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The Epiphany of the Lord — Year A

January 8, 2023

Serving the Church to make Jesus Christ known and loved

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WEDDINGS: Contact the Pastor six months before your wedding date.

BAPTISMS: Contact the Pastor to arrange for class time and date.

CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before Sat. and Sun. Masses; 15 minutes before weekday Masses. Confessions also available by appointment.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!
 Call the Parish Office to register:
 OLMC-Tilden: 402.368.7710
 SFA-Neligh: 402.887.4521

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Jan 10-13 No Masses Father on vacation

Sat 14 Jan 5:00 pm (N) Christopher Lee Jessen +
 7:00 pm (T) Chris Hansen +

Sun 15 Jan 8:00 am (T) Parishioners of OLMC & St. Francis
 10:00 am (N) Shabram & Kallhoff Families

(N) Neligh | (T) Tilden | (W) Willows | (AC) Arbor Care | (PJ) Pope John



MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Saturday, Jan 14, 2023 5:00 pm	Sunday, Jan 15, 2023, 10:00 am
EMHC's	Nick Strom, Lynae Koinzan	Tim Baker, Amy Baker
LECTOR	Judy Eggerling	Ron Gilg
SERVERS	Andrew Henery, Hunter Maly	Charlie Carothers, Carter Carothers
USHERS	Daryl Booth LeRoy Clarkson	Randy Kallhoff Dale Kallhoff
		Troy Shabram Trent Hoefer
		Chad Shabram Gary Gunderson

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	Ushers	Lector	EMHC	Servers	Money Counters
Saturday Jan 14, 2023 7:00 pm	Sam Johnsen Bill Hatterman	Jeanne Oelsligle	Stan Schapmann	Abe Johnsen Hank Johnsen Charlie Tegeler	
Sunday Jan 15, 2023 8:00 am	John Frey Dave Miller	Ruth Miller	Vernel Zwingman	Layton Meyer Landon Meyer	Mary Hecht Mary Rautenberg



Pray for all those who cannot see the preciousness of each God-given life.

Greetings from Fr. Pat

Christmas Season

The Christmas Season is almost finished, it goes quick. Sadly, the Christmas décor will be coming down. My thanks to **Dodi Jessen** for leading the effort with the décor at St. Francis and to **Deb Navratil** for leading the effort with the décor at OLMC. Great job to both of you! Certainly has added to the solemnity and festivity of the season.

My thanks to **Fr. Kramper** in covering the Masses this weekend (Jan 7 and Jan 8). His generosity, even during his retirement years, allows priests to take vacations, including me. As so many people know him from his time serving at St. Theresa's, it is nice for him to be back in the area to visit and to help. My thanks to him!

New Year's Resolutions

Have you made any resolutions for 2023? If so, hope they are going good so far. I focused some in my homily last weekend on resolutions, mentioned the *Catechism in a Year* (with Fr. Mike Schmitz) podcast. I have been listening to the podcast. I have found it worthwhile and hope to continue, although I imagine I may not be able to do so each day. My hope is it will be of help to grow in the faith, and by extension to help as a homilist. I have other "spiritual" resolutions as well this year. We'll see how they progress.

At times I get asked if I have any hobbies. I used to play golf when I was younger, but it has been a number of years now since I have played. I think I would like to maybe take-up fishing more. And although not quite a hobby, as such, this year I plan to try to spend time on "learning" Spanish – a resolution this year. I have spent some time on this over the years. My resolution is really not so much with the goal to learn, but just that I have found I enjoy it, so I thought that could be kind of like a little hobby for me. We'll see how that goes as well. I think it is good to do some things, not for any grand reason, but just because of enjoyment.

Know of my well wishes in 2023!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

St. Junipero Serra pray for us!




Serran Prayer for Vocations O God, Who wills not the death of a sinner, but rather that he be converted and live, grant we beseech You through the intercession of the Blessed Mary, ever Virgin, Saint Joseph, her spouse, Saint Junipero Serra, and all the saints, an increase of labourers for your Church, fellow labourers with Christ to spend and consume themselves for souls, through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. **Amen**

Journey of Faith

Our *Family of Parishes* had three town hall meetings, one at St. Peter's on October 8th in Ewing, one at St. Francis on October 9th in Neligh and one at St. Boniface on October 16th in Elgin. Thank you to those who were able to come to one of the meetings. To review again or for those unable to attend one of the town hall meetings, the slides used in Fr. John Norman's presentation can be found on the Catholic Parishes in Partnership website (www.cppnebraska.org/journeyoffaith/). Other items are located at this website, including slides from the Q&A meeting held in Elgin on Nov 14, 2022.

St. Francis of Assisi families responsible for cleaning the church in January

- Jan 14** Linda Wingate, Natalie Evans, Roger Blakeman
- Jan 21** Roman Hupp, Jon Strom, Steve Kuester
- Jan 28** Tracy Sehi, Ron Rice, Les Ridder

 **Anyone interested** in taking home a poinsettia, please do so ASAP. They will be available after Jan 11 in the west entryway area of church for a couple of weeks.

Rosary Sodality needs to fill the office of President for a 2 yr term. Interested people may contact Charlene Hughes at 402-929-0134.

Items can be placed in the back of church for **Baby Jesus Layette gifts**.

Thank you to those who donated towards the purchase of poinsettias. They will be available to any parishioners who want them after the Sun, Jan 8 Mass when Christmas decor is taken down. Volunteers for helping with this will be much appreciated.

