

# 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

February 8, 2026 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**(Medical emergencies or death)**

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Communion

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## 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

*Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works  
and give glory to your Father in heaven*

*--Matthew 5:16--*

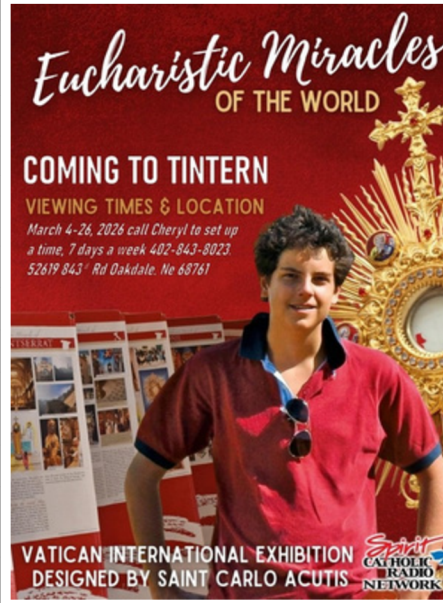
**The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encourages more good works. Generosity is a by-product of a grateful lifestyle. The more we recognize God's gifts, the more we want to share them. God stewards recognize that God is working through them, and they don't put themselves above the people they have been called to help.**

Date	Time & Event
Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7:00 P.M. <b>TIME CHANGE for February 9, 2026</b> - Rosary will begin at 6:30 PM Christian Mothers meeting after rosary	
Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00 A.M.	
Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30 P.M.	
SPE - Every Wednesday Bible Study 9:30AM St. Dominic Hall, ends February 11th	
Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month SFN Divine Mercy 3:00 P.M.	
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.	
February 9	SBE Altar Society, Convent Meeting Room, 7pm
February 10	SFN Sodality meeting following the 10AM Rosary
February 10	OACCW Winter Meeting KC Hall, Atkinson, NE, 9:30 AM
February 14	SJD Card Party, after 5:30 PM Mass
February 15	SPE - Taste of Italy, 6 PM
February 15	SBE Praise & Worship, 6 PM
February 18	Clearwater Sons of the Legion Ash Wednesday Fish Fry 5:00PM-7:00PM, Clearwater Legion, Free will offering
February 25	SPE Youth Group, St. Dominic's Hall, 7PM
February 25	OLT Bash Meeting, 7 PM Religious ED students will be packing the Bash envelopes
February 28	OLT Bash envelopes will be handed out at the 5:30PM Mass
March 8	SJD Sunnybrook Cafe chicken dinner at St. John, Deloit, 11:30AM-1:30PM
March 20	SJD Fish Fry, Parish Hall 4:30 PM - 8 PM
March 21	SBE Spring Auction, KC Hall Elgin, First Bid at 5:30PM
March 22	OLT St. Patrick's Day Bash, Serving from 11AM-2PM
March 22	SJP Potato Bake at Werner Hall, serving from 5PM-7PM
March 28	"A Desert Journey of the Heart", St. Patrick's Parish Hall, O'Neill, Ne, 10AM-4PM
March 28-29	Quest Retreat: All Freshmen & Sophomore high school students, Tintern Retreat Center



**\*\* Mass Cancellation Policy \*\***

**Morning daily Mass will be cancelled when the school district that the church is in has a late start or cancellation. If weekend Mass is cancelled due to weather, we will communicate that through Facebook. If you are concerned about driving on the roads due to weather conditions or if the roads are impassable, please stay home and stay safe. In this instance, the obligation of Sunday Mass would be lifted. If Mass is cancelled, the priest will still fulfill the Mass Intention for the day.**



The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Display is coming to Tintern Retreat Center. Tintern will host the Vatican-approved International Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit from March 4-26 52619 843rd Rd Oakdale, NE 68761 It is free to view, just contact Cheryl Veik at 402-843-8023 to set up a time. The Eucharistic Miracles of the World exhibit is a traveling display on loan from Spirit Catholic Radio. It features 41 beautiful panels that highlight some of the most powerful Eucharistic miracles in the world. For more information, visit spiritcatholicradio.com/miracles.

