



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

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

Know Your Faith - The Third Coming of Christ



As we begin Advent we start the celebration and the preparation for the three comings of Christ. This may sound weird. Usually, we hear of the two comings. However, there is a third coming... and if we forget about this one, we are missing the whole point of the Christian life!

The first coming of Christ is the one we all know well. This is when God became flesh in a stable in Bethlehem. This first coming would not have been possible if it weren't for the "fiat" (the yes) of Mary, and for that we owe her great honor.

The second coming is foretold by Christ and portrayed in the Book of Revelations written by St. John. This is the coming when "all flesh shall see the salvation of God." The first coming was in simplicity; this second coming will be in greatness and glory. This is the coming in which all will be judged according to their deeds and receive their just reward.

The third coming doesn't follow the second coming. Actually, the order is first, third, second. The third coming is happening right now! Our Lord said "Whoever keeps my words, the Father shall love him and we shall come to him." This is the coming of Christ in spirit. This coming of Christ is the Church itself. Jesus is present in Word and Sacrament. In the Eucharist he is fully present and in our prayer he is always present in spirit.

Preparing for Christ coming then is not just something that happens in the month of December, but instead a daily act for us to open our hearts to the daily Advent of Christ. ~by Fr. Sund



Christmas Vigil, Saturday, December 24

4:00 pm (St. Bonaventure, Raeville)

4:00 pm (St. Peter's, Ewing)

6:00 pm (St. Theresa's, Clearwater)

Christmas Day, Sunday, December 25

12:00 am (St. John, Deloit) *Midnight Mass*

8:00 am (St. John's, Petersburg)

10:00 am (St. Theresa's, Clearwater)

10:00 am (St. Boniface, Elgin)

Fr. John Norman, Pastor PO Box B-Elgin NE 402-843-2345 Email: jmnorman@archomaha.org

Fr. Joseph Sund, Assoc. Pastor PO Box B- Elgin 402-843-2345 Email: jrsund@archomaha.org

Emergencies (medical emergencies or death of family member) call 402-578-0626. *Non-emergencies for priests, please call Elgin Parish Office, 402-843-2345 and leave a message in their personal mailbox.*

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St. Boniface Elgin

Financial Stewardship- St. Boniface- Elgin

Sunday (45 Env)	\$5,718.75
God's Portion	\$11,119.29
Religious Retirement	\$200.00
Insurance	\$1,000.00
Christmas Flowers	\$250.00
Holy Day	\$110.00
Christmas	\$50.00
Pennies from Heaven	\$8.86
Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 23	
Budgeted Total	\$103,725.40
Actual Total	\$93,676.72
Amount Behind	(\$10,048.68)

St. Boniface, St. Bonaventure: Please Remember In Your Prayers: Jolene Lichty, Terry Dinslage, Dave Shrader, Chris Stargel, Matt Golden, John King, Janet Sorenson, Judy Stiemle, Vicky Kolterman, Infant Graham Sayers, Al Haines, Lucy Knieval, Gary Hamik, Juli Patrowsky, Jan Dozler, Marcia Redler, Al Schmid, Darrell Getzfred, Patricia Wilkinson, Aubree Lemke, Adam Kester, Helen Dvorak, Brenda Papstein, Buggs Henn, Tristian Dredge, Teresa Moore, Connie Jessen, Robbie Evans, Barbara Ann Ziegler, Elaine Kimes, Elle Kerkman.
Parishioners: Neil Childers, Marie Cheatum, Loretta Zegers, Pat Evans, Donna Mackel, Gene Heithoff, Juan Hoefer, Gloria Lordemann, Marin Schindler, Chris Baum, George Childers, Diane Kerkman, infant Fallon Sue Heying, Phyllis Tharnish, Ann Beckman, Bernadine Hoefer, Karen Eischeid. **Please let us know if name can be removed, 843-2345.**

ELGIN PRAYER LINE REQUESTS St. Boniface: Call Mary Jane Boes 402-843-2379/JoAnn Beckman 402-843-6287

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



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.

Men's Circle Leaders are asked to be the lead on your day. This is for the walkways/steps/ramps as well as the drives and parking areas for every entrance of the Church, Office, Convent, Sister's Resident, and Gym. It takes MANY hands, so not a few have to do all! Please mark your calendar for YOUR day and keep in mind EACH Sunday, if it snows before Mass. Thank you very much!



