



# 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

April 4 & 5, Easter Sunday

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**Wednesday - Thursday:**

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

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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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Three core values:

Communion

Communication

Sustainability

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Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die."

--John 11:25-26

Easter Sunday

Date	Time & Event
	Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7:00PM
	Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00AM
	Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30PM
	<b>Changed:</b> Sunday, April 12, SFN Divine Mercy 3:00-4:00PM
	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.
April 10	Pope John Pre-K Visit Day, 8:15AM-11:00AM, for more information contact the school @ 402.843.5325
April 12	SBE Divine Mercy Sunday Holy Hour, 3-4PM
April 12	SFN Knights of Columbus 45 <sup>th</sup> Annual Ham & Beef Dinner, American Legion 5:00PM-7:00PM
April 13	SBE Altar Society meeting, 7-8PM
April 14	Rural Central Deanery of Omaha, at SFN
April 14	Rural Northwest Deanery Spring Meeting Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Butte
April 14	SFN Sodality meeting after 10AM Rosary
April 15	SBE Altar Society Meeting at 7PM
April 18	OLT First Holy Communion Service, 5:30PM
April 19	SBE First Holy Communion Service at 10AM Mass
April 25	OLT meal for 1 <sup>st</sup> Communicants & Seniors after Mass
April 26	Sunnybrook Chicken Dinner @ SJD
May 3	STC Coffee & Rolls after Senior Mass

## Rural Central Deanery of the Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women

Tuesday, April 14<sup>th</sup> at St. Francis of Assisi Church.

702 W 11<sup>th</sup> St., Neligh

Registration starts at 1:00PM

Meeting starts at 1:30PM

All Catholic Women are invited



## SAVE THE DATE

### RNW Deanery Council of Catholic Women Spring Meeting

The Rural Northwest Deanery Council of Catholic Women will hold its Spring Deanery Meeting on April 14, 2026 @ Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church in Butte.

Registration will begin at 9:30AM with meeting to begin at 10:00AM. Mass will be celebrated at 11:30AM followed by lunch



Archbishop Michael McGovern has shared the following statement on this milestone in the cause for canonization of Venerable Servant of God Father Edward Flanagan.

"I am overjoyed at the news that Pope Leo XIV has recognized the heroic virtues of the Servant of God Father Edward Flanagan, the founder of Boys Town. With the decree recognizing Father Flanagan's virtues, he receives the title Venerable Servant of God or Venerable. In this, the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Catholic Charities' founding in Omaha, it is fitting that Father Edward Flanagan, an Omaha priest and a model of Christian charity, be recognized by the Holy See. This is the next step in Father Flanagan's cause for sainthood, which began in 2012. We continue to pray that he will one day be beatified and ultimately declared a saint. In the meantime, may we work to affirm the dignity of every person created in God's image by serving the poor, the vulnerable, and especially at-risk youth. May Venerable Father Edward Flanagan's example inspire us to live the Lord's commandment:

**'Love one another, as I have loved you.'**"

**American Red Cross**

*Give blood.* Help save lives.

**Scholarship Blood Drive  
Clearwater Community/  
Summerland High School**

American Legion

**Wednesday, April 15, 2026  
9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

Please give the gift of life this year by donating blood.

To schedule an appointment please call Kyle Jensen at 402-910-0681, email Linda Hanka at hanks1@hotmail.com or schedule online at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org)  
402-750-2384

Bring Donor Card or Photo ID  
Note: Eat breakfast/lunch & drink plenty of water prior to donating blood.

Help hope bloom! Give blood 4/13-30 for \$15 e-gift card to merchant of choice. See [rcblood.org/hope](http://rcblood.org/hope)

1-800-RED CROSS | 1-800-733-2767 | [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) | Download the Blood Donor App

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 28 & 29

*God bless you for your generosity!*

Sunday Offertory	\$5,398.00
Easter Flowers	\$40.00
School Support	\$150.00
Utilities	\$50.00
Maintenance	\$50.00
SJD Cemetery	\$50.00

**SFN Divine Mercy Sunday**

**April 12 @ 3PM**

**Chaplet, Exposition, Adoration,  
and Benediction with  
Confession.**

**“Humanity will not have peace  
until it turns with trust to  
my mercy.”**

**--Christ as told to St. Faustina**



**Sunnybrook Cafe**

**will be  
hosting a chicken  
dinner  
at St. John Deloit Hall  
April 26 from  
11:30am-1:30pm**



**Announcements!!**



**SFN Knights of Columbus  
45<sup>th</sup> Annual**

**Ham & Beef Dinner**

**Sunday, April 12 @ the  
Neligh American Legion**

**Serving from 5PM-7PM**

**Adults \$15, Ages 10 & Under \$6**

**Dine In or Carry Out Available**

That's the beauty of songs-  
you can put language in the  
mouth of someone who's  
been longing to connect the  
words to the feeling, the  
experience to the prayer. For  
me, the highest honor is to be  
able to give people language  
to pray to God.  
--Lauren Daigle,  
singer & songwriter

Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Angela Hardisty, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett Kielty, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Yvonne Duggan, Anna Murdy, Steve Herrington, Ladd Chandler, Kathy Long, Olivia Trease Anderson, Angela Wortman, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Dana Sheridan, Jane Marke, Lester Perske, Ed O Gary Warner, Hannah Wright, Charlie Harlan, Taylynn Charf, Harriet Lorenz, Cory Coover, Bob Kester

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 28 & 29

God bless you for your generosity!