**Quest Retreat: For all Freshmen & Sophomore high school students on March 28-29 at Tintern Retreat Center. Cost \$50. Please contact Gene Schumacher at 402.564.0258 for application details or use the QR Code. What a great gift for your child or grandchild!**



**Sunday, February 8**

**INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER & AWARENESS AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE  
WORLD MARRIAGE DAY**



There will be a Safe Environment training on February 16 at 6:30pm in the St. Boniface church basement. Anyone interested in registering for the class can contact Chantelle Dempster at ckdempster@arachomaha.org or call/text 402-843-0573

**Lenten Penance Services**

- March 22: St. Boniface, Elgin - 3PM
- March 22: St. Francis, Neligh - 5PM
- March 26: St. Theresa, Clearwater - 7PM

**Lenten Confession Times**

- March 21: St. Peter's, Ewing - after Mass
- March 28: St. John, Deloit - after Mass
- March 30: Our Lady, Tilden - 7PM



The weekend of Feb 21 & 22, there will be additional collections for Black & Indian Missions and the Utility Fund. Envelopes are in your packet. Your generosity helps support the mission of the Church and our parish needs. Thank you.

# 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 Jan 31 - Feb 1

*God bless you for your generosity!*

<b>Sunday Offertory</b>	\$6,230.00
<b>Respect Life</b>	\$30.00
<b>Retired Religious</b>	\$50.00
<b>Maintenance</b>	\$50.00
<b>Vocations</b>	\$893.00
<b>SPE Cemetery</b>	\$30.00
<b>OLT Building</b>	\$40.00

Online Giving is not reported as a separate category; all online contributions are included in the designated fund to which the donation was made. 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!

## OLT St. Patrick's Day Bash



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church will be hosting their annual St. Pat's Bash Fundraiser on Sunday, March 22nd from 11am - 2pm at the parish hall. On the menu are soups, sandwiches, desserts and beverages for a free will donation. Join in the fun with a variety of games and raffles. Prizes include a Handmade Quilt, Meat Gift Certificate, Black Stone Grill package, Cash Prizes, and much more. Raffles begin at 2pm, and you need not be present to win. Bring your friends and family and test your luck at the St. Pat's Bash.



## CLEARWATER SONS OF THE LEGION ASH WEDNESDAY FISH FRY



**5PM-7PM at Clearwater Legion**  
**Free Will Offering**

## Announcements!!

*Welcome to the Catholic Faith!*



Congratulations to Justin & Mersadies (Rich) Kallhoff, on the baptism of their children, Riggs, Rudy, Remington & Ryker at St. Francis, Neligh on January 31, 2026!

*Welcome to the Catholic Faith!*



Congratulations to, Levi & Liberty (Josoff) Koenig on the baptism of their daughter, Makenna, at St. John the Baptist, Deloit on January 31, 2026!

### We pray for Bulah Miller-Hofacker



who recently passed away. We extend sincere sympathy to the families, loved ones, and friends of Bulah. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



### SPE Stations of the Cross

every Friday of Lent at 6PM

with Rosary to follow.

\*except for Good Friday

### SJD Christian Mothers Meeting



Feb 9 after the Monday night Rosary. Rosary will begin at 6:30, instead of 7. Please come & help with the Fish Fry planning, scheduled for March 20<sup>th</sup>. Soup Luncheon results will be on the agenda.

### SUPERBOWL SUNDAY BREAKFAST

Hosted by the St. Francis Knights of Columbus

American Legion in Neligh

February 8, from 8am-1pm

Serving pancakes, French toast, eggs & more.

This fundraiser is dedicated to supporting our seminarians on their journey



### Taste of Italy

WITH FR. JOHN

St. Dominic's Hall, Ewing

Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM

### Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Angela Hardisty, Glen Grahleer, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett Kietly, Phyllis Dusel, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Yvonne Duggan, Anna Murdy, Steve Herrington, Ladd Chandler, Kathy Long, Olivia Trease Anderson, Angela Wortman, Katie Zurcher Eggers, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Dana Sheridan, Emily Bromley, Jane Marke, Michelle Raclawski, Lester Perske, Ed O'Brien, Mike Neiberger, Rick Kester & family, Donna Taylor, Beth Schmit, Gary Warner, Stephanie Alderson Mortinsen, Jerry Fox, George & Vicki Ternus, Natalie Luettel

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 Jan 31 - Feb 1

*God bless you for your generosity!*

St. John's, Petersburg	
Sunday Offertory	\$410.00
Building Fund	\$150.00

St. Bonaventure, Raeville	
Sunday Offertory	\$803.00
Building Fund	\$400.00
Maintenance	\$200.00
Vocations	\$20.00

St. Boniface, Elgin	
Sunday Offertory	\$1,057.75
Respect Life	\$60.00
Insurance	\$25.00
Vocations	\$50.00



## CORRECTION

SBE Altar Society Meeting  
Monday, Feb 9,  
at 7pm in the Convent  
Meeting Room



St. Bonaventure parishioners are asked to pick up their raffle tickets in back of St. Bonaventure Church. They will not be mailed out this year. The Parish Breakfast will be held March 1, 2026. Thank you.

