

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

March 15, 2026 - 4th Sunday of Lent

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

Friday: 9:30 am - Noon

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(Medical emergencies or death)

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No office hours. PO Box checked regularly.

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No office hours. PO Box checked regularly.

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Communion

Communication

Sustainability

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4th Sunday of Lent

“While I am in the world, I am the light of the world.”

--John 9:5

Loving Father. On this Laetare Sunday, fill our hearts with the joy of Your promise. Amid our Lenten journey, let hope rise, faith deepen, and love overflow. Guide us toward Easter with renewed spirit and radiant trust in Christ. Amen.

Date	Time & Event
Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7:00PM	
Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00AM	
Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30PM	
Every 3 rd Sunday of the month SFN Divine Mercy 3:00PM	
SBE Adoration begins on Thursday before the first Friday of the month, following the 8:15AM Mass and continues through the 8:15AM Mass on Friday.	
March 16	SPE Christian Mother's @ 2PM, St. Dominic's Hall, starting Rosary for Ruby Williamson. Please come
March 20	SJD Fish Fry, Parish Hall 5-8:30PM
March 20	Tilden Legion Fish Fry, 5PM-until gone, Bar will be open
March 21	SBE Spring Auction, KC Hall Elgin, 5:30PM
March 22	OLT St. Patrick's Day Bash, Serving from 11AM-2PM
March 22	STC Coffee & Rolls after 1st Communion Mass
March 22	SJP Potato Bake at Werner Hall, Serving from 5PM-7PM
March 23	SFN Blessing of the Child in the Womb Led by Fr. John, 6:30-8PM
March 27	Elgin KC Fish Fry, Serving 5-7:30PM
March 27	OLT Men's Fish Fry, Parish Hall @ 5:30PM
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
April 10	Pope John Pre-K Visit Day, 8:15AM-11:00AM, for more information contact the school @ 402.843.5325
April 14	Rural Central Deanery of Omaha, at SFN starts at 1:30PM
May 3	STC Coffee & Rolls after Senior Mass
July 7 & 8	Gratia Retreat, Tintern Retreat Center, Oakdale, NE
July 14 & 15	Legion of Joseph, Tintern Retreat Center, Oakdale, NE

Gratia & Legion of Joseph Catholic Retreats

Sponsored by St. Boniface Parish, Elgin

**** PARENTS ****

**** FUTURE JR. & SR. COUNSELORS ****

**** CAMPERS ****

Add these dates to your calendar!

Gratia Retreat-July 7th & 8th, 2026

Girls incoming 4th thru 6th grades

Legion of Joseph-July 14th & 15th, 2026

Boys upcoming 5th thru 6th grade

Tintern Retreat Center, Oakdale, NE.

More info is coming soon!



Pope John
Development Dinner
March 29, 2026

Werner Hall, Petersburg

5 PM - Social/Dinner
6:30 PM - Dinner
Live Auction to follow



Tickets on sale now! \$75 each

Call the school office to purchase

402.843.5325

"For my thoughts are not
your thoughts, nor are
your ways my ways,"
says the Lord
--Isaiah 55:8

God is inviting us to trust even when we cannot see
the full picture.

Where in your life do you set yourself up above or
ahead of God?

And where is he inviting and calling you today to
surrender to him?

--Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT

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 March 7 & 8

God bless you for your generosity!

Sunday Offertory	\$8,898.50
Easter Flowers	\$175.00
Utilities	\$680.00
Maintenance	\$100.00
School Support	\$10.00
Vocations	\$250.00
Black & Indian Missions	\$20.00
Catholic Relief Services	\$60.00
Faith Formation	\$100.00
SPE Memorial	\$200.00
SFN Building	\$500.00
OLT St. Mary's Cemetery	\$10.00

SFN Cleaning Crew for March

Mar 21: Gary Gunderson, Joshua Mitchell,
Gail Knust

Mar 28: Kathy Sauser, Donna Vice, Jill Kallhoff

OLT MEN'S LENTEN FELLOWSHIP & FISH FRY

JOIN US MARCH 27 @ 5:30PM

FOR SCRIPTURE REFLECTION,

PRAYER & FELLOWSHIP

AT THE PARISH HALL

STATIONS OF THE CROSS TO FOLLOW

IN THE CHURCH @ 7PM

SJD CLEANING & PREP LIST

- **Cleaning list for the Fish Fry will be placed in the church basement and hall kitchens**
- **Monday, March 16th after 7:00 pm Stations, we will be setting up the tables**
- **Men's cleaning & set up will be Tuesday, March 17th**
Contact Jim Funk for more information regarding the Men's cleaning & Set up

Announcements!!

