



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

September 14, 2025 The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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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

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cppnebraska.org/faith/#retreats

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The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

"He is the one whom God
exalted to His right hand as a
Prince and a Savior, to grant
repentance to Israel, and
forgiveness of sins."

-Acts 1:11

**SPE=Ewing, STC=Clearwater, SJD=Deloit, SFN=Neligh,
OLT=Tilden, SJP=Petersburg, SBR=Raeville, SBE=Elgin**

| Date | Time & Event |
|--|--|
| Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00 A.M. | |
| Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30 P.M. | |
| Every 3 rd Sunday of the month SFN Diving Mercy 3:00 P.M. | |
| September 14 | STC Pancake breakfast, Parish Hall, 8:30 AM - 12 PM |
| September 14 | Knights of Columbus Breakfast, Elgin, 8 AM - 12 PM |
| September 15 | OACCW Convention, Hartington, NE |
| September 25 | Christian Mothers Meeting , 2:00 PM, St. Dominics hall |
| September 15-18 | St. Bonaventure church cleaning, Any time of day or night. |
| September 23 | SJP Altar society meeting, 6:30 PM |
| October 1 | O'Neill life chain, O'Neill community center 7-8:30 PM |
| October 5 | Elgin St. Boniface Life Chain after 10:00 A.M. Mass |

Youth Formation

Any 7-12 graders are welcome to discover the Kerygma—the life-changing message of the Gospel.

This study walks you through:

- ✓ God's love and plan for your life
- ✓ Sin and our need for a Savior
- ✓ Jesus' saving mission
- ✓ Our call to respond and follow Him

✨ It all leads to one powerful moment: a personal invitation to accept the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Bring your questions.
Bring your friends.
Snacks, music, and real talk every month.

📞 Sign Up Today or Ask Questions by emailing ckdempster@archomaha.org

**17 September 2025 - 7 pm
(Reoccurs monthly)
St. Dominic's Hall
Ewing, NE**

We pray for Randall F. Henn

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



**HEART OF A
CHILD MINISTRIES**
heartofachildministries.org

Celebration of Life Family Event Wednesday, October 1, 2025 | 7-8:30 PM

O'Neill Community Center

Hosted by Boyd Holt Right to Life and Event Underwriters

For All Ages and All Christians!

Evening Program

7:00 PM – Family-Friendly Live Ultrasound Presentation
Have you ever seen a baby in the womb hiccup, suck her thumb, or kick her feet? Have you ever heard a tiny heartbeat? Come experience the wonder of life on the big screen! Together, we'll explore Scripture, fascinating fetal facts, and the miracle of life. Fun for all ages!



Maci Binder
Sonographer

7:30–8:00 PM

- K–3rd grade & families: Make Celebration of Life bags.
- 4th grade and older: Hear inspiring, age-appropriate adoption stories from Nikki Schaefer and Kris Harvey, then 4–6th grade go make Celebration of Life bags.

Nikki Schaefer, MSW
Founder



Megan Meyers
Speaker

8:00–8:30 PM – 7th grade and older: Hear from Megan Meyers, founder of Hebrews 12 Ministries. Megan's passion is helping others find healing and freedom from guilt and shame through the unconditional love of Jesus Christ. She will share her powerful testimony of living with the pain of abortion and finding redemption and restoration in Christ.

All are welcome at no charge.
A free-will offering will be taken
for Beginnings Pregnancy
Resource Center in O'Neill.

School Program

Three age appropriate presentations are scheduled during the school day for St. Mary's Students. Anyone wanting to attend them is asked to call Jeanie Miller at 402.340.5087 for schedule and details.

View
presentation
trailers here:

heartofachildministries.org/presentations/



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*"A personal encounter
with Christ"*



What is CEC?

Christians Encounter Christ (CEC) is a Catholic movement within the Archdiocese of Omaha. The CEC Method is introduced in highly structured three-day weekend experience, beginning on Friday evening and ending on Sunday night. CEC Movement believes that Christianity can penetrate all areas of the secular world, living, growing, and transferring Christ's values to society.

