

All Saints Catholic School Collections

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School News

All Saints Catholic School office hours are 7:30 am to 4 pm. School hours are 8 am - 3:15 pm. No School December 18th through January 2nd for Christmas break.

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish Job Posting

St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish (8200 North 30th Street), is looking for a full-time Head Business Manager for Holy Name Parish, St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish, and St. Philip Neri Catholic School. The Head Business Manager is responsible in executing daily accounting and finance related functions for Holy Name Parish, St. Philip Neri-Blessed Sacrament Parish, and St. Philip Neri Catholic School. Working with the Assistant Business Manager, the Head Business Manager oversees the broad picture, delegating various tasks or endeavors to the Assistant Business Manager, but, ultimately, oversees such activities as budget preparation and control, human resources administration, accounts payable, St. Philip Neri Catholic School tuition payments and scholarships, payroll, accounts receivable, contract and grant accounting, business resources, and facility management. (The Assistant Business Manager typically addresses the day-to-day payment of bills, running payroll, reconciling bank accounts, updating QuickBooks, etc.).

Full job posting at <https://careers.archomaha.org/career-view/1945/>

Last Chance to be in the Parish Directory—Deadline is December 31st:



If you are a parishioner and would like to be included in the upcoming directory WITHOUT a photo please go to StCabriniOmaha.Org and click this image.

CLICK HERE

Upcoming Events at Cabrini

Meal Service at Siena Francis House on a Thursday every other month. If interested, contact Natalie May at nmcgovern1@yahoo.com December 28

Anointing of the Sick (Last Sunday of the month at 11 am Mass) December 31, January 28, February 25

Personal Prayer with Prayer Ministry Team (First Friday of the month following 11:30 am Mass) January 5, February 2

Taize Prayer (First Thursday of the month), 8 pm, January 4, February 1

First Saturday Rosary (Monthly), 4:30 pm, January 6, February 3

Come & See, for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, Sundays after 5:30 pm Mass, beginning January 14th through Easter

Winter Alpha for Young Adults Tuesdays, 6-8 pm, January 16 to March 26, Day-away is March 2

Eucharistic Adoration (Third Saturday of the month), 3:30 - 4:30 pm, January 20, February 17

Cabrini Family Dinner (on selected months), 6 - 8 pm, January 21, February 18, March 17, April 28

Spring Spaghetti Dinner, April 21, 12 noon - 6 pm



**Fourth Sunday of Advent/Eve of Christmas
December 24, 2023**

Our Advent focus for today is BELONG: to be in the right place.

Decorating Church for Christmas

We invite you to join us in completing our decorating of the Church for Christmas after the 11am Mass this Sunday. Christmas begins with the 4 pm Vigil Mass this Sunday afternoon.

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Not a Holyday

January 1st, the feast day of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, is not a holyday this year since it falls on a Monday.



Winter Alpha for Young Adults Ages 21-35

We will be offering an Alpha course this winter (instead of summer) for young adults ages 21-35 on Tuesdays from 6-8 pm, starting January 16th and going through March 26th (**please note corrected dates**). The Day Away will be March 2nd. Spread the word and invite! Some comments from the most recent Alpha course: “I wanted to learn more about faith and gained community and family”, “refreshing to openly talk about faith with people—I loved it”, “I see that many people are like me—looking for more”, “loved small group discussions and conversations at dinner” and “food is excellent”. To sign up, contact Deacon Doug at dalenz@archomaha.org or Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org

Upcoming Schedule

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
December 25	December 26	December 27	December 28	December 29	December 30	December 31
Christmas Day Masses 9 am & 11 am			Meal Service at Siena Francis House			Feast day of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
Parish Center Closed						



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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

Daily Mass Schedule

Monday, Dec. 25	9:00AM	+Butch Turco & Rudy Iverson
Monday, Dec. 25	11:00AM	+Virginia & Clyde Simpson
Tuesday, Dec. 26	11:30 AM	+Sue Matsui
Wednesday, Dec. 27	11:30 AM	+Kathy Garza
Thursday, Dec. 28	11:30 AM	+Mark Johnson
Friday, Dec. 29	11:30 AM	+David Nuno
Saturday, Dec. 30	5:00 PM	+Al & Millie Reinig
Sunday, Dec. 31	9:00 AM	+Virginia & Clyde Simpson
Sunday, Dec. 31	11:00 AM	+Clinton Meehan
Sunday, Dec. 31	5:30 PM	+Phil Monaco

