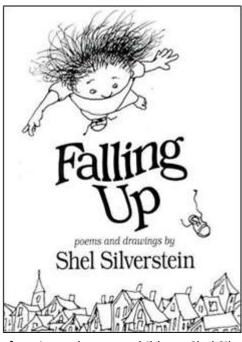


Catholic Parishes in Partnership

St. Bonaventure, Raeville | St. Boniface, Elgin | St. John the Baptist, Deloit St. John the Baptist, Petersburg | St. Peter de Alcántara, Ewing | St. Theresa, Clearwater

Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020



One of my favorite authors as a child was Shel Silverstein. His poems would always be so odd and funny and engaging to me! I thought about this book cover and title as I was writing my article this week.

THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN UP, DOWN, LEFT & RIGHT

Our lives have really been turned upside down rather quickly... we are in a new 'normal' for the time being. We have been in communication with the Archdiocese of Omaha and have been working with our local and state public health officials and our local and state education professionals in adapting to this unprecedented reality of the Coronavirus spread. We are taking this public health concern very seriously, and we should be. The steps that we are taking now, in inconveniencing ourselves through being socially distanced and having our schedules and routines disrupted, are for the sake of looking out for the common good. We are looking out for our elderly, our grandparents and great grandparents, our family members, and community members that have underlying health concerns. We are also taking care of ourselves and those in our households.

Our care for the common good is a mandate of Catholic Social Teaching, how we are called to live our faith in the world.

LAZARUS AND THE TOMB

This Sunday, we have the Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead (Jn 11: 1-45). This is a preview, sample, and trailer of God's saving work of raising the dead and conquering death. Because of Jesus, death does not have a finality like it once did. Our creed reminds us that we believe in the resurrection of the body... as in, our bodies.

Medieval theologians thought that our bodies in the resurrection of the body would be the body at age 33, because that was the age of Jesus when he died on the cross. As I approach my 33rd birthday in April, I'm starting to think that I should renegotiate a better deal. I think that 23 might be better... At any rate, it is important that when Jesus raises Lazarus, we don't meet a ghost, a disembodied spirit! Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead, and he is meant to be both body and soul together in his person. That's how each of us is...Our body and soul are united in making us us.

THE DOMESTIC CHURCH... CHURCH IN OUR HOMES

The domestic Church means 'a house church'... or the faith community that exists in our homes. This is where we can gather for the time being. We are making Mass present online at 8AM and 10AM on Facebook Live – facebook.com/cppnebraska. We send this bulletin by Flocknote and we have some printed ones in church. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday... we invite you to pick up some blessed palms in our churches before Mass to have for your Palm Sunday celebrations.

In addition to our online giving at cppnebraska.org/donate We have worked with our local community banks to have a spot to drop off contributions. You can drop collection envelopes at Ewing Bank, Clearwater's The Tilden Bank, Bank of Elgin, and GPS Bank in Petersburg.

While different, I pray that this Lent is a blessing for you.

Peace

Fr. John

Public Masses are Cancelled

Due to Coronavirus (Please see page 1 for details on how to watch our livestream Mass; and intentions are listed in this bulletin)

RELIGIOUS

Fr. John Norman, Pastor PO Box 37 Ewing, NE 402-626-7605

Email: jmnorman@archomaha.org

Fr. Kevin Vogel, Assoc. Pastor PO Box B- Elgin 402-843-2345

Email: kwvogel@archomaha.org

Deacon Dennis Wiehn 402-843-0182 Deacon John Starman 402-386-5570 Deacon William Camp (retired) 402-843-5464 Sister Patricia Hoffman PO Box 219 402-843-5461

Emergencies Needing a Priest: call office numbers and system will re-direct your call.