Lent is a sacred season to slow down, pray, and grow closer to Christ—and we're not meant to do it alone. Starting February 18, we invite you to join a small group to reflect on Scripture, share faith, and support one another as we prepare our hearts for Easter. Whether you're new to small groups or returning, this is a beautiful way to begin Lent intentionally.

Interested in leading a small group or joining a group?  
Contact Chantelle Dempster at  
ckdempster@archomaha.org  
or 402-843-0573.



## Announcements!!

### St. John's Petersburg Altar Society Meeting

Tuesday, February 17 at 6:30 P. M. in Werner Hall office meeting room. All Church Ladies age 18 (HS graduate) and up are members and are invited.

2026 Officers: Jane Thieman, Pres

Cathy Pelster, V.P.

Jeanne Temme, Sec.

Jacque Luettel, Treas.



## POTATO BAKE

Sunday March 22 at Werner Hall. Serving from 5PM-7PM.

Watch the bulletin for notices.

There will be a sign-up sheet for food donations & sign up to work. Unfilled positions will be assigned.

### St. John's Petersburg Snow & Ice Removal

#### February A-P



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 serving your 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, residence & Gym. Students use the NW door of church for lunch. The ramp door is where commodities are delivered. Thank you!

### Sunday, March 1st at the Raeville Parish Hall

Serving pancakes,  
French toast, sausage,  
ham, dessert &  
beverages

8:30 a.m. until Noon  
Free Will Offering



St. John's, Petersburg, St. Boniface, Elgin & St. Bonaventure, Raeville Prayer Line: Laura Ferando, Brandon Henn, Adam Kester, Larry DeMuth, Neil Childers, Loretta Zegers, Chris Baum, Ann Beckman, Gene Heithoff, Fallon Sue Heying, Judy Johnson, Denise Jamison, Bruce Baum, Travis Pieper, Phil Stuhr, Mike Dwyer, Brett Kielty, Tom Jamieson, Nora Henn, Barb Ziegler, Jerry Stamp, Fayden Evens, Bob Redler, Vince Spieker, Linda Buelt, Rodger Rilley, Pauline Pelster, Kenny Thiele, Joan Richert, Cooper Dirks, Millie Ridder, Arlene Unseld, Darlene Stuhr, Carlie Russell, Beau Schindler, Bob Tharnish, Lyle Mackel, Michelle Raclawski, Lori Krause, Baylee Chessmore, Natalee Luettel, Joan Stoltz

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.

## **From the Desk of Father Frank**



Dear parishioners,

There are all sorts of images we have of heaven and hell. One simple one is the banquet table filled with delicious food. People are seated across from each other like our parish halls, but each person has splints on their arms so they can't bend their elbows. In hell, everyone is frustrated and starving because they can't bend their elbows and get the food into their mouths. In heaven, everyone is healthy and happy because they have figured out that they just need to cooperate and feed each other across the table.

I have come up with one based on economy and production. In hell, everyone is isolated, but each person has a small plot of land that is difficult to work by hand, so it produces very little food. It's not enough to live on, so everyone is suffering and frustrated. In heaven, it is the same situation except that the people are working together. Some have taken on the job of irrigating, always working on keeping the water lines clear. Others work building machinery to do the cultivating and the harvesting. Others have built storage bins to keep the excess produce safe and fresh. Others are working on getting the seeds from some of the produce ready for the next planting. Because they all work together, the harvest is abundant and they keep coming up with new and improved ways of doing all of this from year to year. Everyone's job is helpful and manageable, but because of this cooperation, they even have time for other enjoyable activities. There is even dancing and singing.

I think I came up with this idea as I was reading about socialism and capitalism. In socialist countries, it seems that everyone is working but everyone is struggling to survive. In capitalist countries some are doing very well, and some are struggling but still seem better off than almost everyone in a socialist system. Why is that the case? In a socialist system everyone is working but what they produce is all divided up so that everyone gets the same amount, no matter how much they have produced. It's hard for them to stay motivated. And since there isn't an incentive to produce more (since they don't get to keep the extra) their isn't much innovation or even cooperation.

