

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

October 3 & 4, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

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No office hours. PO Box checked
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Three core values:

Communion

Communication

Sustainability

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Jesus was rejected by the
religious and political leaders
of his day, as well as
ordinary citizens, but he was
still obedient to God, the
Father.

"The stone that
the builders
rejected has
become the
cornerstone...-
-Matthew
21:42

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Time & Event
	Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7PM
	Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10AM
	Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30 PM
	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.
	Every 3rd Sunday of the month, SFN Divine Mercy 3-4PM
Oct. 7	OLT Adoration, 645PM
Oct. 10	Women's As You Are retreat, SBE Church, Elgin @ 9AM
Oct. 11	SBE Breakfast @ KC Hall, Elgin (more to follow)
Oct. 11	OCIA with Fr. Frank, SFN 130-3PM, Church Basement
Oct. 12	SPE Christian Mother's Meeting 6PM @ St. Dominic Hall
Oct. 13	NW Deanery Meeting, St. John, Deloit, 930AM
Oct. 17	St. Columbkille Parish, Omaha, Prayer Service for Little Souls
Oct. 24	SPE Adoration Feast of St. Peter after Mass
Oct. 23-25	Men's Silent Retreat, Missionary Benedictine Sisters, Norfolk, Ne
Nov. 1	SJD Pulled Pork BBQ Dinner
Nov. 8	Raeville Soup Supper
Nov. 9	SJD Christian Mother's meeting @ 630PM followed by Rosary
Nov. 15	St. Peter, Ewing Bazaar



IN HONOR OF
ST. PETER DE ALCÁNTARA
FEAST DAY OCTOBER 19

"In prayer, it is well to remain sometimes in silence before God."
— ST. PETER DE ALCÁNTARA

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24
FOLLOWING THE 5:30 PM MASS
ST. PETER, EWING
30 MINUTES OF ADORATION

PLENARY INDULGENCE
A plenary indulgence is the remission of all temporal punishment due to sins already forgiven by God.

You can receive a plenary indulgence by spending at least 30 minutes in Eucharistic Adoration with the following dispositions:



BE A CATHOLIC IN A STATE OF GRACE
Free from mortal sin and free from attachment to any form of sin.



PRAY FOR THE INTENTIONS OF THE POPE
Pray one Our Father and one Hail Mary for his intentions.



RECEIVE SACRAMENTAL CONFESSION
Within 20 days before or after.



RECEIVE SACRAMENTAL COMMUNION
One indulgence may be obtained for each Communion, per day.

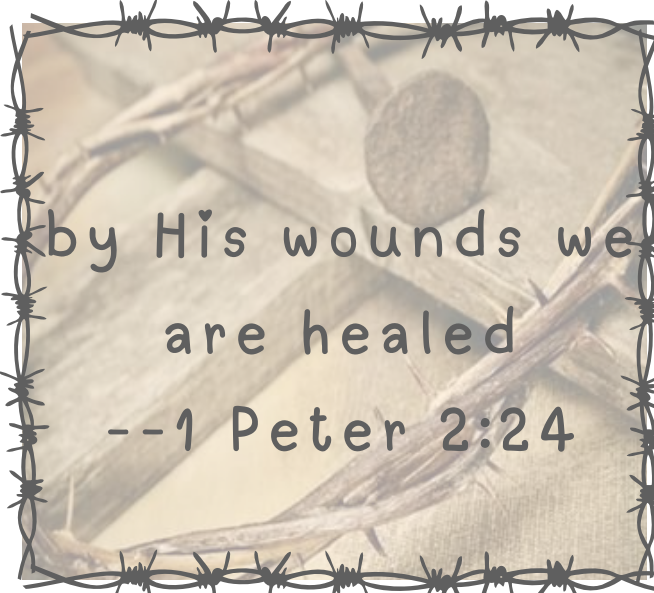
Come and spend time with Jesus.
ST. PETER, PRAY FOR US!