St. Boniface and St. Bonaventure Parishioners, If you wish to donate a Poinsettia, or memorial to be used for other Christmas decorations, in memory of a loved one, please use your **Flower Envelope**, and drop it in the collection. Please mark on the envelope who the donation is given in memory of. The price for a poinsettia is **\$15.00**. Please turn in envelope by **December 18**.

In case you need this address:

Avis Heithoff
1112 W. Meadow Ridge Rd.
Norfolk, NE 68701

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



2 Weeks Left!! St. Boniface Parish Gun Raffle

Tickets are available through the men of the parish (and extra tickets available at the Elgin Parish Office) **until December 23**, since they make such great stocking stuffers! Tickets are \$5.00 each for a chance to win a **STOEGER M3000 28" Barrel 12-Gauge Shotgun**. Questions? Contact Ross Schindler, 402-843-0232. Drawing after Christmas.



St. Boniface Choir will be singing for Christmas Day at 10:00 am. Choir Practice is on **December 14 and December 21 at 7:30 pm.**



God's Portion is for all parish households, not just for ag producers!
An extra portion, in this annual budgeted collection goes far in our parishes!

God's Portion Totals

St. Boniface Elgin	Budgeted: \$50,000
	Rec'd to date: \$52,412.34
	105% of Goal
St. Bonaventure Raeville	Budgeted: \$16,500
	Rec'd to date: \$9,669.69
	59% of Goal

St. Boniface Circle 5 & 6 HOUSEHOLDS

Church Cleaning this Week

You may clean at a time that works for you but **avoid this Thursday between 10am-1pm, due to student penance service.** There will be a list on the back credenza you can mark off, as to what has been completed. Thank you.



ANTELOPE COUNTY FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOU

As a parish, let's help feed those in need! St. Boniface Parish has a drop off place for food, and it is just inside our east door to the church basement. Helping others with their basic needs is a great way to be Christ to others.

If you won a cash prize from the St. Boniface Thanksgiving Raffle or Calendar Lottery you are asked to please cash the check ASAP.

The 2023 Calendar Lottery have SOLD OUT! Thank you! St. Boniface School Calendar Lottery Winners:

12-05-22	Kiely & Hampl Children	\$60.00
12-06-22	Ginny Fangman	\$60.00
12-07-22	Mary Jane Boes	\$60.00
12-08-22	Anne Hemenway Imm. Conception	\$100.00
12-09-22	Diana Boone	\$60.00
12-10-22	Keith & Diane Schumacher	\$60.00
12-11-22	Michael Hynes	\$75.00

This Week in Our Parishes...

Day	Date	Time	Events
Sunday	December 11	9:00 am	St. Bonaventure Set Up Nativity (Volunteers Needed)
Sunday	December 11	11:00 am	St. Boniface Cir. 6 haul Nativity/Totes to church/Nativity Comm. sets up
Sunday	December 11	9am/11am	Deadline for Giving Tree Items at St. Bonaventure/St. Boniface Churches
Sunday	December 11	2:00 pm	St. Michael's Albion First Reconciliation and Parish Penance Service
Sunday	December 11	4:30 pm	Penance Service at St. Boniface Church
Mon-Sat	Dec. 12-17	-----	St. Bonaventure Church Cleaning by Group 1 (Monday-Saturday)
Monday	December 12	7:00 pm	St. Boniface Altar Society Meeting in Convent Meeting Room
Monday	December 12	7:30 pm	St. John's Deloit Rosary /Meditation
Tuesday	December 13	Noon	Bulletin Deadline for Dec. 18 th Bulletin/ January Calendar Items Due
Wednesday	December 14	-----	St. Boniface No School (Pope John Full Day)
Wednesday	December 14	9:30 am	Bible Study at St. Dominic's Hall in Ewing
Wednesday	December 14	5-6:00 pm	South Family Formation Student Only
Wednesday	December 14	5-6:00 pm	Extended Confessions at St. Boniface Church (Includes Religious Ed. 5:30-6)
Wednesday	December 14	6:00/7:15 pm	PRE Classes at St. Mike's Albion for St. John's Students
Wednesday	December 14	7:00 pm	Baptism Class at St. Boniface Convent Ministry Room (pre-register)
Wednesday	December 14	7:30 pm	St. Boniface Choir Practice (new members welcome)
Thursday	December 15	10am-1pm	Student Penance Service in St. Boniface Church
Thursday	December 15	-----	St. Boniface Church Cleaning by Circles 5 & 6 (avoid cleaning 10am-1pm)
Sat/Sun	Dec. 17-18	-----	Pennies from Heaven Containers at All Church Entrances (1 wk early)
Sunday	December 18	12:30 pm	St. John's Deloit Advent Breakfast after Mass (honor Confirmed Parishioners)
Sunday	December 18	2:00 pm	Penance Service at St. Peter's Ewing
Sunday	December 18	3:30 pm	Penance Service at St. Theresa's Clearwater



NEW ROSARIES!!!! JUST IN TIME FOR CHRISTMAS GIVING!!!

