

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

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 19, 2021



BORN IN A BARN...NOT AS EXPECTED...

I'm definitely excited that Christmas is almost here!! We celebrate Jesus' birthday and God coming to dwell with us. Our Christmas carols celebrate the events that took place and invite our imaginations into the Christmas place in Bethlehem.

As we get closer and closer to Christmas, it's good to think about us approaching the manger... approaching God where he was born in time. Jesus wasn't born in the best rated hospital; he wasn't born into a 5-star hotel. God becoming man... Jesus being born... this is a descension or lowering of himself. God is unlimited... he is infinite. Human beings are limited... even our best can get tired, weary, and sore. Jesus' being born, being 100% God and 100% man, meant that he chose to limit himself to the dependent and helpless capacities of an infant.

THE 'SAVIOR EXPECTED' VERSUS THE 'SAVIOR NEEDED'
Sometimes we can really stress ourselves about everything looking or appearing right. The Italians call that the 'bella figura' and place a high importance on it. We can have a plan... and expectations... about everything from our living room decorations to our cookie plate arrangements. There's just a way that things should be. However, Jesus's entrance isn't as we would have expected. God's plan of salvation doesn't have to meet our expectations... we just need it to work. This means that we have to discover God as he is and not as we expect him to be. He chose the hiddenness of Bethlehem to be born as a baby.

As God chooses to limit himself and to be born in time, God makes himself very vulnerable with us. Jesus, even being

the Son of God, would probably have woken his parents up in the night hungry. As he grew, Jesus' shoes would get too small and he would need bigger clothes. Jesus never stops being God, but Jesus' humanity is just as real. And because Jesus' humanity is real, Jesus doesn't understand us only from the outside. He doesn't just study about these 'humans' in a book, but Jesus can relate to our own experiences because he had real experiences like ours. As God, he knows our inmost thoughts. He can understand us the way that we want to be understood. Being human, he has his own experiential knowledge as well.

APPROACHING OUR GOD IN THE MANGER

Jesus was born to be our Savior. Many Christmas carols proclaim, "Christ our savior is born!" One way that we can enter into this time is to approach the manger-bed of Jesus. It is the place of God's humility... of God making himself small. We can let our own guards down and offer our God our lives... the things going well and the areas of struggle. Jesus can hold us in love and understanding.

CHRISTMAS ON A SATURDAY MEANS GOING TWICE FOR BOTH CHRISTMAS AND SUNDAY

Here are our Christmas Mass times:

- Christmas Eve, December 24: 4:00 pm (SBR- Raeville)
- Christmas Eve, December 24, 4:00 pm (SPE- Ewing)
- Christmas Eve, December 24, 6:00 pm (STC- Clearwater)
- Christmas Eve, December 24: 6:30 pm (SBE- Elgin)
- Midnight Mass, December 25, 12:00 am (SJD- Deloit)
- Christmas Day, December 25, 8:00 am (SJP- Petersburg)
- Christmas Day, December 25, 10:00 am (STC-Clearwater)
- Christmas Day, December 25: 10:00 am (SBE- Elgin)

- Holy Family Vigil, December 25, 5:30 pm (SPE- Ewing)
- Holy Family Vigil, December 25, 7:00 pm (SJP- Petersburg)
- Holy Family Sunday, Dec. 26, 8:00 am (SBR- Raeville)
- Holy Family Sunday, Dec. 26, 10:00 am (SBE-Elgin)
- Holy Family Sunday, Dec. 26, 10:00 am (STC-Clearwater)
- Holy Family Sunday, December 26, 11:30 am (SJD- Deloit)

Please consider a gift to your parish at Christmas! And remember, to make a year-end contribution, it must dated and postmarked by December 31.

Merry Christmas with great gratitude!

