

Important Dates to Remember

No school February 12th and 15th.

All Saints Catholic School Collections

All Saints Catholic School is collecting HyVee, Supermercado/Family Fare Receipts, Box Tops, Our Family UPCs, and Coke lids from bottles and pop tabs. Please drop these off at the School or the Cabrini Parish Center reception desk.



Alpha (Offered via Zoom)

This Alpha session continues through March 30th (eleven weeks) including a day of retreat Saturday, March 6th from 10:30 AM to 1 PM. For more information or to register for a future session, please contact Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org or Deacon Doug Lenz at dalenz@archomaha.org



The Marriage Course (aka Date Night) (Offered via Zoom)

The Marriage Course continues this Thursday from 7 - 9 PM, through March 18th. For more information contact Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org or Deacon Doug Lenz at dalenz@archomaha.org

Exodus Lenten Bible Study with Fr. Damian (Limited in-person and via Zoom)

The Bible Study of Exodus with Father Damian on Wednesday evenings from 7 to 8:30 PM begins this week! Contact Deacon Doug Lenz at dalenz@archomaha.org if you have not yet registered to attend.

Schedule is as follows:

- February 10: Introduction to the study of the Book of Exodus
- February 17: Chapters 1-6, Moses and God
- February 24: Chapters 7-11, The Plagues
- March 3: Chapters 12-18, From Passover to Wilderness Wanderings
- March 10: Chapters 19-24, Law and Covenant
- March 17: Chapters 25-33, Plan for the Tabernacle
- March 24: Chapters 34-40, Restoration of Israel

Save the Date

Spirit Catholic Radio (102.7 FM) invites you to their Virtual Spirit *Celebration Adventure* on Monday, March 15th at 7 PM. \$30 provides access to the live video event and to a recorded version after March 15th. Jeff Cavins, speaker, author, TV host, podcaster, and pilgrimage leader, will be the guest speaker. Jeff's theme of "Overcoming the World—What is the Proclamation of the Gospel?" will break open the seven truths everyone should know about boldly proclaiming the good news of the Gospel. Keep checking their website for registration details.

Catholic Cemeteries to offer Stations of the Cross during Lent

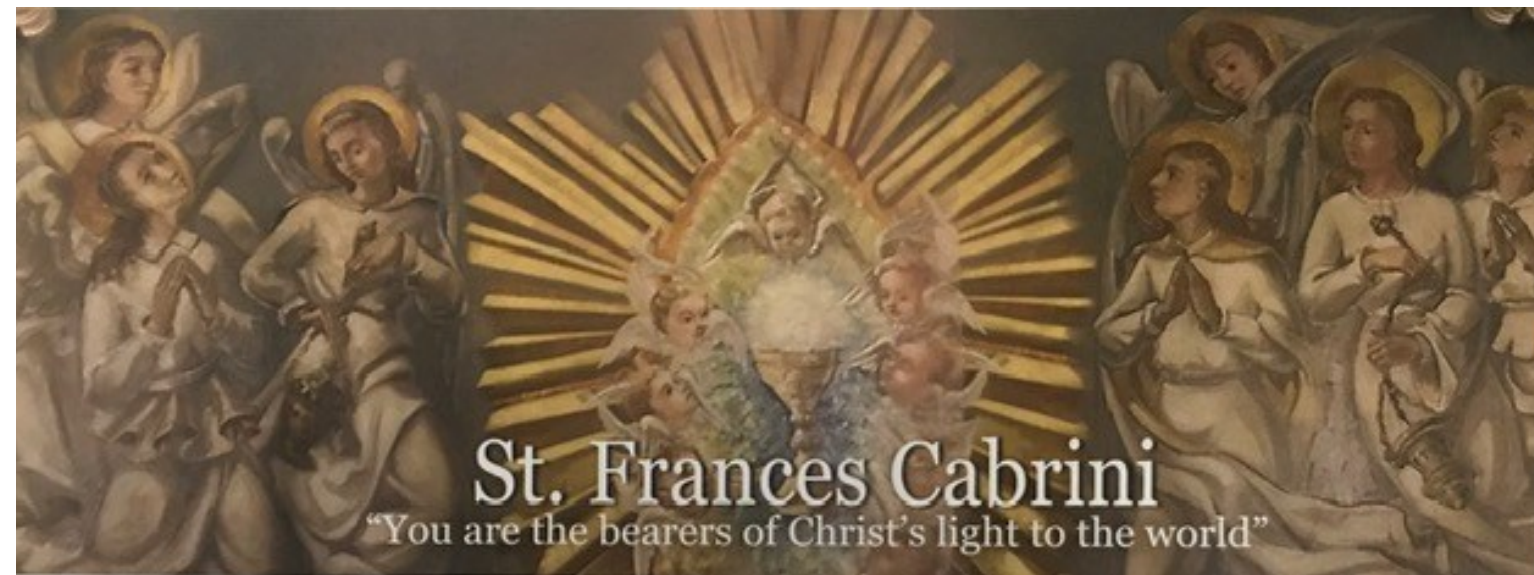
All are invited to Stations of the Cross in Holy Angels Mausoleum in Resurrection Cemetery, Wednesdays, February 24th, March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th at 6 PM. We will walk the Stations in Calvary Cemetery on Good Friday at 3 PM. For further information please contact Deacon Jim Tardy (402) 391-3711 or jtardy@catholiccem.com.