Elgin Office

Mailing Address: PO Box B, Elgin NE 68636

Parish Office Phone 402-843-2345 Fax 402-843-2253

St. Boniface Gym Phone 402-843-2249

Website: cppnebraska.org

Michele Reicksmreicks@stbonparishes.comLinda Moserlmoser@stbonparishes.com

(office entrance is east side of Elgin rectory)



Modified Hours

Monday Closed Tuesday-Friday 9am-Noon

Petersburg Office (office entrance is north entr. Werner Hall)

Mailing Address: PO Box 608, Petersburg NE 68652

Parish Office Phone 402-386-5580

Modified Hours: Wednesday 10:00 am-Noon (or by Appt)
Jaci Hoefer ihoefer@archomaha.org

Ewing Office (office entrance is front door of Ewing Rectory) Mailing Address: PO Box 37, Ewing, NE 68735

Modified Hours: Thursday 9:00am – Noon Helen Larson) 402-626-7605

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE (changed due to Coronavirus)

Wednesday: 5-5:30pm- Elgin will continue

Private reconciliation by appointment always available. Reconciliation before and after each Mass **Cancelled**

ADORATION SCHEDULE Cancelled for now

St. Peter's: Thursday- 9- Noon

Elgin: Day before First Friday, Each Month

St. John's-Deloit- Devotions on Mondays at 7pm (summer)

COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND Cancelled for now

St. Boniface Parish: Deacon Dennis Wiehn. 402-843-5808

St. Bonaventure Parish: Joan Stuhr, 402-843-0485

St. John the Baptist, Petersburg: Rotating, so please see Liturgical Schedule in bulletin.

FIRST FRIDAYS in Elgin Cancelled for now

Father Vogel will bring Communion to the homebound following Mass, if you call the office the day before, 402-843-2345.

SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS

St. Boniface/St. Bonaventure Parish: Linda Moser 843-2345 **St. John's Parish- Petersburg:** Kelly Starman 386-5570 or email kelly_starman@yahoo.com.

St. Peter, St. John Deloit, St. Theresa's: Helen Larson 402-626-7605.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: is still TUESDAY NOON

Send to lmoser@stbonparishes.com (AND) mreicks@stbonparishes.com

COMBINED Monthly Calendar: 3rd TUES / Mo. Our parishes now are migrating to one website soon:

If parishes want event flyers, calendars, etc. posted please email mreicks@stbonparishes.com.

Group Facebook Page: cppnebraska.org (each parish has their own Facebook page also)

St. Boniface School (K-6) / Pope John (7-12) Cancelled for now

Betty Getzfred, Principal 402-843-5325

Website: www.pjcrusaders.org

St. Michael School- Albion (Preschool-8) Cancelled for now Lisa Schumacher, Principal Website: www.stmichael esu7.org

Elgin Religious Education Cancelled for now

Family Formation (Gr. K-6)

Cheryl Veik, Coordinator 402-843-8023

Elgin Sunday Youth Group (Gr. 7-12)

Louise Schindler, Sunday Youth Group 402-843-5375

Petersburg Religious Educ. (in Albion)
Lisa Wagner, Director (to register)

(Gr. K-8) Wednesday during School Year
(Gr. 9-12) Wednesday during School Year

7:15-8:15 pm

St. Peter, St. Theresa, St. John Deloit Cancelled for now Religious Ed Classes

Elementary: Wed. 3:45-5:15 pm at St. Theresa's Hall in Clearwater, Wed. 4-5:00 pm at St. Dominic's Hall, and Wed. 3:45-5:15pm at the Orchard Methodist Church. Angela Tagel, Director 308-367-7249. **Jr. Hi/HS** Wed. 7-8:15 pm at St. Theresa's Hall, Clearwater. (Contact: Sandy Moser 402-851-0116), or 7-8:30pm at St. Dominic's Hall, Ewing. (Contact: Ann Kurpgeweit 402-336-7749.)

PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

St. Boniface: Call Mary Jane Boes 402-843-2379 or JoAnn Beckman 402-843-6287.

St. Bonaventure: Call Mary Ann Fangman 402-386-5350 or Diane Scholl 402-386-5256.

St. John-Petersburg: Call Kathy Koch 402-386-5481 or Kelly Starman 402-386-5570

St. Peter-Ewing: Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755

St. Theresa-Clearwater: Teresa Kester, 402-750-0262

St. John the Baptist-Deloit: Jeannie Knievel 402-929-0847

RENTAL REQUESTS

St. Bonaventure, Raeville Rectory or Hall: Call Mary Ann Fangman 402-386-5350.