Beautiful and unique marble beads, all colors and styles! Feminine or masculine, we have something for everyone, for all ages on your Christmas list! New Pastels, Browns, Couples Rosaries (great for wedding gift), Sports Rosaries (some in Wolfpack colors)!! Very few of each of style so come take a look today at the Elgin Parish Office. *They are affordable too!!*



A Wonderful Christmas Gift Idea! The 2022 Herb Mignery Limited Edition Bronze Cross

Open House for cross purchase or pick up will be Tuesday, December 20 starting at 5:30 pm in the St. Boniface Gym prior to the Pope John/St. Boniface Christmas Program. If you would like to view or purchase this cross prior to the Open House, please contact Deb Pelster 402-843-0163, Nancy Shavlik 402-340-1023, or call Julie Schiltmeyer at PJCC 402-843-5325. They are also available to pick up at Pope John High School.

The annual collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious was this weekend, December 10-11 in the Archdiocese of Omaha. Please use the special envelope from your packet and place it in your regular collection basket.

SB/PJ

Christmas Concert
Tuesday, December 20
7:00 pm St. Boniface Gym



Baptism Class Wednesday, December 14th at 7:00 pm St. Boniface Ministry Rm



In order to have your child baptized, in any of our churches, it is necessary for you to attend this Baptism Class if you are a first-time parent, a parishioner recently registered in any parish, or if it has been over three years since you last attended the class. **Please call or text Gwen Beckman at 402-843-8137 to register.** The next class will not be held for several months, so please keep this in mind and plan ahead. Instructors are Dave & Gwen Beckman.

St. Boniface Sausage for Sale

For Sale: Frozen St. Boniface Thanksgiving sausage. Rings, processed at Wausa Lockers, sells for \$7.50 per 1 pound ring. Call the parish office at 402-843-2345 during normal business hours to arrange purchase. Makes a nice gift! Pre-payment only, no holds and no deliveries please.



Pope John YOUTUBE channel is now up and going in the St. Boniface Gym. Please "subscribe" to our channel so that we can keep the link active.

<https://www.youtube.com/@PJCrusaders>

Mass Intentions for the week.....

Day	Date	Time	Location	Cele	Intentions
Monday	December 12	8:15 am	Elgin	DW	Communion Service
Tuesday	December 13	8:15 am	Elgin	JS	+Ray Lordemann by SB 3rd Grade (Rosary after)
Tuesday	December 13	8:30 am	Petersb.	JN	+Ellen Stuhr (Rosary prior)
Wednesday	December 14	8:30 am	Clearw.	JN	+Joe & Doris Hedley
Wednesday	December 14	8:15 am	Elgin	JS	+Pat Starman
Wednesday	December 14	5-6:00 pm	Elgin	JS	Extended Confessions at St. Boniface Church (Fr. Sund)
Thursday	December 15	-----	Ewing	JN	No Mass
Thursday	December 15	8:30 am	Raeville	JS	+Wendelin & Audrey Fangman
Friday	December 16	8:15 am	Elgin	JS	+Bridget Dwyer
Friday	December 16	8:30 am	Deloit	JN	+Paulette Walnofer Andersen
Saturday	December 17	5:30 pm	Ewing	JS	+Lucille Ruther
Saturday	December 17	7:00 pm	Petersb.	JN	+Alfred & Delores Metz
Sunday	December 18	8:00 am	Raeville	JN	+Paysen Ann Guthard
Sunday	December 18	10:00 am	Elgin	JN	+Red & Evelyn Arehart
Sunday	December 18	10:00 am	Clearw.	JS	For the People of Our Parishes
Sunday	December 18	11:30 am	Deloit	JS	+Sam & Joan Stearns

