

St. Peter de Alcantara
Ewing, Nebraska

St. Theresa of Avila
Clearwater, Nebraska

St. John the Baptist
Rural Clearwater

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Mass Schedule

Saturday – 5:30 p.m. – St. Peter’s
Sunday – 8:00 a.m. – St. Peter’s
Sunday – 9:30 a.m. – St. Theresa’s
Sunday – 11:00 a.m. – St. John’s

4th Sunday of Easter
May 12, 2019
Mother’s Day

Confession Schedule:

Saturday 4:45pm – 5:15pm – St. Peter’s
Thurs. & Fri. 9:30am-11:30am – Rectory St. Peter’s
before or after Masses (when possible)
drop-in and by appointment

PASTOR MESSAGE:

Congratulations to all of our 2019 high school graduates!
It really is an earned accomplishment to celebrate!!

A Happy Mothers’ Day this weekend to all our mothers and all women in our lives who spiritually nurture and support us!

May 12th is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations!! A vocation is the way in which God calls each of us to holiness... it is the way that God calls each of us toward heaven. Our call to holiness is given to us in Baptism. That first calling for everyone is to be a disciple, a follower of Jesus. For many, the calling to holiness is in being a family... as husbands and wives. For some, the call may be to priesthood (like mine) or a religious brother or sister (like a monk or a nun). For some, the call to serve in the church is to be a permanent deacon.

We do pray for more priests and religious, but we also pray that each person hears the invitation of God – the vocation – meant for us. We are all called to be disciples and followers of Jesus, and sometimes that call takes in different directions. We pray that we might hear and know the calling that is ours.

May 15th is the Feast Day of St. Isidore, patron saint of farmers. I’m asking for his help that we have some good planting weather ahead!! I encourage you to do the same.

I will be gone at continuing education at Mundelein Seminary outside Chicago, IL from May 12-16. You will be in my thoughts and prayers.

A word of apology. I had some problems with the email system and did not get the bulletin out the past couple of weeks. I believe the system is now working properly.

Peace, Fr. John

St. John’s Christian Mothers will be holding elections of officers over the next several weeks. Members, please fill out ballots in the back of church by Sunday May 26, 2019.

Cemetery News: Please pick up or remove any displays around the gravestones at our parish cemeteries. This allows work to be done to get ready for Memorial Day!!

This year I accepted suggestions to have St. Peter’s Cemetery and St. Patrick’s Cemetery mowed by contract. At the end of the mowing season, we’ll review these options again and plan on a year-by-year basis.

OACCW Meeting in Raeville on May 14 @ 10 AM. Our meeting will consist of programs offered by the Spirituality, Service and Leadership committees.

- General Registration 9:30 a.m
- Meeting starting promptly at 10:00 a.m.
- Agenda will include Holy Mass;
- OACCW Convention in Crofton on Sept 16, 2019
- Province Director (report) from OACCW
- OACCW Scholarship Winner

Please come, bring a guest and grow your faith with us. Questions call Linda Kerkman, 402-843-8524 or Lauren Bopp at 402-553-7163

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Florence Vandersnick.

Priest Notes: Looking Ahead on the Calendar
May 11-12 (4th Sunday of Easter – Mother’s Day)

- Regular Weekend Mass Schedule
- Fr. John will be at Continuing Ed at Mundelein Seminary in Chicago May 12-18

May 18-19 (5th Sunday of Easter)

- Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

May 25-26 (6th Sunday of Easter)

- Regular Weekend Mass Schedule

May 30 (Ascension Thurs – Holy Day of Obligation)

- Wed May 29 – 7 PM (ST)
- Thurs May 30 – 6:30 AM (SJ)
- Thurs May 30 – 7 PM (SP)

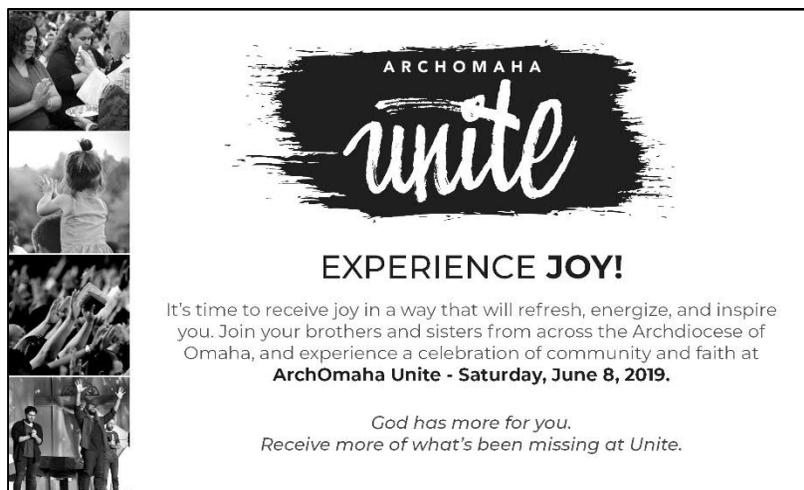
Beginnings Pregnancy Center in O’Neill is having a Baby Bottle Fund Raiser from Mother’s Day to Father’s Day. Baby Bottle Kits will be handed out Mother’s Day and returned by Father’s Day. Need more information call Sue Burtwistle at 402-485-2888.

Gratia Retreat for Girls. Incoming 4-6th grade girls are invited to a retreat just for them, to be held this summer at Tintern Retreat Center. It will be held Tuesday, July 9 at 9:00 a.m. until Wednesday, July 10 with presentation at 1:30pm. Girls will learn how to be "full of Grace" with model, Mother Mary. Activities include confession and adoration, Mary crowning, bible study, crafts, skits, and a campfire with s'mores! For questions or application, please contact: Chelsea Preister acpreister@gmail.com 402-270-7250. Cost is \$45. Applications due May 31.

