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

November 7 & 8, Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Communion
Communication
Sustainability

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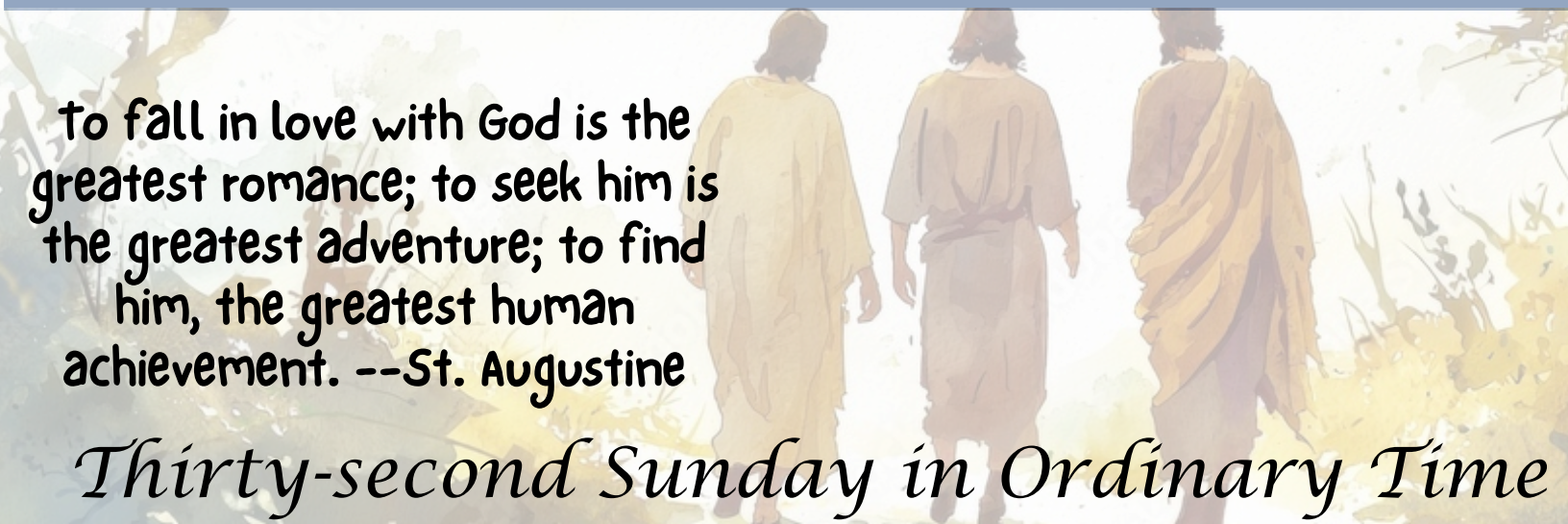
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to fall in love with God is the greatest romance; to seek him is the greatest adventure; to find him, the greatest human achievement. --St. Augustine

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Time & Event
Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7PM	
Every Tuesday: SFN Rosary, 10AM	
Every Wednesday SBE: Confessions 5-530PM	
SBE Adoration begins on Thursday before the first Friday of the month, following the 815AM Mass and continues through the 815AM Mass on Friday.	
Every 3rd Sunday of the month, SFN Divine Mercy 3-4PM	
Nov. 8	Raeville Soup Supper @ the Parish Hall, 4PM-7PM
Nov. 8	Sons of Legion Annual Veterans Day Supper, Clearwater Legion, 5-7PM
Nov. 9	Rosary @ 630PM, Christian Mothers meeting to follow
Nov. 9	SBE Altar Society @ 7PM, Convent Conf. Rm.
Nov. 10	Elgin KC Mass, @ St. Boniface, 6PM, Potluck to follow at KC Hall, Elgin
Nov. 10	OACCW, St. Joseph Parish Hall, 930AM, Pierce, Ne,
Nov. 12	Pope John, Alumni Memorial Mass, 815AM @ St. Boniface
Nov. 14	Confirmation Retreat @ St. Francis 1-4PM
Nov. 15	St. Peter, Ewing Bazaar, 11AM-130PM

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE!

