

# Catholic Parishes in Partnership

St. Bonaventure, Raeville | St. Boniface, Elgin | St. John the Baptist, Deloit  
St. John the Baptist, Petersburg | St. Peter de Alcántara, Ewing | St. Theresa, Clearwater

First Sunday of Advent

December 1, 2019



## HAPPY NEW LITURGICAL YEAR!!

### WELCOME TO ADVENT... THE SEASON OF PREPARATION

The cartoon above makes it seem like everything is rush... rush... rush... From the end of October to January 1<sup>st</sup>, we seem to be in hyperdrive. Everything has to get done, and everything has to get done NOW! Advent is a time in our church calendar to prepare and get ready for the coming of Christ at Christmas. We have these next four Sundays to reflect on the promise of God coming to us.

As we begin this season, you might have an Advent wreath on your table or in your home that helps us count down our way to Christmas. These themes are meant to accompany the weeks of our Advent season:

- The 1st Sunday of Advent symbolizes **Hope** with the "Prophet's Candle" reminding us that Jesus is coming.
- The 2nd Sunday of Advent symbolizes **Faith** with the "Bethlehem Candle" reminding us of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem.
- The 3rd Sunday of Advent symbolizes **Joy** with the "Shepherd's Candle" reminding us of the Joy the world experienced at the coming birth of Jesus.
- The 4th Sunday of Advent symbolizes **Peace** with the "Angel's Candle" reminding us of the message of the angels: "Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men."

source: catholiccompany.com/getfed/

**Praying Together...starting this Advent!** Each of our parishes will offer a "Prayer for Vocations" at the end of our petitions. We are earnestly asking together for more vocations to the priesthood and lived witness in our midst!



## ANTICIPATION AND GETTING SET

Just as we might feel that we want to get our house in order and cleaned before welcoming guests, we have some opportunities in this Advent season to help us get ready for Christ's coming.

### Parish Penance Services

One way to do some "spiritual cleaning" is to take part in the Sacrament of Reconciliation this Advent. In addition to our regular times, we are hosting some parish penance services in our communities.

**On Dec 8**, we will offer a 5:00 PM service at St. Boniface.

**On Dec 15**, we will offer a 4:00 PM at St. Peter's in Ewing, a 5:30 PM at Rural St. John's, and a 7:00 PM at St. Theresa's in Clearwater (before the 8:00 at L Bar B!!).

Our neighboring communities may also be offering parish penance services, and we will seek to keep you informed of what we hear in the bulletin.

### Reflecting on the Coming of Christ

We have extra "The Word Among Us" booklets for this Advent season, that you are welcome to pick up in the church entryways. These booklets allow us to follow along on the daily readings of the Mass and give us meditations and points of reflection. I encourage us to check these out!

**Flocknote is a text/email alert system for our parishes.** Signing up is straightforward.

**From your phone**, you can send a text message to 84576 with one of the keywords

(which are case sensitive... and without the 'quotation marks')

- 'ewing' for St. Peter de Alcantara
- 'clearwater' for St. Theresa of Avila
- 'deloit' for St. John's, Rural Clearwater
- 'elgin' for St. Boniface
- 'raeville' for St. Bonaventure
- '68652' for St. John the Baptist, Petersburg

Or

email [parish@cppnebraska.org](mailto:parish@cppnebraska.org) to join. We've got a number of people from St. Peter's, St. Theresa's, Rural St. John's, and St. John the Baptist in Petersburg on our list. We're hoping to get the word out to St. Bonaventure and St. Boniface!!

**We have a special list called "Advent Engagement" that helps us think about the Advent season for those who have joined.** Peace,



## Weekend Mass Schedule

**Saturday: 5:30 pm**

St. Peter de Alcantra, Ewing

**Saturday: 7:00 pm**

St. John the Baptist, Petersburg

**Sunday: 8:00 am** St. Bonaventure, Raeville

**Sunday: 10:00 am** St. Boniface, Elgin

**Sunday: 10:00 am** St. Theresa of Avila, Clearwater

**Sunday: 11:30 am** St. John the Baptist, Deloit

### RELIGIOUS

Fr. John Norman, Pastor PO Box 37- Ewing, NE 402-626-7605

Email: [jmnorman@archomaha.org](mailto:jmnorman@archomaha.org)

Fr. Kevin Vogel, Assoc. Pastor PO Box B- Elgin 402-843-2345

Email: [kwvogel@archomaha.org](mailto:kwvogel@archomaha.org)

