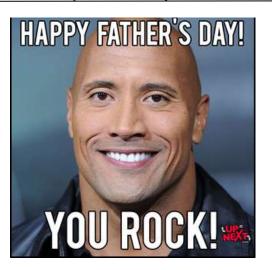


Catholic Parishes in Partnership

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

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

June 21, 2020



BEING A SPIRITUAL FATHER... BEING A SPIRITUAL DAD

Sometimes considering an image of what an ideal father looks can make the job both daunting, unreachable, and unrealistic. There can be a lot of pressure and expectations applied to 'doing the dad thing right.' That experience of pressure and expectation can also be felt as a priest... in the role of being a spiritual father. I don't expect that I will get everything right all of the time, but I certainly strive to live this calling of spiritual fatherhood faithfully.

In our lives and communities, we have both biological fathers and spiritual fathers. Each of us exists because of the love of another... of our moms and our dads. While our parents are not perfect, today is a day in which we are reminded to say thank you for the gift of life. Each of us grows up with mom figures in our lives and father figures in our lives... there is a spiritual bond made... and we experience the gift of spiritual motherhood and spiritual fatherhood that is shown towards us. When we experience the love, care, and attention that is shown toward us, we can recognize this spiritual friendship and relationship give to us. There is a powerful yet gentle care experienced in a person's looking out for us. In return, we too are invited to make a gift of ourselves in love and service.

Being a dad and being a father means that I am no longer a bachelor. It means that I care about others and live a life that is not simply centered on myself, my preferences, and my wants. It's a form of 'adulting', in both the biological and spiritual sense.

Thank you to all our dads! Thank you to all the spiritual fathers in our communities! Thank you for that generosity of heart.

ALPHA AS NEW BEGINNING...FAITH SHARED IS STRENGTHENED The Greek letter 'alpha' is at the start of their alphabet; the letter 'omega' is at the end. In the Bible, God says "I am the Alpha and the Omega... the beginning and the end" (Rev 22:13). We can sometimes use these letters to signify new beginnings, opportunities and new conclusions.

A new opportunity and a new beginning for us is the ability to participate in a program called "Alpha". Maybe you have heard of Alpha before, maybe not. Alpha invites us to hear the proclamation of the Gospel in a new or different way and to discuss what we notice, sense, experience, and think. Alpha presents a video and invites us to share about our experience of faith in small groups. We are partnering with St. Patrick's in Elkhorn to offer Alpha this summer on Wednesday nights ONLINE.

I'm incredibly excited about being able to offer Alpha in our parishes! Starting July 8, we will have a summer session of Alpha. It will run from 7:00 PM – 8:45 PM on the video platform Zoom. You can find a room or space in your house to do 'the Alpha Course'. It's not a course with homework, and it's not about memorizing a textbook. You will watch and hear the video and share in a small group... which may be new friends to you from a different area, parish, or town. You will have the chance to share your experience of God and faith and life and make friends. The online gatherings run through September 16th... But start by showing up at one... or two... or three... **TRY Alpha OUT!!!** If you can't make every week, we can work with that! I found Alpha to be renewing for me in my faith, and I didn't need a master's degree to understand it. **The Alpha program is meant for everyone.** The sign-up is at https://alpha.stpatselkhorn.org.

UPDATED DIRECTIVES... AND 'ONLINE' GOING FORWARD...

Our current pace of trying to do both 'in person' and 'online' events is needing an adjustment. **Beginning June 23**rd, we will no **longer livestream the 8:30 AM daily mass.** There will continue to be daily reflections Tuesday-Friday at 10:00 AM for the time being. **Beginning the weekend of June 27-28, there will no longer be a Sunday 10:00 AM livestream.** For the time being, Fr. Vogel will continue to livestream the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass. We are trying to evaluate an effective use of our time and resources. We are still working on some long-term technology upgrades at our church sites to accommodate livestream and overflow needs in the future.

June 22nd also brings new DHM (Directed Health Measures) for our areas. We are entering Phase III. To clarify, we are treating all of our parish halls for all events including family reunions under the category of "Wedding and Funeral Reception Venues". Currently, that means that facility capacity is limited to 50%. Self-serve prohibited. Volunteers buffet lines are and catering staff can now serve buffet line. Tables are in а limited to eight people and must be placed 6ft apart.