St. John's Rectory, Petersburg: Call Mary Lu Larson 402-843-8420 or Jacque Luettel 402-843-8974.

St. John's Werner Hall, Petersburg events all need to be scheduled through Jaci Hoefer — including all funerals, events, receptions, and showers by calling 402-386-5580 or email jhoefer@archomaha.org.

St. John's Rural Clearwater: Sue Mlnarik 402-485-2428

St. Theresa's Clearwater: Carol Thiele 402-750-1777

St. Peter's Ewing (St. Dominic's) Hall: Helen Larson 402-626-7605

Knights of Columbus Hall, (Elgin): Dave Hoefer 402-843-8921. Website: KofC.org/JoinUs

Tintern Retreat Center (Oakdale) Cheryl Veik 402-776-2188 tinternretreatcenter.com

Important Links https://get.tithe.ly/ (online giving) https://flocknote.com/ (notification system)

This Week in Our Parishes.....

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Events</u>
Mon- Wed	Mar. 30- April 1		St. John's Petersburg Spring Cleaning of Church
Mon-Thur	Mar. 30- April 2	Cancelled	NO St. Bonaventure Raeville Church Cleaning
Tuesday	March 31	Noon	Bulletin Deadline for April 5 th Bulletin Items
Wednesday	April 1	5-5:30 pm	Confessions at St. Boniface Church is still taking place
Wednesday	April 1	7:00 pm	Fr. Vogel's Family Formation's Talk "Holy Week" available on Facebook
Thursday	April 2	Cancelled	NO Eucharistic Day of Prayer (No First Friday Calls)
Friday	April 3	Cancelled	NO Elgin Fish Fry / All Albion Fish Frys Cancelled
Sunday	April 5	Cancelled	NO Pope John Development Dinner (postponed to undetermined date)

^{**}Note: Live STATIONS of the CROSS will be on Facebook on Thursday at 3:00 pm

Recorded Stations of the Cross will be posted on Facebook Friday Mornings / able to view any time during the day

No Religious Ed classes for any of our area parishes for the time being.
There is Sunday evening 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM Project YM Live evening for Jr High / High School Youth https://projectym.com/live/.

GENERAL NEWS

Parish Giving

(please continue giving)



In addition to the electronic giving option we gave you during Mass this morning, we have expanded options if you still wish to give a check in your contribution envelope. You can mail the envelope to your parish office, or use the partnering we have set up with our local banks to accept envelopes from any of our parishioners. Bank of Elgin, GPS Bank in Petersburg, The Tilden Bank in Clearwater, and Ewing Bank. The parish staff will then pick up the envelopes, and process your donation. (Note also that the Elgin Parish Office does have a mail slot at their office entrance).

Use this link to give online: https://cppnebraska.org/donate/

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Like us on Facebook!

https://www.facebook.com/cppnebraska/ https://www.facebook.com/stbonparishes/

https://www.facebook.com/stjohnpetersburg/

https://www.facebook.com/stbonraeville/ (new page)

https://www.facebook.com/stpeterewing/

https://www.facebook.com/sttheresa68726/

https://www.facebook.com/RuralStJohns/

EWTN is available on Great Plains Channel 14 (Elgin). Televised Mass times on Sundays are 7am and 11am. Other Masses and special programing available by looking at EWTN brochure, available in the back of your church, or by going online to ewtn.com.

Check out Masses being televised on News Channel Nebraska



If someone wants to join our free parish notification, 'Flocknote', you are welcome to do so by following the instructions.

This will sign you up to receive an email from your parish when pertinent information needs to be sent out in a timely manner. Father John will also send out an email

each week with the bulletin, along with a few comments.

In order to receive this free service, you can email parish@cppnebraska.org, asking to join Flocknote, or you can send a text of one of the following keywords to:base-service, you can send a text of one of the following keywords to:base-service, you can email parish@cppnebraska.org, asking to join Flocknote, or you can send a text of one of the following keywords to:base-service, to join your parish mailing list.

