

**All Saints Catholic School Collections**

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**School News**

All Saints School office hours are 7:30 am to 4 pm. School hours are 8 am to 3:15 pm.

**Movie Night at St. Frances Cabrini**

Please **save the date** for a Movie Night at St. Frances Cabrini, celebrating St. Frances Cabrini’s Feast Day (November 13th). We will be watching the 2024 film *Cabrini*. We will gather Wednesday evening, **November 6th**, at 6:30 pm in the Cabrini Center gym (1248 S. 10th Street). If you haven’t seen it, here is a sneak peek... [Cabrini](#) | [Final Trailer](#) | [Angel Studios \(youtube.com\)](#) All are welcome to join us!

**Generational Healing Mass**

His Global Love Prayer Communities invite you to a Generational Healing Mass on Friday, October 11th, 2024, at Mary Our Queen Catholic Church (3535 S. 119th Street, Omaha). Rosary at 6:15 pm, praise and worship to follow. Mass at 7 pm. Fr. Kevin Joyce from His Global Love Ministry will be presiding. All are welcome. Questions: contact Frances Mignon at (402) 515-8000.

**Mass to Pray for Vocations**

The Serra Club of West Omaha invites you to a special Mass for Vocations on Monday, October 21st, at 5:30 pm at St. Philip Neri Catholic Church (8200 N. 30th Street, Omaha). Mass will be celebrated by Rev. Tom Weisbecker to pray together for an increase in vocations to the priesthood and consecrated religious life in the Archdiocese of Omaha. After Mass, stay for our Meeting and Mixer and learn from our speaker, Deacon John Pflug, about his call to serve our Lord, his spiritual experiences along the way, and why prayer for vocations is so vital to the future of the Catholic Church. Light refreshments will be provided. There is no cost to attend. All are invited! If you are interested in helping to build the Church locally through vocations support, contact Bruce Jefferies, Serra VP, at [westomaha@serrainternational.org](mailto:westomaha@serrainternational.org). Learn more at [serrawestomaha.org](http://serrawestomaha.org) and follow us on Facebook @serrawestomaha.

**CEC Weekends**

CEC—Where Faith Meets You Right Where You Are. Sign up for Christians Encounter Christ (CEC) Fall 2024 weekends – Men’s, October 18th - 20th and Women’s, October 25th - 27th. A life-changing weekend with talks, new friends, conversation, reflection, worship, and a faith-filled community. These Retreats are being held at St. Wenceslaus Church, Omaha. Cost is \$150 per person for food, lodging and materials. You owe it to yourself! If you liked Alpha, you’ll love CEC! Contact Deacon Doug or Ann Lenz for more information or go to [www.cecomaha.org](http://www.cecomaha.org). Get to know the Fount of Life and Fire of Love!

**Upcoming Events at Cabrini**

Fall Alpha runs Tuesdays from 6 - 8 pm, through November 26. Retreat day is Saturday, November 2.

Eucharistic Adoration (Third Saturday of the month), 3:30 - 4:30 pm, October 19, November 16, December 21

Fall Spaghetti Dinner, October 20, 12 noon - 6 pm

Anointing of the Sick (Last Sunday of the month at 11 am Mass) October 27, November 24, December 29

Cabrini Potluck Family Dinner (on selected Sundays), 6 - 8 pm, October 27

CEC (Christians Encounter Christ) Fall Weekends: Men’s October 18-20, Women’s October 25-27

