



**St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church**  
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Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time — Year A

September 3, 2023

*Serving the Church to make Jesus Christ known and loved*

*Clergy & Staff*

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St. Francis of Assisi CC-Neligh  
 Secretary/Bookkeeper: Dorothy Brandt

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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

Tues 5 Sept	9:00 am (T)	Jerry & Anna Bourek +
Wed 6 Sept	8:30 am (N)	Living & Deceased Members of the Blackburn Family
Thur 7 Sept	6:00 pm (N)	Mass with RE K-6 Students/Parents
Fri 8 Sept	8:15 am (PJ)	Mass in Elgin
	8:30 am (N)	Larry Reuss +
Sat 9 Sept	5:00 pm (N)	Gary Clemens +
	7:00 pm (T)	Living & Deceased Family Members of E.R.W.
Sun 10 Sept	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, Sept 9 5:00 pm	Sunday, Sept 10 10:00 am
EMHC's	Milly Clemens, Kathy Sauser	Mallory Belitz, Linda Wingate
LECTOR	Susie Ames	Amy Baker
SERVERS	Charlie Carothers, Carter Carothers	Jacob Pierzina, Owen Strom
USHERS	LeRoy Clarkson, Duane Knievel	Randy Kallhoff Gary Gunderson
		Troy Shabram Andy Elder
		Ted Hughes Nick Strom

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	Ushers	Lector	EMHC	Servers	Money Counters
Saturday Sept 9, 7:00 pm	Joe O'Brien Mark O'Brien	Brent Luebe	Vernel Zwingman	Marissa Bennett Trigg Bennett	
Sunday Sept 10, 8:00 am	Ron Koch	Emily Vaughn	Luann Koch	Marinee Vaughn Larissa Vaughn Mackenzie Rautenberg-Dugan	Kathy Osborn Cindy Decker



Pray that we may open our hearts to  
 generously welcome all unborn children to the banquet of life.

## Greetings from Fr. Pat

The **Liturgy of the Hours** is an important part of the prayer of the church, especially for those that make a promise as part of their diaconate ordination to pray the Liturgy of the Hours each day, which I did as well. The below is from the website of the United States Conference of Bishops:

"The Liturgy of the Hours, also known as the Divine Office or the Work of God (*Opus Dei*), is the daily prayer of the Church, marking the hours of each day and sanctifying the day with prayer. The Hours are a meditative dialogue on the mystery of Christ, using scripture and prayer. At times the dialogue is between the Church or individual soul and God; at times it is a dialogue among the members of the Church; and at times it is even between the Church and the world. The Divine Office "is truly the voice of the Bride herself addressed to her Bridegroom. It is the very prayer which Christ himself together with his Body addresses to the Father." (SC 84) The dialogue is always held, however, in the presence of God and using the words and wisdom of God. Each of the five canonical Hours includes selections from the Psalms that culminate in a scriptural proclamation. The two most important or hinge Hours are Morning and Evening Prayer. These each include a Gospel canticle: the Canticle of Zechariah from Luke 1:68-79 for Morning Prayer (known as the *Benedictus*), and the Canticle of Mary from Luke 1:46-55 for Evening Prayer (known as the *Magnificat*). The Gospel canticle acts as a kind of meditative extension of the scriptural proclamation in light of the Christ event. Morning and Evening Prayer also include intercessions that flow from the scriptural proclamation just as the Psalms prepare for it.

In the Hours, the royal priesthood of the baptized is exercised, and this sacrifice of praise is thus connected to the sacrifice of the Eucharist, both preparing for and flowing from the Mass.

"The hymns and litanies of the Liturgy of the Hours integrate the prayer of the psalms into the age of the Church, expressing the symbolism of the time of day, the liturgical season, or the feast being celebrated. Moreover, the reading from the Word of God at each Hour (with the subsequent responses or *troparia*) and readings from the Fathers and spiritual masters at certain Hours, reveal more deeply the meaning of the mystery being celebrated, assist in understanding the psalms, and prepare for silent prayer." (CCC 1177)" ...

Next week I plan to include more on this prayer of the Church.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us.

St. Junipero Serra pray for us!



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**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**  
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**Immediate position for part-time Custodian for St. Boniface gymnasium, Elgin. The custodian job has variable, flexible hours, in an updated, nicely kept facility. Competitive pay with an average of 10 hours a week (year-round average with some weeks more and some less). Call the Parish Office at 402-843-2345 or find complete job responsibilities at [cnpnebraska-org/job-openings](http://cnpnebraska-org/job-openings)**

**Immediate position for full-time Lunch Assistant for the Pope John St. Boniface Lunch Program, Elgin. The hours are Monday - Friday 8 am - 1:30 pm. and follows the school calendar, so no week-ends, holidays or summers! On the job training, with competitive pay. Contact Deb Baum at 843-8249, for more details or to apply.**

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

- Sept 9** Chuck Sands, Darin Ternus, Bonnie Krebs
- Sept 16** Bill Kuester, Paul Ruterbories, Jason Finch
- Sept 23** Jesse Mitchell, Brian Whitesel, Tom Carothers
- Sept 30** Ryan Dietz, Allan Keetle, Joe Hartz

**Rosary Sodality Committee for September:** Kathy Sauser, Anne Hemenway, Carla Teel, Fran Gilg, Nancy Parks, Pam Kuester, Virginia Duran-Vergus, Tessa Hain, Laura Parks, Patty Van Ert, Mary Ann Ashton, Pat Sehi, Sharon Klein, Carolyn Michael

**Living Faith Booklets** for Oct, Nov, Dec are now available in the vestibule of church. Pick up your copy today.

**Fall Festival Raffle.** Monthly chairladies are calling for raffle prize pledges. If you have not been called and would like to donate a prize, please contact Jill Kallhoff @ 402-929-0398 or Sheila Parks @ 402-929-0482 this week. Thanks!