Deacon Dennis Wiehn 402-843-0182

Deacon John Starman 402-386-5570

Deacon William Camp (retired) 402-843-5464

Sister Patricia Hoffman PO Box 219 402-843-5461

**Emergencies Needing a Priest: call office numbers and system will re-direct your call.**

**Elgin Office** (office entrance is east side of rectory)

Mailing Address: PO Box B, Elgin NE 68636

Parish Office Phone 402-843-2345

Fax 402-843-2253

St. Boniface Gym Phone 402-843-2249

**Website:** [www.stbonparishes.com](http://www.stbonparishes.com)

Monday 1pm-4pm

Tuesday-Thursday (Closed 12-1 pm) 9am-4pm

Friday 9am-12pm

Michele Reicks [mreicks@stbonparishes.com](mailto:mreicks@stbonparishes.com)

Linda Moser [lmoser@stbonparishes.com](mailto:lmoser@stbonparishes.com)

**Petersburg Office** (office entrance is north entr. Werner Hall)

Mailing Address: PO Box 608, Petersburg NE 68652

Parish Office Phone 402-386-5580

Hours: Wednesday 10:00 am-3:00pm

Jaci Hoefer [jhoefer@archomaha.org](mailto:jhoefer@archomaha.org)

**Ewing Office** (office entrance is front door of Rectory)

Mailing Address: PO Box 37, Ewing, NE 68735

Helen Larson) 402-626-7605

Hours: Monday and Thursday 9:00am – Noon

### RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE (watch weekly calendar for changes)

Wednesday: 5-5:30pm- Elgin

Saturday: 4:45-5:15 pm- Ewing

Saturday: 6:15- 6:45 pm- Petersburg

Sunday: 7:30-7:50 am- Raeville

**Reconciliation will be offered** before and after each Mass, as available, and other times as shown here in the bulletin.

### ADORATION SCHEDULE

**St. Peter's:** Thursday- 9- Noon

First Saturday- 6:00 pm-Midnight

**Elgin:** Day before First Friday , Each Month

**St. John's-Deloit-** Devotions on Mondays at 7:00 pm

### SCHEDULE MASS INTENTIONS

**St. Boniface/St. Boniface Parish:** Linda Moser 402-843-2345

**St. John's Parish- Petersburg:** Kelly Starman 402-386-5570 or email [kelly\\_starman@yahoo.com](mailto:kelly_starman@yahoo.com).

**St. Peter, St. John Deloit, St. Theresa's:** Helen Larson 402-626-7605

## **BULLETIN DEADLINE: TUESDAY NOON**

Send to [lmoser@stbonparishes.com](mailto:lmoser@stbonparishes.com)

(AND) [mreicks@stbonparishes.com](mailto:mreicks@stbonparishes.com)

**COMBINED Monthly Calendar: 3<sup>rd</sup> TUES / Mo.**

**All parishes have one website: <https://stbonparishes.com/>**  
If parishes want event flyers, calendars, minutes etc. posted please email [mreicks@stbonparishes.com](mailto:mreicks@stbonparishes.com).  
**Each parish maintains their own Facebook Page**

### **Catholic Schools**

**St. Boniface School (K-6) / Pope John Central (7-12)**

Betty Getzfred, Principal 402-843-5325

Website: [www.picrusaders.org](http://www.picrusaders.org)

**St. Michael School- Albion (Preschool-8)**

Lisa Schumacher, Principal Website: [www.stmichael.esu7.org](http://www.stmichael.esu7.org)

### **Elgin Religious Education**

**Family Formation (Gr. K-6)**

Cheryl Veik, Coordinator 402-843-8023

**Elgin Sunday Youth Group (Gr. 7-12)**

Louise Schindler, Sunday Youth Group 402-843-5375

**Petersburg Religious Education (in Albion)**

Lisa Wagner, Director (to register) 308-750-0423

**(Gr. K-8)** Wednesday during School Year **6:00-7:00 pm**

**(Gr. 9-12)** Wednesday during School Year **7:15-8:15 pm**

### **St. Peter, St. Theresa, St. John Deloit Religious Ed Classes**

**Elementary:** Wed. 3:45-5:15 pm at St. Theresa's Hall in Clearwater,

Wed. 4-5:00 pm at St. Dominic's Hall, and Wed. 3:45- 5:15pm at the

Orchard Methodist Church. Angela Tagel, Director 308-367-7249.

**Jr. Hi/HS** Wed. 7-8:15 pm at St. Theresa's Hall, Clearwater.

(Contact: Sandy Moser 402-851-0116), or 7-8:30pm at St.

Dominic's Hall, Ewing. (Contact: Ann Kurpgeweit 402-336-7749.)