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 noon**

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

Weekly Collections December 16-17

Sunday Tithe-- Collections	\$	9,514.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$	108.00
Organ Fund	\$	193.00
Improvement Fund	\$	11.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	1.00

Come and See

Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic Church? Interested in learning more about what the Catholic Church teaches? Are Catholic but have been away from the Church for awhile? Were baptized Catholic but never confirmed? Then **Come and See** is for you! We will begin offering **Come and See** for interested persons, starting Sunday, January 14th following the 5:30 pm Mass. These classes will occur weekly through Easter. The content will focus on the core areas of the Catholic faith. Those desiring to become Catholic or to complete their sacraments will be brought into the Church at Easter. Please reach out to Deacon Doug Lenz at dalenz@archomaha.org or (402) 312-3550 or Ann Lenz at amlenz@archomaha.org

St. Mary Magdalene Church

(Our Sister Parish in the new Archdiocesan Families)

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Rev. Rodney Adams, Pastor

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CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 24: 4 pm, 5 pm, Midnight 12 am sharp

Monday, December 25: 7:30 am, 9 am, 11 am, 12:15 pm
(no 5:15 pm Mass)

CONFESSION TIMES

Confessions will be heard before the Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. No confessions before midnight Mass.

Pastor's Letter

Merry Christmas, my friends!

I pray that these days of celebrating the birth of our Savior fills you with the tender joy of knowing you are held in the loving hands of God in each and every moment of your day.

Reflecting on and praying with that Christmas scene which took place where the animals were kept because "there was no room for them in the inn" led me to remember some similar places I had experienced in my youth. A number of relatives on both sides of my family were farmers. The six of us were often packed in the car to go for long visits, occasionally even spending the night. I think my mother thought it was a good experience for us to get up with our cousins early in the morning and milk cows or help feed cattle and hogs or collect eggs from the hen house.

In the winter, it was deeply dark and cold when our cousins would lead us from the warm farm house through the snowy yard to the barn where the livestock were huddled protected from the north wind. Inside the barn was another world to us city kids. In contrast to the cold and dark outside, we were in a place of warmth and light. The warmth did not come from a heater but from the bodies and breaths of the animals themselves. The odors of hay and urine and animal hide filled the air. The sounds of shuffling, lowing and the unexpected displeasure when one animal got too close to another opened our ears to a world that was alive and not in our control. It always seemed to be a crowded space inside even when the barn looked so big on the outside. The animals were so close to us and we had to watch to make sure we were not stepped on. I think the animals were curious about us city kids who stared at them in awe and were afraid to touch them, for they would, in unison, look at us with wide eyes, heads up and waiting for our next move. Sometimes we would even be there when a calf was born or after a sow had given birth to a litter of baby pigs.

At the time, I do not think I ever imagined Jesus being born in such a place. But now I know that it was into just such a place that Jesus entered our world two millennia ago. In the frozen night air, he was born surrounded by animal debris and warm clouds of animal breath. What thoughts must have run through Mary and Joseph's minds as they swaddled him and laid him in the feeding trough. Were there women present to help Mary or did Joseph have to help Mary alone?

What I see in my prayer now as I remember the animal packed barn is that God **was** made flesh. God became **human**. God entered into our world in **poverty**. Surrounded by animals created by God's own hands, God was wrapped to keep warm and laid in the softest place in the barn, the manger. God chose to truly be like us in the midst of all our sufferings and our joys. This little baby, born among the livestock, should not frighten anyone. Rather we should be tempted to hold the baby and offer him a place in our hearts. Join me then in praying the old song that rejoices in Jesus' poverty:

*Away in a manger, no crib for a bed
The little Lord Jesus lay down his sweet head
The stars in the sky looked down where he lay,
the little Lord Jesus asleep on the hay.*

*The cattle are lowing, the poor baby wakes,
but little Lord Jesus, no crying he makes;
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky
and stay by my cradle till morning is nigh.*

Peace,

Fr. Damian