**St. Boniface, Elgin**

Sunday Offertory	\$1,676.00
Easter Flowers	\$25.00
Insurance	\$50.00

**St. John's, Petersburg**

Sunday Offertory	\$558.00
Utilities	\$200.00

**St. Bonaventure, Raeville**

Sunday Offertory	\$746.86
Easter	\$100.00
Maintenance	\$100.00

**New Address**

**Lori Krause**

**C/O Mid-Nebraska Lutheran Home**

**109 N 2<sup>nd</sup> Street**

**Newman Grove, Ne 68758**



**SBE Altar Society  
will be meeting on  
Wednesday,  
April 15 @ 7PM**

**"If you want to change the world, go home and love your family."**

**-St. Mother Teresa**

**Love the ones closet to you. Love the ones you interact with every day. The ones that annoy you. The ones that get under your skin. Love them. Let them see that there's a different person inside--if just by a little bit.**

**-Mark Wahlberg, Hallow**

**Announcements!!**

**SBE DONATE**

**There's still time to donate to the St. Boniface Spring Auction. Each parish family is asked to donate \$50 if you were not able to donate an item for the auction. Final numbers for the auction will be posted once all donations and expenses are accounted for.**

"On Divine Mercy Sunday reception of Holy Communion worthily and trust in God's mercy pours out upon the soul a complete renewal of baptismal grace". Rev. Ignacy Rozycki, STD... Former Member of the Holy See's International Theological Commission

**Divine Mercy Holy Hour**

St. Boniface Parish in Elgin 3:00 to 4:00 pm  
Sunday, April 12th

Chaplet, Exposition, Adoration, Benediction  
with confession the entire time!

Father will continue confessions after  
Benediction if needed!



**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!\*



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 Buel, 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.

**From the Desk of  
Father Frank**



Dear parishioners,

Happy Easter! Lent is over. You can now enjoy going back to some of the things that you gave up for Lent. The reason I say some of the things is that some of you may have given up swearing for Lent. Easter is not a day to start back on bad habits like that.

Easter is not just a day, but a week. Tomorrow is Easter Monday. But what I want to focus on is that next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. Last weekend in several parishes I talked about the sins that nag us. These are things that we thought were all over and we put them out of our minds. But now it seems like the devil is bringing them back into our heads to haunt us. That may be the case, but you can turn that around. For when the devil does something to us, it is because God is allowing it to happen. This is what is called God's permissive will. He does not want evil to happen, but He will allow it to take place if it has a chance to bring about something good.

These kinds of thoughts from the past tend to hit us more often as we get older, but they do happen when we are young. It just doesn't happen as much because we don't have as many things to remember when we are young. It might be something stupid that we did. It might have been a grave sin we committed. This time of year, priests are hearing a lot of confessions, and this comes up often. People wonder why these past sins are nagging them. As the thoughts come to mind, people are not sure if they confessed them in the past, or forgot, or purposefully didn't confess them out of embarrassment. The problem is that they come back again and again. So why is this happening?

My answer is that God is preparing us, step-by-step, for our last days. Jesus prepared himself to save us. He humbled himself to become like us and die for us (see Philippians 2:5-11). That passage has been read at Mass several times in the past two weeks. But the real humbling happened to Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane when he took on our sins so they could be nailed to the cross with him. He was preparing himself for his death, but a death that would save us from our sins. We must also prepare ourselves for our death, and it needs to involve humility. To understand this, you should read the first four verses of the second chapter of Philippians. It is about how we need to be humble, not just Jesus. We can't go to our death thinking that we have earned heaven. That is impossible. It is by Christ's death and resurrection that we can get into heaven. Recognizing how unworthy we are is a way God is preparing us. I believe one of the reasons we have these thoughts of past sins is to help us realize just how unworthy we are.