Please note that we will only post very pertinent information on these Flocknotes, they will not be something that takes over your inbox.

If something affects everyone in our grouping, it will be sent to all of the parish flocknote accounts, therefore you do not have to sign up to receive all of the parishes information, only your parish.

- **68652** for St. John the Baptist in Petersburg
- raeville for St. Bonaventure in Raeville
- elgin for St. Boniface in Elgin
- clearwater for St. Theresa's in Clearwater
- deloit for St. John's Church of Deloit
- ewing for St. Peter de Alcantara in Ewing

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Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Mass Intentions for the week....... (Celebrated at Private Mass)

Priest	<u>Day</u> Monday	<u>Date</u> March 30	Intentions No Services	
Fr. Vogel	Tuesday	March 31	+Art, Margaret, Jim & Michael Kuester	(Livestreamed at 8:30 AM)
Fr. John	Tuesday	March 31	+Sam & Lois Regan	(1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.1.
Fr. Vogel	Wednesday	April 1	+Ben & Jean Koenig	(Livestreamed at 8:30 AM)
Fr. John	Wednesday	April 1	+Orval & Delores Hankla +Kalin Henn	
Fr. Vogel	Thursday	April 2	+Al & Josephine Schrad & Doris Ping	(Livestreamed at 8:30 AM)
Fr. John	Thursday	April 2	+Dec. Mem. of Adolf Koenig Family	
Fr. Vogel	Friday	April 3	+Helen Henn	(Livestreamed at 8:30 AM)
Fr. John	Friday	April 3	+Phyllis Bartak	,
Fr. John	Saturday	April 4	+Joan Stearns	
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Fr. Vogel	Sunday	April 5	+Clem & Frances Luettel +Paul & Judith Moser +Mary Ann Thiele	(Livestreamed at 8:00 AM)
Fr. John	Sunday	April E	+Floyd Henn & Cindy Bohaboj For the People of Our Parishes	(Livestreamed at 10:00 AM)
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All livestreamed Masses are on https://www.facebook.com/cppnebraska/ and all our Facebook pages

** all Livestream can be viewed at the time it is live, or any time after that **

Daily Masses will be live at 8:30 am (Tues- Fri)

Weekend Masses will be live on Sunday at 8:00 am with Fr. Vogel and 10:00 am with Fr. Norman. Tuesday – Friday Fr. Norman is offering a live streamed Liturgy of the Word and Daily Reflection at 10 am.

St. Boniface Elgin

Financial Stewardship- St. Boniface- Elgin Sunday Collection (15 Env.) \$1,480.00 Easter Flowers \$45.00 Fuel \$250.00 Catholic Relief \$5.00 \$600.00 Insurance Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 38 \$167,647.26 **Budgeted Total** Actual Total \$159,717.52 **Amount Behind** (\$7,929.74)

St. Boniface, St. Bonaventure: Please Remember In Your Prayers: Jolene Lichty, Larry Braband, Roger & Jan Sorenson, Terry Dinslage, Cheri (Schindler) Cavanagh, Laurie Horn, Dave Shrader, Bob Redler, Garrett Scholz, Alfreda Pelster, Neil Childers, Sally Beckman, Marie Cheatum, Charlotte Hoefer, Joe Buelt, Karlene Moser, Cliff Burger, Brittany Waldrop, Brenda Papstein, Jacquelyn Brugman, Denise Jamieson, Chris Stargel, Gary Preister, Cammy (Dwyer) Abbey, Marlene Hoefer Hughes, Darlene Stelling, Lawrence Borer, Larry Shavlik, Lyle Mackel, Gayle Zegers, Clayton Dozler, Dave Pelster, Gladys Reicks, Judy Zegers.

[Please let us know if name can be removed.

Friends of St. Boniface School Spring Raffle is officially sold out! The drawing will be held March 31, 2020.
Thank you for your continued support of our school!!

