kilty, Tom Jamieson, Nora Henn, Barb Ziegler, Jerry Stamp, Fayden Evens, Bob Redler, Vince Spieker, Linda Buelt, Rodger Rilley, Pauline Pelster, Kenny Thiele, Joan Richert, Otto Hoffschneider, Cooper Dirks, Millie Ridder, Arlene Unseld, Darlene Stuhr, Carlie Russell, Vince Kallhoff, Beau Schindler, Bob Tharnish, Lyle Mackel, Michelle Raclawski

To add to the prayer line for St. John's, call Kelly Starman, 402-386-5570, or Kathy Koch, 402-386-5481.

St. Boniface call JoAnn Beckman at 402-843-6287 or Darlene Heithoff at 402-843-5482.

St. Bonaventure call Mary Ann Fangman at 402-843-6129 or Diane Scholl at 402-750-3789.

Epiphany of the Lord

The Feast of the Epiphany celebrates the joyful moment when Christ is revealed to the nations. In the visit of the Magi, we see people from afar guided by a star, seeking the newborn King and offering Him their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Their journey reminds us that Jesus came not only for a few, but for all people.

Epiphany invites us to reflect on how we, too, seek Christ in our daily lives and recognize His presence among us. Like the Magi, we are called to follow the light God places before us and to offer our own gifts—our time, talents, and love—in service to Him.

May this feast inspire us to be bearers of Christ's light, sharing His hope and peace with our parish community and with all whom we encounter.

Here are meaningful and Catholic-friendly ways individuals and families can celebrate the Epiphany of the Lord:

At Home & as Families

- Bless the Home (Epiphany Blessing)
- Read Matthew 2:1–12 and reflect on how the Magi followed the light of Christ.
- Light a candle to represent the Star of Bethlehem and pray for guidance in the new year.
- In honor of the Magi's gifts, give to those in need through donations or acts of kindness.

Personal Reflection

- Follow the Star: Reflect on how God is calling you this year and what "gift" you can offer Him.
- Choose a new way to serve within the parish or community as a sign of living the Epiphany message.

Epiphany reminds us that Christ is revealed to all people—and we are called to reflect His light in the world.



Dear parishioners,

One of the stories in the birth narrative in the Gospel of Luke is the Presentation of Jesus in the temple. That is where we hear about Simeon and Anna, who I think of as Jesus' godparents. They were both described as being very holy people. That is the kind of person that is ideal as a godparent.

Some of you might not even know who your godparents are or remember who your confirmation sponsor was. With confirmation you also should have had a saint that you picked to be of special assistance throughout your life. I'm sure Mary told Jesus all about Simeon and Anna. That would have reinforced those memories in her mind, which helped when the apostles, disciples, and the Gospel writers were asking about details on Jesus' life.

Simeon and Anna would have been encouraging figures in the mind of Jesus as he was growing up. They were signs of what God the Father hopes for all of us. To a young Jesus, starting to recognize all the sinfulness around him, this would have been important. We are no different. We need those kinds of examples in our lives as we hear about all the horrible things happening in the world and the terrible people. We don't want them to be discouraged and think that a holy life is impossible.

Encouraging us to provide good godparents for baptism, a good confirmation sponsor, and good patron saints are the church's way of making sure we have some of the same things supporting us as those that supported Jesus. Jesus had Simeon and Anna as sponsors at his presentation and circumcision, his cousin John at his baptism, along with Moses and Elijah at his transfiguration. He didn't have a Saints book, like my siblings and I had as we grew up. He did get to hear about heroes when he went to the synagogue or the temple and heard the rabbi's reading from the scrolls.

I grew up with a lot of heroes, the Lone Ranger, Superman, and Zorro, etc. They inspired me. I also grew up with some amazingly saintly people and read about the Saints in heaven. They inspired and motivated me. Hopefully I can be one of those saintly examples to the young people around here. How are you doing in that arena?