St. Boniface Elgin

Financial Stewardship- St. Boniface- Elgin

Sunday (36 Env)	\$4,919.85
Children's Collection	\$13.00
Christmas Flowers	\$85.00
Religious Retirement	\$140.00
Holy Day	\$220.00
Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 24	
Budgeted Total	\$105,882.48
Actual Total	\$115,586.43
Amount Ahead	\$9,703.95

St. Boniface God's Portion / God's Acre

Budgeted: \$48,000.00 To Date: \$45,757.61

St. Boniface, St. Bonaventure: Please Remember In Your Prayers: Jolene Lichty, Terry Dinslage, Laurie Horn, Dave Shrader, Garrett Scholz, Chris Stargel, Adam Kester, Matt Golden, Pat Fredrickson, John King, Janet Sorenson, Barb Ziegler, Judy Stiemle, Leo Seger, Vicky Kolterman, Cheri Schwager, Dominic Cullenward, Charlotte Cullenward, Marlene Nepple, Pat Hruby, Darlene Stelling, Missy Moser, Infant Graham Sayers, Al Haines, Lucy Knievel, Gary Hamik, Carrie Schrage Cook, Josie Weiss, Shauna Gossman, Kellie Gossman. **Parishioners:** Neil Childers, Marie Cheatum, Loretta Zegers, Pat Evans, Donna Mackel, Gene Heithoff, Doris Kluthe, Anonymous, Juan Hoefler, Pat Starman, Gloria Lordemann, Kyle Warren, Marin Schindler.

Please let us know if name can be removed, 843-2345

ELGIN PRAYER LINE REQUESTS

St. Boniface: Call Mary Jane Boes 402-843-2379 or JoAnn Beckman 402-843-6287



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

	Sundays	ALL CIRCLES
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)

Please mark your calendars for your day.

St. Boniface Men's Circle members and leaders are asked to please keep in mind the snow removal schedule. If you have experience running a bobcat, please feel free to use it as it is in the church garage. There are scoops and brooms in the garage and the ice melt is inside the east entrance of church, and in the closet at the west entrance. We need to keep walkways, parking lots clear and in front of the convent, Sister's home, and entirely around the gym, for safety reasons. Please see weekly **bulletin calendar and school sports calendars for events at St. Boniface Gym, etc.**

St. Boniface School Calendar Lottery Winners:

12-13-21	Mary Shrader	\$60.00
12-14-21	Doug Dilly Family	\$60.00
12-15-21	Raymond & Mary Hemmer	\$60.00
12-16-21	Marvin & Robin Kerkman	\$60.00
12-17-21	Joe McNally Pope Francis B-Day	\$75.00
12-18-21	Ayden Furstenau	\$60.00
12-19-21	Alice Kallhoff	\$75.00

Christmas Winner to be announced at

Pope John/St. Boniface Christmas Concert on Tuesday.

NOTE:

Elgin Parish Office will be closed Friday, December 24.

Religious Holiday Addresses

Fr. John Norman
PO Box B
Elgin NE 68636

Rev. Kevin Vogel
PO Box B
Elgin, NE 68636

Sister Patricia Hoffman
P.O. Box 219
Elgin NE 68636-0219

Zach Eischeid
(Seminary Pastoral Year)
St. Bernadette Parish
7600 S. 42nd St.
Bellevue, NE 68147

St. Boniface and St. Bonaventure Parishioners, You can find a List of Holiday Addresses for Christmas Cards for those in care homes, assisted living, and other in the main entrance of both churches.



Pope John XXIII Central Catholic High School and St. Boniface Elementary School will present their Christmas Concert in the St. Boniface Gym on Tuesday, December 21st at 6:30 p.m. Several holiday selections will be presented by the students. Please join us and enjoy the music of the season.



We welcome
Maisy Mae Beckman
daughter of Chris & Megan Beckman
who was baptized at St. Boniface Elgin

We welcome
Henry David Dahl
son of Eric & Melisa Dahl
who was Baptized at St. Boniface Elgin

St. Boniface New Women's Circle Leaders and Officers are needed at this time. Step up if you can and ask your circle leader what the task entails. Thanks



Confessions at St. Boniface Church on Wednesday, December 22

will be extended time, 5:00 - 6:00 pm. Please take this final opportunity before Christmas!