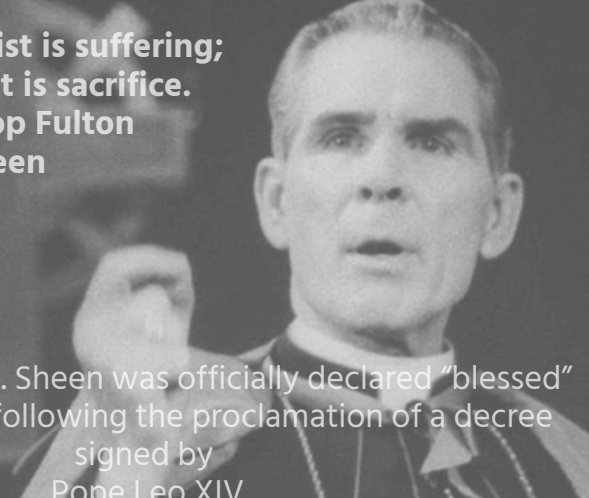
MEN'S SILENT RETREAT
OCT 23-25TH, 2026
REGISTER HERE BY OCT 18TH
REGISTRATION FEE: \$75



MISSIONARY BENEDICTINE SISTERS
300 N. 18TH ST., NORFOLK, NE
SPIRITUALITYCTR@NORFOLK.GMAIL.COM



by His wounds we are healed
--1 Peter 2:24



Pain without Christ is suffering;
pain with Christ is sacrifice.
--Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen

Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen was officially declared "blessed" on Thurs., Sept. 24 following the proclamation of a decree signed by Pope Leo XIV



NW Deanery MEETING
Tuesday, October 13

9:30 AM – Registration, Coffee and Rolls
10:00 AM – Meeting
11:30 AM – Mass
Lunch Following Mass

At St. John the Baptist, Deloit
Hosted by Christian Mothers

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 Sept. 26 & 27

God bless you for your generosity!

Sunday Offertory	\$5,687.00
Insurance	\$20.00
Maintenance	\$50.00
SPE Cemetery	\$200.00
SPE Building Fund	\$160.00
SJD Building Fund	\$100.00
OLT Religious Education	\$30.00

ADORATION

Our Lady, Tilden will be having Adoration with the CCD students on Wednesday, October 7th at 6:45PM. All are welcome.

SFN October Cleaning

Oct 1 Joe Funk, Del Ames, Tim Knievel

Oct 8 Don Zegers, Sherri Svatos, Bonnie Krebs

Oct 15 Danny Payne, Bill Lyons, Brian Hains,

Oct 22 Nick Ramold, Donna Taylor, Natilee

Bellingtier

Oct 29 Tom Parks, Spencer Smith, Peggy Green



St. John the Baptist, Deloit

PULLED PORK BBQ

Faith, Fall & Food

Sunday, Nov 1
10:30AM - 1:30PM

Join us for BBQ and Fixens.

Free will offering. Take outs. Bake sale.

Announcements!!

ST. PETER'S IT'S NOODLE TIME

Christian Mothers will meet October 12 to discuss the Nov. 15 Bazaar. Noodle making will begin on October 26th @ 9AM - until finished at St. Dominic Hall. Please help us get ready.



Pain and suffering have come into your life, but remember pain, sorrow, suffering are but the kiss of Jesus--A sign that you have come so close to him that he can kiss you.
--St. Teresa of Calcutta

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI

October 4
Patron Saint of animals
and the environment

Life Story

St. Francis of Assisi was born in Italy and grew up in a wealthy family. As a young man, he dreamed of adventure and becoming important, but God had a different plan for him.

Francis gave up his wealth and chose to live a simple life following Jesus. He cared for the poor, served people who were sick, and treated everyone he met with love. He also had a special love for God's creation and saw animals, plants, and all of nature as gifts from God.