The CEC Weekend is a personal and communal encounter with Christ through the Holy Spirit which leads to a lifelong relationship with God by living a method of ongoing spiritual growth and evangelization of our Catholic faith.

Mission of CEC:

The laity will evangelize the world in which we live through strengthened spirituality, lived and shared in everyday environments.

UPCOMING WEEKENDS
2025 WEEKEND DATES:

SEPTEMBER 26.27.28 (MEN'S)
OCTOBER 24.25.26 (WOMEN'S)

2026 WEEKEND DATES

JANUARY 23.24.25 MEN'S
FEBRUARY 6.7.8 WOMEN'S

MARCH 6.7.8 MEN'S
APRIL 17.18.19 WOMEN'S

SEPTEMBER 25.26.27 MEN'S
NOVEMBER 6.7.8 WOMEN'S

<https://norfolkcec.com/>





Dear parishioners,

This Sunday, September 14, I will hold the introductory class for the OCIA short and long sessions in the basement of St. Francis of Assisi Church in Neligh at 1:30 p.m. I have had people wondering if they could obtain a copy of my book without attending the class. At this point, I won't be offering that option. The book is in progress, so participants in the classes will receive it a few chapters at a time. Others will need to wait for a later date when the process is more complete. Hopefully, then it can be published, and copies will be available. I am currently making copies with the copy machine and 3-ring binders. Last week I mentioned the beauty of the Catholic Church that comes from 2000 years of great members giving their best in art, architecture, teachings, and example. This does not mean that other Christian denominations do not have beautiful churches and wise people. They just have not had two thousand years of history to add to that wealth of gifts.

One of my hobbies has been traveling around the United States and the world. I have sought beauty in nature and culture, particularly in places of worship. Both lift my mind to the Lord. Animals do not appreciate beauty. You don't see dogs, cats, or squirrels gazing at the sunrise. The closest to that would be the birds waking up singing, but they do that just as much when the sun's arrival is bland as when it is spectacular. We are not like that. We appreciate it when God showcases the colors He paints in the sky. We even get intrigued by cloud formations. I even get excited when I see a cool lightning bolt. Some of those are better than fireworks.

With all this traveling, I have seen impressive Christian churches, Jewish synagogues, Buddhist and Hindu temples, and incredible shrines. I, like many others, believe that beauty is one of the primary ways God uses to draw each person He has created to search for Him. That is why no one has a corner on that market. There doesn't seem to be any other reason for beauty to exist. It doesn't have anything to do with survival, except for the beauty of a human being, which hopefully invites us to love one another and have a new generation of children.

Animals are attracted to each other for mating purposes. But there is more to it for humans. What God has designed to attract us to each other invites us to look for more than any one person can offer. That is when we really start to search for God. Take a few moments this week to appreciate the beauty around you even more, and then thank God for giving you the ability to enjoy it.

God bless you,

Fr. Frank

| Date & Time | Location | Cel. | Intention | Notes |
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| MON SEP 15, 8:15 A.M. | Elgin | -- | | No Communion Service |
| TUES SEP 16, 8:30 A.M. | Petersburg | JN FB | • † Sterling Morton • † Lois Zegers | |
| WED SEP 17, 8:15 A.M. | Elgin | JN | • † Deacon Bill Camp | |
| WED SEP 17, 8:30 A.M. | Neligh | FB | • † Snoop & Georgia Ternus | |
| WED SEP 17, 9:30 A.M. | Willows | FB | • † David Nachtman | |
| WED SEP 17, 5:00 P.M. | Elgin | JN | | Confession 5:00-5:30 P.M. |
| THU SEP 18, 8:15 A.M. | Elgin | JN | • † John & Viola Dinslage | |
| THU SEP 18, 8:30 A.M. | Neligh | FB | • † Fellar & Dolly Baker + | |
| FRI SEP 19, 8:15 A.M. | Elgin | JN | • † Joan Sehi | |
| FRI SEP 19, 8:30 A.M. | Neligh | FB | • † Roman Hupp | |
| SAT SEP 20, 5:30 P.M. | Tilden | JN | • Living & Deceased of the Jarcki & Dusel Families | |
| SAT SEP 20, 5:30 P.M. | Deloit | FB | • † Tagel Family | |
| SUN SEP 21, 8:00 A.M. | Raeville | JN | • † Barb Grundmayer | |
| SUN SEP 21, 8:00 A.M. | Clearwater | FB | • For the People of Our Parishes | |
| SUN SEP 21, 10:00 A.M. | Elgin | JN | • † Kevin Blum | |
| SUN SEP 21, 10:00 A.M. | Neligh | FB | • † Deceased Members of the Knights of Columbus Council 7550 | |