### **PRAYER LINE REQUESTS**

**St. Boniface:** Call Betty Mackel 402-843-2394 or Mary Jane Boes 402-843-2379

**St. Bonaventure:** Call Mary Ann Fangman 402-386-5350 or Mary Ann Starman 402-386-5538

**St. John-Petersburg:** Call Kathy Koch 402-386-5481 or Kelly Starman 402-386-5570

**St. Peter-Ewing:** Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755

**St. Theresa-Clearwater:** Teresa Kester, 402-750-0262

**St. John the Baptist-Deloit:** Jeannie Knievel 402-929-0847

### **RENTAL REQUESTS**

**St. Bonaventure, Raeville Rectory or Hall:** Call Mary Ann Fangman 402-386-5350.

**St. John's Rectory, Petersburg:** Call Mary Lu Larson 402-843-8420 or Jacque Luettel 402-843-8974.

**St. John's Werner Hall, Petersburg events** all need to be scheduled through Jaci Hoefer – including all funerals, events, receptions, and showers by calling 402-386-5580 or email [jhoefer@archomaha.org](mailto:jhoefer@archomaha.org).

**St. John's Rural Clearwater:** Sue Mlnarik 402-485-2428

**St. Theresa's Clearwater:** Koryn Koinzan 402-929-0520

**St. Peter's Ewing (St. Dominic's) Hall:** Helen Larson 402-626-7605

**Knights of Columbus Hall, (Elgin):** Dave Hoefer 402-843-8921. Website: [KofC.org/JoinUs](http://KofC.org/JoinUs)

**Tintern Retreat Center (Oakdale)** Cheryl Veik 402-776-2188 [tinternretreatcenter.com](http://tinternretreatcenter.com)

# Together, We Make Disciples

## This Week in Our Parishes.....

Day	Date	Time	Events
Sunday	Dec. 1-15	-----	Christmas Appeal at Elgin/Raeville Churches (take ornament off tree)
Sunday	December 1	-----	St. John's Deloit Food Pantry Items Due (Boxes in back of Church)
Monday	December 2	7:00 pm	St. Boniface Choir Practice (New Members Welcome)
Tuesday	December 3	12:00 pm	St. Peter's Christian Mother's Meeting
Tuesday	December 3	Noon	<u>Bulletin Deadline</u> for this week
Tuesday	December 3	7:30 pm	Elgin KC Meeting
Tuesday	December 3	8:00 pm	Neligh KC Meeting
Wednesday	December 4	10:00 am	St. Peter's Bible Study at St. Dominic's Hall
Wednesday	December 4	3:45- 5:15 pm	Elementary CCD at St. Theresa's Hall
Wednesday	December 4	3:45-5:15 pm	Orchard CCD at Orchard Methodist Church
Wednesday	December 4	4-5:00 pm	Elementary Religious Ed. at St. Dominic's Hall, Ewing
Wednesday	December 4	5-5:30 pm	Confessions at St. Boniface Church
Wednesday	December 4	7-8:15 pm	Youth Group at St. Theresa's Hall, Clearwater
Wednesday	December 4	-----	No Jr High/High School Religious Ed at Ewing this week
Wednesday	December 4	7:00 pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation for Second Graders-at St. Boniface Church
Wednesday	December 4	6:00-7:00pm	Religious Ed (PRE) at Albion- Grades K-8
Wednesday	December 4	7:15-8:15am	Religious Ed (PRE) at Albion for Grades 9-12
Thursday	December 5	-----	Eucharistic Day of Prayer at St. Boniface Church
Sat./Sun.	December 7-8	-----	Special Second Collection for Religious Retirement
Sunday	December 8	9am-Noon	CCPJ Breakfast at St. Boniface Gym
Sunday	December 8	2:00 pm	Penance Service (Parish and PRE 1 <sup>st</sup> Reconciliation) at St. Mike's Albion
Sunday	December 8	5:00 pm	Penance Service at St. Boniface Church

### St. John's Petersburg

#### Financial Stewardship- November 23

##### St. John's – Petersburg:

Adult: \$1,235.00	Loose: \$227.00
Children: \$5.00	God's Acre: \$500.00
Fuel: \$1,000.00	Human Development: \$150.00



**Due to St. John's revising their cemetery policy- it is not necessary to purchase 2 plots.** Anyone that has previously bought an extra plot can sell it back to the Parish. If

you are interested in selling the extra plot back, please contact Jaci @ the Parish Office @ 402-386-5580.

#### St. John's Petersburg Once a Month Club Tickets

For purchase contact any Parish Council Member, Finance Committee Member, or by contacting Keith Schumacher at 843-0407 or sending your check for \$50/each made out to: **"St. John's Once a Month Club"**

Mail to: Keith & Diane Schumacher  
2038 110<sup>th</sup> St., Petersburg, NE 68652.

#### St. John's Petersburg Snow Removal

**November:** Families with Last Names A-R  
**December:** Families with Last Names S-Z  
**January:** Families with Last Names A-R  
**February:** Families with Last Names S-Z  
**March:** Families with Last Names A-R  
**April:** Snow Removal: Families with Last Names S-Z

**St. John the Baptist (Petersburg) Bazaar Net Profit \$28,388.69.** You may pick up a detailed financial report of the Bazaar at the main west entrance of Church.

