

Have a safe and Happy Summer!!

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 (In Person)

The summer Alpha session for 21-35 year-olds will conclude Tuesday, August 10th. The Retreat day is next Saturday, July 17th, from 9:45 am to 2:30 pm.

Registrations are now being accepted for Fall Alpha which will be in-person at the Cabrini Parish Center gym and is open to all ages and faiths. It will run Tuesdays from 6-8 pm, September 14th through November 23rd with the Retreat Day October 30th.

Contact Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org or Deacon Doug Lenz at dalenz@archomaha.org for information or to register.



Catholic Business Group-Omaha (CBGO) - July Social Event

You are welcome to attend our July After Hours SOCIAL/MIXER on July 15. Mass begins at 5:30 pm with Social Networking following at 6:15 pm at the John Paul Newman Center (1221 So. 71st Street, Chapel & 1st Floor Meeting Space) Attend & share conversation, create business connections, learn from others about Catholic resources here in Omaha. Always quality Networking, Conversation and Growing in our Catholic Faith. Reservations not required for this event. NO Cost for this event. Info at <http://cpbcomaha.org>.

Sts Peter & Paul Festival

Mark your calendar for August 1st! Sts. Peter & Paul Church, (36th and "X" Streets in Omaha) celebrates its fantastic summer festival, featuring a MegaBucks grand prize drawing, a melting pot of South Omaha's favorite ethnic foods, beer, rides, prizes, and live music. "The Original South O" festival will be on Sunday, August 1st, from noon - 8 pm. Bring a hearty appetite to savor delicious ethnic foods, including Sts. Peter and Paul's famous "sarma" (cabbage rolls), homemade Italian sausage and peppers, Polish sausage, brats, BBQ lamb on a spit, tacos, and desserts from every corner of the world! Enjoy a full day of music, featuring the high-energy polka music of The Happy Players Polka Band; a variety of oldies, country, waltzes, and polkas with the Mark Vyhlidal Band, and the classic rock of Blandford. Music, food and games for children and the entire family promise a great day!

Catholic Funeral Rites and Pre-Planning Workshop

Catholic Cemeteries will be hosting a workshop July 17th from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm. This workshop is in the Calvary Cemetery Office (78th and West Center Road). This workshop will demonstrate how faith, Liturgy and practical cemetery planning can assist you in the immediacy after death. Space is very limited due to COVID-19. Please RSVP by Wednesday August 5th, with Deacon Jim Tardy 402/391-3711 or jtardy@catholiccem.com

Camp Openings NOW for Boys 6th to 9th grades

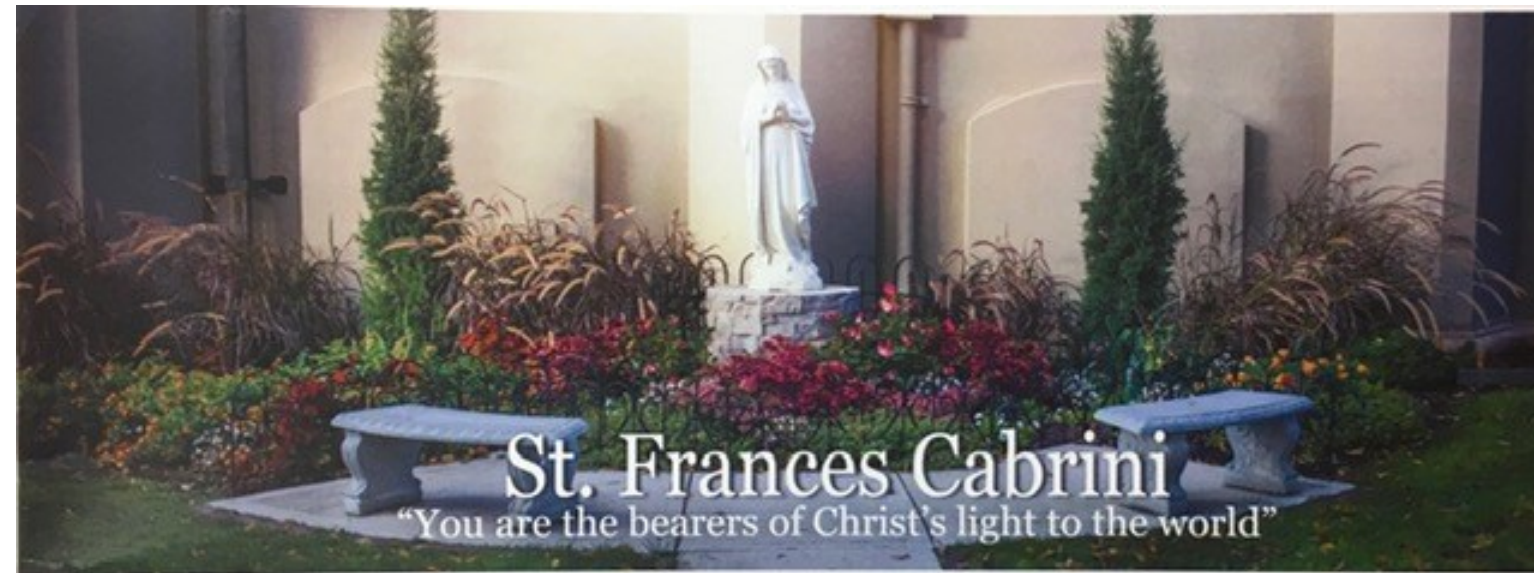
Archdiocese of Omaha's Virtus et Veritas (V2) Camp is full of Leadership, Catholic Faith, and Fun activities. Join us for a week: July 18th through 24th or July 25th through 31st. Scholarships available. Contact Toby Korensky email v2boyscamp@gmail.com or visit <https://archomaha.org/campv2/> to register NOW!!

