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St. Bonaventure, Raeville | St. Boniface, Elgin | St. John the Baptist, Petersburg
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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 17 & 18, Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Communication
Sustainability

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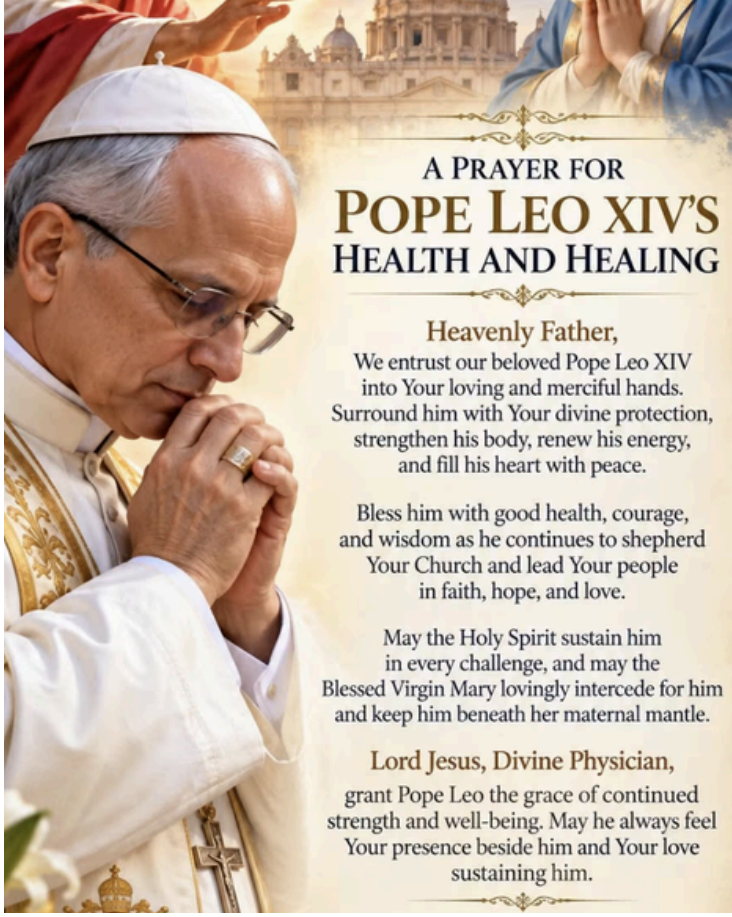
Amen. I Believe

The word Amen comes from a Hebrew root meaning solidity, trustworthiness, and faithfulness. It expresses both God's faithfulness to us and our trust in Him. Jesus often used "Amen" to affirm the truth and authority of His teachings. The Creed's final "Amen" confirms its opening words, "I believe." To believe is to say "Amen" to God's words and promises and to entrust ourselves completely to Him, who is infinite love and perfect faithfulness. May your Creed be a mirror in which you recognize what you believe, and may you rejoice in your faith each day.
--CCC 1062, 1063, 1064

Who do you see when you look in the mirror?

Twenty-ninth 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. 17	St. Columbkille Parish, Omaha, Prayer Service for Little Souls
Oct. 23-25	Men's Silent Retreat, Missionary Benedictine Sisters, Norfolk, Ne
Oct. 24	SPE Adoration Feast of St. Peter after Mass
Oct. 27	SFN Fall Festival, Neligh Legion, 11AM-7PM
Nov. 1	SJD Pulled Pork BBQ Dinner @ the Hall, 1030AM-1PM
Nov. 1	SBE Patriotic Rosary, St. Boniface Church @630PM
Nov. 8	Raeville Soup Supper @ the Hall, 4PM-7PM
Nov. 9	SJD Christian Mother's meeting @ 630PM followed by Rosary
Nov. 10	Elgin KC Mass & Potluck. Mass @ 6PM
Nov 10	OACCW, St. Joseph Parish Hall, 930AM, Pierce, Ne
Nov. 15	St. Peter, Ewing Bazaar



THE RESPECT LIFE NOVENA

will be posted daily on USCCB social media from October 22-30 and is also available in the Flocknote Library by searching Respect Life.