St John's Parish Council will **NOT** meet in December.

### St. Bonaventure Raeville

#### Financial Stewardship- November 24

##### St. Bonaventure- Raeville

Sunday Collection (10 Env.)	\$547.01
Children's Collection	\$20.75
Campaign for Human Development	\$1.50
God's Portion	\$1,450.00
Pennies from Heaven	\$15.83

Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 21

Budgeted Total	\$21,000.00
Actual Total	\$22,642.27
Amount Ahead	\$1,642.27

**St. Bonaventure: Let us continue to 'feed the hungry'** A basket is in the back of St. Bonaventure Church for the Food Pantries. Non-food items are also needed, and these are listed on the poster in the back of church. Please share generously.



**St. Bonaventure, Raeville Christian Mother's Meeting** will be held Thursday, December 12 at 6:00 pm at the Rectory.

**St. Bonaventure Raeville Christian Mothers** invite our sister parishes to a **Christmas Coffee and Cookie Exchange on Tuesday, Dec. 10 after 8:30 am Mass at St. Bonaventure.** Please join us for Mass and then coffee in the Raeville Rectory. If you want to join in the cookie exchange, please bring 2 dozen of your favorite cookies/bars/candies and the recipe if you would like to share it.



#### St. Bonaventure Raeville Soup Supper Totals:

Free Will & Donations: \$4,319.00

Less Approx. Expenses: \$900.00

**Total: \$3,419.00**

# Mass Intentions for the Week.....

Location	Day	Date	Time	Cele.	Intentions
(SBE)Elgin	Monday	Dec. 2	-----		No Service
(SJD) Deloit	Monday	Dec. 2	7:30 pm		+Clarence & Alice Funk <b>(Devotions at 7:00pm)</b>
(SPE)Ewing	Tuesday	Dec. 3	8:30 am		Dec. Members of Leo Spittler Family
(SBR) Raeville	Tuesday	Dec. 3	8:30 am		+Leonard & Agnes Starman
(SBE) Elgin	Wednesday	Dec. 4	8:15 am		+Wilfrid Pelster/Hillard & Hilda Maly Families <b>by SB 1/5 Gr.</b>
(STC) Clearw.	Wednesday	Dec. 4	8:30 am		+John J. Thiele
(SJP) Peters.	Wednesday	Dec. 4	10:30 am		+Fr. Bob Schmitz
(SBE) Elgin	Thursday	Dec. 5	7:20 am		+Jim, Mary Jo & Hank Schueths <b>Euch. Day Begins</b>
(SPE) Ewing	Thursday	Dec. 5	8:30 am		In Thanksgiving (GK)
(SBE)Elgin	Friday	Dec. 6	8:15 am		+Harold & Lucille Benda/ Gerald & Julia Zegers All School Mass <b>by PJ 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Euch. Day of Prayer Ends</b>
(SJD) Deloit	Friday	Dec. 6	8:30 am		+Steve Schindler
(STC) Clearw.	Saturday	Dec. 7	8:30 am		+George Hemenway
(SPE) Ewing	Saturday	Dec. 7	5:30 pm	KV	+Carol Jackson
(SJP) Peters.	Saturday	Dec. 7	7:00 pm	JN	+Ambrose Ausdemore
(SBR) Raeville	Sunday	Dec. 8	8:00 am	JN	+Emily Reestman
(SBE) Elgin	Sunday	Dec. 8	10:00 am	JN	+Al & Josephine Schrad/Doris Ping
(STC) Clearw.	Sunday	Dec. 8	10:00 am	KV	Living Members of Our Parishes
(SJD) Deloit	Sunday	Dec. 8	11:30 am	KV	+Sam Stearns

**Abbreviations:**

SPE – St. Peter de Alcantara in Ewing  
 SBE – St. Boniface in Elgin  
 SJD – St. John the Baptist Church of Deloit

SJP – St. John the Baptist in Petersburg  
 STC – St. Theresa of Avila in Clearwater  
 SBR – St. Bonaventure in Raeville