1 Weeks Left!!
St. Boniface Parish
Gun Raffle

MEN Selling Tickets: please turn in Ticket Stubs / Money by next weekend, either by putting in the St. Boniface Collection Basket or by placing through the door slot at the St. Boniface Parish Office entrance (no later than December 26). Extra tickets available at the Elgin Parish Office Monday-Thursday this week or from Chris Baum, 649-9875 or Adam Veik, 929-0075. They make such great stocking stuffers! Tickets are \$5.00 each for a chance to win a BERGARA Ridge 22-250 REM 24" Bolt Action Rifle.

This Week in Our Parishes.....

Day	Date	Time	Events
Sunday	December 19	2:00 pm	St. Francis Neligh Confessions
Sunday	December 19	4:30 pm	Bible Study at Raeville Hall
Monday	December 19	9am-Noon	Ewing Parish Office Hours (Mondays instead of Tuesdays next 2 weeks)
Monday	December 20	10am- 2pm	Petersburg Parish Office Day/Hours till end of Dec. (Mon. instead of Wed.)
Monday	December 20	Noon	Early Calendar Deadline for January events
Monday	December 20	Noon	Early Bulletin Deadline for <u>December 26</u> Bulletin
Monday	December 20	7:00 pm	St. John's Deloit Rosary & Meditation
Tuesday	December 21	-----	SB/PJ Schools Dismiss for Christmas Break (Regular time)
Tuesday	December 21	6:30 pm	SB/PJ Christmas Concert at St. Boniface Gym
Wed-Sun	Dec. 22-26	-----	SB Gym Closed (Moratorium)
Wednesday	December 22	-----	No Bible Study at St. Dominic's Hall in Ewing
Wednesday	December 22	5-6:00 pm	Confessions at St. Boniface Church (Note Extended Time)
Wednesday	December 22	-----	No Religious Ed
Wednesday	December 22	7:00 pm	St. Boniface Choir Practice
Friday	December 24	-----	All Parish Offices Closed
Sunday	December 26	-----	No Bible Study at Raeville
Monday	December 27	Noon	Early Bulletin Deadline for <u>January 2</u> Bulletin
Monday	December 27	-----	Deadline Gun Raffle Ticket/Money to be submitted

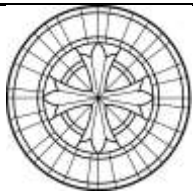
Mass Intentions for the week.....

Day	Date	Time	Location	Cele	Intentions
Monday	December 20	7:20 am	Elgin		Communion Service
Tuesday	December 21	8:15 am	Elgin	JN	+Harold & Lucille Benda & Gerald & Julia Zegers All School Mass by PJ 8 th Grade; Cele: Fr. Norman
Tuesday	December 21	8:30 am	Petersb.	KV	+Dick & Mona Veik
Wednesday	December 22	8:15 am	Elgin	KV	+Red & Evelyn Arehart <i>Rosary to follow</i>
Wednesday	December 22	8:30 pm	Clearw.	JN	+Family of Jean Goscha
Thursday	December 23	8:30 am	Raeville	KV	Special Intention for Infant Graham Sayers
Thursday	December 23	8:30 am	Ewing	JN	+Clet & Tim Thramer
Friday	December 24	4:00 pm	Ewing	KV	+Lucille Ruther Christmas Vigil
Friday	December 24	4:00 pm	Raeville	JN	+Betty & Joe Grundmayer Sr. Christmas Vigil
Friday	December 24	6:00 pm	Clearw.	KV	+Wilfrid, Alfreda & David Pelster Christmas Vigil
Friday	December 24	6:30 pm	Elgin	JN	+Louis, June & Jerry Kerkman Christmas Vigil
Saturday	December 25	12:00 am	Deloit	KV	+Floyd Henn & Cindy Bohaboj Midnight Mass
Saturday	December 25	8:00 am	Peters.	JN	+Harold Helen Henn Christmas Day
Saturday	December 25	10:00 am	Elgin	JN	+Kalin Henn Christmas Day
Saturday	December 25	10:00 am	Clearw.	KV	+Mary Ann Thiele Christmas Day
Saturday	December 25	5:30 pm	Ewing	KV	+Frank & Bert Noffke
Saturday	December 25	7:00 pm	Petersb.	JN	+Gertrude Hinkle
Sunday	December 26	8:00 am	Raeville	JN	+Hugo & Louise Werner
Sunday	December 26	10:00 am	Elgin	JN	+Fr. Kenneth Potts
Sunday	December 26	10:00 am	Clearw.	KV	For the People of Our Parishes
Sunday	December 27	11:30 am	Deloit	KV	+Sam & Joan Stearns