St. Francis teaches us that true happiness doesn't come from having lots of things—it comes from loving Jesus and loving others



Ways to Celebrate:

- he loved nature-go for a hike or bike ride
- he loved animals-build a bird house or bird feeder

"Preach the Gospel at all times. When necessary, use words." -St. Francis

Annunciation Parish Prayer Line: Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Angela Hardisty, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Nate Thiele, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Yvonne Duggan, Anna Murdy, Steve Herrington, Kathy Long, Angela Wortman, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Jane Marke, Lester Perske, Gary Werner, Charlie Harlan, Harriet Lorenz, Bob Kester, Linda (Starman) Gutchewsky, Natalya Hernandez, Steve Allemang, Jeanette Henn, Rhonda Kallhoff-Baumann, Carla Pellatz, Jane Mattern, Leonard Kerkman, Joe Ruterbories, Alice Kallhoff, Briggs Strom, Sandy Parks, Gary Bolling, Pam Rudloff, Miriam Taylor To add someone to the prayer line 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 Sept. 26 & 27

God bless you for your generosity!

St. Boniface, Elgin

Sunday Offertory	\$2,351.45
Sprinkler Donation	\$750.00
Insurance	\$175.00
Vocation Gifts/Retreats	\$5.00

St. John the Baptist, Petersburg

Sunday Offertory	\$2,403.00
Insurance	\$200.00
Utilities	\$150.00
Maintenance	\$100.00
Building Fund	\$100.00

St. Bonaventure, Raeville

Sunday Offertory	\$580.00
Cemetery	\$2,000.00

SBE Altar Society

We will meet Mon., Oct. 12 @ 7PM in the Parish Meeting Room.

All ladies of our parish are invited to join us for our Catholic women's meeting. We will be discussing upcoming business, growing in faith, & building community together. All women are welcome!



Announcements!

Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

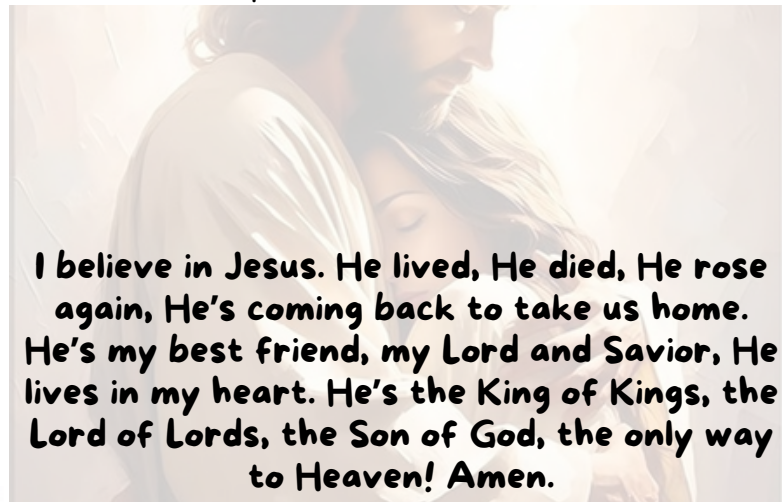
Congratulations to Eric & Lacey (Johnson) Vanis on the baptism of their daughter, Evie Jo at St. Boniface on September 26, 2026!

Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

Congratulations to Nathan & Ashley (Thies) Niewohner on the baptism of their daughter, Blakelyn Jane at St. Boniface on September 27, 2026!

Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

Congratulations to Mark & Tiffany (Shepherd) Moser, on the baptism of their son, Arthur Edward at St. Boniface on September 27, 2026!



SBE Thanksgiving



Julie Borer will be completing the worklist for the Bazaar soon. If you are unable to work this year, please call Julie 402.843.0027. We are also requesting a helper as co-chair for worklist.

As You Are

HIS GRACE MEETS YOU HERE
A WOMEN'S ACTS RETREAT

WHAT TO EXPECT:

- INSPIRING WORSHIP & PRAYER
- GROUP FELLOWSHIP & ACTIVITIES
- QUIET MOMENTS FOR REFLECTION

\$25 REGISTRATION FEE
Lunch Will Be Served

OCTOBER 10, 2026
9:00 AM

TO REGISTER:
402-843-0573
CKDEMPSTER@ARCHDIOHAMA.ORG

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH
ELGIN, NE

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, Tom Jamieson, Nora Henn, Barb Ziegler, Jerry Stamp, Fayden Evens, Bob Redler, Vince Spieker, Rodger Riley, Pauline Pelster, Kenny Thiele, Joan Richert, Cooper Dirks, Millie Ridder, Arlene Unseld, Darlene Stuhr, Carlie Russell, Bob Tharnish, Lyle Mackel, Michelle Raclawski, Lori Krause, Joan Stoltz, Linda (Starman) Gutchewsky, Rita Luettel, Steve Allemang, Ashleigh Henn, Brian Dinslage, LeeAnn Atwood, Jonathan Bright, Gary Bolling, Leo David Bell, Brinlee Meis -- 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,