Ministry Schedule for September 20 & 21, 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

**If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled ministry, please find a substitute.

Saturday 9/20/2025

5:30 pm Mass – St. John’s, Deloit

Altar Servers: Jason B., Jaxson K.

EMHC: Sonja Bartak

Giftbearers: Jason Schindler

Lector: Angela Tagel

Ushers: Paul Bartak, Steven Bartak

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

(Contact Jolene Schapmann to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-649-0829)

Altar Servers: Hank J., Archie J., Abe J.

EMHC: Mike Dusel

Lector: Rosemary Patras

Ushers: Walt Patras, Sam Johnsen

Sunday 9/21/2025

8:00 am Mass – St. Bonnaventure, Raeville

(Contact Kay Priestler to schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-843-8838)

Altar Servers: Samantha S., Wyatt S.

EMHC: Tami Schrage

Giftbearers: Anthony Hemenway, Sarah Hemenway

Lector: Joyce Pelster

Music: Paul Kuhlman

Rosary Leaders: Mary Ann Fangman, Fred Fangman

Ushers: Jerry Schrage, Tyler Reestman

Sunday 9/21/2025

8:00 am Mass – St. Theresa, Clearwater

Altar Servers: Ruby A., Bryce R.

EMHC: Marlene Thiessen

Giftbearers: Connie Cronin

Lector: Tina Thiele-Blecher

Ushers: Aaron Kruger, John Mlnarik

10:00 am Mass – St. Boniface, Elgin

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

Altar Servers: Reid K., Chloe K.

EMHC: Deacon Dennis Wiehn

Giftbearers: Tracy Beckman

Greeters: Deb Beckman, Scott Beckman, Mike Dvorak, Connie Dvorak

Homebound: Bonnie Hoefer, Julie Schiltmeyer

Lector: Jodine Meis

Music: Mark Moser

Ushers: Marvin Meis, Bob Schiltmeyer, Gary Schiltmeyer, Brayden Burenheide

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

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

Altar Servers: Carter C., Charlie C., Haden F.

EMHC: Del Ames, Susie Ames

Lector: Trent Hoefer

Ushers: Jaysen Sehi, Duane Knievel, Chad Shabram, Troy Shabram

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 September 7-8, 2025

Sunday Offertory goes in one general account.

A breakdown of each campus is available
at Finance Council meetings.

God bless you for your generosity!

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| Sunday Offertory | \$8,917.00 |
| Faith Formation | \$59.50 |
| School Support | \$30.00 |
| SFN Campus Reserve | \$15.00 |



September church cleaning schedule
St. Francis, Neligh

| Date | Volunteers |
|----------------------------|--|
| September 6 th | Chuck Sands, Darin Ternus, Bonnie Krebs |
| September 13 th | Bill Kuester, Paul Ruterbories, Jason Finch |
| September 20 th | Brian Whitesel, Jesse Mitchell, Alex Kerkman |
| September 27 th | Joe Hartz, Allen Keetle, Ryan Dietz |

Rosary Sodality Committee for Sept

Bethany Schacht, Jane Kallhoff, Linda Kuester, Mary McKillip,
Diana Knust, Cynthia Knievel, Sharon Sauser, Bev Hartz, Kathy
Sehi, Whitney Bentley, Shaylene Stenka

Upcoming Dates for Youth Group at Tintern!