St. Boniface School Calendar Lottery Winners:

03-23-20	Paula Heim	\$60.00
03-24-20	Carol Funk	\$60.00
03-25-20	Randy & Linda Mitchell	\$60.00
03-26-20	Josh & Kim Bolling	\$60.00
03-27-20	Mike & Jennifer Stuhr	\$60.00
03-28-20	Alice Kallhoff	\$60.00
03-29-20	Jacob Beavers	\$75.00

Serra Club Altar Server Award recipients from St. Boniface Parish:



Thank you for your dedication to the Altar! (You will soon be receiving a certificate and pin, due to the Awards Mass was cancelled).



Thank you to the St. Boniface Quilters for their recent donation of \$300.00 to the St. Boniface Parish Insurance Fund. Your dedication is appreciated.

Thank you to Rachel Becker for providing music for the live stream Sunday Masses and for Seminarian Zach Eischeid for helping Fr. Vogel celebrate the daily and weekend Masses. Also to Clarissa Stuhr, and Michael Hynes, Logan Henn and Luke Henn for technical assistance!



We welcome

Blair Marie Hoefer

daughter of
Drew & Macaib Hoefer
who was baptized this weekend
at St. Boniface Church

Financial Stewardship St. Peter's Ewing

March 22 Collection: \$140.00

St. John's Deloit

March 22 Collection: \$100.00

St. Theresa's

March 22 Collection: \$250.00

FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS:

<u>St. Peter's:</u> Steve Koenig, Butch Sojka, Sister Joseph, Mary Edwards, Jessica Hobbs, Jeanette Tomjack, Sharon Ward, Leo Hawk, Duaine Bollwitt, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick and Myra (Rotherham) Schwebel.

St Theresa's: Leo Starman, Nate Thiele, Regina Krebs.

<u>St. John's:</u> Keith Palmer, Jackie Bartak, Darlene Schueth, Carl Ernesti and Georgine Funk.



St. Peter's is looking for someone to lead a game committee to represent the church at Ewing's 150 year celebration on Saturday May 23rd. Please Contact Vonnie Thramer if interested: 720-220-1280.



Vocation Cross (for April)

St. John's: Terry & Phyllis Harpster
St. Peter's: Dennis & Sandi Finley,
Dennis & Elaine Thoendel



Please pray for the soul of St. John the Baptist, Deloit parishioner **Jackie Bartak**, who passed away this week. Jackie is the mother of parishioners Ann (Kevin) Kurpgeweit, Beth Hynes and Matt Bartak. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

Please pray for the soul of St. Peter de Alcantara parishioner **Joan Thramer**, who passed away last week. JoAnn is the mother of parishioner Mike (Cheryl) Thramer. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful, rest in peace. Amen.

Be still....and know that I am GOD.

Postponed to a later Date



Elgin Knights of Columbus Fish Fry (orig. sched. April 3)

** The Archdiocese of Omaha made decision that Totus Tuus will not be held this year!

We won't be posting summer youth offerings until sometime in May.

St. John's Petersburg

Financial Stewardship St. John's – Petersburg: (Will be reported next week)



Please help with our Spring
Church Cleaning at St. John's in
Petersburg. Church Cleaning will
be held Monday, March 30th
through Wednesday, April 1st.

Please come when your schedule allows you to. A Cleaning list will be available in the back of church. Thank you in advance for all your help.

St. Bonaventure Raeville

Financial Stewardship St. Bonaventure- Raeville

Sunday Collection (4 Env.) \$560.00

Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 38

Budgeted Total \$38,000.00

Actual Total \$38,056.04

Amount Ahead \$56.04



When cleaning out your drawers and cupboards, remember to save UPC's from any and all "Best Choice" products and Box Tops for Education labels for St. Boniface School. They can be dropped off drop in the box in the west entrance of St. Boniface Church. Also, the new and improved

Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Go to https://www.boxtops4education.com.



On Monday, March 16, 2020, Archbishop Lucas indefinitely suspended all public Masses and communal celebrations of the Sacraments and other liturgies. The current recommendations from the CDC and Nebraska government officials are to cancel all gatherings of more than 10 people.