## Liturgical Schedule for December 7-8, 2019

Weekend	Servers	Ushers	Greeters - SBE Rosary Ldrs- SBR \$\$ Counters-SJP	Gift Bearers	Lectors	Music	E.M.H.C. * to the sick (Elgin)
<b>Saturday DECEMBER 7 5:30 pm St. Peter's - EWING</b>	Landon McAllister Michael Koenig	Todd Bollwitt Aaron Hoke	-----	Butch & Carol Rotherham	Karen Funk	Follow Schedule	Carol Rotherham
<b>Saturday DECEMBER 7 7:00 pm St. John's PETERSBURG</b>	Kaci Wies Karlie Wies	Duane Kuhlman & 1 Volunteer	<u>Money Counters-</u> Alan Temme Clyde Stuhr	-----	Jayne Prince	Jill Nore	Rod Stuhr Jan Temme  <u>Homebound-</u> Teresa Heying
<b>Sunday DECEMBER 8 8:00 am St. Bonaventure RAEVILLE</b>	Olivia Klein Aiden Klein	Jerry Schrage Spencer Heying	Ken & Joyce Reestman	Bill & Ginni Fangman	Joyce Pelster	Paul Kuhlman	Joyce Reestman
<b>Sunday DECEMBER 8 10:00 am St. Boniface - ELGIN</b>	Darby Carstens Skyler Meis	Dave Eischeid Ron Eischeid Travis Eischeid Bill Eischeid	Dave & Janice Eischeid- W Dave & Tracy Hoefler- N & S	Ron & Linda Eischeid	Briley Eischeid	Rachel Becker Ally Selting Skyler Reestman	<del>NO Precious Blood-</del> Pastor, Deacon, *Faith Kinney, Sr. Pat. *Jessica Niewohner
<b>Sunday DECEMBER 8 10:00 am St. Theresa's CLEARWATER</b>	Trey Rittscher Ethan Kester	Dean Thiele Fred Thiele	-----	Curt & Amy Thiele	Connie Cronin	Follow Schedule	John Moser
<b>Sunday DECEMBER 8 11:30 a.m. St. John's - DELOIT</b>	Noah Schmidt Alec Schindler	Steven Bartak Allen Schueth	-----	Jake & Carolyn Schindler	Marilyn Sehi	Follow Schedule	Elaine Kimes

**Financial Stewardship**

**St. Peter's- Ewing**

Nov. 24 (Sunday)- \$638.00  
Building Fund- \$20.00  
Campaign for Human Development- \$60.00

**St. Theresa's- Clearwater**


Nov. 24 (Sunday)- Unreported

**St. John's- Deloit**

Nov. 24 (Sunday)- \$867.00  
God's Acre- \$2,000.06  
Military Service- \$20.00

**St. Peter's Christian Mother's Meeting** will be held Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 12:00 Noon at St. Dominic's Hall in Ewing. There will be a \$10.00 gift exchange.

**St. John the Baptist Parish of Deloit will be hosting an Advent Breakfast** on Sunday, December 15 at their parish hall. This will follow their 11:30 am Mass. More information to follow.



The Vocation Cross for the month of December will go to **Gary & Mary Bartak Family** for St. John's Deloit.

The Vocation Cross for the month of November will go to **Kathy Arens, Leanne Tomjack and Vickie Bollwitt** for St. Peter's Ewing

**PRAY FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS**

**St. Peter's:** Steve Koenig, Elaine Thoendel, Butch Sojka, Sister Joseph, Mary Edwards, Jessica Hobbs, Jeanette Tomjack, Sharon Ward, Leo Hawk, Duaine Bollwitt, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick, Myra (Rotherham) Schwebel.

**St. Theresa's:** Mary Ann Thiele, John Hynes, Leo Starman, Nate Thiele, Regina Krebs.

**St. John's:** Keith Palmer, Jackie Bartak, Darlene Schueth, Carl Ernesti, Georgine Funk.



**St. John's, Deloit, will be hosting a holiday non-perishable food collection for the Antelope County Food Pantry until December 1st.**

Items collected will be distributed in December. There will be boxes in the back of Church for your donations, and envelopes for cash donations which should be placed in the regular collection and marked "Antelope Co. Food Pantry". Your donations will be deeply appreciated! Thank You!



St. Theresa's Sodality is looking for new officers! If anyone is interested, they can contact Koryn Koinzan at 402-929-0520 or any other officer.

**COMMUNICATING WITH OUR FLOCK-NOTE**

We are seeking to improve our ability to communicate and send out news and notifications. We are using a program called Flocknote to send ministry related email and text messages. If we had to make a last-minute 'emergency' adjustments for weather, we can send a text message. Flocknote also offers us the ability to send out the bulletin each week by email. We also have an optional email list for Lenten and Advent daily reflections.

**Signing up for Flocknote is straightforward.**

From your phone, you can send a text message to 84576 with one of the keywords (which are case sensitive... and without the 'quotation marks') 'ewing' for St. Peter de Alcantara 'clearwater' for St. Theresa of Avila 'deloit' for St. John's, Rural Clearwater 'elgin' for St. Boniface 'raeville' for St. Bonaventure '68652' for St. John the Baptist, Petersburg For email, you can just let us know at [parish@cppnebraska.org](mailto:parish@cppnebraska.org).