Peace,

Fr. Yh

Financial Stewardship- St. Boniface- Elgin

Sunday (60 Env)	\$7,650.51
Easter	\$150.00
"P.I.E." (Partners in Education)	\$1,250.00
Sunday Collection as of Fiscal W	
Budgeted Total	\$216,176.73
Actual Total	\$205,951.41
Amount Behind	(\$10,225.32)

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, Denise Jamieson, Chris Stargel, Gary Preister, Cammy (Dwyer) Abbey, Marlene Hoefer Hughes, Lawrence Borer, Larry Shavlik, Lyle Mackel, Clayton Dozler, Dave Pelster, Judy Zegers, Rose Wiehn, Mike Thiele, Gene Heithoff, Loretta Zegers, Adam Kester. [Please let us know if name can be removed.]

St. Boniface School Calendar Lottery Winners:

Shauna Warren	\$60.00
Ann Jean Schneider	\$60.00
Sharon Bartak	\$60.00
Kevin & Pam Dinslage	\$60.00
Sarah Keegan	\$60.00
Donna Ketteler	\$60.00
Jeff & Denis Veerhusen	\$75.00
	Ann Jean Schneider Sharon Bartak Kevin & Pam Dinslage Sarah Keegan Donna Ketteler

St. Boniface Ladies:

The Altar Society requests no outside salads or desserts be brought in for funerals until further notice (<u>unless a circle member is asked</u> <u>directly</u>). As we restructure our funeral dinners temporarily, due to Covid, we

appreciate your cooperation.



Live Music by Mark & Julie Dwyer Cash Bar will be open

<u>Unable to Attend?</u> A medical benefit account has been established for Gene at the Bank of Elgin. Donations can be mailed to or dropped off at the bank.

> Online gofundme account: Gene Heithoff Medical Benefit



Father's Day Prayer

God bless all the fathers in the world. Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be a father like You are. Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way. Amen.

FIRST COMMUNION at St. Boniface is set for June 28 at 12:00 pm

First Communion, Baptism and Confirmation gifts are available at the Religious Article Store at the Elgin Parsh Office. There are many crosses, rosary boxes, rosaries, various size picture frames, angels, banks, rosary book sets, photo albums, lockets, rings, cross necklaces and various bracelets, saint book, prayer books and Children's Bibles. Check out our supply before going elsewhere – our selection and prices are great.



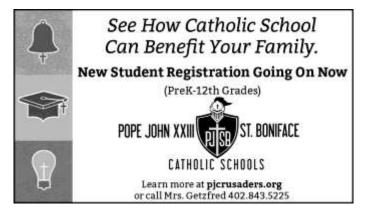
St. Boniface Parish Men received a letter early this week for the "Men's Circle Solicitation". Your participation is appreciated. You are asked to send your \$75 donation to your head

leader by June 24 please, to save them from calling you. Thank you.



St. Boniface School acknowledges and appreciates the following planned gift received from the Leonard Beckman Estate:

St. Boniface School Endowment \$17,644.86



Reminder: If you need something put in the bulletin, from other parish/groups can let us personally know what they want in the bulletin either by phone at 402-843-2345 or by our email at <u>mreicks@cppnebraska.org</u> or <u>Imoser@cppnebraska.org</u>. (Please try to refrain from telling the priests)



For the time being, if there are increasing numbers attending the 10:00 am, the overflow will be directed to the basement where Mass can be heard over the PA

system. We are working or providing a video stream but the outdated system will not allow that at this time.

St. Bonaventure Raeville

Financial Stewardship St. Bonaventure- Raeville

Sunday Collection (8 Env.)	\$570.00
Sunday Collection as of Fisc	al Week 49
Budgeted Total	\$49,000.00
Actual Total	\$48,046.04
Amount Behind	(\$953.96)

St. Bonaventure will be Mowing their parish grounds this Wednesday, June 24th





St. Bonaventure Parish acknowledges and appreciates the following planned gift given by the

Leonard Beckman Estate:

St. Bonaventure's Endowment: \$35,289.74

Leonard's generosity in spreading of the Good News will continue, through this gift to the parish endowment.

Only the earnings from this gift will be used to support parish. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.



Church cleaning at St. Bonaventure will be held June 29 - July 2. Please come when it is convenient and mark off what you have done on the sheet in back. Thank you for your help.

