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Fifth Sunday of Lent—Year B

March 17, 2024

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

Mon 18 Mar	5:30 pm (N)	Dr. Dwaine Peetz +
Tues 19 Mar	9:00 am (T)	Fr. Robert Schmitz +
Wed 20 Mar	8:30 am (N)	Shabram & Kallhoff Families +
	9:30 am (AC)	Dewayne Voborny +
Thur 21 Mar	9:00 am (T)	Dr. James Crabb +
Fri 22 Mar	8:30 am (N)	Sterling Morton +
	5:15 pm (N)	Stations of the Cross
Sat 23 Mar	5:30 pm (T)	Roman Hupp +
Sun 24 Mar	10:00 am (N)	Parishioners of St. Francis & OLMC

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

MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Palm Sunday, Mar 24, 2024 10:00 am	Easter Sunday, March 31 10:00 am
EMHC's	Joe & Bev Hartz	Jim & Kathy Koenig Marian Shabram, Bill Kuester
LECTOR	Ron Gilg, Sam Hemenway	Sheila Parks
SERVERS	Isaac Hemenway, Sara Hemenway	Ashley Caballero-Lazaro, Gracelyn Wiebelhaus, Gabriela Parra
USHERS	Chad Shabram Andy Elder	Duane Knievel Ted Hughes
		Jack Sehi Tim Woslager
		Duane Knievel Trent Hoefler

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	Ushers	Lector	EMHC *Precious Blood	Servers	Money Counters
Saturday, March 23 5:30 pm	Stan Schapmann Billy O'Brien	Jolene Schapmann Jeanne Oelsigle	Mike Dusel *JoAnn Penne *Brianna O'Brien	Volunteers	Kathy Osborn Cindy Decker
Easter Sunday March 31, 8:00 am	Keith Meyer Ron Koch	Rosemary Patras	Walt Patras	Nate Decker Evan Decker	Mary Rautenberg Emily Vaughn

Area Penance Services

March 17, Sunday, St. Peter's (Ewing) at 4:00pm
 March 17, Sunday, St. Theresa's (Clearwater) at 5:30pm
 March 17, Sunday, St. Francis (Neligh) at 7:00pm



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 25th, given Chrism Mass

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



Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

St. Junipero Serra pray for us!

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.
O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.



Remember that you are dust and to dust you shall return.



The tradition of veiling religious images is often practiced during the last two weeks of Lent, starting on the Fifth Sunday and ending on Good Friday. This two-week time period was known on the old liturgical calendar as “Passiontide.” Even though it is no longer officially called by this name, the tradition is still practiced in many places.

The holy images are again revealed for Easter to mark the end of the penitential season. The joy of the Easter season and the hope of the Resurrection then comes to the forefront.

The old custom of veiling religious images is a way of focusing on the penitential aspect of this season. It reminds us in a visual way that our faith in all its glory is made possible only through the work of Christ in his suffering and death on the cross. When we cover these sacred images that we are so accustomed to, we are reminded of all that Christ has won for us.

Temporarily veiling the crosses and religious images in the penitential color of Lent is a beautiful custom that helps us to reflect on the deeper theological meaning of the liturgical season.

Adapted from “Veiling the Cross: A Passiontide Tradition” – The Catholic Company,

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

- Mar 23** Kathy Sauser, Donna Vice, Jill Kallhoff
- Mar 30** Van Jacobsen, Loren Grosserode, Sandra Christensen
- Apr 4** Dan Murray, Del Ames, Brad Higgins
- Apr 12** Diana Knust, Ron Gilg, Carol Anderson

Living Faith Booklets for April, May and June are now available in the vestibule of church. Pick up your copy today.

Prairie View Assisted living needs **VOLUNTEERS** to deliver meals on wheels 1 day a week. If you can help please call 402-368-2250.

Enjoy St. Pat's Bash in Tilden

Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be holding their annual St. Pat's Bash Fund-raiser this Sun., Mar 17th, 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 Mar 20, 2024

- Grades K-6** At home with packet materials
- Grades 7-9** 7:15-8:15 pm Check with teachers
- Grades 10-12** No Class



Religious Education Mar 20, 2024

Grades K-12 Regular Class



*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections
March 10, 2024*

SFA-Neligh	OLMC--Tilden
*Weekly offering	*Weekly offering
Needed: \$2,846.57	Needed: \$1,137.25
Regular Coll. \$1,676.00	Regular Coll. \$3,460.50
Black & Indian Missions \$25.00	CRS Coll. \$241.00
CRS Coll. \$221.00	Easter Flowers \$25.00
	Bash \$815.00

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.



The Knights of Columbus will hold their **43rd Annual Roast Beef and Ham Dinner**, Sunday, April 7 at the Neligh Legion club. (Dine in or Carry Out). From 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm

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:** 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, Steven Schrunck, Mark Komisky, Justin Peterson, Mary Francis Arens, Vickie Ternus, Patrick Musilek, Kara Frisbie, Angela Hardisty, Dean Borer, Mary Frasch, Betty Latham, Laurie Zavodsky, Richard Huffman, Norma Caskey, Peg Kuester, Jon Veik, Ella Borer, Schoening Family, Family of Janee Ahlers, Family of Diane Reynolds.

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. 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 27 - 31, 2024

St. Benedict Center, Schuyler "On the Third Day He Rose Again." (Apostolic Creed) March 27 – 31, retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Father Anastasius Reiser, OSB, Father Adam Patras, OSB, and Brother Tobias Dammert, OSB. We invite you to join the Benedictine monks of Christ the King Priory near Schuyler in their prayer and worship during the 'Three Holy Days.' Times of silence, meditation and talks will help us to focus on the mystery of Christ's passion and resurrection and how it informs and forms our lives. This retreat is from Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. to Sunday, after brunch. Register now by calling (402) 352-8819.

Our next meeting of the **Rural Central Deanery (RCD)** of the Omaha Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women (OACCW) will be on **Tuesday, April 9** in the basement of St. Michael's Church at 524 W. Church St., Albion. Registration will start at 1:00 and the meeting will begin at 1:30. We will discuss plans for the OACCW convention in September. Each of our parishes will have a part in hosting the convention which will be held in Norfolk. We will also discuss nominations for the Mullen Award and our RCD scholarship winner and we will elect 2 new Board Members.



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, March 19. 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.

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday March 28
 6:30 pm—Neligh
 7:00 pm—Clearwater
 7:00 pm—Raeville

Good Friday March 29
 3:00 pm—Deloit
 3:00 pm—Tilden
 7:00 pm—Ewing
 7:00 pm—Petersburg

Easter Vigil March 30
 8:30 pm—Elgin
 8:45 pm—Neligh

Easter Sunday March 31

Please note that Easter Sunday deviates from the normal "rotating" schedule.

8:00 am—Ewing
 8:00 am—Petersburg
 8:00 am—Tilden
 10:00 am—Clearwater
 10:00 am—Elgin
 10:00 am—Neligh
 11:30 am—Deloit
 11:30 am—Raeville



Season of Lent



Safe Environment

A safe environment for children and youth throughout the Archdiocese, and at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Francis parishes, is very important. For more information, the Safe Environment policies and guidelines of the Archdiocese can be found at <https://archomaha.org/safe-environment/>
 Any questions, please let me know. Fr. Pat



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. For OLMC maintenance call Stan Schapmann 402-368-5906. SFA call Steve Kuester 402-928-0411 or Mike Seier.