

# 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

February 22, 2026 - 1st Sunday of Lent

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Sustainability

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## 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

“Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert.”

--Luke 4:1

Date	Time & Event
	Every Monday SJD Rosary/Meditation 7:00PM
	Every Tuesday SFN Rosary 10:00PM
	Every Wednesday SBE Confessions 5:00-5:30PM
	Every 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month SFN Divine Mercy 3:00PM
	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.
February 25	SPE Youth Group St. Dominic's Hall, 7PM
February 25	OLT Bash Meeting, 7PM Religious ED students will be packing the Bash envelopes
February 27	Elgin KC Lenten Fish Fry, 5-7:00PM
February 28	OLT Bash envelopes will be handed out at the 5:30PM Mass
March 1	St. Bonaventure Parish Breakfast 8:30AM - Noon
March 1	St. Boniface Welcoming Gathering KC Hall, 6:30-8:00PM
March 3	SFN Blessing of the Child in the Womb Performed by Deacon John, 6:30-8PM
March 4	OLT Catholic Women will meet @ 9:30AM
March 8	SJD Sunnybrook Cafe chicken dinner at St. John, Deloit, 11:30AM-1:30PM
March 10	Baptism Class, 7:00PM, Convent Ministry RM, Contact Gwen Beckman @ 402.843.8137 to Register
March 13	Neligh American Legion Fish Fry Serving from 5-7:30PM
March 20	SJD Fish Fry, Parish Hall 4:30- 8PM
March 21	SBE Spring Auction KC Hall Elgin, First Bid at 5:30PM
March 22	OLT St. Patrick's Day Bash Serving from 11AM-2PM
March 22	SJP Potato Bake at Werner Hall Serving from 5PM-7PM
March 28	"A Desert Journey of the Heart", St. Patrick's Parish Hall, O'Neill, NE 10AM-4PM
March 28-29	Quest Retreat: All Freshmen & Sophomore high school students, Tintern Retreat Center

# MISSION

Today, our parish will take up the 142<sup>nd</sup> annual National Black and Indian Mission Collection. Our support of this collection helps build the Church in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities from coast to coast. Schools, parish religious education programs, and diocesan ministries depend on your generosity to help them spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ! You can help meet unmet needs with a generous contribution today. Thank you for your support.

## Baptism Class

Tuesday, March 10,  
7PM at the  
Convent Meeting Room  
in Elgin.

Please contact  
Gwen Beckman @  
402.843.8137  
to register

March 1st there will be a  
**Liturgy/Environment  
collection envelope in  
your packet for  
Easter Flowers**



## Pope John Central Catholic

Is seeking nominations for  
for two Board of Education members.

**ANY parishioner in the CPP parish grouping can be nominated (not just school parents). We are especially looking for representation from Petersburg and Tilden. Board members serve for four years and meetings are held 7-8 times per year in the evening. Call the school office 402.843.5325 for more information or to make a nomination.**

Thank you.



Pope John  
Development Dinner  
March 29, 2026  
Werner Hall,  
Petersburg

5 PM - Social/Dinner  
6:30 PM - Dinner  
Live Auction to follow

Tickets will be on sale soon!

## 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 February 14 & 15

*God bless you for your generosity!*

<b>Sunday Offertory</b>	\$5,496.50
<b>School Support</b>	\$10.00
<b>Vocations</b>	\$104.00
<b>Utilities</b>	\$270.00
<b>Seminary</b>	\$100.00
<b>Black &amp; Indian Mission</b>	\$370.00
<b>Respect Life</b>	\$50.00
<b>Faith Formation</b>	\$83.00
<b>SJD Fish Fry</b>	\$100.00

Online Giving is not reported as a separate category; all online contributions are included in the designated fund to which the donation was made. Building Fund money goes into a Reserve account. If you are donating to the Building Fund, please write a separate check. Thank you for your generosity!