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS

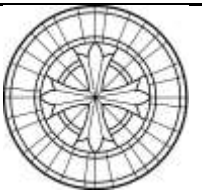
Catholics are obliged to attend Mass twice between the evening of Friday, December 24, and the evening of Sunday, 12/26. One of those times needs to happen before Sunday. The other of those times has to happen Saturday evening or after. Going to Mass Saturday evening can satisfy either obligation, but not both at the same time. As ever, it is the attendance at Mass that satisfies the obligation, not the specific liturgy of that Mass. **In the chart below, the yellow boxes indicate when the first obligation may be fulfilled. The blue boxes indicate when the second obligation may be fulfilled. The content of the boxes indicates which liturgical celebration is to take place. Please note that the Saturday evening celebration, even if in fulfillment of the Sunday obligation, must be the celebration of Christmas Day and not the Holy Family.*

	Fri, 12/24	Sat, 12/25	Sun, 12/26
12:00am-4:00pm		Christmas	Holy Family
4:00pm-12:00am	Christmas Eve	Christmas	Christmas
			Holy Family



DECEMBER 24-26, 2021

Catholic Parishes in Partnership Liturgical Ministers



Thank you for your ministry!

We ask that if you cannot be present to fulfill your obligation, that you trade with someone on list or find replacement