SJD FISH FRY

JOIN US MARCH 20 FROM
5-8:30PM FOR GOOD FOOD, GREAT FELLOWSHIP, AND A
FUN LENTEN EVENING AT ST. JOHN'S, DELOIT.
COME HUNGRY, LEAVE HAPPY.

SFN Rosary Sodality for March



Janice Ridder, Marlene Schindler, Rosemary Sauser, Marla Snodgrass, Rhonda Heithoff, Elleah Wiebelhaus, Shantell Boggs, Shelly Grosserode, Dodi Jessen, Tracy Booth, Angie Horstman, Lois Bright, Barb Haselhorst



SPE Christian Mother's
Will meet on March 16, at 2PM,
St. Dominic's Hall.
We will start with a Rosary for
Ruby Williamson.
Please come

Our Lady's St. Pat's Day Bash



Sunday, March 22
11AM-2PM
At The Parish Hall

St. Patrick was a 5th century missionary who brought Christianity to Ireland. He is often shown holding a shamrock, which he used to teach about the Holy Trinity - Father, Son, & Holy Spirit.

Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Angela Hardisty, Glen Grahler, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett Kielty, 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, Donna Taylor, Beth Schmit, Gary Warner, Stephanie Alderson Mortinsen, George & Vicki Ternus, Natalie Luettel, Hannah Wright, Mike Sauser, Charlie Harlan, Taylynn Charf
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 March 7 & 8

God bless you for your generosity!

St. Boniface, Elgin

Sunday Offertory	\$6,490.45
Cemetery	\$1,500.00
Christmas	\$500.00
Easter	\$500.00
God's Portion	\$500.00
Holy Day	\$250.00
Easter Flowers	\$140.00
Insurance	\$675.00
Utilities	\$525.00
Seminary	\$500.00

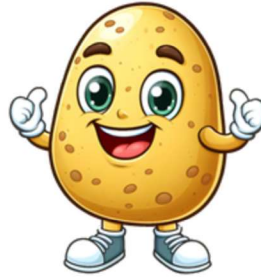
St. John's, Petersburg

Sunday Offertory	\$2,410.00
Easter Flowers	\$135.00
Black & Indian Mission	\$25.00
Utilities	\$1,100.00
Vocations	\$20.00
Respect Life	\$1,000.00
Building Fund	\$1,000.00

St. Bonaventure, Raeville

Sunday Offertory	\$375.00
Utilities	\$100.00

Announcements!!




POTATO BAKE
SUNDAY MARCH 22
WERNER HALL
SERVING FROM
5PM-7PM

Elgin KC Lenten
Fish Fry



Friday, March 27
 Serving from 5-7:30 PM
 Family night fun!
 Adults \$15, Ages 6-12 \$10,
 5 & under Free
 Also serving Brew City Fires, Mac &
 Cheese, Green Beans, Salads &
 Desserts.
 Bar open!




Pope John Pre-K Visit Day

FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2026
8:15-11:00 A.M.

Contact the school for more information or
 if you have questions 402.843.5325




Pre-registration NOT required!



Quest


We invite you to
 join us

a high school retreat centering on the love
 of Jesus, Others, and Yourself (JOY)!

- * March 28-29
- * Tintern Retreat Center
- * HS Freshmen & Sophomores

Apply at: tinyurl.com/SignUpforQuest
 Questions? Contact Chelsea:
acpreister@gmail.com



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 Buelte, 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, Taylynn Charf, Bernard Kluthe
 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.

ST. BONIFACE SPRING BENEFIT
AUCTION
SATURDAY, MARCH 21ST



LOCATED AT THE ELGIN KC HALL
5:30 PM
LIVE & SILENT AUCTIONS
ENJOY FOOD & DRINK
MUST HAVE RAFFLE ITEMS!



25% OF AUCTION PROCEEDS WILL GO
TOWARDS THE ST. BONIFACE CHURCH
PAINTING PROJECT

CAN'T MAKE THE EVENT? CONSIDER
SHOWING YOUR SUPPORT BY DONATING
ONLINE. USE THE QR CODE



Schedule of Events

Items Available To View & Bid Online
Ahead Of The Event

5:30PM Silent Auction Opens

7:30PM Silent Auction Closes &
Raffle Item Winners Will Be Announced



POPE JOHN CENTRAL CATHOLIC

Is seeking nominations for
for two Board of Education members.

ANY parishioner in the CPP parish grouping can be
nominated (not just school parents). We are especially
looking for representation from Petersburg and
Tilden. Board members serve for four years and
meetings are held 7-8 times per year in the evening.