### SFN Rosary Sodality

Jenny Murray, Hannah Hoefler, Lucy Pyle, Tracie Rudloff, Sarah Mitchell, Becky Kerkman, Deb Rice, Becca Baker, Traci Jacobsen, Tracy Sehi, Jill Beacom, Milly Clemens, Gwen Jacobsen

## OLT CATHOLIC WOMEN MEETING

**Wednesday, March 4 @ 9:30AM**

Sunnybrook Cafe will be hosting a chicken dinner at St. John Deloit Hall  
March 8th from 11:30am-1:30pm

### Announcements!!

### Welcome to the Catholic Faith!

Congratulations to Brandon & Cynthia (Kneiff) Grossserode, on the baptism of their daughter, Skylar Rose, at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden, February 15, 2026!



## SJD FISH FRY

It's a Friday tradition! Join us March 20 from 4:30pm - 8pm for good food, great fellowship, and a fun Lenten evening at St. John's, Deloit. Come hungry, leave happy. All are welcome!

### SFN CHURCH CLEANERS FOR FEBRUARY

**Feb 24th**

**Chad Kaup,  
Doug Haslehorst  
Jim Lyons**



## OLT St. Patrick's Day Bash

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Catholic Church will be hosting their annual St. Pat's Bash Fundraiser on Sunday, March 22nd from 11am - 2pm at the parish hall. On the menu are soups, sandwiches, desserts and beverages for a free will donation. Join in the fun with a variety of games and raffles. Prizes include a Handmade Quilt, Meat Gift Certificate, Black Stone Grill package, Cash Prizes, and much more. Raffles begin at 2pm, and you need not be present to win. Bring your friends and family and test your luck at the St. Pat's Bash.



### Annunciation Parish Prayer Line

**Adam Kester, Roger Allen, Angela Hardisty, Glen Grahleer, Lainey Henn, Jan Jurgens, Alice Johnston, Bob Stoffel, Boyd Batenhorst, Nate Thiele, Brett KIELTY, Phyllis Dusel, Leo Starman, Nicki Dougherty, Yvonne Duggan, Anna Murdy, Steve Herrington, Ladd Chandler, Kathy Long, Olivia Trease Anderson, Angela Wortman, Katie Zurcher Eggers, Elaine Dittrich, Alice Starman, Dana Sheridan, Emily Bromley, Jane Marke, Michelle Raclawski, Lester Perske, Ed O'Brien, Mike Neiberger, Donna Taylor, Beth Schmit, Gary Warner, Stephanie Alderson Mortinsen, George & Vicki Ternus, Natalie Luettel, Hannah Wright, Mike Sauser**

To add to the prayer line call 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 February 14 & 15

*God bless you for your generosity!*

**St. Boniface, Elgin**

Sunday Offertory	\$4,889.55
Insurance	\$25.00
Maintenance	\$100.00
Vocations	\$140.00

**St. John's, Petersburg**

Sunday Offertory	\$931.47
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**St. Bonaventure, Raeville**

Sunday Offertory	\$1,168.00
Building Fund	\$2,745.00
Utilities	\$100.00
Vocations	\$100.00
Seminary	\$50.00



**Announcements!!**

Sunday, March 1st  
at the Raeville Parish Hall

Serving pancakes, French toast, sausage,  
ham, dessert & beverages

8:30 a.m. until Noon  
Free Will Offering

**CHOIR PRACTICE**

St. Boniface Choir will be singing for Easter Sunday Mass at 10AM. We would love to have many voices! Please consider coming to the first Choir Rehearsal on Wednesday evening, February 25, at 7:30PM at St. Boniface Church. Deb Baum will provide accompaniment, and Mark Dwyer will direct. All from our parish family are welcome!

**Elgin KC Lenten Fish Fry**



Friday, Feb 27

Serving from 5-7:30 PM  
Family night fun!

Adults \$15, Ages 6-12 \$10,  
5 & under Free

Two potato choices,  
salads & desserts.

Bar open!

**Auction**  
**St. Boniface, Elgin Spring Auction!**

Saturday, March 21 @ Elgin KC Hall

First bid starts at 5:30 p.m.

Silent Auction closes at 7:30 p.m.