Life Runners Banquet

Join us Friday, February 19th at 6 PM for the Life Runners Banquet at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Event Center in Omaha. The speaker is Claire Culwell, abortion survivor and 2020 March for Life keynote, along with special guests Bishop Conley, Bishop Coffey, and Lt. Governor Foley. In-Person (Limited) and virtual tickets are available at liferunners.org/banquet. Join us, All in Christ for Pro Life!

Emmaus Retreat

Just as Jesus joined his distraught disciples on the road to Emmaus after his crucifixion, He joins us in our suffering and grief. The EMMAUS RETREAT is for all grieving parents whose children of any age have died by any cause, including miscarriage, no matter how long ago. The EMMAUS RETREAT will take place on Saturday, March 20 from 10:15 AM to 3:30 PM. Join us virtually, or in person at St. Patrick's Elkhorn, for a spiritual retreat focused on the fact that life for your child has changed, not ended. Space limited. Please email Erin Keller, St. Patrick's Director of Faith Formation, at ekeller@stpatselkhorn.org. To register visit <https://www.emfgp.org/registration/>



**The Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
February 7, 2021**

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Charles Paul and Vincent Kowal for making the Honors List at Creighton Prep for the first semester.

Vote for All Saints Catholic School!

Vote for your favorite Catholic School. Go to the Spiritcatholicradio.com website. Click on "Events" and then "Contests" for more information and to vote. Voting lasts through February 12th. Thanks for your vote!

Lent is Starting Soon— Ash Wednesday is February 17th.

Cabrini Parish has several activities planned to help you have the best Lent ever! Our theme is Into the Desert...Led by the Spirit. The desert is a barren place where we learn total dependence on God rather than ourselves or others. Jesus went to the desert to be alone and pray to His Father before beginning his ministry. There will be sand in the holy water bowls as a reminder. Father Damian is leading a Bible Study on the Book of Exodus, Israel's time in the desert. Lenten Mass Music will include "Led by the Spirit" as our entrance song, Penitential Act (Deacon: Have mercy on us O Lord. All: For we have sinned against you. Deacon: Show us, O Lord, your mercy. All: And grant us your salvation). The Latin Kyrie, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei will be sung. On Ash Wednesday, Father will address everyone once and then say nothing as he distributes the ashes, to minimize risks.

We will be taking weekly collections of items to help Holy Family Ministries. More to follow... Stations of the Cross will be offered on Fridays during Lent at 6:30 PM. They will be preceded by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and silent prayer from 5—6 PM. Stations on Good Friday will be at 6 PM.

Upcoming Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
February 8	February 9	February 10	February 11	February 12	February 13	February 14
	Alpha 6 PM (Zoom)	Exodus Bible Study 7 PM (Live or Zoom)	The Marriage Course 7 PM (Zoom)			



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Liturgy and Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Feb. 9	11:30 AM	+Venancio Nicolas
Wednesday, Feb. 10	11:30 AM	+Butch Turco
Thursday, Feb. 11	11:30 AM	+Joseph Szczepanowski
Friday, Feb. 12	11:30 AM	+Eulalia Armenta
Saturday, Feb. 13	5:00 PM	Pat Sweeney Family Living & +Deceased
Sunday, Feb. 14	9:00 AM	+William R. Peters
Sunday, Feb. 14	11:00 AM	+Fena & Marybelle Venditte
Sunday, Feb. 14	5:30 PM	Pro Populo

Other Masses Schedule

There are no Masses at St. Joseph's Villa or Tower at this time.

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays: 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM
(northwest room of the Church)

Bulletin Additions

To have information published in the upcoming bulletin, please email bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com by Wednesday evening.

Sick and Recovering

Please pray for the sick and those recovering including: Dan Gillespie, Joseph Setlak, Lisa Reboloso, Barbara Burton, Larry & Glenda Davis, Maddy Miller and all those in our nursing homes.

(To add or remove a name on our list, please email bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com or call (402) 934-7706.