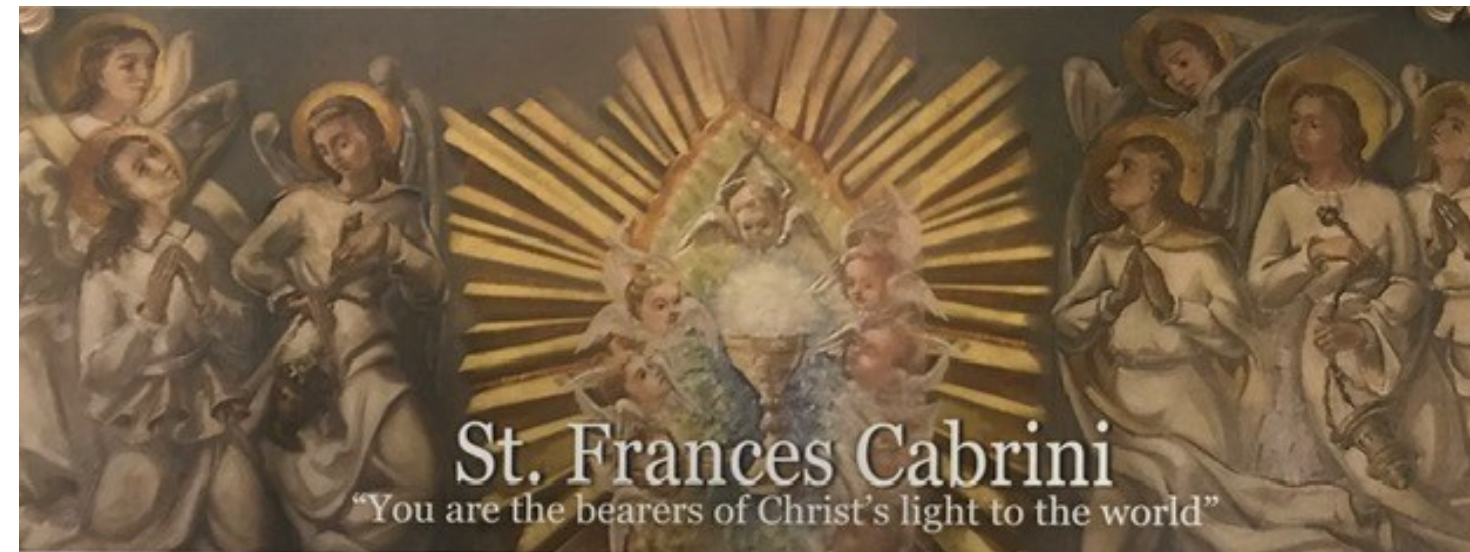
Personal Prayer with Prayer Ministry Team (First Friday of the month following 11:30 am Mass) November 1, December 6

First Saturday Rosary (Monthly), 4:30 pm, November 2, December 7

Movie Night, showing the 2024 movie “Cabrini”, 6:30 pm, November 6, in Parish Center gym

Taize Prayer (First Thursday of the month), 8 pm, November 7, December 5

Meal Service at Siena Francis House, Thursdays: December 19. If interested, contact Natalie May at [nmcgovern1@yahoo.com](mailto:nmcgovern1@yahoo.com)



**Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 29, 2024**

**Parish Directories Are Here!!**

If you had your picture taken, or submitted a picture, you get a printed directory. They are available at the Parish Center reception desk during normal hours of 9 am to 4 pm, Monday through Friday. An APP is being created that will allow access to the virtual directory. This will be available to all parishioners and will be kept current with new parishioners, changes of address, etc. We’ll keep you informed...

**October Rosary Rally for Vocations**

The Vocations Office is again leading an **archdiocese-wide rosary rally for vocations** in October and seeking to pray 75,000 rosaries to encourage our young men and women discerning priesthood and religious life. These young adults are in a spiritual battle and are trying to discern where God’s calling them in an increasingly faithless culture filled with constant distraction. They need our prayers. This isn’t a single event. Rather the rally is a month-long campaign. We need your help for this October Rosary Rally to be successful. Pray the rosary in October and log it on [Omahavocations.org](http://Omahavocations.org). Also, consider praying a rosary for your October Cabrini Community meeting and logging the total rosaries prayed.

**Cabrini’s Fall Spaghetti Dinner Updates**

Our Fall Spaghetti Dinner is on October 20th—only 3 weekends away! Spread the word to family, friends and neighbors to plan to come eat at our dinner that day. Adult Dinners will be \$15 each, child’s portion will be \$7, a quart of sauce \$5. Meatballs are remaining at \$1 each. Please mark these dates on your calendar, sign-up to help, and come join us on Friday, October 11th - meatball set up; Saturday, October 12th - meatball day; Sunday, October 13th - pasta and cookies; Wednesday, October 16th - onions and bones; Friday, October 18th - sauce and set up; Sunday, October 20th - Dinner day! Sign-up Genius is open through our website [stcabriniomaha.org](http://stcabriniomaha.org) for you to sign up for the times and areas you wish to help with prep work and/or work at the dinner. Yellow sheets are at the entrances of church only for those who do not have internet access. It takes us all to have a successful dinner!

**Upcoming Schedule**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
September 30	October 1	October 2	October 3	October 4	October 5	October 6
	ALPHA 6 pm		Spaghetti Dinner Planning Meeting 7 pm  Taize Prayer 8 pm	Personal Prayer with Prayer Ministry Team after 11:30 am Mass	First Saturday Rosary 4:30 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

Website: [www.stcabrinomaha.org](http://www.stcabrinomaha.org)

### Daily Mass Schedule

Tuesday, Oct. 1	11:30 AM	+Jose, Carmen, & Jose Gonzales, Jr.
Wednesday, Oct. 2	11:30 AM	+Mary Vacanti
Thursday, Oct. 3	11:30 AM	+Connie Schneider
Friday, Oct. 4	11:30 AM	+Barbara Lampman
Saturday, Oct. 5	5:00 PM	+Rodney Harder
Sunday, Oct. 6	9:00 AM	+Frank Nocita
Sunday, Oct. 6	11:00 AM	+Dickson LeBron
Sunday, Oct. 6	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](mailto: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](mailto: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 September 21-22

