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Second Sunday of Lent—Year B

February 25, 2024

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

*Clergy & Staff*

*Fr. Pat Niels, Pastor \*\*pkniels@archomaha.org*

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

Our Lady of Mount Carmel-Tilden  
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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

|               |                     |   |
|---------------|---------------------|---|
| Mon 26 Feb    | 5:30 pm (N)         | Jack Conger +                             |
| Tues 27 Feb   | 9:00 am (T)         | John Corkle +                             |
| Wed 28 Feb    | 8:30 am (N)         | Joe Stuhr Family                          |
|               | 9:30 am (W)         | Dianne Ahlers +                           |
| Thur 29 Feb   | 9:00 am (T)         | Brett Kielty Family                       |
| 1st Fri 1 Mar | 8:00 am (N)         | Corky Busch +                             |
|               | 8:30 am to 12:15 pm | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament        |
|               | 12:15 pm            | Benediction                               |
|               | 5:15 pm (T)         | Stations of the Cross                     |
| Sat 2 Mar     | 5:30 pm (T)         | Parishioners of OLMC & St. Francis        |
| Sun 3 Mar     | 10:00 am (N)        | Doug & Dodi Jessen<br>Wedding Anniversary |

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

| MASS TIMES<br>SFA-Neligh | Sunday, Mar 3, 2024<br>10:00 am  | Sunday, Mar 10, 2024<br>10:00 am               |
|--------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| EMHC's                   | Dale Kallhoff, Doris Ternus      | Milly Clemens, Hannah Hoefler                  |
| LECTOR                   | Mark Ervin                       | Trent Hoefler                                  |
| SERVERS                  | Jacob Pierzina, Ashlyn Rudolf    | Corbin Hoefler, Josslyn Hoefler, Cason Hoefler |
| USHERS                   | **Chad Shabram<br>Gary Gunderson | **Duane Knievel<br>Troy Shabram                |
|                          | Chad Shabram<br>Bill Kuester     | Duane Knievel<br>Dale Kallhoff                 |

| MASS TIMES<br>OLMC<br>Tilden | Ushers                      | Lector       | EMHC            | Servers   | Money<br>Counters               |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Saturday<br>March 2, 5:30 pm | Mark O'Brien<br>Joe O'Brien | Emily Vaughn | Sharalyn Fowler | Merinee Vaughn<br>Larissa Vaughn<br>Mackenzie<br>Rautenberg-<br>Dugan | Mary Rautenberg<br>Emily Vaughn |
| Saturday March 9,<br>5:30 pm | Phil Chvala<br>Ron Koch     | Ruth Miller  | Luann Koch      | Volunteers  | Mary Hecht<br>Marilyn Hansen    |



Pray for all women who are tempted to choose abortion,  
 that they may have the courage to choose life.

*Greetings from Fr. Pat*

## St. Francis - Ambry

We recently had a small cabinet installed in the church at St. Francis. You may have been wondering what it is for? It holds the holy oils used in sacraments, and it is called an ambry.

Each year at the Chrism Mass during Holy Week, Archbishop Lucas blesses new oils to be used throughout the Archdiocese. This year the Chrism Mass is on March 25<sup>th</sup>. I then bring some of each of the oils back from this Mass to the parish to use during the year until Holy Week next year.



There are three different oils, as described: Oil of the Infirm or Sick (OI), Oil of Catechumens (OS), and Sacred Chrism (SC). The Oil of the Infirm is used, as you may guess, in the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. The Oil of Catechumens is used in the sacrament of Baptism. Sacred Chrism is used in the sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation (and for Holy Orders by the Archbishop). The containers that hold the oils are often marked with the abbreviations OI, OS, and SC. After March 25<sup>th</sup>, I will put the oils in the ambry for display. Students at Neligh-Oakdale from Brett Arehart's shop class built and installed the ambry.



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

St. Junipero Serra pray for us!

### ***Lent and Easter***

#### **Daily Mass during Lent**

- Mondays – 5:30pm (N)\*
- Tuesdays – 9:00am (T)\*\*
- Wednesday – 8:30am (N) and 9:30am (AC/W)
- Thursday – 9:00am (T)
- Friday – 8:30am (N)
- \*No Mass March 25<sup>th</sup>, given Chrism Mass
- \*\*No Mass on March 14<sup>th</sup>, given School Mass

#### **Stations of the Cross (Fridays, all at 5:15pm)**

- March 1 (T)
- March 8 (N)
- March 15 (T)
- March 22 (N)

#### **Holy Week**

- March 28 - Holy Thursday: 6:30pm (N)
- March 29 - Good Friday: 3:00pm (T)
- March 30 - Easter Vigil: 8:45pm (N)
- March 31 - Easter Sunday: 8:00am (T), 10:00am (N)



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

- Feb 28** Andy Elder, Jim Koenig, Dane Nielsen
- Mar 2** Joe Hartz, Jack Funk, Doug Haselhorst
- Mar 9** Don Zegers, Gail Knust
- Mar 16** Gary Gunderson, Joshua Mitchell, Derek Sehi
- Mar 23** Kathy Sauser, Donna Vice, Jill Kallhoff

