### All Saints Catholic School News

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#### **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.

#### 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 14<sup>th</sup> 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 <a href="mailto:dalenz@archomaha.org">dalenz@archomaha.org</a> or (402) 312-3550 or Ann Lenz at <a href="mailto:amlenz@archomaha.org">amlenz@archomaha.org</a>

### **Dietz Memorial Soup Luncheon**

Dietz Memorial Church is inviting the St. Frances Cabrini community to a Soup Luncheon on January 21st at 12:15 pm. Free-will offering is appreciated. The fellowship hall is now handicap accessible. Hope to see you there!

### Visit the Nativity Scenes at St. Benedict Center

Everyone is invited to make a pilgrimage to St. Benedict Center (Schuyler, Nebraska), January 2nd to 4th, from 8 am to 7 pm, and view God's Love made visible in nativity scenes from the Holy Land, from Africa, Asia, South & North America, and Europe, and pray for the peace that our world so urgently needs, especially now! No admission fee. For more information, visit StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

### **Magi Baby Shower**

You are invited to participate in the Bellevue Community Magi Baby Shower on January 6th from 1-5 pm. It is a collection of gifts or donations for babies (diapers, baby clothes, new cribs, baby wipes, blankets etc.) and moms. All donations go to Essential Pregnancy Services. Bring your items to the Knights Event Center (1020 Lincoln Road in Bellevue). There's also family fun with balloons, fire truck, cookies, and more. Music provided by The LifeSavers!

#### **FORMED**

Looking for something to do/watch/grow with? We are very pleased here at St. Frances Cabrini to offer to our parishioners, at no cost, a subscription to FORMED.org! FORMED.org is a repository of thousands of Catholic full-length movies, videos, documentaries, talks, series, audio books, eBooks and more! From Bible Study and The Sacraments to Faith Formation and Apologetics and everything in between, FORMED.org has something for everyone. There is also a wide selection of children's content, conversion stories, music and so much more. There is also a very large selection of Spanish language content. Getting setup is easy and FREE! Visit FORMED.ORG, click Sign Up, select "I Belong to a Parish or Organization", find St. Frances Cabrini Church by parish name, address, or zip code. You're ready to go!

# Upcoming Events at Cabrini

Come & See, for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, Sundays after 5:30 pm Mass, beginning January 14 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, March 16

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

Anointing of the Sick (Last Sunday of the month at 11 am Mass) January 28, February 25, March 1, April 5

Taize Prayer (First Thursday of the month), 8 pm, February 1, March 7, April 4

Personal Prayer with Prayer Ministry Team (First Friday of the month following 11:30 am Mass) February 2, March 1, April 5

First Saturday Rosary (Monthly), 4:30 pm, February 3, March 2, April 6

SFC Lenten Mission: *A Deeper Yes* Thursdays at 7 pm for 5 weeks: February 22, 29, March 7, 14, and 21

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



Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph December 31, 2023

# **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

### 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.

## **Second Collection Next Weekend**

There will be a second collection taken at all the Masses nest weekend to support the seminarians.



# 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 <a href="mailto:dalenz@archomaha.org">dalenz@archomaha.org</a> or Ann Lenz at <a href="mailto:amlenz@archomaha.org">amlenz@archomaha.org</a>

# **Upcoming Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
January 1 Parish Center Closed	January 2	January 3	January 4 Taize Prayer 8 pm	January 5 Personal Prayer with the Prayer Ministry Team after 11:30 am Mass	January 6 First Saturday Rosary 4:30 pm	January 7



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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

Tuesday, Jan. 2	11:30 AM	+Larry & Glenda Davis
Wednesday, Jan. 3	11:30 AM	+Parishioners' Deceased Loved Ones
Thursday, Jan. 4	11:30 AM	+Poor Souls in Purgatory
Friday, Jan. 5	11:30 AM	+Bill Kaline & Christine Poore
Saturday, Jan. 6	5:00 PM	+Steve & Renee Upah
Sunday, Jan. 7	9:00 AM	+John Stella
Sunday, Jan. 7	11:00 AM	+Victoria, John & Edward Kowal
Sunday, Jan. 7	5:30 PM	+Fr. Jim O'Kane