As I mentioned in last week's letter, I will be leaving this evening, 10/4, and won't be back until Wednesday for 5pm confessions at St. Boniface and then the Family Faith Formation Mass in Clearwater. As usual, you can contact me by phone or text, but I will be an hour and a half away. Part of that time I will be at the priest's conference in Schuyler. I should be able to get news on some of the other priests who are shorthanded like I am. The archbishop answered my request to have a talk with him and, if all goes well, it will be sometime during that conference. He was a bishop in a rural diocese before he came to Omaha, so I'm hoping to chat with him about some of the issues we are facing. He is currently doing several things that lead me to believe that he is really trying to understand what it is like out here. Please pray that I won't say anything stupid.

I hope you have had a chance to look at the financial summary of last year. In answer to a question that came up after the previous letter can now be answered. Some people were wondering how accurate the number of households was for each parish site. That has been checked and it was very close. Some parishes double-checked and corrected their census. They did find some who were no longer in the parish, but that was balanced with people who have joined.

The staff and I are working on getting a list of what savings there are for the different groups, and we should have that for you in a week or two. I would love to be able to snap my fingers and make the deficit disappear, but that is not one of my talents. The best I can do is cut spending where possible. At this point it is not a crisis, but I simply ask that you pray about what you can do to help. I know there are a lot of factors involved in your own financial situation, so I won't make any assumptions about how much each of you can give. I can only do as St. Paul and thank you for the generosity you have already shown. For some of you, this is just like the people Paul was talking about, you have even been giving beyond your means. As you heard from others seeking your financial assistance, every dollar helps.

I had a chance to take Fr. Jacob around the area to see all the churches he will have Mass in these next months. You will see from his letter that he has a very interesting background. I heard stories about him when he was helping at St. James/Seton Elementary School. The kids loved him. He would teach them African songs and games and get them all wound up. Pray for his safe travels as he does the weekend Mass and confession coverage for us.

God bless you,

Fr. Frank Baumert



hello from Fr. Jacob

Fr. Jacob Umaru Chindo was born on October 10, 1987, into the family of Mr. and Mrs. Jummai Chindo Umaru in New Dakalo, Paikoro Local Government Area of Minna Niger State, Nigeria. He is the third of seven children—four girls and three boys—and the first male child.

I grew up in a rural community where access to education was difficult. I attended grade school in New Dakalo from 1994 to 2000 and high school at Day Secondary School, Ishau, from 2000 to 2006. Because the high school was about an hour and a half from my village, I walked approximately three hours every day to and from school. I was the only one among my siblings (I took our youngest Anthonia to the city for school), who was able to continue to high school because of the distance and the risks associated with long-distance traveling.

The grade school where I began my education was later abandoned after its roof was blown off and the government failed to restore it. This experience remained with me and eventually inspired me to establish Elion Academy in my village New Dakalo, and it was commissioned on September 9, 2026. Although many more children sought admission, our limited space allowed us to admit only 250 students. Seeing children and parents crying for the opportunity to attend school reminded me of my own childhood and strengthened my commitment to making education accessible to children in my community.

My journey to the priesthood began in 2006, although becoming a priest was never part of my original plans. I wanted to join the Nigerian Army and eventually marry. After a seminarian on apostolic work suggested that I consider the priesthood, I initially rejected the idea. Later that same day, while working on my peanut farm, a strong voice came to me three times: "Jacob, you could be a priest." I eventually applied to the seminary but told me to wait till 2007 because I applied late. I became discouraged but my original certificate was with my pastor who refused to give it back to me and I could not join the Nigerian Army without it. So, I planned to perform poorly at the seminary interview so that I would not be given admission but that did not work out. Thus, I entered seminary reluctantly and even hoped that I would be expelled from the seminary but that never happened and I lacked the courage to commit a crime so I could be expelled.