Weekend	Servers	Ushers	Greeters-Elg. Rosary Ldrs-Rae. Money Counters-Pet.	Gift Bearers	Lectors	Music	E.M.H.C. No Precious Blood *To the Homebound
Friday, DECEMBER 24 4:00 pm St. Bonaventure RAEVILLE Christmas Vigil	Kaiden Bode Aiden Klein	Mark Grundmayer Jerry Schrage Jake Grundmayer Bryan Bode	Rosary Leaders Fred & Mary Ann Fangman	Spencer & Megan Heying Family	Brian Stuhr	Joyce Reestman	No Precious Blood Pastor, Lexi Bode, Ken Bode, Joan Stuhr
Friday, DECEMBER 24 4:00 pm St. Peter's EWING Christmas Vigil	Michael Koenig Preston Hoke	Kevin Schrunk Mike Thramer	-----	Bill & Mary Woslager	Sierra Summers	Follow Schedule	Bryce Summers Gina Koenig
Friday, DECEMBER 24 6:00 pm St. Theresa's CLEARWATER Christmas Vigil	Bryce Rudloff Justice Blecher	Steve Hankla Francis Hanzlik	-----	Regino & Gargiela Olivan	Tina Thiele-Blecher	Follow Schedule	John Thiele
Friday, DECEMBER 24 6:30 pm St. Boniface -ELGIN Christmas Vigil	Linus Borer Eliza Borer	Mike Kerkman Steve Kerkman Phil Kluthe Terry Reicks	Ted & JoAnn Baum- W Scott & Deb Beckman- N & S	Alan & Michelle Reicks	Tracy Beckman	Deb Baum & Liz Selting, Lynn Selting	Pastor, Deacon Dennis
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 12:00 am St. John's DELOIT Midnight Mass	Cecelia Mlnarik Sharon Bartak	Jim Funk Dale Funk	-----	Paul & Diane Dicke	Marilyn Sehi	Follow Schedule	Elaine Kimes
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 8:00 am St. John's PETERSBURG Christmas	Caden Stokes Cali Stokes	Dale Salber Chase Preister	Money Counters Jerry Faust Eric Petsche Myron Seier	-----	Alan Temme	Guitar Group	Deacon John Starman
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 10:00 am St. Boniface ELGIN Christmas	Jovie Vaisvilas Brooke Kinney	Dave Linnaus Ryan Lodge Ben Meis Eric Meis	Mike & Connie Dvorak- W Travis & Carmen Eischeid- N & S	Gary & Julie Schiltmeyer Family	Dave Beckman	Becky Kerkman & Choir	Pastor, Phil Starman for Deacon & Kris Starman to choir No Communion to Homebound
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 10:00 am St. Theresa's CLEARWATER Christmas	Jacob Schlecht Logan Kester	Kelly Kerkman Anthony Kester	-----	John & Teena Moser	Ed Moser	Follow Schedule	Kevin Filsinger
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 5:30 pm St. Peter's EWING	Charlee Wagner	Greg Napier Kevin Koenig	-----	Dennis & Sandi Finley	Pat Ruther	Follow Schedule	Mark Tyrrell
Saturday, DECEMBER 25 7:00 pm St. John's PETERSBURG	Kaci Wies Karli Wies	Duane Kuhlman Kevin Schumacher	Money Counters Shirley Henn Clyde Stuhr	-----	Rod Stuhr	Guitar Group	Deacon John Starman
Sunday, DECEMBER 26 8:00 am St. Bonaventure RAEVILLE	Samantha Stuhr Aiden Klein	Bryan Bode Jake Grundmayer	Rosary Leaders Ken & Joan Stuhr	Brian & Clarissa Stuhr Family	Joyce Pelster	Paul Kuhlman	Brenda Kuhlman
Sunday, DECEMBER 26 10:00 am St. Boniface ELGIN	Harmon Borer Kellan Hoefler	Marvin Meis Bill Mescher Randy Mitchell	Dave & Janice Eischeid- W Dave & Gwen	Marilyn Reestman Joan Schindler	Briley Eischeid	Mark & Julie Dwyer	Pastor, Deacon Dennis To the Homebound: *Jessica Niewohner
Sunday, DECEMBER 26 10:00 am St. Theresa's CLEARWATER	Keaton Thiele Kaylee Thiele	Jarod Bearinger Kevin Filsinger	-----	Ed & Sandy Moser	Connie Cronin	Follow Schedule	Marlene Thiessen
Sunday, DECEMBER 26 11:30 am St. John's DELOIT	Alec Schindler	Ron Funk Gregg Bartak	-----	Chris & Suzanne Dierks Family	Angela Tagel	Follow Schedule	Marilyn Sehi

St. Peter's St. Theresa's St. John's Deloit

Financial Stewardship

St. Peter's Ewing

December 12: \$1,889.00 Retirement: \$180.00
Immaculate Conception: \$35.00
Christmas Flowers: \$30.00

St. John's Deloit

December 12: \$712.00 Retirement: \$310.00
Immaculate Conception: \$100.00 God's Acre: \$500.00
Pennies from Heaven: \$33.20 (correct amount)

St. Theresa's

December 12: \$1,088.00 God's Acre \$100.00
Retirement: \$205.00 Holy Day: \$416.00

FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS

St. Peter's: Bob Walnofer, Nicki Dougherty, Donna Knapp, Anslee Ostergard, Kathi Retwisch, Steve Koenig, Sister Joseph, Jeanette Tomjack, Sharon Ward, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick and Myra (Rotherham) Schwebel. (To start prayerline, call Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755)

St. John's: Jason Ratzloff, Darlene Schueth and Carl Ernesti. (To start prayerline, call Jeanne Knievel 402-929-0847.)

