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Third Sunday of Lent—Year B

March 3, 2024

*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

Mon 4 Mar	5:30 pm (N)	Living & Deceased Members of the Clarkson & Kay Families
Tues 5 Mar	9:00 am (T)	Robert Spieker + & Living & Deceased Family Members
Wed 6 Mar	8:30 am (N)	Living & Deceased Members of the Bernard & Evelyn Arduser Family
Thur 7 Mar	9:00 am (T)	Carl, Rose & Margaret Knievel +
Fri 8 Mar	8:30 am (N)	Charlie Grace Nielsen +
	5:15 pm (N)	Stations of the Cross
Sat 9 Mar	5:30 pm (T)	Francis & Bernadette Sueper +
Sun 10 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	Sunday, Mar 10, 2024 10:00 am		Sunday, Mar 17, 2024 10:00 am	
EMHC's * Precious Blood	Milly Clemens, Hannah Hoefer		Ron Beacom, Jacob Henery *Tim & Amy Baker	
LECTOR	Trent Hoefer		Judy Eggerling	
SERVERS	Corbin Hoefer, Josslyn Hoefer, Cason Hoefer		Andrew Henery, Tyson Blakeman	
USHERS	Chad Shabram Bill Kuester	Duane Knievel Dale Kallhoff	Chad Shabram John Anderson	Duane Knievel Daryl Booth

MASS TIMES OLMC Tilden	Ushers	Lector	EMHC	Servers	Money Counters
Saturday, March 9, 5:30 pm	Phil Chvala Ron Koch	Ruth Miller	Luann Koch	Volunteers	Mary Hecht Marilyn Hansen
Saturday, March 16 5:30 pm	Ed O'Brien Keith Meyer	Brent Luebe	Sarah Black	JJ Black Logan Black Reece Black	Phil Chvala Danielle Johnsen



Pray for those that make their living in the abortion industry, may they come to see that their livelihood brings death to the unborn.

Greetings from Fr. Pat

St. Francis – RCIA (OCIA)

One of the joys at the end of Lent, at the Easter Vigil, is when new individuals come into the Church. The below are anticipated to come into the Church at the Easter Vigil this year at St. Francis on March 30<sup>th</sup>:

<u>Catechumen or Candidate</u>	<u>Sponsor</u>
Mack Alspaugh	Jennifer Murray
Roger Blakeman	Kelsey Blakeman
Aleynah Gray	Ashton Shabram
Zivah Matta	Grace Shabram
Dan Murray	Jennifer Murray
Luke Stueve	Lesly Luna-Duran
Ebony Zarello	Noah Braun

Catechumens are those that have not been baptized, and thus will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. They will also be confirmed (Sacrament of Confirmation) and receive the Eucharist for the first time at the Easter Vigil. Candidates are those that have been baptized in another Christian faith, and will make a Profession of Faith to become Catholic at the Easter Vigil. They will also be confirmed and receive the Eucharist for the first time at the Easter Vigil.

Please pray for them as they make preparations to enter the Church. Please also pray for their sponsors. May God bless these Catechumens and Candidates and provide the grace they need to enter into His Church.

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

St. Junipero Serra pray for us!



Area Penance Services

March 10, Sunday, St. Michael’s (Albion) at 2:00pm  
March 10, Sunday, St. Boniface (Elgin) at 4:30pm  
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 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 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 March

**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  
**Mar 30** Van Jacobsen, Loren Grosserode, Sandra Christensen

**Rosary Sodality Committee for March**, Denise Gunderson, Shelly Sands, Lauren Simonsen, Alice Lyons, Sue Seier, Patty Payne, Sally Clarkson, Pauline Tolf, Terra Kimes, Merri Strong, Kim Alspaugh, Rosemary Legate, Sheila Parks.

**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 Mar 6, 2024

**Grades K-6** 6:00-7:00 pm Regular Class  
**Grades 7-9** 7:15-8:15 pm Check with teachers  
**Grades 10-12** 7:15-8:15 pm Check with teachers



## Religious Education Mar 6, 2024

**Grades K-12** No Class



**Next weekend March 9 & 10**, there will be a **second collection for Catholic Relief Services**. From the USCCB, "Funds from this collection support the work of Catholic organizations that aid victims of war and natural disasters, help build peace in places of conflict, and minister to migrants and others with specific pastoral needs."

## Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections Feb 25, 2024

SFA-Neligh  
\*Weekly offering  
Needed: \$2,846.57

OLMC--Tilden  
\*Weekly offering  
Needed: \$1,137.25

**Regular Coll.** \$2,679.00

**Regular Coll** \$912.00  
Black & Indian Missions \$30.00  
Bash \$935.00  
Donation by Parishioners \$2,000.00

*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 Schrunck, Mark Komisky, Justin Peterson, Mary Francis Arens, Vickie Ternus, Patrick Musilek, Kara Frisbie, Jason Johnson, Fred Schultz, Angela Hardisty, Janee Ahlers, Dean Borer, Mary Fransch, Betty Latham, Laurie Zavodsky, Richard Huffman, Norma Caskey, Peg Kuester, Jon Veik, Ella Borer.

## 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, March 5. 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

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



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.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.