Praying for Vocations: Our traveling "Our Lady of Mount Carmel" statue is currently being hosted by Mary Fox. Thank you for praying for vocations.



St. Francis, Jan 11, 2023 Religious Education,

- Grades K-8** 6:00 to 7:00 pm, **Regular Class**
- Grade 9** 7:15 to 8:15 pm, **Regular Class**
- Grades 10-12** 7:15 to 8:15 pm, **Regular Class**



OLMC, Jan 11, 2023 Religious Education

7:00-8:00 pm Grades K-12



The Parish Donations envelopes for 2023 are ready for pick-up. They are by the West doors, in front of the statues of Mary and Joseph.

2023 Parish Calendars Now Available: At the doors of the church, please feel free to take one.

The Seminary Collection is this weekend January 7/8, 2023. We have twenty-two seminarians for the Archdiocese. Please consider supporting this collection.

*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections
Jan 1, 2023*

SFA-Neligh	OLMC--Tilden
*Weekly offering	*Weekly offering
Needed: \$2,770.71	Needed: \$1,058.82
Regular Coll. \$5,619.00	Regular Coll. \$893.00
Christmas \$2,845.00	Sol. of Mary \$347.00
Sol. of Mary \$285.00	Utility \$1,000.00
Bld Fund \$500.00	Christmas \$430.00
Christmas to date : \$21,586.00	Christmas Flowers \$50.00

God Bless you for your generosity!



SFA -Neligh

- Rosary** every Tue, 10 am in Church, Everyone welcome.
- Knights of Columbus:** 1st Tues, 8:00 pm
- Rosary Sodality:** 2nd Tue, 6:00 pm
- Parish/Finance Council:** January 26, 2023, 7:00 pm

OLMC-Tilden

- Knights of Columbus** (see Neligh)
- Catholic Women meet :** 1st Tues 9:30 am every 3 months, Mar, June, Sept, Dec.
- Parish/Finance Council:** TBD



Please call Susie Ames (402-929-0038), Milly Clemens (887-5069) or the parish office (887-4521) to add names to the prayer list. The below lists are those in need of prayers or continuing prayers. Most recent prayer requests will be included as part of the petitions during weekend masses for three weeks or as long as requested. Thank you for praying for those in need.

Please remember to pray for: St. Francis-Neligh

Adam Kester, Charles Burbach, Rosa Avila, Gloria Lordemann, Roger Allen, Charles VanErt, Mark Kozisek, Mick Goc, Sindee Schmit, Shirley Wuetzr, Jen Jensen, Blake Peterson, Janet Baker Kilpatrick, Fellar Baker, Christine Roberts, Diane Kerkman, Jeff Voborny, K.M., Shantel Schmit, Sandra Wright Belik, George Ternus, Kenny Pleiss, Bob & Carol Getzfred.

Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden

Adam Kester, Laura Rutjens, Graham Sayers, Tom Degroot, Robb Paulk, Gary Inlow, Lenny Howard, Jen Jensen, Lynda Swanson, Robert Huerta, David Rutjens, Kay Dittrich.

Announcements

BIBLE Study Ascension Bible Study on the Gospel of Matthew, Jan 9, 2023, 4:00 pm in the St. Francis Catholic Church Hall. **All are welcome!** Please call Bev Hartz, (402-929-0442), Kathy Sauser (402-841-5427), Judy Eggerling (727-744-7371) or Susie Ames (402-929-0038), to answer any questions you might have.

POPE JOHN XXIII SCHOOL NEWS

SAVE THE DATE
The Committee for the Continuation of Pope John presents:
"Fiesta!"
 at
Evening With Friends
Sunday, January 29th at Elgin KC Hall
 Social Hour 5 pm • Dinner 6 pm

Tickets Available after the New Year!
 Tickets are \$100 each and include Social Hour, Dinner,
 and the opportunity to win several prizes during the evening.
 Top prize is \$2,500.

Please Join Us! For tickets contact:
 Susan Kallhoff [402-843-6079](tel:402-843-6079),
 Julie Schiltmeyer [402-380-3177](tel:402-380-3177),
 or Pope John [402-843-5325](tel:402-843-5325).



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Annual Appeal

Thank you to everyone that has contributed to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, thus far. Please know, as an option, that one can participate without making a contribution, by sending in the envelope and noting will pray for the Archbishop/Archdiocese.

Parish	Goal	Current	Percent of Goal	Number of Donors	Goal Donors
St. Francis	\$11,129.62	\$11,245.00	101.04%	34	46(est)
OLMC	\$3,899.10	\$3,010.00	77.20%	22	35(est)

Thank you for your generosity!



If anyone has a news item for the parish Facebook page, please contact Jenny Higgins, 402-929-3160, Roxanne McNally 402-929-0152, or the parish office.

Visit parish website: www.olmctilden.org or www.stfranciscc.org for weekly bulletins, Mass times, liturgical ministers and religious education schedules, Parish & Finance Council news, parish women's organizations, Knights of Columbus events, web links, events & announcements, and more. For SFA parish hall rentals and events call the parish office. For OLMC call Mary Rautenberg at 402-368-2231 & Loretta Nykodym 402-368-2182. For OLMC maintenance call Stan Schapmann 402-368-5906. SFA call Steve Kuester 402-928-0411 or Doug Haselhorst.