Call the school office 402.843.5325 for more
information or to make a nomination.

Thank you.

TO CONSIGN CALL

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Michael Moser 402.843.0391

Ted & JoAnn Baum 402.843.8370

Jay & Kristen Evans 402.843.0450

Andy & Nicole Starman 402.843.6521

Austin Meis 402.843.6604

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Tyler Childers 402.843.0536

Austin Mitchell 402.843.6643

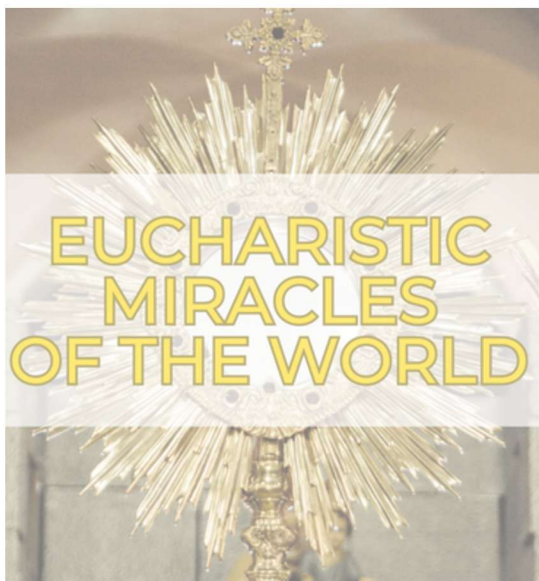
Ross Schindler 402.843.0232

Jon Meis 402.843.0373

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World Display

Tintern will host the Vatican
approved International
Eucharistic Miracles of the
World exhibit from
March 4-26

Located at 52619 843rd Rd,
Oakdale, Ne 68761



It is free to
view

March 14-15, 2026
10AM-4PM

March 21, 2026
10AM-4PM

March 22, 2026, 4:30
PM
CPP Parishes Youth
Groups

To view during the week
call Cheryl @ 402.843.8023



STATIONS OF THE CROSS LENT 2026



EVERY FRIDAY EVENING OF LENT, 7PM

March 20 @ St. Bonaventure, Raeville-
Deacon Dennis

March 27 @ Our Lady of Mt. Carmel,
Tilden-Deacon John

St. Francis, Neligh

**After Friday daily mass-Led by
Fr. Frank**

March 20 & 27

EVERY FRIDAY EVENING OF LENT ST. PETER, EWING @ 6PM

March 20 & 27

March 27-Children's Version

Led by Chantelle Dempster

***Rosary following Stations every
Friday except Good Friday**

St. Boniface, Elgin @ 3PM

March 20 & 27

**-Led by Pope John Elementary
Students**

Lenten Confession Times

March 21: St. Peter's, Ewing - after Mass

March 28: St. John, Deloit - after Mass

March 30: Our Lady, Tilden - 7PM

Lenten Penance Services

March 22: St. Boniface, Elgin - 3PM

March 22: St. Francis, Neligh - 5PM

March 26: St. Theresa, Clearwater - 7PM



From the Desk of Father Frank



Dear parishioners,

I've heard many people comment on how priests need to be more forceful in preaching ethics. I don't push the toughest issues very often at Mass because the children don't need to hear about them. That is part of why I write these letters. This is one of those letters that shouldn't be the worry of small children, but adults and teenagers should be reading this one.

While dealing with the homeless adults in Mexico City, I was fairly sure that they have a different mindset than we do in the U.S.A. They don't watch movies or TV productions that are filled with sexual content. They can't afford birth control methods. They have grown up being abused so they don't trust anyone. The women were sexually abused, and the men were physically abused while growing up. Contact with other people before their contact with Hope of the Poor was limited. Worrying about sexual gratification was overshadowed by the need for survival. They turned to drugs for a short-term escape from their brutal reality.

Compare that with us. I joke about how long it has been since I starved to death. They don't joke about that down there. Many young girls in this country are put on birth control. Both guys and gals are constantly being bombarded with sexual content. Viewing pornography is considered part of growing up. At least in places like Omaha, clinics hand out condoms from dishes on counters like some businesses hand out candy or breath mints. Survival is not an issue, so we are thinking about sex a lot. Sexual ethics are either taught by parents or media content. Too often the main rule of thumb is that if it is between two consenting adults it's okay. There is very little thought of how this is affecting the next generation, culture in general, or our chance for heaven. In Mexico City the homeless can't think about those three things because they are just trying to help their children survive. In the U.S.A., because the mentality of needing sexual gratification is so ingrained in our lives, most people can't imagine any other way of living.