NOTE: St. Bonaventure ushers are asked to *please* arrive by 7:30am to open windows, put out bulletins and hold doors. Check out instruction sheet in back. You must wear a mask. If you are unable to perform this service at the time assigned, please find someone to fill in or call Joan Stuhr 402-843-0485.

St. John's Petersburg

Financial Stewardship St. John's – Petersburg:

Adult: \$670.00 Loose: \$35.00 Ascension: \$300.00 Cemetery: \$140.00



Please pray for the soul of **Wilbur Rakow of** Neligh, who passed away last week. Wilbur is the father of St. John the Baptist Peterburg parishioner Theresa (Gene) Knust. May his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen

Please pray for the soul of **Kendall Schendt** who passed away this week. Kendall is the brother of parishioner Amber (Marc) Scheer. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen. Thank you to the Leonard Beckman Family for the memorial donation to St. John's (Petersburg) Endowment Fund.

St. John's Petersburg				
June Once A Mont	th Club	Winners		
Emma Luettel	\$150			
Dan Knust	\$100			
Wes & Jenna Stokes	\$100			
Kathy Koch	\$75			
Mary Lu Larson	\$50			
Jared Seier	\$50			
Bob Foss	\$50			
Pat Beierman	\$50			
John & Kelly Starman	\$50			
Cory Faust	\$50			

Notice: If you attend the Wednesday Masses you are asked to please sit, socially distanced, in front section of pews, so we do not unnecessarily need to clean every pew in church.

Reminder: Petersburg Altar Society members who have not paid there dues of \$40 yet are asked to please send the dues to Connie Stuhr, 305 N Lincoln St., Petersburg Ne 68652.

St. Peter's St. Theresa's St. John's Deloit

Financial Stewardship St. Peter's Ewing June 7: \$996.00

<u>St. John's Deloit</u>

June 7: \$1,010.00 Easter: \$100.00 Catholic Communication: \$25.00 Building: \$10.00

St. Theresa's

May 31: \$2,795.00 Ascension: \$5.00 Catholic Communication: \$19.00 Building: \$300.00 June 7: \$1,395.00

FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS:

St. Peter's: Anslee Ostergard, Kathi Rethwisch, Steve Koenig, Butch Sojka, Sister Joseph, Mary Edwards, Jessica Hobbs, Jeanette Tomjack, Sharon Ward, Duaine Bollwitt, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick and Myra (Rotherham) Schwebel

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

St. John's: Keith Palmer, Darlene Schueth, Carl Ernesti and Georgine Funk

UPCOMING FIRST COMMUNIONS

St. Peter's: Saturday, June 27 at 5:30 pm St. John's (Deloit): Sunday, July 5 at 11:30 am St. Theresa's: To Be Announced

This Week in Our Parishes.....

Day	Date	Time	Events
Tuesday	June 23	Noon	Deadline to let us know if you cannot be on liturgical schedule (southern)
Tuesday	June 23	Noon	June 28 Bulletin Items and July Calendar Items due to Elgin Office
Wednesday	June 24	5-5:30 pm	Confessions at St. Boniface Church
Wednesday	June 24		St. Bonaventure- Raeville Mows Parish Grounds
Wednesday	June 24		St. Boniface Men's Circle Donations Due to Leaders
Friday	June 26	Noon	St. Boniface Head Circle Leaders please turn in donations to Parish Office
Saturday	June 27	5:30 pm	First Communion at St. Peter de Álcantara Church
Sunday	June 28	12:00 [°] pm	First Communion at St. Boniface Church

Mass Intentions for the week...... All Masses are Public

Location	Day	Date	Time	Intentions	
(SBR) Raeville	Tuesday	June 23	8:30 am	+Leonard & Agnes Starman	(Note Location)
(SPE)Ewing	Tuesdaý	June 23	8:30 am	+Clet & Tim Thramer	· ·
(SBE) Elgin	Wednesday	June 24	8:30 am	+Mark & Jack Schindler	
(STC) Clearw.	Wednesday	June 24	8:30 am	+Omer Hoffman	
(SJP) Peters.	Wednesday	June 24	10:30 am	+Laurence & Mary Ketteler	
(SBE) Elgin	Thursday	June 25	8:30 am	+Mary Jane Henn	
(SPE) Ewing	Thursday	June 25	8:30 am	+Alex Thramer Family	
(SBE) Elgin	Friday	June 26	8:30 am	+Rudy & Theresa Heithoff	
(SJD) Deloit	Friday	June 26	8:30 am	+LaVern & Vera Dell Stuhr & Ph	
(SPE) Ewing	Saturday	June 27	5:30 pm	For the People of Our Parishes	
(SJP) Peters.	Saturday	June 27	7:00 pm	+Jim Preusser/+Kevin Michael I	Beckman
(SBR) Raeville	Sunday	June 28	8:00 am	+Ed Grundmayer	(Livestreamed)
(SBE) Elgin	Sunday	June 28	10:00 am	+Al & Mary Helen Schrage & Ar	ndrew Peterson
(STC) Clearw.	Sunday	June 28	10:00 am	+Harold, Lucille & Joe Kester	
(SJD) Deloit	Sunday	June 28	11:30 am	+Francis & Claire Musil	
(SBE) Elgin	Sunday	June 28	12:00 pm	+Kendall Schendt	First Communion Mass