Did you know that you can conveniently make your parish donations online? Online giving is an option for those who prefer the ease of making their contributions electronically. Simply visit cppnebraska.org & click on Donate in the top right corner. From there, select the parish you wish to support & choose where you would like your donation to be designated. Options include Sunday Offertory, Christmas, Easter, God's Portion, Building Fund, and more. You can choose to make a one-time offering or set up a recurring donation to make giving even more convenient. We will be sharing additional information and helpful details about online giving in future bulletins. Thank you for your continued generosity & support of our parishes!





Check Your Packets the following envelopes for November giving: All Saints Day, Utilities, Catholic Charities, & Christmas Flowers. Your generosity is greatly appreciated





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 Oct 31 & Nov 1

God bless you for your generosity!

Sunday Offertory	**$10,827.77**
God's Portion	**$8,500.00**
School Support	**$50.00**
Maintenance	**$10.00**
Utilities	**$50.00**
World Mission Sunday	**$50.00**
All Saints Day	**$1,431.00**
STC Building Fund	**$3,550.00**
SJD St. Patrick's Cemetery	**$50.00**

St. Francis Cleaning List



Nov 7 Joyce Knievel, Kristen Schrage, Shirley Lichtenberg
Nov 14 Sue Seier, Diana Knust, Vicki Richart
Nov 21 Becky Kerkman, Tracy Booth, Monique Kerkman
Nov 28 Gwen Jacobsen, Jeanne Booth, Linda Kuester



Pray Until Something Happens

Confirmation Retreat to be held at St. Francis on November 14 from 1-4PM with Adoration & Confessions

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Announcements!

Sending out Prayers for those attending the Christians Encounter Christ Retreat this weekend

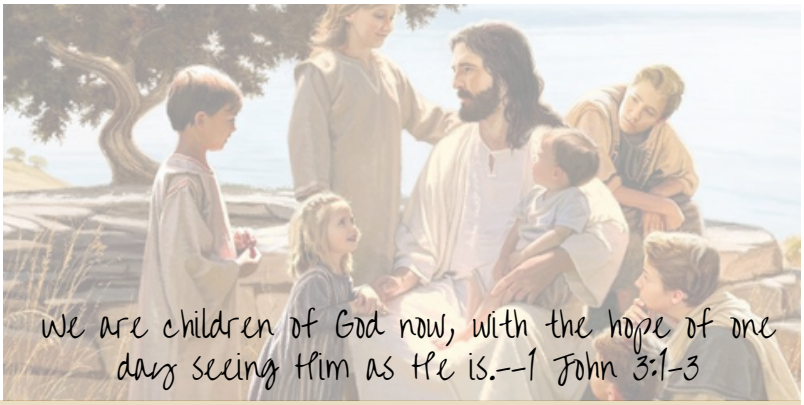


OUR LADY

Christian Women's Meeting is coming up in December. Stay tuned for more info

Rosary Sodality Committee

Michelle Carothers, Kristine Dietz, Desiree Wilkinson, Melissa Wilkinson, Melissa Peterson, Jeanne Booth, Martha Eilers, Jayne Funk, Beth Ramold, Kylie Smith, Karen Sehi, Susie Ames, Kristen Strom



Annunciation Parish Prayer Line: **Carla Pellatz, Jane Mattern, Leonard Kerkman, Joe Ruterbories, Sandy Parks, Gary Bolling, Pam Rudloff, Michelle Raclawski, Dennis Kleider, Fr. Pietramale, Dawn Curtis, Jean Hurley, Tiffany O'Brien, Kay Dittrich.** To add someone to the prayer line: St. Francis call Susie Ames at 402-929-0038, Milly Clemens 402-649-3194, or the Neligh Office at 402-887-4521; Our Lady 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 Doris Napier 402.626.7756.

Stewardship for Oct 31 & Nov 1

God bless you for your generosity!

St. Boniface, Elgin	
Sunday Offertory	$4,931.75
God's Portion	$2,263.15
All Saints' Day	$2,055.00
Vocations	$220.00
Insurance	$225.00
Utilities	$50.00
Catholic Charities	$50.00
Communications	$150.00
Mission Cooperation	$250.00

St. John the Baptist, Petersburg	
Sunday Offertory	$193.00
All Saints' Day	$50.00
Christmas	$25.00
Cemetery	$100.00

St. Bonaventure, Raeville	
Sunday Offertory	$1,927.00
God's Portion	$800.00
All Saint's Day	$90.00





Announcements!