This year the Respect Life Month Novena will also be available on the free version of the Hallow app, and a different bishop will lead the prayers each day

TRUST IN THE LORD WITH ALL YOUR HEART





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 October 10 & 11

God bless you for your generosity!

Sunday Offertory	**$7,445.04**
Insurance	**$520.00**
God's Portion	**$3,370.00**
World Mission	**$20.00**
Faith Formation Mass	**$178.00**
School Support	**$30.00**
Maintenance	**$65.00**
OLT Building Fund	**$550.00**
SFN Building Fund	**$10.00**



Announcements!

Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

Congratulations to Kraig & Ashley (Harrison) Fahrenholz on the baptism of their daughter, Sawyer Joan, at St. Theresa, Clearwater on October 10, 2026!

Catholic:
God-Loving
Mass-Going
Rosary-Praying



ST. JOHN, DELOIT

It's time to pitch in and make a difference! Please sign up to help with the Pork BBQ!

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, Gary Werner, Harriet Lorenz, Bob Kester, Jeanette Henn, Carla Pellatz, Jane Mattern, Leonard Kerkman, Joe Ruterbories, Sandy Parks, Gary Bolling, Pam Rudloff, Michelle Raclawski,** 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 October 10 & 11

God bless you for your generosity!

St. Boniface, Elgin	
Sunday Offertory	$2,816.75
God's Portion	$1,750.00
Insurance	$100.00
Building Fund	$100.00

St. John the Baptist, Petersburg	
Sunday Offertory	$2,728.75
God's Portion	$245.00
Utilities	$100.00
Cemetery	$200.00

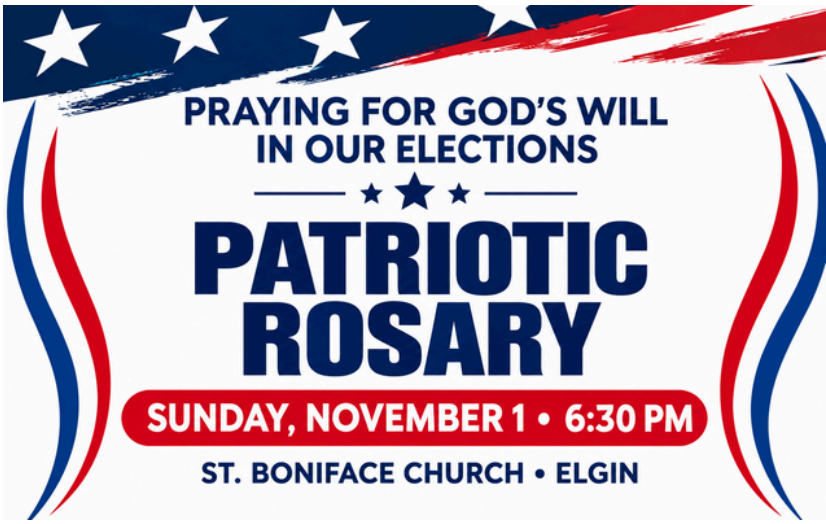
St. Bonaventure, Raeville	
Sunday Offertory	$465.00
Insurance	$250.00
God's Portion	$1,500.00
Cemetery	$100.00
Building	$350.00

St. Bonaventure Soup Supper

Please sign up to donate items on the sheet in the back of church. Remember to bring a pie or dessert for the supper. Thank You.



Announcements!





102 YEARS OF FAITH, FELLOWSHIP & SERVICE

Anyone who froze sweetcorn this summer for the St. Boniface Thanksgiving Bazaar. or who has extra sweetcorn they would be willing to donate. please contact Emily Borer at the Bazaar phone number 402.957.1466

"God never gives us a commandment that he doesn't empower us by the Holy Spirit to carry out."