If you'd like to be included in the Cpp Tintern
Youth Group text messages, please contact



Heather Veik at 402-750-2950.



NOTE: Date change for October!

| Month | Date |
|-------|------|
| Sept | 28 |
| Oct | 19 |
| Nov | 16 |
| Dec | 14 |
| Jan | 18 |
| Feb | 22 |
| March | 22 |
| April | 26 |
| May | 24 |

(May 24th Likely to change due to
Memorial Day)

St. Theresa Catholic Church

ANNUAL BREAKFAST

BAKE SALE/RAFFLE

Sunday, September 14, 2025

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM

Parish Hall at Clearwater



FREEWILL DONATION

Serving Pancakes, French Toast,
Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Coffee & Juice

• Bake Sale Items

• Prize Raffle



IMPORTANT



Bible Study at St. Dominic Hall, Ewing,

will be on Wed. Sept. 3, 10, 17 & 24 at 9:30
AM.



Christian Mothers Meeting

will be on Monday, September 15, after the
6:30 p.m. rosary

Agenda items are budget, future activities
and spiritual growth.

Please come and enjoy.

Any questions, please contact Beth Schueth



St. Peter's Christian Mothers

meeting will be Thurs. Sept. 25, 2025 at
2:00 PM at St. Dominic Hall. We'll start our
meeting with a Rosary for Marie
Vandersnick, and we'll work on raffle
tickets. Please come and help. You'll be
glad you did.

Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Regina Krebs, Angela Hardisty, Glen Grahleer, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett Kielty, Phyllis Dusel, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Sister Joseph, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick, Anna Murdy, Joe Knust, Steve Herrington, Ladd Chandler, Kathy Long, Gerald Schapmann, Olivia Trease Anderson, Annie Laurie Schapmann, Angela Wortman, Katie Zurcher Eggers, Sandy Farby, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Dana Sheridan, Rachel Ervin, Shane Krebs, Emily Bromley, Jane Marke, Gary Reber, Barb Tichota, Michelle Raclawski, Jerry Brown

To add to prayer line call for St. Francis call Susie Ames 402-929-0038. Milly Clemens 402-649-3194, or the Neligh Office at 402-887-4521. Our Lady of Mount Carmel call Jeanne Dahl 402-640-6466. St. Therasas call Teresa Kester 402-750-0262. St. Johns call Jeanne Knievel 402-929-0847. St. Peters call Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755.

Stewardship for September 7-8, 2025

St. Johns, Petersburg

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|-----------------------|----------|
| Sunday Offertory | \$520.00 |
| Sunday Online Giving | \$25.00 |
| Sunday ACH/EFT August | \$140.00 |

St. Bonaventure, Raeville

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| Sunday Offertory | \$893.75 |
| Building Fund | \$400.00 |
| Sunday ACH/EFT August | \$50.00 |

St. Boniface, Elgin

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| Sunday Offertory | \$3,533.70 |
| Sunday Online Giving | \$800.00 |
| Insurance | \$200.00 |
| Sunday ACH/EFT August | \$2,395.00 |

Dear Families,

We are excited to let you know that Confirmation will be celebrated on Sunday, October 19th, at St. Bonaventure Church in Raeville. There will be two Masses that day—one at 1:00 p.m. and another at 4:00 p.m.

As the date approaches, we'll share more details about the day, including mass locations and any additional information you'll need to know. For now, please mark your calendars and keep our Confirmation students in your prayers as they prepare for this important step in their faith journey.

We look forward to celebrating this special day together as a parish family!

Dear Parish Family,

We are pleased to announce that the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will now be held on the first Thursday of every month at St. Boniface Church in Elgin. This will be an excellent opportunity to pause, pray, and spend time with our Lord in the quiet of His presence.



Protect the Unborn
Take a stand for Life

LIFE CHAIN SUNDAY

October 5th, 2025

2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

13th & Norfolk Ave.