God bless you,
Fr. Frank Baumert

Christmas Flower Offerings

In Memory of & In Honor of our Loved Ones

Ted, Lucy, & Scott Allemang
Red & Evelyn Arehart
Ambrose & Cecillia Ausdemore
Keith & Jackie Bartak
Mike Bartak
Steve Bartak
Dana Baum
Roman & Margie Baum
Judy Benda
Emil & Henrietta Bigge Family
Norbert & Marjorie Bode &
Phyliss
Eugene & Mary Jane Boes
Jerry Borer
Nathan Dicke
John & Viola Dinslage
Linda Dinslage
Jos. & Angela Eischeid
Mary Eischeid
Stephanie Eischeid
Carl Ernesti
Fred & Fern Fangman Family
Butch & Mary Funk
Paysen Guthard
Chris Hansen
Frank & Nancy Hecht
Paul Hecht
Louis Heithoff
Dan Henn
Dean & Mary Jane Henn
Morrie & Dolly Henn
Kalin Henn
Larry Henn
Sal & Kristine Henn
Alvin Hoefer
Leonard & Juan Hoefer
LaVern & Laverna Jochum
Dareld Kallhoff
Judy Kerkman
Louis, June, & Jerry Kerkman

Chloe Kester
Alphonse & Frances Klein
Eugene Klein
Ralph Klein
Joe, Anna, & Clara Klein Family
James & Jolyene Koenig
Art & Margaret Kuester Family
Craig Latzel
John & Mary Leifeld
Joe & Betty Lennemann
Joesph & Idella Lorenz Family
Clem & Frances Luettel
Dean & Arlene Mather
Ed & Mary Moser
Deceased Loved Ones of
John & Doris O'Brien
Tanner Pelster
Wilfrid & Alfreda Pelster
Herman Nordhues
Pat & Bobbie Patras
Fr. Kenneth Potts
Doris Preister
Gib Preister
Emily Reestman
Gerhard Reestman Family
Harold & Alice Ryan
Mark Schindler
Norbert & Peggy Schmitt
Jeff Scholl
Leonard, Cecilia, & Katherine
Scholl
Lenora & Sharon Scholl
Henry & Cecelia Scholl
Dave & Marilyn Schrad
Don & Darlene Schueth
Pat Scott
Deceased Members of Schlecht
Families
Joe & Eleanor Schapmann
Susie Schapmann

Lori Schrader
Bob & Marie Schrage
Al & Mary Helen Schrage
Kenneth & Patricia
Schumacher
Bill Seier
Frank & Marge Seier
Jerome Seier
Ed & Eleanor Starman
Herman & Joan Starman
Trey Stelling
Russ Stokes
Walt Stokes
Millie Stott
Joe & Lorraine Stuhr & Family
Lawrence & Mary Stuhr Family
Frank & Rose Stuhr Family
Ludwig, Loretta, Jack, Joe, Jean
Tagel
Deceased members of Temme
Families
Larry Temme
Andrew & Helen Thiele
John & Betty Thiele
Vince & Marie Thiele
Deceased Loved Ones of
Deb & Dwaine Trease
Ed & Susie Tyrrell
Dick & Mona Veik
Dean Veik
Floyd Veik
Kyle Warren
Weibel Family
Grant Winfield
In honor of the Blessed Virgin
Mary in honor of all mothers
living & deceased

Heavenly Father,

We thank You for the gift of eternal life and for the cherished time shared with our loved ones. We entrust them to Your loving and merciful care. Lord Jesus, grant us Your peace, comfort, and grace during this Christmas season and throughout the year ahead. Strengthen our faith, deepen our trust in You, and help us to prepare our hearts as a dwelling place for Your presence. We ask this through Jesus Christ, our Lord and King. Amen.