Each family of St. Boniface is asked to donate a \$50

quality auction item or \$50 in cash. Auction items can be any quality item from equipment, vehicles, antiques/collectibles, or services!

25% OF THIS YEAR'S PROCEEDS WILL GO TOWARDS THE EVENTUAL INTERIOR PAINT PROJECT

*Welcome to the Catholic Faith!*



Congratulations to Tyler & Marissa (Koch), on the baptism of their Son, Dayton Curtis at St. John the Baptist, Petersburg on February 14, 2026!

**POTATO BAKE**

**SUNDAY MARCH 22 AT WERNER HALL. SERVING FROM 5PM-7PM.**

Watch the bulletin for notices.

There will be a sign-up sheet for food donations & sign up to work.

Unfilled positions will be assigned.



**WE ARE HIRING**

**PART-TIME ASSISTANT COOK**

- 2-5 days per week
- 5-6 hours per day
- No holidays
- Summers off
- Negotiable hourly pay

**CONTACT:**

Mrs. Lisa Schumacher at  
Lschumacher@pjcrusaders.org  
or call 402.843.5325



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, Brett Kielty, Tom Jamieson, Nora Henn, Barb Ziegler, Jerry Stamp, Fayden Evens, Bob Redler, Vince Spieker, Linda Buelte, Rodger Rilley, Pauline Pelster, Kenny Thiele, Joan Richert, Cooper Dirks, Millie Ridder, Arlene Unseld, Darlene Stuhr, Carlie Russell, Beau Schindler, Bob Tharnish, Lyle Mackel, Michelle Raclawski, Lori Krause, Baylee Chessmore, Natalee Luettel, Joan Stoltz

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.



# STATIONS OF THE CROSS LENT 2026



## EVERY FRIDAY EVENING OF LENT, 7PM

February 27 @ St. Theresa, Clearwater-Deacon John  
 March 6 @ St. John the Baptist, Petersburg-Deacon Jim  
 March 13 @ St. John the Baptist, Deloit-Deacon Dennis  
 March 20 @ St. Bonaventure, Raeville-Deacon Dennis  
 March 27 @ Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, Tilden-Deacon John

## EVERY FRIDAY EVENING OF LENT ST. PETER, EWING @ 6PM

February 20 & 27, March 6, 13, 20 & 27

**CORRECTION** : March 27-Children's Version  
Led by Chantelle Dempster

*\*Rosary following Stations every Friday except Good Friday*

## St. Boniface, Elgin @ 3PM

February 27, March 20, March 27  
-Led by Pope John Elementary Students

## St. Francis, Neligh

**After Friday daily mass-Led by Fr. Frank**

February 27, March 13 & 27

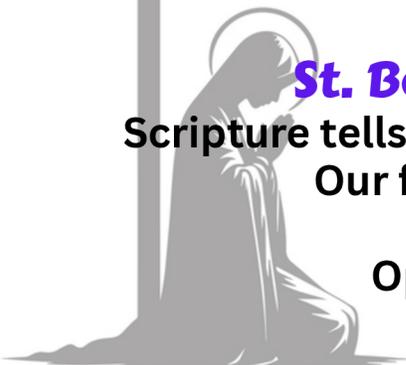


*Special Stations of the Cross for Widows*

**Friday, March 13, @ 3PM**

**St. Boniface, Elgin - Led by Deacon John**

Scripture tells us that widows hold a special place in God's heart.  
 Our family of parishes wants to offer a special  
 Stations of the Cross for Widows.  
 Open to our churches and communities.



# A COUNTRY PRAYER

Dear Lord, we are now in the holy season of Lent. We begin to realize anew that these are the days of salvation, these are the acceptable days. We know that we are all sinners. We know that in many things we have all offended Your infinite majesty. We know that sin destroys Your life in us as a drought withers the leaves and chokes the life from the land, leaving an arid, dusty desert. Help us now, Lord, in our feeble attempts to make up for past sin. Bless our efforts with the rich blessing of Your grace. Make us realize ever more our need of penance and of mortification. Help us to see, in our ordinary difficulties and duties, in the trials and temptations of every day, the best opportunity of making up for past infidelities. Every day we are so often reminded in field and wood, in sky and stream, of Your own boundless generosity to us. Help us to realize that You are never outdone in generosity, and that the least thing we do for You will be rewarded, full measure, pressed down, shaken together, and flowing over. Then we shall see, in our own souls, how the desert can blossom, and the dry and wasted land can bring for the rich, useful fruit that was expected of it from the beginning. Amen.