When this is happening there are several things I suggest. The first is to reflect on each sin and try to figure out if there is anything that you need to learn from that low moment to help you now. Second, pray that you have grown past that point of weakness and are better at being the kind of person God intended you to be. Third, recognize how critical God's grace was in getting you to this point. This is what God's mercy is all about and why St. Pope John Paul II put Divine Mercy Sunday at the end of Easter Week. It is great that Jesus has risen, but it is important that we realize that we are not worthy of this gift. That is why it is a gift and not something we have earned. So be prepared to face your death with humility, or God will help you. Next Sunday, celebrate the Mercy of God. Trust in His gift, not in your own abilities. Prepare for entry into heaven by seeking His merciful gift of an indulgence, to free you of the possibility of a lot of purgatory time. Get the plenary indulgence offered by confessing your sins, going to Mass and Communion, and praying for the pope's intentions. Some of you have already had a recent confession, so you have started. Don't stop now.

God bless you and have a holy, Easter Week,  
Fr. Frank Baumert

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Apr 6, 8:15AM	Elgin	DW		Communion Service
Tue Apr 7, 8:30AM	Petersburg	FB	† Sterling Morton	
Wed Apr 8, 8:15AM	Elgin			No Mass
Wed Apr 8, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	† Carmen Peetz	
Wed Apr 8, 9:30AM	Accura			No Mass
Wed Apr 8, 5:00PM	Elgin	JN		Confessions
Wed Apr 8, 6:00PM	Clearwater	FB	† Tom Kimes	Faith Formation
Thur Apr 9, 8:15AM	Elgin	JN	† Dan Henn & Kalin Henn	Freshmen/Sophmores
Thur Apr 9, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	† LeRoy Clarkson & for the Living & Deceased Clarkson and Kay Families	
Fri Apr 10, 8:15AM	Elgin	JN	† David Sehi	
Fri Apr 10, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	† Don & Marie Vandersnick	
Sat Apr 11, 5:30PM	Tilden	FB	† John Corkle	
Sat Apr 11, 5:30PM	Ewing	JN	† Clet, Yvonne & Tim Thramer	
Sun Apr 12, 8:00AM	Petersburg	FB	† Marin Schindler	
Sun Apr 12, 8:00AM	Clearwater	JN	For the People of Our Parishes	
Sun Apr 12, 10:00AM	Elgin	FB	† Vince Kallhoff	
Sun Apr 12, 10:00AM	Neligh	JN	† Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7550	

**Ministry Schedule for April 11 & 12 Second Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy Sunday**  
(The weekend Mass schedule always goes by the Sunday Liturgy)

**Saturday 4/11/2026**

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

**Altar Servers:** Hunter M., Ella D., Mackenzie R.  
**EMHC:** Rose Schaecher, Mike Dusel, Rosemary P.  
**Homebound:** Brianne O'Brien  
**Lector:** Natilie Dittmer  
**Ushers:** Keith Meyer, Walt Patras

**5:30PM Mass – St. Peter, Ewing**

**Altar Servers:** Cooper N., Brekkan S.  
**EMHC:** Gina Koenig, Helen Larson, Carol Rotherham  
**Giftbearers:** Dennis & Sandi Finley  
**Lector:** Sierra Summers  
**Ushers:** Denis Bergstrom, Ed Nordby

**Sunday 4/12/2026**

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

**(Contact Deacon John Starman to schedule Communion to the sick or Homebound 402.843.8393)**  
**Altar Servers:** Levi., Katelyn K.  
**EMHC:** Deacon John & Kelly Starman, Matthew Starman  
**Homebound:** Teresa Haying  
**Lector:** Anita Krohn  
**Money:** Eric Petsche, Kevin Schumacher  
**Music:** Jeanne & Alan Temme  
**Ushers :** Alan Faust, Gene Knust

**Sunday 4/12/2026**

**8:00 am Mass – St. Theresa, Clearwater**

**Altar Servers:** Ruby & Gus A.  
**EMHC:** Kevin Filsinger, Francis Hanzlik, Jennifer, Duane, & Luke Kester  
**Giftbearers:** Sonia & Kevin Rittscher  
**Lector:** Connie Cronin  
**Ushers:** Jarod Beringer, Steve Hankla

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

**Altar Servers:** Hannah E., McKenna S.  
**EMHC:** Del & Susie Ames, Doris Ternus, Ron Beacom, Tim & Amy Baker  
**Lector:** Ron Gilg  
**Ushers:** Chad Shabram, Troy Shabram, Andy Elder, Tim Kallhoff

**10:00 am Mass – St. Boniface, Elgin**

**Altar Servers:** Harmon & Max B.  
**EMHC:** Deacon Dennis Wiehn, Dave & Gwen Beckman, Deb Beckman, Luke Beckman, 1 Volunteer  
**Giftbearers:** Jay & Kristen Evans  
**Greeters:** Brenda & Mark Schrage, Rick & Jan Starman  
**Homebound:** Phil & Kris Starman, Bonnie Hoefler  
**Lector:** Jodine Meis  
**Music:** Deb Baum, St. Boniface Choir  
**Ushers:** Brayden Burenheide, Gary Dinslage, Kevin Dinslage, Eric Haselhorst