We Pray for Ann Beckman who recently passed away. We extend our sincere sympathy to the family, loved ones, and friends of Ann. Eternal rest grant unto her. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Additional Thanksgiving raffle tickets are available at the back of St. Boniface Church

SBE *Please drop your Thanksgiving Bazaar donation & slip in the collection basket*

SBE

Altar Society meeting on November 9, 7PM at the Convent Conference Room

SJP

Snow Removal Time
A-P: You're Up First
Q-Z: You're Next
Then repeat. Thank You!

St. John's, Petersburg, St. Boniface, Elgin & St. Bonaventure, Raeville Prayer Line: **Linda (Starman) Gutchewsky, Steve Allemang, Ashleigh Henn, Brian Dinslage, Jonathan Bright, Gary Bolling, Leo David Bell, Brinlee Meis, Fr. Pietramale, Steve Lodge, Michelle Raclawski** -- 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,

Over the last 48 years I have experienced a lot of interesting situations while serving in different parishes. One thing that I have learned is that no two parishes are alike. To be of assistance to the parish, I watch closely how they go about parish life. Some of the difficulties are the same even though their ways of dealing with them can be very different. This is no different than how people are different. Two people can be experiencing the same problems but choose totally different paths to deal with them. I would like to share some of my insights. Most of these have to do with finances.

The first has to do with how most of the parishioners look at the financial picture. Some look at it as a business. There are similarities between a corporation and a parish. Both try to work on doing their best to accomplish the work they are set up for. This means watching the budget very closely and adjusting as necessary. But this is where the difference shows up. A business makes things and hopefully earns a profit from them. A parish does not work to earn a profit and usually cannot charge for its services. It is based on donations rather than sales. With sales, if the price is too high, the product won't sell. If it is too low, they could lose money with each purchase. Donations are not controllable. If you push too hard to increase the donations, you could lose many of the donors. Also, if the donors do not understand the risks of too few dollars coming in, their parish will suffer. In each case, it is a very difficult balance.

Another thing that a business must watch carefully is where it is putting its resources. It usually must balance the allocation among management, widget-makers, development, and maintaining its facilities. Cuts in funding of those categories can help profitability, or it can tank the business. If you cut the ones making the widgets, it will not matter how beautiful your facilities look, or how brilliant your management thinks they are.

In a parish, the balance is even more difficult because the donors have their own priorities. Some want good music or a beautiful worship space and want to contribute accordingly. Others want things to run smoothly so they know the general workings of the parish are happening efficiently, like not spending money on things they may see as wasteful. With a business the boss needs to keep track of this and get rid of employees who aren't helping the situation. In a parish, getting rid of people is far more delicate. People correctly start to feel like family, and the loss of key people or key departments can be a huge disaster. For a business, someone must be working on development to keep up with the changing market. With a parish, it is called evangelization. This is done through outreach, but also through education so new members, like your children, don't get lost. This is an investment that some parishes don't think about. If religious education is minimal, it will cause problems in the long run. This is one of the things each diocese and parish must be cognizant of as they go from generation to generation.

The Catholic Church is a little different from some Protestant congregations. They must worry about keeping their clergy, whom they can fire, but who can also get disgruntled and leave. In a Catholic Church the bishop has the job of allocating the clergy, but in this culture of diminishing numbers, this take on a different dimension.

When there were 8 or 9 priests in our area, they did a lot of the extra work that we now need staff to take over. In my first parish, I was the staff. I did the bulletin, was in charge of the finances, and organized the religious education which included a school. I even mowed the lawn and scooped snow off everything but the cemetery, which I also oversaw. If I had to do all that for these eight parishes, I wouldn't last two months. The archbishop and his staff have been working to handle the priest shortage. It is a different world now.

But that is not the only area that is changing. Look around at the situation of your parish campus. What else is changing? I think of how old some of our buildings are. And it is risky to write this, but even how old some of our volunteers are getting. Think in terms of musicians, helpers for fundraisers, mowing crews, etc. The most difficult to replace are some of our most generous donors. This gets me back to the difference between businesses and parishes. We are working with donors. That is you.