Public Weekend Masses and Public Daily Masses have Resumed (Social Distancing does apply and pews marked) Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still in effect, for those who have concerns. Tuesday-Friday: Fr. Norman is offering a streamed Liturgy of the Word and Daily Reflections at 10 am. All livestreamed Masses are on <u>https://www.facebook.com/cppnebraska/</u> and all our Facebook pages

NOTE: We will no longer be livestreaming at daily Masses during the week

but will continue to livestream one Sunday Mass at 8:00 am.

Liturgical Schedule for June 27-28, 2020

Note: Northern Parishes are currently using Seminarians for most liturgical ministries.

Weekend	Servers	Ushers	\$\$ Counters-SJP Greeters - SBE Rosary Ldrs- SBR	Gift Bearers	Lectors	Music	E.M.H.C. (All will wear Masks)
Saturday June 27 7:00 pm St. John's PETERSBURG	Ella & James Fogelman (Mask is your choice)	Kevin Schumacher Wally Scholl (Please Wear Mask)	Money Counters: Alan Temme Clyde Stuhr		Lisa Schumacher	Jeff, Jan & Rod	Deacon John Starman
Sunday June 28 8:00 am St. Bonaventure RAEVILLE	Emma & Riley Lordemann (Mask is your choice)	Bryan Bode Jake Grundmayer (<u>Please Wear Mask)</u> Please arrive at 7:30 am and see note	Ken & Joan Stuhr		Joyce Pelster	Paul Kuhlman	Mark Grundmayer
Sunday June 28 10:00 am St. Boniface ELGIN	Cameron & Gavin Kallhoff (Mask is your choice)	Mike Dwyer Bob Getzfred Dave Gossman Eric Haselhorst (Please Wear Mask) Please arrive at 9:35 am and see note on usher closet			Betty Kallhoff	Laura Ruge	Pastor, Deacon Dennis
Sunday June 28 12:00 pm St. Boniface ELGIN First Communion	Landyn Veik (Mask is your choice)	Travis Eischeid Dave & Janice Eischeid (Please Wear Mask) Please arrive at 11:30 am			Louise Schindler	Mark & Julie Dwyer	Pastor, Cheryl Veik



Happy Spiritual Father's Day Father John and Father Vogel!

God, Please give to Your Church today many more priests after Your own Heart. May they be worthy representatives of Christ the Good Shepherd. May they wholeheartedly devote themselves to prayer and penance; be examples of humility and poverty; shining models of holiness; tireless and powerful preachers of the Word of God; zealous dispensers of Your grace in the Sacraments. May their loving devotion to Your Son Jesus in the Eucharist and to Mary His Mother be the twin foundations of fruitfulness for their ministry. Amen.

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Prayer for the Protection of Religious Liberty

O God our Creator, from your provident hand we have received our right to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. You have called us as your people and given us the right and the duty to worship you, the only true God, and your Son, Jesus Christ. Through the power and working of your Holy Spirit, you call us to live out our faith in the midst of the world, bringing the light and the saving truth of the Gospel to every corner of society.



We ask you to bless us in our vigilance for the gift of religious liberty. Give us the strength of mind and heart to readily defend our freedoms when they are threatened; give us courage in making our voices heard on behalf of the rights of your Church and the freedom of conscience of all people of faith.