The result is that high school is often seen as an opportunity to hook up with someone, with the hopes it might turn out okay and nobody gets hurt. With pregnancy being an unlikely result, and abortion as a fail-safe, this is a viable way of checking out the dating pool. After that, courtship is simply a matter of moving in with someone. These methods don't seem to be very effective since the divorce rate is so high, especially since we have "no fault" divorce laws.

It is a mess in both places. So, what is the answer? The Catechism of the Catholic Church has some of the most comprehensive ideas of how God wants things to work. God has never wanted this for any of us. He didn't want the abuse that the people in Mexico City had to grow up with. He didn't want the bad examples that we grow up with in this country.

Hope of the Poor is working to help the children that were homeless to have the right start. They are working very hard to teach the Catholic Faith to the men, women, and children, so the mess doesn't get passed on to another generation. Next week I will take a look at how hard it will be to straighten things out in our country.

God bless you,
Fr. Frank Baumert

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Mar 16, 8:15AM	Elgin	DW		Communion Service
Tue Mar 17, 8:30AM	Petersburg	JN FB	† Diane Kerkman † Carolyn Beckman	
Wed Mar 18, 8:15AM	Elgin	FB	† Ray Heithoff and Marin Schindler	
Wed Mar 18, 8:30AM	Neligh			No Mass
Wed Mar 18, 9:30AM	Willows			No Mass
Wed Mar 18, 5:00PM	Elgin	FB		Confessions
Thur Mar 19, 8:15AM	Elgin	FB	Living & Deceased members of Bob & Laura Mae Spieker Family	4 th Grade
Thur Mar 19, 8:30AM	Neligh	JN	† LeRoy Clarkson & living & deceased members of the Clarkson & Kay Families	
Fri Mar 20, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† Judy Zegers	
Fri Mar 20, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh	JN	† Jon Veik	
Sat Mar 21, 5:30 P.M.	Tilden	FB	† Jacob Thiele	
Sat Mar 21, 5:30 P.M.	Ewing	JN	† Jerry & Karen Rotherham	
Sun Mar 22, 8:00 A.M.	Petersburg	FB	† Jerome & Betty Temme	
Sun Mar 22, 8:00 A.M.	Clearwater	JN	† Bob & Bernadine Walnofer, Paulette & Terry	1 st Communion
Sun Mar 22, 10:00 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† Dick & Mona Veik & Deceased Family	
Sun Mar 22, 10:00 A.M.	Neligh	JN	For the People of Our Parishes	

Ministry Schedule for March 21 & 22: The 5th Sunday of Lent
(The weekend Mass schedule always goes by the Sunday Liturgy)

Saturday 3/21/2026

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: Landon M., Matthew L., Sophia P.

EMHC: Mary Rautenberg

Homebound: Jolene Schapmann

Lector: Brent Luebe

Ushers: Stan Schapmann, Eddie O'Brien

5:30 pm Mass - St. Peter, Ewing

Altar Servers: Brekkan S., Patrick W.

EMHC: Mike Summers

Gift bearers: Pat & Beth Regan

Lector: Tammy Summers

Ushers: Ed Nordby, Denis Bergstrom

Sunday 3/22/2026

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

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

Altar Servers: Emmery P., Vera T.

EMHC: Deacon John Starman

Homebound: Jeanne Temme

Lector: Lisa Schumacher

Music: Guitar Group

Money: Jay Pelster, Rick Pelster

Ushers: Scott Preister, Kevin Schumacher

Sunday 3/22/2026

8:00 am Mass - St. Theresa, Clearwater

Altar Servers: Weston F., Lydia T.

EMHC: Kevin Filsinger

Gift bearers: 1st Communicants

Lector: Deb Schlecht

Ushers: Chris Moser, Kevin Rittscher

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

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

Altar Servers: Haden F., McKenna S.

EMHC: Tim & Amy Baker

Lector: Doris Ternus

Ushers: Ted Hughes, Troy Shabram, Daryl Booth, John Anderson

10:00 am Mass - St. Boniface, Elgin

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

Altar Servers: Myles V., Sawyer V.

EMHC: Heather Veik ***Change***

Gift bearers: Jim & Mary Baum

Greeters: Janice Eischeid, Dave Eischeid, Eric Haselhorst, Callie Haselhorst

Homebound: Betty Getzfred, Connie Seier, Joe Seier

Lector: Betty Kallhoff

Music: Mark Dwyer, Julie Dwyer

Ushers: Ben Meis, Eric Meis, Marvin Meis, Craig Niewhoner