St. Theresa's: Bob Kester, Olivia Anderson, Leo Starman, Nate Thiele and Adam Kester. (To start prayerline, call Teresa Kester 402-750-0262)

St. Theresa's will collect "Baby Jesus" gifts at their Christmas masses again this year for Birthright of Norfolk. Birthright is most in need of boys winter clothing, sizes 6-9 mo., 12 mo. and 18 mo., wipes, shampoo, baby wash, lotion and size 4,5 and 6 diapers. *They cannot accept toys for liability reasons.* Cash gifts are also welcome. Thank you for continuing this Christmas tradition at St. Theresa's parish!

The Ewing Parish Office will be open the next two Mondays, December 20 & 27 (instead of Tuesdays) from 9am- Noon.

St. Bonaventure Raeville

Financial Stewardship St. Bonaventure Raeville

Sunday Collection (14 Env.)	\$1,301.00
Children's Collection	\$12.30
Immaculate Conception	\$97.00
Christmas Flowers	\$75.00
Retirement	\$20.00
Bible Study Donation	\$100.00
God's Acre (3 Env)	\$3,750.00
Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 43	
Budgeted Total	\$24,000.00
Actual Total	\$25,393.25
Amount Ahead	\$1,393.25

St. Bonaventure God's Portion / God's Acre
Budgeted: \$15,000.00 To Date: \$14,379.31

Prayer Line Requests at St. Bonaventure: Call Mary Ann Fangman 402-843-6129 or Dianne Scholl 402-386-5256.

CONTACT for rental of St. Bonaventure Rectory and Hall, Raeville. Clarissa Stuhr is the person taking registrations for rental of the St. Bonaventure facilities. You may contact Clarissa by calling or texting her at 402-843-8791.

St. John's Petersburg

Financial Stewardship

St. John's – Petersburg

Adult: \$1,055.00 Loose: \$45.00
Children: \$3.80 Religious Retirement: \$170.00
Immaculate Conception: \$286.00 Utilities: \$100.00
God's Acre: \$200.00 (\$3,400.00 total deposits to date)
Pew Cushions: \$850.00 (total donations to date)

Petersburg Prayer Line Requests for St. John the Baptist:
Call Kathy Koch 402-386-5481 or Kelly Starman 402-386-5570.

St. John's Petersburg Snow Removal Schedule:



(for Church, Hall, and Cemetery driveways).
**Please note that when we have a funeral the group assigned is also responsible for opening the Cemetery driveways.*

December: Families with Last Names R-Z

January: Families with Last Names A-P

Effective immediately, The Petersburg Parish Office will be open Mondays from 10 am -2 pm the rest of December. Beginning in January, the office hours will be Tuesdays (no longer Wednesday) from 10 am -2 pm.

St. John's Once A Month Club 2022

Tickets make great Christmas Gifts! \$50 each
To purchase tickets please contact one of these sellers:
Jerry Faust at 402-843-8200, Hank Thieman at 402-447-4183, Carolyn Beckman, Shirley Henn, Gene Knust, Eric Petsche, Lynnette Seier, Myron Seier, Clyde Stuhr, or John Temme. **Thank you to all who have purchased tickets in the past. In 2021 we gave away \$9,850.00 to our Winners which averages out to be over \$820.00 per month.** Why not try your luck in 2022? Last day to buy your ticket is January 10.



The pews at St. John the Baptist in Petersburg are beginning to show their age. The St. John's Altar Society has began the project to cover our pew seats with a soft pad. The Altar Society has contributed funds to cover Pew rows #1 & #2. The Maurice & Dolly Henn Family has donated funds to cover rows #3 & #4. St. John's Parish Council has appropriated funds to do pew rows #5, #6, & #7. If anyone would like to contribute funds to cover the cost of additional pew rows, please contact Teresa Heying at 402-843-6218; Jaci at 402-386-5580; or drop at check in the St. John's collection basket with your loved ones name or your family name who the donation is designated from. Cost of new pew cushions is \$375 for half a row and \$750 for a full row. Any help in donations large or small is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Now that the Catholic Voice has gone to online only, you can find it at <https://catholicvoiceomaha.com/>

Here's to Christmas...