**Archbishop's Annual Appeal**

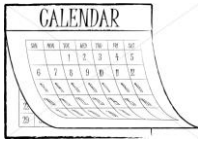
**\*\*\*\*If you have misplaced your form, there are more in the back of the churches, or at the parish offices. \*\*\*\*If you cannot remember if you donated, the office staff can look up if you did, so please contact them. This Appeal impacts each of our parishes, please be generous in helping us meet our goal. God Bless!**

<b>St. Theresa's Clearwater</b>	Goal:	\$7,357.00
	Pledged to date:	\$5,712.00
		<b>77.6% of goal</b>
<b>St. John's Deloit</b>	Goal:	\$6,045.00
	Pledged to date:	\$3,678.00
		<b>60.8% of goal</b>
<b>St. Peter's Ewing</b>	Goal:	\$5,570.00
	Pledged to date:	\$2,554.00
		<b>45.9% of goal</b>
<b>St. Boniface Elgin</b>	Goal:	\$23,283.00
	Pledged to date:	\$17,183.00
		<b>73.8% of goal</b>
<b>St. Bonaventure Raeville</b>	Goal:	\$4,249.00
	Pledged to date:	\$3,355.00
		<b>79% of goal</b>
<b>St. John's Petersburg</b>	Goal:	\$5,740.00
	Pledged to date:	\$2,850.00
		<b>49.7% of goal</b>

One Church: encountering **Jesus**,  
Equipping **disciples**, living **mercy**

## AREA PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE:

**Sunday, December 8:** St. Michael's Albion, 2:00 pm  
**Sunday, December 8:** St. Boniface Elgin, 5:00 pm  
**Sunday, December 15:** St. Peter's Ewing, 4:00 pm  
**Sunday, December 15:** St. John's Deloit, 5:30 pm  
**Sunday, December 15:** St. Theresa's Clearwater, 7 pm



There are **2019 Catholic Calendars available in the back of your church for you to take.** These are a very nice addition to every Catholic household.

We once again THANK our sponsors of this calendar: **Lordemann Insurance, The Knights of Columbus Council No. 2411, Elgin and Council 7550, Neligh and Dean's Market.** Make sure you thank them! We appreciate Deacon Dennis for your work in making these calendars happen.

**ALL Lectors are asked to pick up their NEW Lector Workbooks from your church.**



Anyone from our 6 parishes can drop their weekly envelope in any of the church collection baskets in any of our churches. They will be forwarded.

**Retired Fund for Religious Collection is December 7-8.** It will be a second collection after communion at all the parishes.

## Always Remembered

The Omaha Province Council of Catholic Women is inviting you to submit names of your deceased loved ones to the officer of your diocese/archdiocese during **November 2019 to be remembered at 12 monthly Masses in 2020.** The Masses will be offered by the current and past A/DCCW spiritual advisers. Your free will offering will be directed toward registration grants to the 100th NCCW convention. **Please forward names by December 4 to:**

**OACCW:** Theresa Pavlik, PO Box 329, Verdigre, NE 68783 (402-358-0608)

**GIDCCW:** Deb Eschliman, 82793 494th Ave, Ericson, Ne 68637 (308-750-6869) Kay Wessel 3600 W. Wittstruck Rd, Martell, NE 68404 (402-817-8842).

## Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Vigil, December 24: 4:00 pm (SBR)  
 Christmas Vigil, December 24, 4:00 pm (SPE)  
 Christmas Vigil, December 24, 6:00 pm (STC)  
 Midnight Mass, December 25, 12:00 am (SJD)  
 Christmas Day, December 25, 8:00 am (SJP)  
 Christmas Day, December 25, 10:00 am (STC)  
 Christmas Day, December 25: 10:00 am (SBE)



## Donations of Grain



**Grain is appreciated by your Church!**

Producers are reminded that the following needs to take place in order for you to legally remove the grain sale from your taxable income:

- 1) The commodity is delivered to facility.
- 2) The donor signs a form (at the facility or from the parish office) that states the grain now belongs to the charity.
- 3) The facility mails the check/scale ticket to the charity.

**NOTE:** Donations of grain *in the charity's name* cannot be claimed as an itemized charitable contribution so therefore will be posted as such on your end of the year contribution statement from the parish.

**NEW CHRISTMAS TRADITION** - Beginning December 1, read one chapter of the Gospel of Luke each day. There are 24 chapters. By Christmas morning you will be reminded again of WHO and WHY we celebrate!



**St. Bonaventure Christian Mothers wish to invite all ladies from the grouping of parishes to Coffee and Cookie Exchange Tues., Dec. 10 at 9:00 am (after 8:30 am Mass at St. Bonaventure)**

Please join them for Mass and then coffee in the Raeville Rectory.

*If you want to join in the cookie exchange, please bring 2 dozen of your favorite cookies/bars/candies and the recipe if you would like to share it.*

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Walk for Life in Lincoln January 18, 2020.