Over time, however, my heart changed. I came to understand and embrace my vocation, and what I once resisted became a source of great joy. After my philosophical and theological formation, I was ordained a priest on July 9, 2016, in the Diocese of Minna by Most Rev. Martin Uzoukwu. Although I never wanted to become a priest, today I am a happy and grateful priest, deeply thankful that God called me and patiently led me into this vocation.

In 2024, I was among three priests from the Diocese of Minna sent to serve in the Archdiocese of Omaha at the request of Archbishop George Lucas. I arrived in the United States on June 4, 2024, and was at St. Bernard Catholic Church in Omaha for 4 months, then at St. James and St. Elizabeth Parishes in Omaha for 9 months. I was later reassigned to St. Bonaventure Parish in Columbus, Nebraska since July 1, 2025 to date.

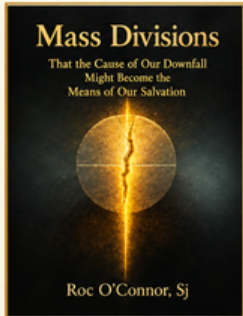
My journey from a small village with limited educational opportunities to the priesthood and ministry in the United States has taught me that God often leads us through paths we never imagined.

Fr. Jacob Chindo

Archdiocese Happenings

BOOK READING

by Roc O'Connor, SJ



“Fr. Roc O'Connor, SJ offers readers and fellow disciples, a pilgrimage of the spirituality of being an authentic searcher. This volume is not a quick page-turner. It is not an informational manual. It is a graced invitation coming from a well-traveled soul into his experiences of Faith and prayer, which he shares from his well-prayed spirit.”

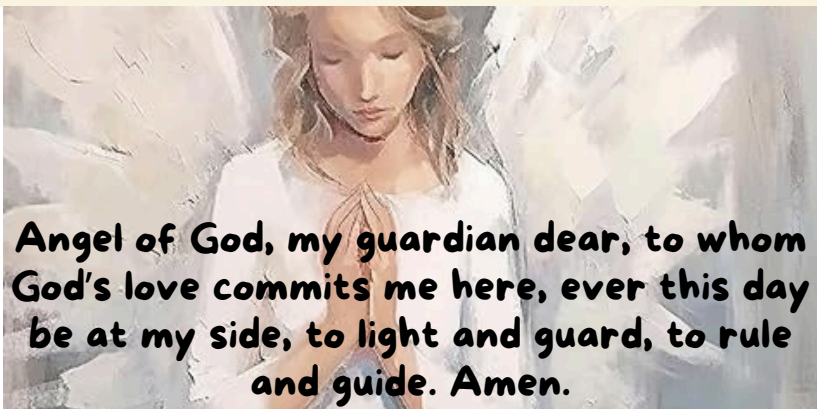
— Larry Gillick, S.J.



St. John's Church (Lower Level)
on the campus of Creighton University

Saturday, October 10, 2026
3:30 - 5:00pm

Sunday, October 11, 2026
9:00am - 10:15am



**Angel of God, my guardian dear, to whom
God's love commits me here, ever this day
be at my side, to light and guard, to rule
and guide. Amen.**



PRAYER SERVICE *for Little Souls*

*A time to gather in prayer to honor
and remember the babies lost during
pregnancy, stillbirth, or infancy.*



October 15, 2026



7:00 PM



Saint Columbkille Church
200 E Sixth Street
Papillion, NE 68046



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**OACCW IS ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR ITS
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The completed scholarship application, transcript, essay, and evaluation from your priest, school/parish staff or faculty person must be postmarked or received by your parish's Deanery President by January 15, 2027. Late entries will not be accepted. The Parish Deanery President name can be obtained from the school Guidance Counselor or by calling 402.253.5120, Leonarda Arnes, Scholarship Chair. Applications are accepted in the Deanery where you attend church, not where you attend school.