- A Time of Remembering.
- A Time of Loving.
- A time of Giving.
- A Time of Believing.
- A Time of Gratitude.
- A Time to Slow Down.
- A Time to Simplify.
- A Time of Magic.
- A Time of Peace.



Season of Giving

With Masses for Christmas and Sunday (Feast of the Holy Family) overlapping a bit, we ask that you please place your donation for Christmas in the "Christmas" Envelope and your Sunday Collection in the "Sunday" Envelope.

--If you wish to give an end of the year donation, please date it/postmark it in 2021 and place it in an envelope that is clearly indicated for 2021, the parish and your name on a blank envelope.

Thank you for your generosity!



Please join us for the CCPJ Breakfast at St. Boniface Gym on Sunday, January 9th from 9 am- Noon at St. Boniface Auditorium. Serving: Pancakes, French Toast, Eggs, Sausage, Fruit, Rolls, Coffee, Milk, & Juice. Free Will Offering.



A Benefit Account is available at the Bank of Elgin for Marin Schindler

She has been diagnosed with a very rare Histiocytic Disorder, but Mayo Clinic has seen and treated it before. Marin is now home and receiving PT & OT through BCMC in Albion and has started her treatments from home. Marin and her husband Kevin have two small children, Mylah and Klayton. If you wish to help this young couple, money can be given at Bank of Elgin, PO Box 379, Elgin, NE 68636. If you wish to support them with cards, their address is Kevin & Marin Schindler, PO Box 291, Elgin, NE 68636.

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

If you mis-placed your Appeal information and donation card, there are more available in the entrance of each of our six churches, inside the brochures!



Help us wrap up the Archbishop's Appeal in our parishes by December 31. Please consider supporting this appeal as it helps our own parishes, schools and ministries across the archdiocese. [If you do not know if you gave this fall, Michele can easily look up if you did so give her a call.]

St. Theresa's Clearwater	Amount Needed Yet: \$3,925
St. John's Deloit	Amount Needed Yet: \$1,692
St. Peter's Ewing	Amount Needed Yet: \$2,577
St. Boniface Elgin	Amount Needed Yet: \$10,724
St. Bonaventure Raeville	Amount Needed Yet: \$1,598
St. John's Petersburg	Amount Needed Yet: \$2,582

**EVERY GIFT MATTERS!
LARGE OR SMALL THEY ALL ADD UP!**

St. Francis, Neligh, will have confessions on Sunday, December 19 at 2:00 pm.

NOW is the time to TAKE ADVANTAGE of valuable tax savings!

- Qualified Charitable Distributions: If a donor is 70.5 and has an IRA, a QCD is a tax-efficient way to give to charity.
- Gifts of Appreciated Securities: The stock market enjoyed significant gains in 2021, and a gift of appreciated securities can help avoid capital gain taxes.
- 2021 Incentive for Cash Gifts: The maximum allowable income tax deduction for cash contributions to public charities in 2021 is 100% of Adjusted Gross Income.
- Give the gift of commodities (grain or livestock) and put yourself at a tax advantage!

Ask your Tax Preparer for more information today, so you can help your favorite parish tomorrow!



Over the holidays, lot of ALUMINUM CAN BEVERAGES are consumed. If you would like to donate aluminum cans to St. Boniface School, the cart is located to the west end of the Pope John/St. Boniface School parking lot. Thank you!

NOTICE: If roads are impassable, we will notify through Flocknote that Mass is canceled. If Mass is canceled, your obligation is satisfied. If you do not feel safe driving on the roads, STAY HOME!! If you can't get to Mass safely, then you are exempted from your obligation. In both of these circumstances, there is not a need to go to Confession. The same applies for when you are sick.

***To sign up to receive notices with importance like this via email through Flocknote, please just email parish@cppnebraska.org and say that you want to be added to Flocknote, and what email addresses you would like to have added to the system. Thank you.