Grant, we pray, O heavenly Father, a clear and united voice to all your sons and daughters gathered in your Church in this decisive hour in the history of our nation, so that, with every trial withstood and every danger overcome for the sake of our children, our grandchildren, and all who come after us this great land will always be "one nation, under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

> We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. ~USCCB

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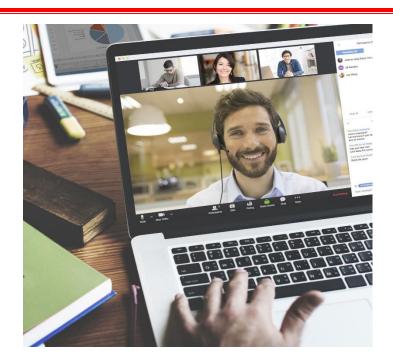
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Join us from home!



July 8th – Sept. 16th 2020

Wednesday evenings 7pm - 8:45pm

What is Alpha online?

Explore the big questions of life and faith from the comfort of your own home! During this 11-week series (once weekly on Wednesday evenings), you will:

- ✓ Meet new friends
- \checkmark Watch engaging video talks about life and faith
- ✓ Share your thoughts, ideas, and questions in comfortable and nonjudgmental small group discussions
- \checkmark Experience a "Day Away" retreat focused on the Holy Spirit (8/22)

If you or someone you know is searching, has big life questions, or wants to grow in faith, please register today and join us!

Everyone is welcome here.

Gatherings are hosted on Zoom meetings Wednesday evenings beginning July 8, 2020! <u>We provide tech support!</u>

Register today at <u>alpha.stpatselkhorn.org</u>. You will receive a welcome packet and all the information you need to begin! For more information, email <u>alpha@stpatselkhorn.org</u>.

"Alpha is just what you need, just when you need it." – A former Alpha guest



Public Masses began May 30

Dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass is still in effect, for those who have

concerns about attending.

Masses will still be available on Facebook.

RELIGIOUS

Fr. John Norman, Pastor PO Box 37 Ewing, NE402-626-7605
Email: jmnorman@archomaha.orgFr. Kevin Vogel, Assoc. Pastor PO Box B- Elgin
Deacon Dennis Wiehn402-843-2345
402-843-0182
Deacon John StarmanDeacon Dennis Wiehn402-843-0182
402-843-0182
Deacon William Camp (retired)Deacon William Camp (retired)402-843-5464
402-843-5461
402-843-5461
Emergencies Needing a Priest: call office numbers and
system will re-direct your call.

Elgin Office

NE 68636			
402-843-2345			
402-843-2253			
402-843-2249			
Website: cppnebraska.org			
mreicks@cppnebraska.org			
Imoser@cppnebraska.org			
(office entrance is east side of Elgin rectory)			

Modified Hours

Monday	Closed
Tuesday-Friday	9am-Noon
(Use mail slot in East door to	drop off donation envelopes)

Petersburg Office (office entrance is north entr. Werner Hall)Mailing Address: PO Box 608, Petersburg NE 68652Parish Office Phone402-386-5580Modified HoursWednesday10:00 am-Noon (or by Appt)Jaci Hoeferjhoefer@cppnebraska.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

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Helen Larson		402-626-7605

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Reconciliation before each weekend Mass Wednesday: 5-5:30pm- Elgin Private reconciliation by appointment always available ADORATION SCHEDULE St. Peter's: Thursday- 9- Noon

Elgin: Day before First Friday, Each Month St. John's-Deloit- Devotions on Mondays at 7pm (summer) <u>COMMUNION TO THE HOMEBOUND</u> Canceled 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 Canceled 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 TUESDAY NOON

Send to Imoser@cppnebraska.org (AND) mreicks@cppnebraska.org

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

<u>cppnebraska.org</u> (but for now you can still find things also on: https://stbonparishes.com/)

If parishes want event flyers, calendars, etc. posted please email mreicks@cppnebraska.org

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

St. Boniface School (K-6) / Pope John (7-12)
Betty Getzfred, Principal402-843-5325Website: www.pjcrusaders.org402-843-5325St. Michael School- Albion (Preschool-8)
Lisa Schumacher, PrincipalWebsite: www.stmichael esu7.org

Elgin Religious Education

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)

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Lisa Wagner, Director (to register)	308-750-0423
(Gr. K-8) Wednesday during School Year	6:00-7:00 pm
(Gr. 9-12) Wednesday during School Year	7:15-8:15 pm

St. Peter, St. Theresa, St. John Deloit Religious Ed Classes

Elementary: <u>Wed. 3:45-5:15 pm</u> at St. Theresa's Hall in Clearwater, Wed. 4-5:00 pm at St. Dominic's Hall, and <u>Wed. 3:45- 5:15pm</u> at the Orchard Methodist Church. Angela Tagel, Director 308-367-7249. Jr. Hi/HS <u>Wed. 7-8:15 pm</u> 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 <u>https://get.tithe.ly/</u> (online giving) <u>https://flocknote.com/</u> (notification system)

GENERAL NEWS

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship.

Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort. Pray for friends and family. Pray to give praise, to thank and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.



During this time...

Envelopes can be mailed to your parish office

(note: Elgin has a mail slot at office entrance)

Envelopes can be dropped at your local bank

Bank of Elgin, GPS Bank in Petersburg, The Tilden Bank in Clearwater, and Ewing Bank.

--Use this link to give online—

https://cppnebraska.org/donate/

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Want to receive <u>pertinent</u> Information in a timely manner from your parish? And the bulletin once a week?



In order to receive this free service, you can email <u>parish@cppnebraska.org</u>, asking to join Flocknote, or you can send a text of one of the following **keywords** <u>to 84576</u>, to join your parish mailing list.

- 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

Connect with Us by PHONE!



If you know of someone who does not have internet at home, we've been thinking about how our parish communications can reach them. We

are making the audio for our Facebook Live events like Mass and Reflections also available as a telephone conference call (in addition to the Facebook Live).

- If someone is calling from a landline, there is a toll-free number one can use, +1-844-855-4444 ... then enter the access code 2033707# ...
- If someone has a cell phone, and long distance charges will not apply, they can join by calling the phone number +1-805-706-4216
- Please note that it may feel a little goofy, there is guitar-based hold music if you beat me to the call... people joining in will be muted automatically but will be able to hear our broadcast.
- Events included are Tues Fri at 8:30 AM Daily Mass w/ Fr. Vogel, 10:00 AM Reflection w/ Fr. John
- Sunday Mass at 8:00 AM w/ Fr. Vogel and 10:00 AM w/ Fr. John

EWTN is available on all Great Plains Channel 14. Televised Mass times on Sundays are 7am and 11am. EWTN brochures at the entrance of your church show all programing schedules. It's also on $\underline{ewtn.com.}$

News Channel Nebraska televised Masses are at 8:10am daily (Great Plains Cable Channel 22).



Parents, please note that the following have been canceled this summer:

Totus Tuus Gratia Girls Retreat Legion of Joseph Boys Retreat

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.

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Updated June 22, 2020

Public Celebrations of the Eucharist resumed May 30 ***This situation is unprecedented for all of us, so please remember to be patient as priests, staff, and volunteers work through these challenging circumstances ***

• The general dispensation from the Sunday and Holy Day obligation to participate in the Mass remains in place for all Catholics in the Archdiocese of Omaha until further notice. Anyone

who is in an at-risk group or does not feel safe attending a public gathering should respectfully refrain from coming to Mass. Even with the best health practices and increased efforts to clean the Church, there is a risk of infection anytime a person enters a public space. Anyone who is sick or has recently been exposed to the coronavirus should refrain from attending a public Mass as it is an act of Christian charity to safeguard the health of others. **The archdiocese specifically encourages those to remain at home:**

- $\circ \quad \text{The Elderly} \quad$
- $\circ \quad \text{People with underlying medical conditions} \\$
- Family members who live with elderly people or those who are at risk
- People who have access to those at risk in nursing institutions
- People who have upper respiratory or flu like symptoms
- People who live with someone with upper respiratory or flu-like symptoms
- People with COVID-19 or live with someone with COVID-19
- \circ People who have been exposed to someone with COVID-19
- Even after the general dispensation is ended, all those who are encourage remain dispensed from the Sunday obligation.
- We will continue to provide one livestream Mass on <u>Sunday at 8:00 am</u> through Facebook Live on our Facebook page for those who do not feel comfortable coming to Mass at this time at <u>https://facebook.com/cppnebraska</u>.
- Daily Masses will not be livestreamed anymore, starting June 23. See the bulletin for public daily Masses.
- Fr. John will continue to livestream a "Liturgy of the Word" and Homily (Tuesday thru Friday at 10:00 AM)
- For those without internet, EWTN and News Channel Nebraska have televised Masses on their TV schedules.
- <u>Confession and the Sacrament of Reconciliation</u>
- St. Boniface's scheduled Wednesday Confession time from 5:00 5:30 PM will continue.
- Before the Saturday evening liturgies, and before Sunday Mass as possible, we will offer confessions.
- All other confession times will be made by appointment. Call the parish office.