**Advent Candles are available at the Religious Articles Store at the Elgin Parish Office.** Available: Wreath Rings, Taper or Votive style candles.



## Financial Stewardship- November 24

### St. Boniface- Elgin

Sunday Collection (35 Env.)	\$8,227.48
Children's Collection:	\$7.00
Holy Day	\$200.00
All Souls	\$5.00
Campaign for Human Development	\$83.00
God's Portion	\$7,783.78
Pennies from Heaven	\$22.16
Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 20	
Budgeted Total	\$92,647.17
Actual Total	\$88,993.77
Amount Behind	(\$3,653.40)

**St. Boniface, St. Bonaventure: Please Remember In Your Prayers:** Jolene Lichty, Diane Flenniken, Larry Braband, Roger & Jan Sorenson, Terry Dinslage, Cheri (Schindler) Cavanagh, Laurie Horn, Dave Shrader, Bob Redler, Garrett Scholz, Alfreda Pelster, Neil Childers, Eve Kallhoff, Sally Beckman, Marie Cheatum, Leonard Beckman, Charlotte Hoefler, Joe Buelt, Helen Borer, Karlene Moser, Shelby Iburg, Loretta Zegers, Cliff Burger, Margaret Dozler, Ruth Kerkman, Brittany Waldrop, Brenda Papstein, Jacquelyn Brugman, Larry Shavlik, Lynn Schueller, Betty Jean Vaisvilas, Mary Ann Starman, Julie Preusser Bombeck, Denise Jamieson, Chris Stargel, Desirae Wilkinson. **Please let us know if name can be removed.**



Thank you to all those who assisted with putting out the new missals in our church this week, and placing the Vocation Prayers in them, or in the pews. All parishes in our grouping will now be praying the same Vocation Prayer at each weekend Mass, following the Petitions. Thank you to our growing Vocation Committee for spearheading this and the many other ways you keep us aware of the need for vocations and an openness to them when the call arrives.

### St. Boniface Choir Practice



Choir Practice dates and times for choir practices leading up to Christmas are:

**\*\*Monday, December 2 - 7:00 pm**

**\*\*Thursday, December 12 - 7:00 pm**

**\*\*Monday, December 16 - 7:00 pm**

(Possible practice on the 23rd if necessary.)

**New Members are welcome to join!**

**This is to sing at 10 am Mass on December 25.**



Please pray for the soul of St. Boniface parishioner **Mary Jane Henn**. Mary Jane is the wife of Dean Henn; mother of Verona Henn, Denis (Janette) Henn; sister-in-law of Joe Reestman, Dan (Raedean) Henn, Terry (Janice) Henn and Marlene Henn, all of our parishes. May her soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

We also pray for the soul of **Steve Schindler** of Algona IA, who passed away last week. Steve is the brother of Marilyn (Dave) Sehi, Glen (Louise) Schindler, Janie Score, Dale (Renee) Schindler, and Leroy (Kathy) Schindler; and nephew of Rosie Schueths, Snooks Koinzan, Mel Heithoff and Jenelda Dittrich, from our parishes. May he and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

### The St. Boniface will be holding a Gun Raffle this year!

Tickets will be available through some of the men of the parish. Tickets are \$5.00 each for a chance to win a Remington Model 700 SPS Tactical Coyote Tan Bolt Action Rifle. All Federal and State Laws apply. 1000 tickets will be sold. Questions? Contact Chris Baum, 402-649-9875 or Brian Selting, 402-843-8458. Drawing will be held Friday, December 27, 2019. Need not be present to win. Winner will be notified.



**Reminder that the need for food never ceases.** If you wish to support the Antelope County Food Pantry, bring your items to the St. Boniface Church basement, east entrance. Helping others with their basic needs is a great way to be Christ to others. **The need is real.**

### St. Boniface Men's Circle Schedule for SNOW AND ICE REMOVAL for Parish Grounds



Mondays	CIRCLE 1	(Arehart-Buelt)
Tuesdays	CIRCLE 2	(Busteed-Getzfred)
Wednesdays	CIRCLE 3	(Gossman-Kinney)
Thursdays	CIRCLE 4	(Kluthe-Payne)
Fridays	CIRCLE 5	(Pelster-Schrage)
Saturdays	CIRCLE 6	(Schueths-Zwingman)
<b>Sundays</b>	<b>ALL CIRCLES</b>	

**Help us keep our walkways safe! We need to keep walkways and parking lots clear, for safety reasons especially for our elderly who rely on us!**



### Thank you to all who purchased 2020 Lottery Calendars!

#### St. Boniface School Calendar Lottery Winners

11-25-19	Jhett & Jaxton Pudwill	\$60.00
11-26-19	Alan & Patty Faust	\$60.00
11-27-19	Ava Furtsenau	\$60.00
11-28-19	Fr. Mark Tomaszewicz Thanksgiving	\$80.00
11-29-19	Tim Good	\$60.00
11-30-19	Julie Landgren	\$60.00
12-01-19	Kasi Stoltz First Sunday of Advent	\$80.00

**THANK YOU** to everyone who assisted in any way in preparing for our Thanksgiving Bazaar. As of publishing time (Monday) of this bulletin, we were relying on many to make it work with the forecast. God Bless you all!