****In the event your parish is not in an active Deanery, send your application directly to the OACCW Scholarship Chair, Leonarda Arnes, 55218 887 RD, Crofton, NE 68730**

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CATHEDRAL
OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST

SYMPHONY
CATHEDRAL



**HANDEL'S
WATER MUSIC**

A FESTIVAL OF
CHRISTMAS BRASS

October 12, 2026
St. Cecilia's Cathedral

8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.



SCAN FOR MORE DETAILS

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Oct 5, 8:15AM	Elgin	DW		Communion
Tue Oct 6, 8:30AM	Petersburg			No Mass
Tue Oct 6, 6:00PM	Clearwater	FB	· † LeRoy Clarkson	Faith Formation Mass
Wed Oct 7, 8:15AM	Elgin			No Mass
Wed Oct 7, 8:30AM	Neligh			No Mass
Wed Oct 7, 9:30AM	Accura			No Mass
Wed Oct 7, 5:00PM	Elgin	FB		Confessions
Thu Oct 8, 8:15AM	Elgin	FB	· † Vince Kallhoff	Isidore House
Thu Oct 8, 8:30AM	Neligh			No Mass
Fri Oct 9, 8:15AM	Elgin			No Mass
Fri Oct 9, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	· † Tom & Elaine Kimes	
Sat Oct 10, 5:30PM	Tilden	JC	· † Chris Hansen	
Sat Oct 10, 5:30PM	Ewing	FB	· † Clet, Yvonne & Tim Thrumer	
Sun Oct 11, 8:00AM	Petersburg	JC	· † Kyle Warren, Al & Mary Helen Schrage	
Sun Oct 11, 8:00AM	Clearwater	FB	· † David Sehi	
Sun Oct 11, 10:00AM	Elgin	JC	· † Leo R. Funk	
Sun Oct 11, 10:00AM	Neligh	FB	· For the People of Our Parishes	

Ministry Schedule for October 10 & 11, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 10/10/2026

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

Altar Servers: Matthew L., Hunter M., Landon M.

EMHC: Sarah Black, Mike Dusel, LuAnn Koch

Homebound: Ruth O'Brien

Lector: Brent Luebe

Ushers: Eddie O'Brien, Ron Koch

5:30PM Mass - St. Peter de Alcantara, Ewing

Altar Servers: Lydia T., Brekkan S.

EMHC: Gina Koenig, Helen Larson, Carol Rotherham

Gift-bearers: Kevin & Lisa Schrunk

Lector: Kevin Koenig

Ushers: Kevin Schrunk, Ed Nordby

Sunday 10/11/2026

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: Christian P., Vera T.

EMHC: Deacon John Starman, Jordan Temme, Kay Preister

Homebound: Deacon John Starman (Oct.18: Larry Pelster)

Lector: Ken Luettel

Money: Kevin Schumacher, Lynnette Seier

Music: Alan & Jeanne Temme

Ushers: Kevin Schumacher, Vet Stuhr

8:00AM Mass - St. Theresa, Clearwater

Altar Servers: Claire & Leah K.

EMHC: Tom & Dianna Kester, Koryn Koinzan, Tom Thiele, Marlene Thiessen

Gift-bearers: John & LeeAnn Kester

Lector: Tina Thiele-Blecher

Ushers: Tim Kester, Jr., Francis Hanzlik

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

Altar Servers: Bode & Wyatt K., Haden F.

EMHC: Ron Beacom, Carla Teel, Kathy Sauser, Milly Clemens, Joe & Bev Hartz

Lector: Susie Ames

Ushers: Daryl Booth, Trent Hoefer, Ted Hughes, Dale Kallhoff

10:00AM Mass - St. Boniface, Elgin

Altar Servers: Mason F., Jaxon H.

EMHC: Ashley Niewohner, Heather Veik, Dave & Gwen Beckman, Luke Beckman

Gift-bearers: Hannah & Grant Beckman

Greeters: Dave & Janice Eischeid, Jay & Kristen Evans

Homebound: Heather Veik, Terry Reicks

Lector: Alan Reicks

Music: Julie & Mark Dwyer

Ushers: Jack Borer, Merle Borer, Mike Brockhaus, Gary Dinslage