Ride the Bus!! There is still room on the St. Bonaventure Parish (Raeville) chartered bus to the **ArchOmaha Unite event on Saturday, June 8th** at the CHI Health Center Arena in Omaha. **Pickup is possible in Neligh!** To reserve a place on the bus, or for any questions on the itinerary, please call Joan Stuhr at 402-386-5306 or 402-843-0485 as soon as possible. The cost of the bus ride is \$25.00 per person. To find out more about the free Unite event, see <http://unite.archomaha.org>.

St. Peter’s Christian Mothers meeting will be Tuesday, May 21st at 9 a.m. at St. Dominic’s Hall.

Save the Date Benefit Breakfast June 23rd at St. Dominic’s Hall.



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FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS

St. Peter's: Elaine Thoendel, Butch Sojka, Sister Joseph, Mary Edwards, Jessica Hobbs, Florence Vandersnick, Jeanette Tomjack, Sharon Ward, Leo Hawk, Duaine Bollwitt, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick and Myra (Rotherham) Schwebel.
St Theresa's: Deb Trease, Leo Starman, Nate Thiele, Regina Krebs, Mary Ann Thiele and Jeanne Hoffman.
St. John's: Jackie Bartak, Darlene Schueth, Carl Ernesti and Georgine Funk.

Financial Stewardship

ST. PETER'S

May 5 - \$1101.00

Building Fund - \$140.00

ST. THERESA'S

May 5- \$978.00

ST. JOHN'S

May 5 - \$1562.00

Easter - \$20.00

Rice Bowls - \$2463.01 (from all three parishes)

MASSES AND INTENTIONS

Mon	13	7:30 p.m.	SJ	No Mass
Tue	14	8:30 a.m.	SP	No Mass
Wed	15	8:30 a.m.	ST	No Mass
Thur	16	8:30 a.m.	SP	No Mass
Fri	17	8:30 a.m.	SJ	No Mass
Sat	18	5:30 p.m.	SP	+Dec. Members of the Spittler Family
Sun	19	8:00 a.m.	SP	Living Members of SP, ST, SJ
Sun	19	9:30 a.m.	ST	+John Thiele
Sun	19	11:00 a.m.	SJ	+Cel Mlnarik

Religious Education Notes:

Totus Tuus coming July 21-26, 2019!

Neb. Legislative Updates from the Nebraska Catholic Conference (necatholic.org):

Two bills (among many others) highlighted by the public policy arm of the Nebraska bishops are LB670 and LB209. **LB670** (Sen. Linehan) is the Opportunity Scholarships Act. It provides tax credit to corporations that donations to scholarship organizations that assist low-income and working-class families attend private or parochial schools. This does not allocate any state funds to private or parochial schools, but it can provide options for families in situations where public education has not provided a track record of successful outcomes.

LB209 (Sen. Albrecht) is the Abortion Pill Reversal Information Act. It gives mothers a second chance at choice by requiring an abortionist to inform a mother that the effects of the abortion pill could be reversed if she changes her mind.

Reality Check by Dave Whamond



MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 18 – 5:30 P.M. – St. Peter's

Ushers: Greg Thramer & Dan Koenig
 Servers: Jack Barlow & Michael Koenig
 Lector: Kevin Koenig
 Gifts: Pat, Beth & Jacque Regan
 EMHC: Gina Koenig

Sunday, May 19 – 8:00 A.M. – St. Peter's

Ushers: Ed Nordby & Denis Bergstrom
 Servers: Wyatt Napier & Keenan McAllister
 Lector: Karen Funk
 Gifts: Mike & Cheryl Thramer
 EMHC: Dennis Thoendel

Sunday, May 19 – 9:30 A.M.- St. Theresa's

Ushers: Aaron Kruger & John Mlnarik
 Servers: Logan Mueller & Colton Thiele
 Lector: Carol Kester
 Gifts: Francis & Rilla Hanzlik
 EMHC: Kevin Filsinger

Sunday, May 19 – 11:00 A.M. – St. John's

Ushers: Brent Schmidt & Josh Mlnarik
 Servers: Sharon Bartak & Emily Mlnarik
 Lector: Jami Schmidt
 Gifts: Curtis & Sara Lemburg Family
 EMHC: Elaine Kimes

Saturday, May 25 – 5:30 P.M. -St. Peter's

Ushers: Todd Bollwitt & Aaron Hoke
 Servers: Ashley Koenig & Tiana Thramer
 Lector: Candi Hoke
 Gifts: Jim & Kristi Schutt
 EMHC: Aaron Hoke

Sunday, May 26 – 8:00 A.M. – St. Peter's

Ushers: Pete Funk & Mike Thramer
 Servers: Garret Napier & Hudson Napier
 Lector: Ed Nordby
 Gifts: Kathy Arens & Leanne Tomjack
 EMHC: Kathy Arens

Sunday, May 26 – 9:30 A.M. – St. Theresa's

Ushers: Ted Mlnarik & John Moser
 Servers: Madison Kester & Emily Ahlers
 Lector: Sonia Rittscher
 Gifts: Chris & Melissa Herley Family
 EMHC: Jennifer Kester

Sunday, May 26 – 11:00 A.M. – St. John's

Ushers: Jake Schindler & Tom Mlnarik
 Servers: Noah Schmidt & Alec Schindler
 Lector: Lisa Mlnarik
 Gifts: Josh & Lisa Mlnarik Family
 EMHC: John Knievel

The Argyle Sweater by Scott Hilburn