--Fr. Mike Schmitz

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 Rilley, 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, Bill Eischeid -- 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,

In a previous parish, I wrote letters for the bulletin that had to do with two issues that were coming up in people's lives. The topics were socialism and in vitro fertilization. These are hot topics that are hotter now. After the letters, I received an email from a parishioner that was upset. He stated that the parish I was writing to was far more liberal than my ideas, and I should keep my thoughts to myself. My question in response was what part of the church teaching that I was writing about was inappropriate? Because it is a growing concern with the elections in a few weeks, I thought I would start with socialism.

The first pope to deal with socialism was the previous Pope Leo (XIII). That is because the concept started with Karl Marx in the late 19th century. The pope's letter, Rerum Novarum, came out in 1891. That Pope Leo was against exploiting the workers and state control of all the means of production, which he called unjust. Pope Pius XI added to the concerns about socialism in 1931 with Quadragesimo Anno. That was because there was a version of Christian Socialism being proposed. He made it clear that Christianity and socialism were not compatible because socialism places society over the person. That does not fit with the special dignity that God gives each person, something that God does not give to governments. A new version came out later that was proposed as a moderate socialism. So, in 1961, Pope John XXIII wrote Mater et Magistra with made it clear that this materialistic worldview still denied or at least limited human liberty. The Catechism of the Catholic Church rejects modern communism or socialism (CCC 2425).

I put those references down because I didn't include them in the letters in my other parish. I just made some basic observations like the following. One of the things socialists continue to promote is that the government should be looking out for the poor. This has become a part of our thinking in the last one hundred years. This was not the case in previous centuries. Governments were to provide infrastructure, like roads, protection like military and police, a judicial system and laws to promote safety, etc. Now we presume that governments should provide education, retirement benefits, health care, and services for anyone in need. If you look back before the last one hundred years, no government was doing this. How were those in need taken care of? That happened though good neighbors, usually Christians, who did what Jesus taught us. Over the centuries, some of our saints started institutions to make this easier, but the care was personal, not one-size fits all, which government is especially good at. The churches continue to do this, but it is getting harder and harder because the first socialists insisted that governments could do a better job helping more people and made laws that pushed the church out of the way. We were supposed to keep our religious stuff in a church but not let our good works creep into the public sector. The result of stifling religion and growing government is that millions of people are now dependent on government aid. The more people that are in this position, the more powerful the legislators feel and the bigger the government gets. If you wonder how bad this can get, look at all the countries that have let it happen. Some people say that it works in Norway and Sweden, but they are not socialist governments. They are social democracies with mixed-market economies. So, the Church's message is: Beware.

God bless you,
Fr. Frank Baumert

Good food, great causes!

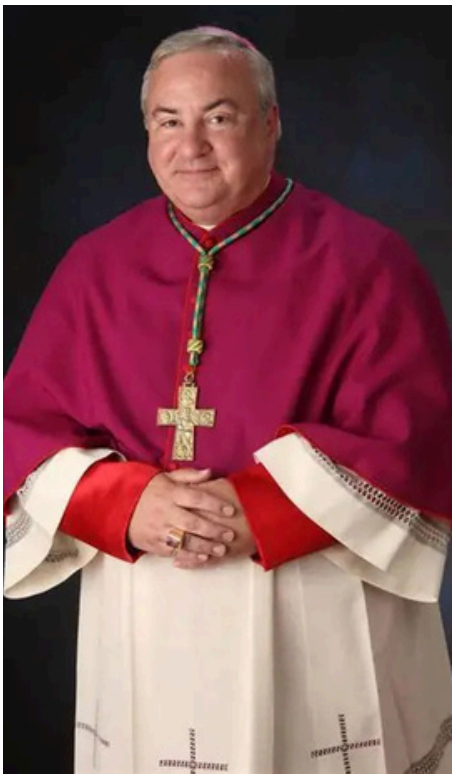




TASTING AND SEEING THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD
- PSALM 34:9







Dear Friends,

I am writing to you to ask for your prayers for peace. With the many conflicts around the world and the tensions we may experience in our daily lives, I encourage each of us to pray frequently, even daily, for the Lord to grant us the gift of His peace.