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Jan 5, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	DW		Communion Service
Tue Jan 6, 8:30 A.M.	Petersburg	JN	† Norbert, Marjorie & Phyllis Bode	
Tue Jan 6, 8:30 A.M.	Petersburg	FB	† Carolyn Beckman	
Wed Jan 7, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† Joan Kallhoff	
Wed Jan 7, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	JN	† Victoria Kettler	
Wed Jan 7, 9:30 A.M.	Willows	JN	† Laura Mae Speiker	
Wed Jan 7, 5:00 P.M.	Elgin	FB		Confessions
Wed Jan 7, 6:00 P.M.	Clearwater	FB	† Larry Temme	Faith Formation
Thu Jan 8, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	FB	Patricia Hruby Family	Adoration begins after Mass
Thu Jan 8, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	JN	† Christopher Jessen	
Fri Jan 9, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† Dorothy Anderson Dwyer	School Mass Planned by Freshmen & Sophomores
Fri Jan 9, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	JN	Living & Deceased members of the Blackburn & Nielsen Families	
Sat Jan 10, 5:30 P.M.	Tilden	JN	† Nancy Hecht	
Sat Jan 10, 5:30 P.M.	Ewing	FB	† Wayne, Patty and Jim Pollock	
Sun Jan 11, 8:00 A.M.	Petersburg	JN	For the People of Our Parishes	
Sun Jan 11, 8:00 A.M.	Clearwater	FB	† James & Jolyene Koenig and Andrew & Helen Thiele	
Sun Jan 11, 10:00 A.M.	Elgin	JN	† Clarence & Margaret Shavik	
Sun Jan 11, 10:00 A.M.	Neligh	FB	† Dennis Ternus & Living & Deceased Family Members	

Ministry Schedule for January 10th & 11th: The Baptism of the Lord

(The weekend Mass schedule always goes by the Sunday Liturgy)

Saturday 1/10/2026

5:30 pm Mass – St. Peter, Ewing

Altar Servers: Lydia T., Brekkan S.

EMHC: Gina Koenig, Mark Tyrrell, Helen Larson

Giftbearers: Bruce & Rhonda Hoffman

Lector: Kevin Koenig

Ushers: Denis Bergstrom, Dan Koenig

5:30 pm Mass – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden

(Contact Jolene Schapmann to schedule Communion to the sick or homebound 402-649-0829)

Altar Servers: Hunter M., Milo N.

EMHC: Stan Schapmann, Jolene Schapmann, Brianne O'Brien

Homebound: Brianne O'Brien

Lector: Jeanne Oelsgle

Ushers: Billy O'Brien, Mark O'Brien

Sunday 1/11/2026

8:00 am Mass – St. John the Baptist, Petersburg

(Contact Deacon John Starman to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-843-8393)

Altar Servers: Levi K., Katelyn K.

EMHC: Deacon John Starman, Jordan Temme, Lisa Schumacher

Homebound: Teresa Heying

Lector: Anita Krohn

Money: Shirley Henn, Gene Knust

Music: Jeanne Temme, Alan Temme

Ushers: Alan Faust, Gene Knust

Sunday 1/11/2026

8:00 am Mass – St. Theresa, Clearwater

Altar Servers: Ethan K., Reid T.

EMHC: Tom Kester, Dianna Kester, Kevin Filsinger, Francis Hanzlik, Marlene Thiessen

Giftbearers: Steve & Holly Thiele

Lector: Deb Schlecht

Ushers: Curt Thiele, Tom Thiele

10:00 am Mass – St. Boniface, Elgin

(Contact Deacon Dennis Wiehn to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-843-0182)

Altar Servers: Harrison L., James L.

EMHC: Phil Starman, Kris Starman, Abby Lodge, Terry Reicks, Deacon Dennis Wiehn

Giftbearers: Mark & Brenda Schrage

Greeters: Paul Schrage, Jolene Schrage, Ron Eischeid, Linda Eischeid

Homebound: Phil Starman, Kris Starman, Abby Lodge

Lector: Betty Kallhoff

Music: Mark Moser

Ushers: Terry Bauer, Chris Baum, Mike Brockhaus, Ted Baum

10:00 am Mass – St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh

(Contact Milly Clemens to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-649-3194)

Altar Servers: Hannah E., Josslyn H.

EMHC: Tim Baker, Amy Baker, Dale Kallhoff, Ron Beacom, Marian Shabram, Bill Kuester

Lector: Kathy Sauser

Ushers: Tim Kallhoff, Gary Gunderson, Andy Elder, Trent Hoefler