### **Reconciliation Schedule**

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

#### **Bulletin Additions**

To have information published in the upcoming bulletin, please email <u>bulletineditorcabrini@gmail.com</u> 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 <a href="mailto:amlenz@archomaha.org">amlenz@archomaha.org</a> (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 23-24

Sunday Tithe– Collections	\$ 7,869.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$ 11.00
Organ Fund	\$ 155.00
Improvement Fund	\$ 47.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$ 478.00
Christmas	\$ 15,268.00

#### **Ixim Has Coffee for Sale**

Support Ixim's mission with delicious coffee from our sister diocese in Huehuetenango, Guatemala. Guatemala is home to some of the best coffee in the world. Ixim's direct-trade relationship supports coffee farmers, and the work of Ixim brings clean water, quality healthcare, and educational improvements to the farmers' communities in Huehuetenango.

8 ounce ground: \$8
32 ounce ground: \$18
2.5 pound whole bean: \$32

Coffee may be purchased/picked up at the Cabrini Parish Center, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 4 pm. Please have exact amount in cash or check.

# St. Mary Magdalene Church

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#### **MASS TIMES**

Sunday 7:30 am / 9 am / 11 am / 12:15 pm / 5:15 pm Monday-Friday 7 am / 12:05 pm / 5:15 pm Saturday 12:05 pm / 5:15 pm / 7 pm

### **CONFESSION TIMES**

Confessions are heard approximately thirty minutes before each Mass time in the lower level of the church.

# Pastor's Letter

Dear Friends,

Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. Of all the liturgical celebrations we have throughout the year, this one may generate the gentlest humor. Things like, "well of course Mary could be a good mother, her child was God and didn't sin," or "if you are too good of a family, your children will never leave, look at Jesus, he didn't leave home until he was thirty."

I usually try to remind folks that this is the feast of the "holy" family, not the "perfect" family. I am sure there were misunderstandings and human struggles in Jesus' family just like there are in yours. For our annual fund raiser at my last parish, we would honor families for the model discipleship they provided to others. However, it was always very difficult to get families to say "yes" to being honored. Often times, they would tell me that I did not know what life was like at their home and if I did, I would not be asking them. I would remind them that we were looking for folks that strove to be good disciples of Jesus, not perfect disciples.

How do we become a holy family? There are a lot of little treasures in the scriptures to give us ideas on how to be that "holy family". A family I know has a bit of latin on a plaque in their home: Omnia enim vestra sunt, vos autem Christi, Christus autem Dei. It is taken from Paul's letter to the people in Corinth where he is responding to their fighting with one another over who does what in the church. He says no one should boast for "everything belongs to you, and you to Christ, and Christ to God."

Imagine a room full of children, some of them old enough to read, some running around, some are yelling, and some are just crawling. In the room there is a coloring book, three crayons, a ball, and a jump rope. When the children start fighting over the items, what is a parent to do? The children haven't learned to compromise or to share or to wait yet, so that is what they need to learn. And the reason they need to learn is because there is not enough stuff there for all of them.

I was the oldest of six. I understand scarcity. I still tend to eat as though there may not be any for seconds because someone took it all, as if that would hurt me. My mother tried to teach us to share and to wait because there isn't always enough to go around.

But that isn't what St. Paul teaches the Corinthians at all. He doesn't say to them, you should share because there isn't much. He says, you should stop fighting over things because everything is already yours. Why fight? Instead, be like Jesus, who being in the form of God did not consider it robbery to be equal with God.

Jesus wasn't concerned that his equality with God was special. He did not cling to it but set aside his needs, became like a servant, so we could be saved. God exalts Jesus, which affects the next phrase from St. Paul. You belong to Christ. And it gets even better!

And Christ is God's. We already have the best thing according to St. Paul. Why would we fight over lesser things? Everything is already ours. Even life and death. Even all the saints. Even the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life!

According to St. Paul, if we come to appreciate what we have already been given, then all the fighting among us should diminish and we should be able to be Christ for others. If we can begin to do that, then we become holy. Then our family becomes holy. Christ is ours and we are his. Holy.

Peace,

Fr. Damian