Signs will be provided at each corner

Join thousands of Pro-lifers across the nation in a Peaceful, Prayerful, Public Witness against abortion. Participants will spread out, lining both sides of the street. When we gather together and come before God, we believe that abortion will end.

Hosted by Norfolk Area Right to Life
Questions? Contact us at norfolkarearighttolife@gmail.com



Announcements!!



St. Boniface Thanksgiving Bazaar

Sweet corn needed: 40 gallons of corn. Please freeze in gallon bags. Also looking for someone willing to learn how to plan the worklist. Contact Emily Borer at 402-843-8144 to let her know what you will donate.



Thanksgiving Bazaar volunteers

If you are a seasoned worker and need to retire or are unable to volunteer this year, please call Julie 402-843-0027.



Knights of Columbus Breakfast

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a breakfast on Sunday, September 14, in Elgin from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. It is a Free will donation. Pancakes, French toast, sausage, and egg bake will be served, and a gun raffle will be held at noon.



St. Johns Altar Society

St. Johns altar society meeting will be held on September 23rd at 6:30 PM.

St. John's, Petersburg, St. Boniface, Elgin & St. Bonaventure, Raeville Prayer Line

Carolyn Beckman, Laura Ferando, Brandon Henn, Adam Kester, Larry DeMuth, Neil Childers, Loretta Zegers, Gloria Lordemann, Chris Baum, Ann Beckman, Gene Heithoff, Fallon Sue Heying, Harry Cunningham, Judy Johnson, Denise Jamison, Bruce Baum, Travis Pieper, Phil Stuhr, Patrick Stuhr, Judy Zegers, Mike Dwyer, Brett Kieley, Tom Jamieson, Nora Henn, Barb Ziegler, Jerry Stamp, Fayden Evens, Bob Redler, Vince Spieker, Linda Buel, Rodger Riley, Pauline Pelster, Kenny Thiele, Joan Richert, Otto Hoffschneider, Cooper Dirks, Al Hoffman, Millie Ridder, Arlene Unseld, Darlene Stuhr, Livy Ostransky, Carlisle Russell, Vince Kallhoff, Beau Schindler, Bob Tharnish

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 402-843-6287 or Darlene Heithoff 402-843-5482.

St. Bonaventure call Mary Ann Fangman 402-843-6129 or Diane Scholl 402-750-3789.

POPE JOHN IS **HIRING**

CAFETERIA MANAGER & ASSISTANT



- CAFETERIA MANAGER (30 HOURS/WK)
- ASSISTANT (10 HOURS/WK)
- PAID LEAVE AND BENEFITS ARE AVAILABLE.

JOIN OUR TEAM

TO APPLY: Contact Lisa Schumacher at 402-843-5325,
Lschumacher@pjcrusaders.org, or stop by
the school office.

COME TO ME

HEALING RETREAT



Join us for this half-day healing retreat offered by the Archdiocese of Omaha for all who long for healing of past hurts and want to reclaim their identity as a son or daughter of the Father.

COME TO ME 2025 HEALING RETREAT

Saturday, October 4, 2025 • 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

St. Patrick Church

3480 Hwy 32 • Tekamah, NE 68061

*St. Patrick's Parish is a leisurely drive from anywhere in the archdiocese:
30 minutes - Winnebago
60 minutes - Omaha • Columbus • Norfolk • Schuyler • South Sioux City*

**REGISTER BY
September 27, 2025
bit.ly/3EmRbxj**



For more information, contact the Victim Outreach and Prevention Office: **402.827.3798**

Fellowship will be offered after the retreat • Mass counts for Sunday obligation

Deacon Tim McNeill will provide formation on God's gift of restoration and mercy through a relationship with the Person of Jesus Christ. There will also be time for personal reflection and prayer.

Fr. Andy Sohm will administer the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Sacrament of Healing, and celebrate Mass as ways to embrace God's merciful love.



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of Omaha**