In Vino Veritas

Join Deacon Omar Gutierrez, Keith Jiron, and Deacon Peter Kennedy for three nights of wine and conversation about mental health and the Christian Life at St. Peter Parish Hall, July 20- 22 from 8-9 pm. Wine and food provided. Registration is \$20. To register or for more information, go to www.eicatholic.org/veritas.

Interested in a Consecrated Life?

The *Little Way Nun Run* is for high school and college age girls interested in exploring Consecrated Life. Join us and Fr. Padraic Stack on a one-day trip to visit the Carmel in Valparaiso and the School Sisters of Christ the King in Lincoln, along with Mass and meals for the day on Thursday, August 5th, from 8 am-8 pm. Email paulabastian@cox.net or call (402) 515-0767 with questions or to register. Cost: \$10 for the day.



**15th Sunday of Ordinary Time
July 11, 2021**

Santa Lucia Festival Ends This Sunday Evening

This Sunday, July 11th, Mass is at 11 am at St. Frances Cabrini with the parade to follow through the neighborhood. The festival continues from 1 pm to 9 pm and will conclude with Benediction around 9 pm. For a list of all the activities and times, visit their website at www.santaluciafestival.com

Cabrini "Irish Wake" Parish Party

Join our parish community on Saturday, August 14th, for a Parish Party with music, food and drinks on the **parish/school parking lot** from 6 pm -10 pm. We will celebrate being together after a year of social distancing. To RSVP, please email cabrinireception@gmail.com or call the Parish office at (402) 934-7706 by August 7th with the number of guests attending (so we can have enough food).

Meal Service at Siena Francis House

A group from St. Frances Cabrini will begin (again) volunteering one Thursday each month. Our next evening is Thursday, August 19th from 4:15 - 6:15 pm. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Natalie May at nmcgovern1@yahoo.com.

Special Rosary and Mass for Vocations

The Serra Club of West Omaha invites you to a special Rosary and Mass with music on Monday, July 26th, at St. Patrick Church in Gretna (508 W. Angus Street) to pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life within the Archdiocese of Omaha. The Rosary will begin at 5:30 pm and Mass is at 6 pm. Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Frank Baumert. If you are interested in helping to build the Church locally through vocations support, contact John Lingo, Serra VP, (402) 290-4670 or John@JLingoLaw.com.

Upcoming Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July 12	July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17	July 18
	Young Adults Alpha 6 pm (in-person)				Alpha Retreat 9:45 am to 2:30 pm	



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Cabrini Parish Center Offices open 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday, (402) 934-7706, 1248 South 10th Street, 68108

Liturgy and Mass Schedule

Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, July 13	11:30 AM	+ Earl & Marion Henriksen
Wednesday, July 14	11:30 AM	+Bernadette Mines
Thursday, July 15	11:30 AM	+Fay & Silvia Piatt
Friday, July 16	11:30 AM	Communion Service
Saturday, July 17	5:00 PM	+Sam & Tina Meehan
Sunday, July 18	9:00 AM	+Louis Vacanti
Sunday, July 18	11:00 AM	+Chuck Oddo
Sunday, July 18	5:30 PM	Pro Populo

Reconciliation Schedule

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:30 pm
(northwest room)

Bulletin Additions

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

Prayer Ministry

If you would like to request prayer from our Prayer Team, for yourself or someone else, please contact Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org (402) 934-7706.