HAVE YOU HEARD? IT'S TIME FOR LENT

## Abstinence from meat:

\*those age 14 and older are required to not eat meat on Ash Wednesday, Good Friday, and all Fridays of Lent.



## FASTING & ABSTINENCE REGULATIONS



## Fasting:

- \*those between the ages of 18 and 59 are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday
- \*this consists of 1 full meal and 2 smaller meals during the day, without snacks
- \*if one cannot for health reasons, they are exempt

## Lenten Penance Services

- March 22: St. Boniface, Elgin - 3PM
- March 22: St. Francis, Neligh - 5PM
- March 26: St. Theresa, Clearwater - 7PM

## Lenten Confession Times

- March 21: St. Peter's, Ewing - after Mass
- March 28: St. John, Deloit - after Mass
- March 30: Our Lady, Tilden - 7PM

**From the Desk of  
Father Frank**



**Dear parishioners,**

**In last week's letter I ended with how the homeless people we met in Mexico City needed to go through stages of transition. Basically, all the adults needed to go to treatment to get off drugs. Then they had to learn good habits that would help them to live in an apartment. The reward for that was they would gain more furnishings for their apartment. Even the children had to learn how to handle apartment life. Remember, they had been on the streets since birth. Their work was to learn to socialize and to get along with other people. On the streets, they had been taught not to trust anyone. They now had to learn who to trust and how trust works. Next, was getting them into school. Many of these children had issues because their moms were on drugs when they were in the womb.**

**These things were accomplished by hanging out with people like those of us from Nebraska. Even the main person in charge of Hope of the Poor was from Nebraska. Sometimes, the adults would falter and go back on drugs. Then they had to be received back in the community and try again.**

**All of this is basically how God is working on us. We all have our issues. We don't come from the streets, but we have been immersed in the things of this world from birth. Learning how to be civilized enough to enter the kingdom of God takes training. For this to work, God separates us from the world for at least an hour a week. We hear from the program director, Jesus. We are pushed in with a bunch of other people who are basically in the same situation as we are. We have amazing people who understand what is needed to enter the kingdom. Those aren't necessarily Nebraskans, but the Saints. As we comply, we are granted rewards in heaven. It is not furnishings for our apartment up there, but something better. We have friends in high places. Over time, we learn to trust that the leader has our best interest in mind. This is not an easy thing. Just like the homeless in Mexico City, many of us are still holding on to some of the things that we have grown used to. We want the church to get with the times and customs of the streets, or in our case, the world.**

**One of the things that I found fascinating was watching the thirty children, twelve moms, and the ten men react to being together for almost five hours at a Sunday picnic, which was to help them to learn to socialize in this new environment of being with other people. Not one of the children cried, whined, complained, or threw a temper tantrum. The adults behaved also. The equivalent of that experience for us would be the Mass and other church gatherings. If only we behaved that well as we are being trained to live in God's kingdom.**

**So, one of the things I am trying to show in these letters is that we need many of the same things that the homeless need. Luckily for us, we have gotten these basic lessons they are trying to learn. Next week, I will mention how these people will begin to learn what we are learning to be ready for the kingdom of God.**