**Catholic Women** will meet March 5 at 9:30 am at OLMC Parish hall. We hope to see you there.

**Enjoy St. Pat's Bash in Tilden**

Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be holding their annual St. Pat's Bash Fundraiser on Mar 17<sup>th</sup>, from 11am - 2pm in the OLMC parish hall. Eat, drink and enjoy soups & sandwiches, desserts and beverages for a free will donation. Join in the fun with a variety of raffles and games for all ages. Prizes include Quilt, Husker Football Tickets, Blackstone grill, Cash Prizes, and more. Bake sale also. Raffles begin at 2pm, and you need not be present to win. Come and enjoy this year's annual **St. Pat's Bash.**



**Religious Education Feb 28, 2024**

- Grades K-6** 6:00-7:00 pm At home with packet materials.
- Grades 7-9** 7:15-8:15 pm Check with teachers
- Grades 10-12** 7:15-8:15 pm Check with teachers



**Religious Education Feb 28, 2024**

**Grades K-12 7-8 pm Regular class**

## Season of Lent



*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections Feb 18, 2024*

|                                       |                                       |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| SFA-Neligh                            | OLMC--Tilden                          |
| *Weekly offering                      | *Weekly offering                      |
| Needed: \$2,846.57                    | Needed: \$1,137.25                    |
| <b>Regular Coll.</b> \$2,055.00       | <b>Regular Coll.</b> \$777.93         |
| Bld Fund \$1,293.00                   | Bash \$390.00                         |
| Black & Indian Mission Coll. \$514.00 | Black & Indian Mission Coll. \$303.00 |

*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.

**SFA -Neligh**

- Rosary** every Tue, 10 am in Church, Everyone welcome.
- Knights of Columbus:** 1st Tues, 7:00 pm
- Rosary Sodality:** 2nd Tue, 6:00 pm
- Parish/Finance Council:** April 25, 2024 at 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, Christian Manchester, Larry Luettel, Regina Krebs, Matt Belitz, Marin Schindler, Steven Schrunk, Mark Komisky, Justin Peterson, Mary Francis Arens, Braxton Longsdorf, Vickie Ternus, Tracy Ames Latka, Patrick Musilek, Kara Frisbie, Jason Johnson, Fred Schultz, Angela Hardisty, Janee Ahlers, Dean Borer, Mary Frasch, Betty Latham, Laurie Zavodsky, Richard Huffman, Norma Caskey, Peg Kuester, Jon Veik.

*Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden*

Adam Kester, Laura Rutjens, Graham Sayers, Robb Paulk, Gary Inlow, Lynda Swanson, David Rutjens, Boyd Batenhorst, Julie Krueger, Todd DeGroot, Pat Magwire, Nate Thiele, Mark Harlan, Brett Kielty.



**Announcements**

**St. Bonaventure Parish Spring Breakfast** will be held Sunday, March 3rd from 8:30 a.m. until noon in the parish hall. Menu includes pancakes, French toast, sausage, ham, dessert and beverage for a free will offering.

**St. Boniface Parish in Elgin** is seeking consignment items and donations for their Saturday, March 16 Spring Benefit Auction. They offer competitive commission rates and no commission charged on smaller “no sale” items. Items are subject to Committee’s Acceptance. Looking for Equipment, Implements, Ag Supplies, Vehicles, Tools, Antiques/Collectables and Services. To consign, call Luke Beckman, 402-843-0598 or Kara Shavlik, 402-843-8816 All Proceeds to benefit St. Boniface Parish, Elgin

**St. John’s Church, rural Clearwater, Annual Fish Fry** will be held Friday, March 22, 5:00 to 8:30 pm. Serving 3 kinds of fish, 2 kinds of potatoes, mac and cheese, homemade buns, salads and desserts! Freewill offering. Take-Out Available, call 402-485-2476. Everyone Welcome!

**March 15 - 17, 2024 St. Benedict Center, Schuyler** Come Back to Me with All Your Heart! *March 15 – 17, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Father Donald W. Shane.* This *Lenten retreat*, inspired by the Gospel and the message of the biblical prophets, includes presentations, silence, reflection, sharing, the opportunity for one-on-one meetings with the retreat director, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and Mass both Saturday and Sunday. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Sunday, after lunch. Register now by calling. (402) 352-8819.



JOURNEY THROUGH SCRIPTURE  
THE BIBLE AND THE MASS

From St. Paul Center for Biblical Theology, Steubenville, OH

Bible Study next session will be held Tuesday, Feb 27. This Study will go through Lent, so perhaps it could be part of a Lenten observance. Please contact Bev Hartz (402-929-0442), Susie Ames (402-929-0038) or Kathy Sauser (402-887-5324). Even if you missed the prior sessions, you still are welcome to attend.

**Archbishop’s Annual Appeal – Status**

| Parish      | Goal        | Current     | Percent of Goal | Amount over Goal |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|------------------|
| St. Francis | \$11,176.88 | \$12,215.00 | <b>109.29%</b>  | \$1,038.12       |
| OLMC        | \$3,798.80  | \$3,932.00  | <b>103.51%</b>  | \$133.20         |

Psalm 51

Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness;  
in the greatness of your compassion  
wipe out my offense.  
Thoroughly wash me from my guilt  
and of my sin cleanse me.  
For I acknowledge my offense,  
and my sin is before me always:  
“Against you only have I sinned,  
and done what is evil in your sight.”  
A clean heart create for me, O God,  
and a steadfast spirit renew within me.  
Cast me not out from your presence,  
and your Holy Spirit take not from me.  
Give me back the joy of your salvation,  
and a willing spirit sustain in me.



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

**Visit parish website:** [www.olmctilden.org](http://www.olmctilden.org) or [www.stfrancisc.org](http://www.stfrancisc.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 Mike Seier.