Liturgical Schedule for Saturday-Sunday, December 17-18, 2022

Weekend	Servers	Ushers	Greeters-Elg. Rosary Ldrs-Rae. Money – Petersb.	Gift Bearers	Lectors	Music	E.M.H.C. *To the Homebound Prec. Blood only 1 st full weekend of mo.
Saturday DECEMBER 17 5:30 pm St. Peter's EWING	Emma Funk Jenna Funk	Dan Koenig Ed Nordby	-----	Dennis & Sandi Finley	Sierra Summers	Follow Schedule	Mark Tyrrell
Saturday DECEMBER 17 7:00 pm St. John's PETERSBURG	Christian Preister Kaitey Schumacher	Chase Preister Scott Preister	Money: Gene Knust Peter Starman	-----	Teresa Heying	Guitar Group	Deacon John Starman To the Homebound: Deacon John Starman
Sunday DECEMBER 18 8:00 am St. Bonaventure RAEVILLE	Olivia Klein Raaf Klein	Bryan Bode Jake Grundmayer	<u>Rosary Leaders</u> Mark & Carole Tharnish	Bob & Rose Bode	Brian Stuhr	Paul Kuhlman	Brenda Kuhlman
Sunday DECEMBER 18 10:00 am St. Boniface ELGIN	Harper Childers Natalie Burenheide	Joe Oberbrockling Ed Parks Ray Payne Jeff Schindler	Mike & Kristen Zegers- W Ed & Anne Parks- N & S	Jeff & Tracey Schindler	Audra Borer	Mark & Julie Dwyer	Pastor, Deacon To the Homebound: *Julie Schiltmeyer
Sunday DECEMBER 18 10:00 am St. Theresa's CLEARWATER	Irelyn Bearinger Alvie Bearinger	Dick Kester Duane Kester	-----	Victoria Latzel	Tina Thiele- Blecher	Follow Schedule	Marlene Thiessen
Sunday DECEMBER 18 11:30 am St. John's DELOIT	Corbin Schueth Cooper Mueller	Jason Schindler Chris Tagel	-----	Marty & Janette Kerkman	Ann Kurgoweit	Follow Schedule	Marilyn Sehi

Please check if you have Liturgical Ministry responsibilities at Christmas, the Liturgical Schedule can be found at
[December Schedule – CPP Nebraska](#)

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

**Financial Stewardship
St. Peter's Ewing**
December 4: \$972.00
God's Acre: \$100.00

St. John's Deloit
December 4: \$1,789.25
Pennies from Heaven: \$7.30

St. Theresa's
December 4: \$1,992.00
Christmas Flowers: \$15.00
Catholic Charities: \$475.33

FOR ALL HAVING SPECIAL NEEDS

St. Peter's: Infant Nash Koenig, Bob Walnofer, Nicki Dougherty, Kathi Retwisch, Sister Joseph, Yvonne Duggan, Marie Vandersnick. (To start prayerline, call Lavonne Sisson 402-626-7755).

St. John's: Darlene Schueth (To start prayer line, call Jeanne Knievel 402-929-0847).

St. Theresa's: Bob Mattini, Geri-Jo Dyrdal, Leo Starman, Nate Thiele and Adam Kester. (To start prayer line, call Teresa Kester 402-750-0262)

CONTACT for St. Theresa's Hall Rental

For rental of the St. Theresa Hall, registrations can be made by contacting Deb Schlecht at 402-992-0160 and Angie Ahlers at 402-525-9355.

St. John's Deloit Hall Rental - New Contact Person:

Sonja Bartak 402-640-8417

ADVENT



BREAKFAST

**St. John the Baptist, Deloit
Advent Breakfast
Sunday, December 18, following Mass**

They will also be honoring their newly confirmed: Sharon Bartak, Jenna Funk, Alec Schindler at this time. Everyone from our family of parishes are invited to attend.



ST. THERESA PARISHIONERS: If you wish to donate a Poinsettia, or memorial to be used toward the cost of flowers/decorations in memory of a loved one at Christmas time, please put your donation in an envelope marked **CHRISTMAS FLOWER DONATION** and drop it in the box in the back of church. There is an envelope in your packet dated November 27.



St. Theresa Church invites families to donate Baby Jesus gifts again this year at our Christmas Masses, to be donated to Birthright of Norfolk. They are most in need of shampoo, body wash, lotion and size 6 diapers. Anything else is greatly appreciated, but please **NO** blankets. Thank you so much for helping moms and babies in need.

St. Bonaventure Raeville

**Financial Stewardship
St. Bonaventure Raeville**

Sunday Collection (10 Env.)	\$967.00
Christmas Flowers	\$210.00
Holy Day	\$10.00
Religious Retirement	\$10.00
Pennies from Heaven	\$17.01
Rae's Of Sunlight	\$1,575.00
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Sunday Collection as of Fiscal Week 23	
Budgeted Total	\$23,000.00
Actual Total	\$24,357.47
Amount Ahead	\$1,357.47

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

**St. Bonaventure Parish
"RAES OF SUNLIGHT"**



Please consider contributing to the "Raes of Sunlight" **Special Building Fund**, for covering the remainder of our church windows with storm glass, to protect them from dry rot.