### Winter Mass Schedule Change

(Dec. 1, 2019-March 29, 2020)

**Saturday: 5:30 pm at St. Michael's in Albion**

**Sunday: 8:30 am at St. Michael's in Albion**

## St. Boniface Elgin



**CCPJ Breakfast** will be held Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am- Noon at the St. Boniface Gym. Serving Pancakes, French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Fruit, Rolls, Coffee, Milk and Juice. Free will donation.

### Elgin & Raeville Parishioners



If you wish to donate a Poinsettia, or memorial to be used for other Christmas decorations, in memory of a loved one at Christmas time, please use your Flower Envelope, dated December 2 and drop it in the collection as soon as possible. Please mark on the envelope who the donation is given in memory of. The price for a poinsettia is **\$15.00**.



We welcome  
**Hagon Leo Dwyer**  
Son of Garrett & Jennifer Dwyer  
who was baptized  
at St. Boniface Church

We welcome  
**Hollan Marie Becker**  
Daughter of  
Michael & Hannah Becker  
who was baptized  
at St. Boniface Church

We welcome  
**Caden James Veik**  
Son of Danny & Meghan Veik  
who was baptized  
at St. Boniface Church

**The Knights of Columbus** now has an online membership program. Future Knights need only visit [kofc.org/join](http://kofc.org/join) to enroll in the digital program, which sets them on the path to becoming engaged in K of C spiritual and council life!

### PARISH WIDE CHRISTMAS APPEAL



The Stewardship & Evangelization Committee will be collecting new mittens, socks, hats, snow boots (school age), new winter coats, sweatshirts, fleece pull-overs, neck scarves, long sleeves shirts or blouses, head bands, body lotion and soaps, gift cards, etc. for the needy. This is for all age groups-there is a special need for teenager gifts, to be given to the Antelope County Social Services. Continuing until December 15th, ornaments will be on the tree with suggested gift ideas at the St. Bonaventure and St. Boniface Churches. The items purchased should be brought back to church (unwrapped) and placed under the trees.

### St. Boniface Altar Society Circle Worklist

(households are asked to assist one another in these duties)

**Church Cleaning:** Circle 4 (Dec. 19)

**Kookie Klatch:** No Kookie Klatch in Nov./Dec.

**Next Funeral:** Circle 4 (Circle 5 had Mary Jane Henn)

**Next Charity:** Circle 6 & 1- Assist Nativity Committee, by hauling totes, trees etc. to church (Dec. 15 after 10am Mass)

**Next Meeting:** Mon., Dec. 16, 7pm

## Formation of our Youth



Please pray for  
St. Boniface/St. Bonaventure 2nd graders  
this week, as they will be receiving the  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
on December 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Harmon Borer:** son of Keith & Audra Borer  
**Kellan Charf:** son of Stacy & Danelle Charf  
**Chloe Kielty:** daughter of Brett & Becky Kielty  
**James Lodge:** son of Ryan & Abby Lodge  
**Liam Pelster:** son of Matt & Kara Pelster  
**Levi Sheer:** son of Marc & Amber Sheer  
**Tenley Schindler:** Jesse & Shanda Schindler  
**Carter Selting:** son of Brian & Kelsey Selting  
**Cecil Shavlik:** son of Lee & Kara Shavlik  
**Anna Stuhr:** daughter of Brian & Clarissa Stuhr  
**Sawyer Veik:** son of Adam & Heather Veik



**St. Boniface/Pope John Christmas Concert** will be presented in the St. Boniface Gym on Monday, Dec. 9 at 7:00 p.m.

### GREAT GIFT IDEA!

**NEW Limited Edition Herb Mignery Bronze Crosses Are Here! OPEN HOUSE for cross purchase or pick up will be Monday, December 9th • 6:00-7:00 pm** in St. Boniface Gym Lobby prior to the school Christmas Concert. See [pjcrusaders.org](http://pjcrusaders.org) to view this year's cross. Price is \$160.



**Attention Previous Buyers:** If you would like to reserve your number, please contact a committee member.

#### TO RESERVE YOURS, CONTACT:

Deb Pelster (402) 843-5379

Nancy Shavlik (402) 485-2733

Julie Schiltmeyer (402) 380-3177

Pope John (402) 843-5325

**\*\*\*Thank you\*\*\* to Herb Mignery who has donated his time to create this series of crosses to benefit Pope John XXIII High School.**