Stewardship

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Rising very early before dawn, he left and went off to a deserted place, where he prayed...He told them, ‘Let us go on to the nearby villages that I may preach there also. For this purpose have I come.’” - MARK 1:35, 38
In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus makes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we find the strength to do what He wishes us to do. Be sure to find time every day to be with God.

Weekly Collections January 30-31

Sunday Tithe- Collections	\$	4,471.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$	5.00
Organ Fund	\$	30.00
Improvement Fund	\$	130.00
Furnace Debt Reduction Fund	\$	138.00
St. Vincent de Paul Fund	\$	443.00

A Valentine Gift That Supports the CUES School System!

Treat you and your loved one with this custom gift for two! Each box includes charcuterie for two, a bottle of wine, two engraved wine glasses, and delicious brownies! Order online at cuesschools.org Limited quantity. Order by 4 PM on February 8th.

CBGO February Meeting

You are invited to attend the Catholic Business Group Omaha (CBGO) February Lunch Meeting and Speaker on February 18th at 11:30 AM at the Garden Café - Rockbrook, 11040 Oak Street. (Social distance guidelines are followed). Speaker: Jeanette Wojtalewicz, CFO at CHI Omaha. Topic: Faith's Role in Business—One Women's Perspective. Attend and hear Jeanette share how her life and business direction have been blessed by God. She will give real-life examples of how it is important to bring our Catholic Faith alive in all facets of our lives, including business. Reservations are required by Members and Non-Members for all lunch meetings. Cost: Free for Members, \$20 for NonMembers. RSVP at <http://cpbcomha.orgreservations/>

Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends,

The vaccine for Covid is slowly being rolled out to people. Hopefully by summer, most people who are at risk will have received the vaccine. If that proves to be the case, then we will be able to return to celebration of the Sunday liturgy in person. At a priest gathering this week, the Archbishop was asked when the bishops might restore the requirement to attend Sunday Mass. He said they have discussed it, but it is still too early to decide since there are too many people still at risk. However, he felt it would be restored once a sufficient number of people have been vaccinated. Since it has been so long since the full community has gathered for liturgy, some may wonder if it is even necessary.

Pope Francis, at his Wednesday audience this week, spoke about the importance of praying together at liturgical gatherings. He stressed the importance of private prayer while emphasizing a truth taught by Vatican Council II that during the liturgy the living person of Jesus Christ is present. He said in the audience, *“The liturgy, in itself, is not only spontaneous prayer, but something more and more original: it is an act that founds the whole Christian experience and, therefore, also prayer. It is event, it is happening, it is presence, it is encounter. It is an encounter with Christ. Christ makes himself present in the Holy Spirit through the sacramental signs: hence the need for us Christians to participate in the divine mysteries. A Christianity without a liturgy, I dare say, is perhaps a Christianity without Christ. Without Christ in full. Even in the sparsest rite, such as that which some Christians have celebrated and continue to celebrate in places of incarceration, or in the seclusion of a house during times of persecution, Christ is truly present and gives Himself to His faithful...”*

Many Christian prayers do not originate from the liturgy, but all of them, if they are Christian, presuppose the liturgy, that is, the sacramental mediation of Jesus Christ. Every time we celebrate a Baptism, or consecrate the bread and wine in the Eucharist, or anoint the body of a sick person with Holy Oil, Christ is here! It is He who acts and is present just as He was when He healed the weak limbs of a sick person, or when at the Last Supper He delivered His testament for the salvation of the world.

The prayer of the Christian makes the sacramental presence of Jesus his or her own. What is external to us becomes part of us: the liturgy expresses this even in the very natural gesture of eating. The Mass cannot simply be “listened to”: it is also an expression incorrect, “I’m going to listen to Mass”. Mass cannot merely be listened to, as if we were merely spectators of something that slips away without our involvement. The Mass is always celebrated, and not only by the priest who presides over it, but by all Christians who experience it. And the center is Christ! All of us, in the diversity of gifts and ministries, join in His action, because He, Christ, is the Protagonist of the liturgy...

Life is called to become worship to God, but this cannot happen without prayer, especially liturgical prayer. May this thought help us all when we go to Mass: I go to pray in the community, I go to pray with Christ who is present. When we go to the celebration of a Baptism, for example, it is Christ who is there, present, who baptizes. “But Father, this is an idea, a figure of speech”: no, it is not a figure of speech. Christ is present, and in the liturgy you pray with Christ who is beside you.”

After all this time, is it even necessary? Yes! Yes, if we want to pray in the presence of Jesus. Yes, if we want an intimate relationship with Jesus. Yes, if we want to truly be Christians. Yes, if we want to be transformed into the body of Christ. Yes! And may it not be too much longer.

Peace,

Fr. Damian