Even though a pastor has a fair amount of control of how money is allocated, you still have some control of how the money is used. We have a lot of baskets that you put your money into. Some might not ever use their envelopes, but they come and spend money at every fundraiser. Others tend to put most of their funds toward their main parish focus. Some get nervous giving at all. This may be partly due to their limited funds or because they feel they have been burned by past parish issues. And still others are simply unaware of the needs they could help with.

This last part is why I have been having the staff help me put all this financial information together. Hopefully, you can see some of the needs. Now it is up to you. But I ask you to look at the whole picture and not just part of it, just like a business manager would do. Your Sunday envelopes help with expenses like insurance, salaries, utilities, education for the future, etc. There are also maintenance issues that always appear. Some we know about and some are surprises. We also have to look at the future with the things I showed you last week, like endowments, maintenance funds, and short-term savings that parish groups like an altar society that saves for an important project. At this time, I am responsible for coordinating all of this. The good news is there are finance committees and other boards helping me, but it is still up to your generosity. The generations before us dealt with the circumstances of their era. We face a climate that is changing faster than ever before, and it can be troublesome. I know it is for me. It is all a part of what God is trying to make happen. I will do my best, and I am sure you will also.

God bless you,
Fr. Frank Baumert



FAITH, FRIENDS & FOOD
LIFE IS GOOD



KC Council 2411
Memorial Mass & Potluck

Tuesday, November 10th
St. Boniface Church in Elgin
6:00 PM
Potluck after Mass at the KC Hall

Any KC member and his wife from our eight parishes are welcome to attend! We would especially like to invite the widows of deceased KC members.

If you're able to attend, please bring a favorite dish of yours.

Hope to see you there!

St. Peter de Alcantara Catholic Church
Annual Bazaar
St. Dominic Hall
Ewing, Nebraska

Sunday, November 15, 2026
11:00 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Raffle held about 1:30 p.m.
Free Will Offering

Homemade Soup
- Chicken Noodle
- Chili

Sandwiches ✦ Desserts
Bake Sale ✦ Grab Bag
Religious Items ✦ Crafts

Raffle
$1/ticket
Buy 10, Get 1 free!

Join us on Thanksgiving Day!
102nd St. Boniface
THANKSGIVING BAZAAR

SERVING
11AM – 1:30PM
Turkey, Whole Hog Sausage,
Sauerkraut, Mashed Potatoes, Stuffing, Gravy, Corn, Buns, Cranberries and Homemade Desserts

St. Boniface Auditorium
Elgin

Dine In and Carry Out
AVAILABLE

Meal Cost:
$20 Adult & All Carryout's
$10 Ages 6-10
Free 5 and under

For carry outs call/text
402.957.1466
by November 24th

BINGO
Quilt Raffle
CASH DRAWING
Cash Drawing

Many Hands, One Faith, One Community

2026 Archbishop Annual Appeal

Parish	Goal	Contributions	% of Goal Met
ANN	$38,714.62	$12,611.49	32.58%
SBR	$4,807.99	$1,710.00	35.57%
SBE	$28,080.51	$6,415.15	22.85%
SJP	$5,542.86	$1,530.00	27.60%

Together, We Make It Happen!



SJP Labor Day Bazaar Results

Income

Auction (profit)	$20,735.61
Raffle	$10,836.00
Quilt Raffle	$2,433.00
Gun Raffle	$1,040.00
Games (Bingo, Ping Pong, Pickles)	$1,853.00
Beer Garden	$1,355.00
Dinner	$8,011.26
Miscellaneous Donations	$1,500.00

Expenses

Advertising & Printing Raffle Ticket Expense	$1,115.19
Dinner Expenses	$2,702.29
Bar Bill, Bingo Permit, Pickles reorder (3 years)	$1,784.47

Bazaar Profit: $42,161.92

"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil."--Ecclesiastes 4:9

Advent Small Groups



As we begin the holy season of Advent, we invite you to prepare your heart and mind for the Christmas season by joining a 4 week Advent small group where you journey with others to embrace the true meaning of Christmas.