**Religious Education at OLMC**

**Grades K-12 Sept 6, 7:00 to 8:00 pm.**

*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections  
Aug 27, 2023*

SFA-Neligh	OLMC--Tilden
*Weekly offering	*Weekly offering
Needed: \$2,846.57	Needed: \$1,137.25
<b>Regular Coll.</b> \$2,824.00	<b>Regular Coll.</b> \$994.00
Pope John \$20.00	Utilities/Insurance \$400.00
	Assumption \$30.00
	Hall Rent \$40.00

*God Bless you for your generosity!*

\*This amount reflects weekly giving over 51 weeks. It anticipates other amounts collected, for example, for Christmas, Easter, Holy Days, and other parish donations will be at certain or close to budgeted amounts in addition to this weekly giving amount.



**Religious Education at St. Francis  
Sept 6, 2023**

- Grades K-6** 6:00 to 6:30 Mass, 6:30-7:15 pm, Class
- Grades 7-9** 7:15 to 8:15 pm
- Grades 10-12** TBA



**ST. Francis History**

First Communion May 1956.  
Front row: Barbara Moser, daughter of Francis and June Moser (now Andersen), and Mary Dufek.  
Back row: Robert Zwingsman, Lyle Smith, Doug Dufek, Stanley Timm, Robert Dicknite, Timothy Steffi.  
Teacher: Sister Paraclete.

**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:** Sept 7, 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 (649-3194) 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, Roger Allen, Charles VanErt, Mark Kozisek, Sandra Wright Belik, Richard Schwager, Christian Manchester, Jack Conger, Nyla Borgmann, Corky Busch, Larry Luettel, Barb Stuhr, Lisa Dishman, Regina Krebs, Matt Belitz, Gail Borer, Jan Merrill, Tim Rech, Marin Schindler, Family of Roger Kay.

*Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden*

Adam Kester, Laura Rutjens, Graham Sayers, Tom DeGroot, Robb Paulk, Gary Inlow, Lenny Howard, Lynda Swanson, David Rutjens, Boyd Batenhorst, Julie Krueger, Jenny White, Todd DeGroot, Pat Magwire, Nate Thiele.

**Announcements**



“The Great Adventure” Bible study on the Psalms, 11 sessions, will begin Sept. 12 at 6:00 pm in the Church Hall. If interested we need to order books. For more information please contact Kathy Sauser, Susie Ames or Bev Hartz.

**PILGRIMAGE TO IRELAND & NORTHERN IRELAND:** Come along April 15-25, 2024, to some of the most enjoyable places in all of Europe, visiting the Emerald Isle! We'll visit Belfast, Knock, Galway, Dublin and so much more. Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$4,399 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure, newsletters and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary's Parish, 307 - 4th Street North, Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call 712-899-6870 or email [frdanguenther@gmail.com](mailto:frdanguenther@gmail.com)

You are invited to attend the **99<sup>th</sup> OACCW Convention**, 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, Sept 25, 2023 in Albion, at the Cardinal Inn & Event Center, 2588 State Highway 14. Hosted by RSW Deanery of OACCW. Mass with Archbishop Lucas and fellow priests, lunch, speakers and a little business. Guest speaker will be Sue Wozny of Columbus. Please bring your Parish and/or Deanery Penny and a Prayer collections for the vocations fund so they can be tallied in time and given to Archbishop Lucas at the convention. Also any items for the Purse Auction at National Council of Catholic Women convention that you may wish to add to the fun are welcome and will be accepted. Any finished baby blankets, bibs, diapers or indestructibles books are also being accepted for the Christ Child Society layettes that are distributed. Please come with your sunny smiles and open hearts to enjoy the fellowship with our sisters in Christ. Looking forward to seeing you all there! RSVP to Kim Estes, OACCW President via email at [kimberley\\_estes@hotmail.com](mailto:kimberley_estes@hotmail.com) or text to 402-340-2866. Fee: \$25 payable to **RSW Deanery**, deadline Sept 15. Send to Cyndy Pilakowski, 34908 State Hiway 22, Genoa, NE 68640

**Mass times at Area Churches:**

Saturday	5:30 pm	St. Peter de Alcantara, 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

Do you know someone that may have interest in becoming Catholic? A friend, co-worker, or relative, the initial/first class will be on Sunday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, from 2-4 pm at St. Francis Parish Hall. Please contact me with any questions or they can just come to the class. –Fr. Pat.



**Parish Directory**

Parish members are asked to submit photos for a parish directory which will be published in the history book. Photos will not be accepted for some time yet so this notice is to let everyone know in order that you can make plans. The photos can be casual snapshots or professionally done but must follow these guidelines: (1) Good lighting/no faces in shadow. (2) No bright sun/causes squinting. (3) Simple background/not busy or cluttered. (4) Groups of two or more - all people close together. (5) Must have permission to print copyrighted photos. (6) College students may be included in family groups. Photos will be cropped to show only head and shoulders (unless they include children on laps). Questions? Text or email Roxanne, 402-929-0152 or [leagle2@mcnally law.net](mailto:leagle2@mcnally law.net).



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](http://www.olmctilden.org) or [www.stfranciscc.org](http://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. For OLMC maintenance call Stan Schapmann 402-368-5906. SFA call Steve Kuester 402-928-0411 or Doug Haselhorst.