In a particular way, we can promote peace by letting go of grudges we may have held for years, or to asking the Lord to free our hearts of feelings of hatred toward others. We can ask the Lord to bless the dialogues between nations that are necessary to open a path to peace. Whether you pray at home or in church, take the time to ask God specifically for the gift of peace.

May God make each of us an instrument of his peace, and where we encounter hatred and division, let us sow love.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Archbishop Michael McGovern

"Whatever you do, do from the heart, as for the Lord."





Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Oct 19, 8:15AM	Elgin	DW		Communion
Tue Oct 20, 8:30AM	Petersburg	FB	· † Henry Bigge	
Wed Oct 21, 8:15AM	Elgin			No Mass
Wed Oct 21, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	· † Boyd Batenhorst	
Wed Oct 21, 9:30AM	Accura	FB	· † Anthony & Maria Jankauskas	
Wed Oct 21, 5:00PM	Elgin	FB		Confessions
Thu Oct 22, 8:15AM	Elgin	FB	· † Louis, June & Jerry Kerkman	K & 6th Grade
Thu Oct 22, 8:30AM	Neligh			No Mass
Fri Oct 23, 8:15AM	Elgin			No Mass
Fri Oct 23, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	· LeRoy Clarkson & Living & Deceased Members of Clarkson & Kay Families	
Sat Oct 24, 5:30PM	Tilden	FB	· † Teresa Lynne Waterbury	
Sat Oct 24, 5:30PM	Ewing	JC	· † Thramer Family	
Sun Oct 25, 8:00AM	Petersburg	FB	· For the People of Our Parishes	
Sun Oct 25, 8:00AM	Clearwater	JC	· † Alvin, Irene, Joe & Karlene Moser	
Sun Oct 25, 10:00AM	Elgin	FB	· † Linda Buelt	
Sun Oct 25, 10:00AM	Neligh	JC	· † Kelli Gilg Fernando	

Ministry Schedule for October 24 & 25, 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 10/24/2026

5:30PM Mass - Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden
Altar Servers: Milo & Leo N.
EMHC: Doris & John O'Brien
Homebound: Doris O'Brien
Lector: Emily Vaughn
Ushers: Keith Meyer, Billy O'Brien

5:30PM Mass - St. Peter de Alcantara, Ewing
Altar Servers: Cooper N., Brekkan S.
EMHC: Mark Tyrrell
Gift-bearers: Mike & Tammy Summers
Lector: Ed Nordby
Ushers: Mike Thramer, Denis Bergstrom

Sunday 10/25/2026

8:00AM Mass - St. Theresa, Clearwater
Altar Servers: Weston F., Amelia T.
EMHC: Jennifer K.
Gift-bearers: Ted & Shelly MInarik
Lector: Sonia Rittscher
Ushers: Chris Moser, Kevin Rittscher

10:00AM Mass - St. Boniface, Elgin
Altar Servers: Matthew K. & Brooke K.
EMHC: Connie Dvorak
Gift-bearers: Deb & Scott Beckman
Greeters: Becky & Steve Kerkman, Ben & Anna Meis
Homebound: Deb Beckman, Connie Dvorak
Lector: Audra Borer
Music: Mark Moser
Ushers: Duane Hoefer, Dave Hoefer, Mike Kerkman, Leigh Kluthe

8:00AM Mass - St. John the Baptist, Petersburg
(Contact Deacon John to schedule Communion to the sick or homebound 402.843.8393)
Altar Servers: Kenzie W., Levi K.
EMHC: Deacon John Starman
Homebound: Jeanne Temme
Lector: Lynn Pelster
Money: Peter Starman, Clyde Stuhr
Music: Rod Stuhr, Janet & Jeff Temme
Ushers: Larry Zegers, Alan Faust

10:00AM Mass - St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh
Altar Servers: Josslyn H., Elsie H., Dacia M.
EMHC: Jim & Kathy Koenig
Lector: Ron Gilg
Ushers: Daryl Booth, Ted Hughes, Randy Kallhoff, Troy Shabram