Our best way to communicate with you is through Facebook, ttps://facebook.com/cppnebraska. We encourage you to "Like" us on "Catholic Parishes in Partnership" to stay connected with us. We will also share those announcements on our parish Facebook pages. Our Flocknote

notification method is explained inside the, we encourage you to sign up. If you know of a fellow parishioner who is not online and does not have a smart phone, please share notifications with them so they don't feel "left out". A small number of printed bulletins will be available in each of the churches. Please reserve them for those who cannot see the bulletin online.

Mass / Celebrations of the Eucharist - all public Masses are cancelled indefinitely.

• We are providing livestream Mass on Sunday through Facebook Live on our Facebook page.

You do not need an account to see our posts, videos, and announcements.

- Our livestreams will originate at https://facebook.com/cppnebraska
- Fr. Vogel will livestream Mass on Sunday at 8:00 AM
- Fr. John will livestream Mass on Sunday at 10:00 AM
- Fr. Vogel will livestream daily Mass from Tuesday thru Friday at 8:30 AM
- Fr. John will livestream a "Liturgy of the Word" with Homily from Tuesday thru Friday at 10:00 AM
- For those without internet, EWTN and News Channel Nebraska has televised Masses on their TV schedules.
- Mass Intentions While there are no public Masses, each priest is planning to celebrate a private mass. The priest will combine the multiple intentions in his Mass:
 - Fr. Vogel will offer the daily mass intentions for Elgin and Raeville for Tues-Fri
 - Fr. John will offer the daily mass intentions for Ewing, Clearwater, Deloit, and Petersburg for Tues-Fri. He will also offer all scheduled Saturday Mass intentions.
 - Fr. Vogel will offer all scheduled Sunday Mass intentions.
 - Fr. John will offer the intention "For the People of Our Parishes" each Sunday.

Church Access and Availability

- All of our churches will be open during regular hours for private prayer.
 - The churches will not be available during times of "livestreamed" Mass
 - St. Boniface will be open from 9:00 AM 7:00 PM
 - St. Bonaventure is open during daylight hours.
 - St. Peter's, St. Theresa's, Rural St. John's, and St. John the Baptist remain open at all hours for private prayer.
- All public scheduled prayer times like Eucharistic Adoration and Stations of the Cross are cancelled.
- All our First Communion celebrations are postponed indefinitely.

• Confession and the Sacrament of Reconciliation

- All communal penance services are cancelled.
- St. Boniface's scheduled Wednesday Confession time from 5:00 5:30 PM will continue.
- All other confession times will be made by appointment. Call the parish office.

• Funerals and Burials

- Funeral Masses and community Wake Services are not allowed at this time.
- Burial will take place at this time with only immediate family present. The current CDC group size limits do apply.
- o Funeral Masses will take place at a later time (when permitted) without the body present.

• Visiting the Homebound / "First Friday" Calls / Anointing of the Sick

- We are not sending EMHCs or deacons to the homebound at this time.
- o Normal "First Friday" visits to the homebound are also cancelled.
- o If someone is homebound and is requesting a priest visit for confession, they should call the parish office.
- Anointing of the Sick is available by calling the parish office
- Weddings A wedding is permitted within the CDC group size limit.
- Baptisms A baptism is permitted within the CDC group size limit
 - O Baptisms in emergency circumstances (ie. in danger of death) are always permitted.

Modified Office Hours -

We are asking you to limit your visits to the Parish Offices during this time, and are strongly encouraging the use of our phone number 402-843-2345 and email: parish@cppnebraska.org.

Parish Giving and Contributions

- Even though our gatherings are suspended, our mission to make Christ known continues, and our expenses for electricity, heat, internet, staff and everything else are still coming due. Please consider giving sacrificially at this to help our mission continue. Here are some ways that you can help:
 - You can give on our online platform Tithely: https://cppnebraska.org/donate
 - You can mail your envelopes to your parish office.
 - You can drop them by the partnering banks: Bank of Elgin, Ewing Bank, Great Plains State Bank-Petersburg or The Tilden Bank-Clearwater Branch.
 - You can drop them by the Elgin Office mail slot.