If you desire to be prayed with in-person, Prayer Ministers gather after the 11:30 am Mass the first Friday of every month to pray with and for intentions. You are always welcome!

Stewardship

15th Sunday of Ordinary Time

"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts."
MARK 6:8

Imagine taking nothing but a stick when you go on a trip. The Apostles must have really trusted in God's providential care. Think of all the material things "we can't live without" in today's world. We make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. Putting God first in everything and putting our money and possessions second gives us freedom because we don't become "slaves" to wanting to acquire more things.

Weekly Collections July 3-4

Sunday Tithe– Collections	\$	9,417.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$	130.00
Organ Fund	\$	65.00
Improvement Fund	\$	344.00
St. Vincent de Paul Fund	\$	305.00

Upcoming Events at Cabrini

Monday, July 19th: Sodality Picnic at 6 pm.

Sunday, July 25th: Anointing of the Sick during 11 am Mass.

Monday, August 2nd: Alpha Connect at 6:30 pm.

Thursday, August 5th: Taize Prayer at 8 pm.

Friday, August 6th: Personal Prayer with Prayer Ministry Team after 11:30 am Mass.

Thursday, August 19th: Resume Serving Meals at Siena Francis House.

September 5th: Fr. Damian's 40th Anniversary of Ordination Celebration.

Sunday, October 17th: Fall Spaghetti Dinner.

Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends,

I just finished reading a book by Alan Lightman who teaches at MIT. It is entitled, *Probable Impossibilities, Musings on Beginnings and Endings*. He is not a believer in God, but the book presents scientific and philosophical questions about what we know of the universe, of life, of the mind, and of things vastly larger and smaller than ourselves.

While he does not believe, some of the material he presents about the universe certainly helps me in my belief about God and our relationship to God. Let me give you a couple of examples for your summer reflections.

Speaking about life in the universe he says, "However, there's another grander perspective from which life in the cosmos is rare. That perspective considers *all* forms of matter, both animate and inanimate. Even if all 'habitable' planets (as determined by Kepler) do indeed harbor life, the fraction of all material in the universe in living form is fantastically small. Assuming that the fraction of planet Earth in living form, called the biosphere, is typical of other life-sustaining planets, I estimate that the fraction of all matter in the universe in living form is roughly one-billionth of one-billionth. Here is one way to visualize such a tiny fraction. If the Gobi Desert represents all the matter flung across the cosmos, living matter is only a few grains of sand in that desert... We humans living on our one planet wring our hands about the brevity of our lives and our mortal restraints, but we do not often think about how improbable it is to be alive at all. Of all the zillions of atoms and molecules in the universe, we have the privilege of being composed of those very, very atoms that have joined together in the special arrangement to make living matter. We exist in that one-billionth of one-billionth. We are that one grain of sand in the desert."

In dealing with the issue of time in our universe, he says, "The *earliest* time when we have a fair understanding of the universe was about a millionth of a trillionth of a trillionth of a second after the Big Bang... In sum, the evolving universe, as scientists believe they understand it, lasts for something like 82 powers of ten, while the era of life occupies only 3 powers of ten. Evidently, life in our universe is a flash in the pan, a few moments in the vast unfolding of time and space in the cosmos. For this writer, a realization of the scarcity of life makes me feel some ineffable connection to other living things, in a manner I have not experienced before... I am part of something rare and unique, never to pass this way again."

Even though he does not believe miracles are possible, he does quote another scientist, Owen Gingerich, who teaches at Harvard, in saying, "I believe that our physical universe is somehow wrapped within a broader and deeper spiritual universe, in which miracles can occur. We would not be able to plan ahead or make decisions without a world that is largely law-like. The scientific picture of the world is an important one. But it does not apply to all events."

Not a believer, but still a man touched by things greater than himself, he concludes the section on miracles thus, "My wife and I spend summers on a small island in Maine, far from any town. At night, the skies are quite dark. Sometimes, when there is no wind blowing and tidal flow is small and the ocean is very still, I can see the reflection of the stars on the water. At such moments, the water looks like a dark carpet with a million tiny sparkles of light, which gently bob and ripple with each passing wave. Even though I know all the science, I am totally mesmerized and awed. For me, that is miracle enough."

You, too, are part of something rare and unique, never to pass this way again. These summer days, allow yourself to be mesmerized and awed. Maybe that is miracle enough.

Peace,

Fr. Damian