In the capitalist system, most people are trying to figure out how to better their situation. There are constant attempts to innovate. Some succeed and some do not, but things keep getting better. The only drawback on this side of heaven is that not everyone is ready to cooperate like in the banquet image. They only see the produce or the food and don't want to do their part and some of those who are doing very well start to think that what they have is all due to their own labor. They forget that a lot of people cooperated to produce what they have.

So, why do so many people want socialism? Part of the answer is that they think the produce is a zero-sum amount, that no matter what happens there will only be a certain amount produced. That is just not the case. When we cooperate and innovate, we can keep producing a greater harvest. History has shown us that this is a reality. Imagine what kind of production will be happening in the new heavens and the new earth, when we are at our best and all cooperating. Then imagine hell being the opposite.

God bless you,

Fr. Frank Baumert

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Feb. 9, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	DW		Communion Service
Tue Feb 10, 8:30 A.M.	Petersburg	JN FB	† Floyd & Marlene Henn & Cindy Bohaboj † Larry Temme	
Wed Feb 11, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	JN	† Eugene & Mary Jane Boes	
Wed Feb 11, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh		No Mass	
Wed Feb 11, 9:30 A.M.	Accura	FB	† Laura Mae Spieker	
Wed Feb 11, 5:00 P.M.	Elgin	JN		Confessions
Wed Feb 11, 6:00 P.M.	Neligh	FB	Living & Deceased members of the Blackburn & Nielsen Families	Faith Formation
Thu Feb 12, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	JN	† Red and Evelyn Arehart	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Thu Feb 12, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	FB	† Steve Hastreiter	
Fri Feb 13, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	JN	† David Sehi	
Fri Feb 13, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	FB	† Lynn & Dana Sheridan	
Sat Feb 14, 5:30 P.M.	Tilden	FB	† Eileen Hockemeier	
Sat Feb 14, 5:30 P.M.	Deloit	JN	† Joe, Theresa & Joey Knievel	
Sun Feb 15, 8:00 A.M.	Raeville	FB	† Living & Deceased Family Members of the Blecha & Greitens Families	
Sun Feb 15, 8:00 A.M.	Clearwater	JN	† Carol Vandersnick	
Sun Feb 15, 10:00 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† Paul & Ione Dwyer	
Sun Feb 15, 10:00 A.M.	Neligh	JN	† For the People of Our Parishes	

### **Ministry Schedule for February 14 & 15: The 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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

#### **Saturday 2/14/2026**

##### **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:** Carter & Blake H.

**EMHC:** Brianne O'Brien

**Homebound:** Doris O'Brien

**Lector:** Ruth Miller

**Ushers:** Billy & Mark O'Brien

##### **5:30 pm Mass - St. John the Baptist, Deloit**

**Altar Servers:** Lewis T., Jason B.

**EMHC:** Marilyn Sehi

**Gift bearers:** Gregg & Kathy Bartak

**Lector:** Ann Kurpgeweit

**Ushers:** Kylee Funk, Curtis Lemburg

#### **Sunday 2/15/2026**

##### **8:00 am Mass - St. Theresa, Clearwater**

**Altar Servers:** Ayden & Jayde B.

**EMHC:** Francis Hanzlik

**Gift bearers:** Ed & Sandy Moser

**Lector:** Deb Schlecht

**Ushers:** Tom & Paul Kester

##### **10:00 am Mass - St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh**

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

**Altar Servers:** Bode & Wyatt K.

**EMHC:** Jim & Kathy Koenig

**Lector:** Ron Glig

**Ushers:** Randy Kallhoff, Jaysen Sehi, Troy Shabram, Bill Kuester

#### **Sunday 2/15/2026**

##### **8:00 am Mass - St. Bonaventure, Raeville**

(Contact Joan Stuhr to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-843-0485)

**Altar Servers:** Kaiden B., Briggs H.

**EMHC:** Joyce Reestman

**Gift bearers:** Spencer & Megan Heying

**Lector:** Joyce Pelster

**Music:** Paul Kuhlman

**Rosary Leaders:** Joan & Ken Stuhr

**Ushers:** Bob & Jerry Bode

##### **10:00 am Mass - St. Boniface, Elgin**

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

**Altar Servers:** Cecil & Anton S.

**EMHC:** Julie Borer

**Gift bearers:** Tom & Patty Stoltz

**Greeters:** Ben & Anna Meis, Eric & Brenda Meis

**Homebound:** Bonnie Hoefler, Julie Borer

**Lector:** Louise Schindler

**Music:** Mark Moser

**Ushers:** Gary Hoefler, Duane Hoefler, Dave Hoefler, McCaib Hoefler