• Funerals and Burials

- Funeral Masses, Wake Services and Burials public health parameters are continuing to evolve and change. At a minimum, **social distancing must be observed.** Acceptable guidelines will be worked out between our parish office and funeral homes.
- Funeral Lunches or Meals are now allowed, but detailed directives need to be followed, such as only eight to a table and tables six foot apart, so numbers may be limited. No self-serve buffets are allowed.
- Anointing of the Sick Anointing of the Sick is available by calling the parish office
- Visiting the Homebound
 - \circ $\;$ We are not sending EMHCs or deacons to the homebound at this time.
 - If someone is homebound and is requesting a priest visit, they should call the parish office.
 - **Weddings** are permitted, with social distancing and following public health guidelines.
- **<u>Baptisms</u>** are permitted, with social distancing and following public health guidelines. Baptisms in emergency circumstances (ie. in danger of death) are always permitted.
- First Holy Communion. These are being re-scheduled at this time.
- Offices
 - 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: <u>parish@cppnebraska.org</u>.

<u>Parish Giving and Contributions</u>

- Please consider helping us "catch-up" with sacrificial giving.
- If attending Mass, please drop envelope in any of the baskets at the entrance of church prior to Mass, as we are not allowed to pass the basket. If remaining at home, there are other options for giving available in our bulletin.
- There will not be Children's Collection at Masses.

How-to Guide for Returning to Mass

Social distancing must be practiced at all public Masses, if we wish to continue public Masses.

We do encourage those from the Southern Tier to attend Mass in the Southern Tier and those from the Northern Tier to attend Mass in the Northern Tier.

- Please allow the door to be opened for you. This limits the spread of germs.
- Please use the main entrance at your church as much as possible, unless the handicap entrance is needed.
- Hand Sanitizer is available at entrances.
- Parishioners are to be seated in the marked pews, with social distancing of six feet between households. If you live together, you can sit together.
- After Mass, it is important that everyone **not stampede** out the door. Please allow space between households.
- Children must stay with their families.
- Everyone is <u>encouraged</u> to wear a mask as a sign of Christian Charity to those around you. (except children 3 and under)
- For those receiving Holy Communion, the priest or EMHC will bring Holy Communion to you in your pew.
- Nothing will be passed from person-to-person. Contribution envelopes can be deposited in containers at entries.
- For public health reasons, groups should not gather and socialize inside or outside of church buildings.
- Starting June 21 the southern parishes will begin scheduling limited liturgical ministers, so please watch the bulletin. If you cannot fulfill your ministry during this time, it's okay, just please call your parish office as soon as possible so they don't add you to the schedule. If you feel you want to help with something that you are not already doing, please let us know you are willing to do so.
- Gift Bearers will not be used at this time. In accord with public health policies, there will be no offertory, children's collection, or gifts brought forward.
- Priests, Deacons and EMHCs will be wearing masks and come to you, to distribute communion. Per archdiocesan policy, we cannot offer the Precious Blood at this time.
- Music: We will have congregational singing at our Masses.
- Rosary Leaders are asked to please lead the rosary prior to Mass.
- Church Bulletins will be available in the pew in which you are seated. During the week, there will be bulletins available at the doors in case you didn't get one at Mass. There will not be Children's Bulletins available at church, however they are available on the emailed Flocknote each week, for you to print off at home.
- All Missals have been removed from the pews but if you have a Magnificat or missal at home you can bring it.
- Holy Water has been removed from the fonts. You may bring your holy water bottle from home and fill it with the spigot on the holy water receptacle in your church if you wish. There will be a few holy water bottles available in the main entrance each church for those who do not have one, but those are limited.
- When the church is at capacity based on social distancing, we cannot admit any more people to our public worship. If our reduced church seating capacity is exceeded, then we will either direct you to alternate location, if possible, or we will extend our church experience into our parking lots. Details will be forthcoming.
- Those who would be encouraged to avoid large gatherings for health reasons may feel more comfortable coming during the week with a smaller crowd size. This is acceptable both now and in the future, regardless of the general dispensation.
- Churches will be disinfected after each liturgy.