**God bless you,**

**Fr. Frank**

Date & Time	Location	Cel.	Intention	Notes
Mon Feb. 23, 8:15AM	Elgin	DW		Communion Service
Tue Feb 24, 8:30AM	Petersburg	JN FB	† Russell Stokes † Carolyn Beckman	
Wed Feb 25, 8:15AM	Elgin	JN	† Leonard & Juan Hoefler	
Wed Feb 25, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	† Joe & Lucy Knievel	
Wed Feb 25, 9:30AM	Accura	FB	† Emil & Mary Ann Hladovcak	
Wed Feb 25, 5:00PM	Elgin	JN		Confessions
Thur Feb 26, 8:15AM	Elgin	JN	† Jack & Joan Schindler & Living and Deceased Family Members	6 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Thur Feb 26, 8:30AM	Neligh	FB	† LeRoy Clarkson & for the Living & Deceased Clarkson and Kay Families	
Fri Feb 27, 8:15 A.M.	Elgin	JN	† Duane Childers	
Fri Feb 27, 8:30 A.M.	Neligh			No Mass
Sat Feb 28, 5:30 P.M.	Tilden	FB	† Living & Deceased members of the Dusel & Jarecki Families	
Sat Feb 28, 5:30 P.M.	Deloit	JN	• For the People of Our Parishes	
Sun Mar 1, 8:00 A.M.	Raeville	FB	† Joe Beth and Fr Frank Lordemann	
Sun Mar 1, 8:00 A.M.	Clearwater	JN	† Michael McKhallad & Tym	
Sun Mar 1, 10:00 A.M.	Elgin	FB	† John & Helen Dvorak	
Sun Mar 1, 10:00 A.M.	Neligh	JN	† Dennis Ternus	

**Ministry Schedule for February 28 & March 1: The 2nd Sunday of Lent**  
(The weekend Mass schedule always goes by the Sunday Liturgy)

**Saturday 2/28/2026**

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

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

**Altar Servers:** Paisley, Charlie, & Bobby T.

**EMHC:** Walt Patras

**Homebound:** Jolene Schapmann

**Lector:** Ruth Miller

**Ushers:** Stan Schapmann, Ron Koch

**5:30 pm Mass - St. John the Baptist, Deloit**

**Altar Servers:** Carson & Carter L.

**EMHC:** Angela Tagel

**Gift bearers:** Paul & Sonja Bartak

**Lector:** Lisa Mlnarik

**Ushers:** Jason Schindler, Josh Mlnarik

**Sunday 3/1/2026**

**8:00 am Mass - St. Theresa, Clearwater**

**Altar Servers:** Weston F., Luke K.

**EMHC:** Kevin Filsinger, Jennifer & Duane Kester, Paul & Crystal Kester

**Gift bearers:** John & LeeAnn Kester

**Lector:** Carol Kester

**Ushers:** Jarod Bearinger, Steve Hankla

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

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

**Altar Servers:** Owen S., Haden F.

**EMHC:** Joe Hartz, Bev Hartz, Jim & Kathy Koenig, Marian Shabram, Kathy Sauser

**Lector:** Sheila Parks

**Ushers:** Ted Hughes, Daryl Booth, Jon Strom, Trent Hoefler

**10:00 am Mass - St. Boniface, Elgin**

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

**Altar Servers:** Kinley & Carter S.

**EMHC:** Deacon Dennis Wiehn, Jake & Briley Eischeid, Jessica Niewohner, Terry Reicks

**Gift bearers:** Brian & Kelsey Selting

**Greeters:** Ray & Peggy Payne, Alan & Michelle Reicks

**Homebound:** Jake & Briley Eischeid, Jessica Niewohner

**Lector:** Luke Beckman

**Music:** Mark & Julie Dwyer

**Ushers:** Mark Schrage, Paul Schrage, Dean Schrage, Phil Starman

**Sunday 3/1/2026**

**8:00 am Mass - St. Bonaventure, Raeville**

(Contact to Joan Stuhr schedule Communion to sick or homebound 402-843-0485)

**Altar Servers:** Raaf K., Diedrick K.

**EMHC:** Mark Grundmayer, Jake Grundmayer, Megan Heying

**Giftbearers:** Bob & Jaci Hoefler

**Lector:** Aiden Klein

**Music:** Chris Grundmayer, Joyce Reestman

**Rosary Leaders:** Paul & Brenda Kuhlman

**Ushers:** Bryan Bode, Christopher Bode