Goal: \$75,000.00

Amount received to date: \$62,324.00

St. Bonaventure's, to date is \$12,676.00 short of covering the Rae's of Sunshine window covering expense. Please consider donating to this fund, so we can wrap this up!

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. Bonaventure Group 1 will Clean Church December 12th through 17th. Come anytime that is convenient for you. Church is always open. List is in the back of church.



AREA PENANCE SERVICE SCHEDULE:

- Sunday, December 11: **St. Michael's Albion, 2:00 pm**
- Sunday, December 11: **St. Boniface Elgin, 4:30 pm**
- Sunday, December 18: **St. Peter's Ewing, 2:00 pm**
- Sun., December 18: **St. Theresa's Clearwater, 3:30 pm**

Tax Advantage

Those of you who are over age 70 1/2 and have an IRA, SIMPLE IRA, SEP IRA, or retirement plan account you are required to take a Required Minimum Distribution each year. Why not save income tax on that minimum distribution by donating some or all to your church? Visit with your tax consultant or retirement representative now, so the processing can begin early enough before the end of the year! Don't miss joining the many in our parishes who already do this! (Note: Please let the parish office know when you have asked for a distribution to be sent to the church, so that we can watch for it, and know who it is coming from).

St. John's Petersburg

Financial Stewardship

St. John's Petersburg

December 3: \$1,627.55
God's Potion: \$200.00
Christmas Flowers: \$30.00
Building Fund: \$20.00



Please pray for the soul of **William (Bill) Borer of Norfolk**, who passed away this week. William is the brother of Arlene Nissen of our parish. May his soul, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.

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

St. John the Baptist Altar Society is in need of a President and Secretary for 2023. Call Bobbi Kennedy at 402-741-1751 or Diane Schumacher if you would consider taking one of these positions, or to ask more questions. You can text Diane at 843-8832 or call her home, 386-5719. Thank you for considering.

St. John's Petersburg Snow Removal Schedule:



December: Families with Last Names S-Z
*Please note that when we have a funeral the group assigned is also responsible for opening the Cemetery driveways. Thank you.



Boone County Food Pantry is in need of these items: Shampoo, Laundry Soap, Hand Soap, Dish Soap, Oatmeal, Canned Stew, Spaghetti Sauce, Soup, & Crackers. Donations can be dropped off at the

Food Pantry or left in the totes at the main west entrance of St John's Church in Petersburg. Thank you for your generosity.



St. John's Petersburg parishioners are asked to please use the envelopes in your packets to honor the memories of your loved ones for Christmas Poinsettia Memorials on or before Saturday, December 17. Thank you.

St. John's Once A Month Club 2023

Tickets make great Christmas Gifts! \$50 each

The New 2023 St. John's (Petersburg) Once A Month Club tickets are now on sale for the upcoming year for \$50.00 each, to purchase tickets please contact one of these sellers: Hank Thieman, Gene Knust (402-386-5426), Lynnette Seier, Shirley Henn, Jay Pelster, Rick Pelster, Eric Petsche, Clyde Stuhr, Carolyn Beckman, Kevin Schumacher, Peter Starman, & Adam Wies.

Cash Prizes Awarded

\$8,750 Total Cash Prizes in 2022
\$9,850 Total Cash Prizes in 2021
\$10,675 Total Cash Prizes 2020

Congratulations to our young students from St. John the Baptist Parish who received the Sacrament of First Reconciliation at St. Michael's Church this weekend!

General News

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.*

Please prayerfully consider remembering your parish or schools with a provision for a bequest in your will. Contact your attorney to set this up today. You may also direct questions to the parish office or Tony LaMar, Legacy Planning Officer, Archdiocese of Omaha at 402-557-5650 or ajlamar@archomaha.org.

ST. BONIFACE
GUN RAFFLE

TO PURCHASE TICKETS, CONTACT:
Ross Schindler
402-843-0232
or
Chris Baum
402-649-9875

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STOEGER 3000 12-GUAGE 28"
SHOTGUN
INERTIA DRIVEN SEMI-AUTO REALTREE MAX-5

All State & Federal Laws Apply - Need not be present to win.

Tickets make great **STOCKING STUFFERS!**

\$5.00 PER CHANCE

Only 1,000 tickets to be sold through December 23

DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON DECEMBER 26, 2022