Small groups will gather each week to pray together, reflect, and share how God is working in our lives.

Interested in leading a small group or joining a group?
Contact Chantelle Dempster at ckdempster@archomaha.org or 402-843-0573.

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Nov 9, 8:15AM	**Elgin**	**DW**		Communion
Tue Nov 10, 8:30AM	**Petersburg**	**FB**	· † Carolyn & Kevin Beckman	
Tue Nov 10, 6:00PM	**Elgin**	**FB**	· † Deceased Knights of Columbus members and their families	
Wed Nov 11, 8:15AM	**Elgin**			No Mass
Wed Nov 11, 9:30AM	**Willows**	**FB**	· † Elliott Dooner	
Wed Nov 11, 5:00PM	**Elgin**			Confessions
Wed Nov 11, 6:00PM	**Neligh**	**FB**	· † Dr. Dwaine J. Peetz	Faith Formation
Thu Nov 12, 8:15AM	**Elgin**	**FB**	· † Bob & Marie Schrage and Living & Deceased Family Members and Diane Kerkman	Joshua House
Thu Nov 12, 8:30AM	**Neligh**			No Mass
Fri Nov 13, 8:15AM	**Elgin**			No Mass
Fri Nov 13, 8:30AM	**Neligh**	**FB**	· Gema Kreivenas	
Sat Nov 14, 5:30PM	**Tilden**	**FB**	· † Todd & Shanna Lammers & Family	
Sat Nov 14, 5:30PM	**Deloit**	**JC**	· † Darlene Schueth	
Sun Nov 15, 8:00AM	**Raeville**	**FB**	· For the People of Our Parishes	
Sun Nov 15, 8:00AM	**Clearwater**	**JC**	· † Larry Temme	
Sun Nov 15, 10:00AM	**Elgin**	**FB**	· † Dorothy, Howard & Verona Thille and Leander & Martha Kluthe	
Sun Nov 15, 10:00AM	**Neligh**	**JC**	· † Roman Hupp	

Ministry Schedule for Nov 14 & 15 – Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 11/14/2026

5:30PM Mass – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden
Altar Servers: Hayden & Reece B.
EMHC: Sarah Black
Homebound: Jolene Schapmann
Lector: Rosemary Patras
Ushers: Walt Patras, Stan Schapmann

5:30PM Mass – St. John the Baptist, Deloit
Altar Servers: Corbin & Caden S.
EMHC: Diane Dicke
Gift-bearers: Marty & Janette Kerkman
Lector: Kelsi Schueth
Ushers: Allen Schueth, Doug Schueth

Sunday 11/15/2026

8:00AM Mass – St. Theresa of Avila, Clearwater
Altar Servers: Claire & Leah K.
EMHC: Francis Hanzlik
Gift Bearers: Aaron & Michaela Schluesener
Lector: Carol Kester
Ushers: Joe Thiele, Curt Thiele

10:00AM Mass – St. Boniface, Elgin
Altar Servers: Sydney & Cole N.
EMHC: Jessica Niewohner
Gift Bearers: Mike & Mary Alice Dwyer
Greeters: Chuck & Connie Pelster, Marilyn Reestman, Andrew Childers
Homebound: Jessica Niewohner, Terry Reicks
Lector: Linda Kerkman
Music: Mark Moser
Ushers: Gary Schiltmeyer, Jeff Schindler, Ross Schindler, Mark Schrage

8:00AM Mass – St. Bonaventure, Raeville
(Contact Joan Stuhr to schedule Communion to the sick or homebound 402.843.0485)
Altar Servers: Samantha & Wyatt S.
EMHC: Brenda Kuhlman
Gift Bearers: Scott & Stephanie Stuhr
Lector: Mark Grundmayer
Music: Paul Kuhlman
Rosary Leaders: Ken & Joan Stuhr
Ushers: Bob Bode, Jerry Bode

10:00AM Mass – St. Francis of Assisi, Neligh
Altar Servers: Jossyln H., Hannah E., Joslyn T.
EMHC: Ron Beacom, Milly Clemens
Lector: Michelle Ternus
Ushers: Tim Kallhoff, Jaysen Sehi, Andy Elder, Duane Knievel