Sunday Tithe- Collections	\$	5,401.00
All Saints Gift Fund	\$	1.00
Organ Fund	\$	51.00
Improvement Fund	\$	0.00
St. Vincent de Paul	\$	77.00

### 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Anyone who gives you a cup of water to drink because you belong to Christ, amen, I say to you, will surely not lose his reward."* MARK 9:41

We are made in God's image and likeness. We tend to forget this. When you look at others, do you see the face of Jesus in them? When others look at you, do they see the face of Jesus in you? When we realize that all lives matter to God, then gratitude and generously become easier. Why? Because that's the way we are made! We are one Body of Christ; when one of us is hurting, all of us feel the pain

### St. Mary Magdalene Church

(Our Sister Parish in the new Archdiocesan Families)

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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's gospel has Jesus offering a teaching to his followers that may, at first hearing, seem to be a bit much. Jesus is reacting to some of his disciples not being happy about what other people were doing in the name of Jesus. Jesus tells them not to focus on the outsiders but on themselves – if you have parts of you that sin – get rid of it! How hard should you work to change yourself? As if you were cutting off body parts!

Do we listen to the teaching of Jesus in this gospel or do we simply say that this teaching must have been from another age? Perhaps the imagery is from another time but the need to change ourselves has never gone away. So, why don't we change? Talking with a spiritual director recently, he was reflecting on the role that acedia was playing in his life. Perhaps this ancient vice is the reason why many of us do not really work to change ourselves.

R.R. Reno wrote an essay on acedia more than twenty years ago in First Things. I hope you find his summary insightful:

*Christians have not always thought pride the deepest threat to faith. For the ancient spiritual writers of the monastic movement, spiritual apathy was far more dangerous...Evagrius of Pontus, a fourth-century monk, is one of the earliest sources of information about the desert monastic movement, and he reports that gluttony, avarice, anger, and other vices threaten monastic life. Yet, of all these afflictions, he reports, "the demon of acedia, also called the noonday demon, is the one that causes the most serious trouble of all."*

*Acedia is a word of Greek origin that means, literally, without care...For the monastic tradition, acedia or sloth is a complex spiritual state that defies simple definition. It describes a lassitude and despair that overwhelms spiritual striving. Sloth is not mere idleness or laziness; it involves a torpor animi, a dullness of the soul that can stem from restlessness just as easily as from indolence. Bernard of Clairvaux speaks of a sterilitas animae, a sterility, dryness, and barrenness of his soul that makes the sweet honey of Psalm-singing seem tasteless and turns vigils into empty trials...Across these different descriptions, a common picture emerges. The noonday devil tempts us into a state of spiritual despair and sadness that drains us of our Christian hope. It makes the life of prayer and charity seem pointless and futile. In the heat of midday, as the monk tires and begins to feel that the commitment to desert solitude was a terrible miscalculation, the demon of acedia whispers despairing and exculpatory thoughts. "Did God intend for human beings to reach for the heavens?" "Does God really care whether we pray?"*

*...Are these temptations that afflict the monk as strange or alien as the unfamiliar Greek word, acedia? I think not. Let me update the whispering voice of sloth: "All things are sanctified by the Lord, and one could just as well worship on the golf course as in a sanctuary made by human hands." Or: "God is love, and love affirms; therefore, God accepts me just as I am. I need not exercise myself to change." Or: "We should not want to put God in a box, so the Christian tradition must be seen as a resource for our spiritual journeys, not as a mandatory itinerary. I can pick and choose according to my own spiritual needs."*

*In our day, these temptations seem far more dangerous than Emerson's "trust thyself." After all, how many people, believers or unbelievers, wish to reign anywhere, in heaven, hell, or even in their own souls? Few, I imagine. Most of us just want to be left alone so that we can get on with our lives. Most of us want to be safe. We want to find a cocoon, a spiritually, psychologically, economically, and physically gated community in which to live without danger and disturbance. The care-free life, a life a-ccedia, is our cultural ideal. Pride may be the root of all evil, but in our day, the trunk, branches, and leaves of evil are characterized by a belief that moral responsibility, spiritual effort, and religious discipline are empty burdens, ineffective and archaic demands that cannot lead us forward, inaccessible ideals that, even if we believe in them, are beyond our capacity.*

Does any of that ring true for you? Is having a spiritual discipline or routine too hard? Do you say, God can love me just as I am, why should I work to change? Yet, Jesus taught that these spiritual disciplines matter because God wants you to be the best you can be, because God wants you to be with Him forever. Who among us would prepare for an athletic contest by eating and drinking? Would we encourage Nebraska football players to skip practice and just enjoy a few beers instead? I do not think so. Following Jesus involves a personal discipline, and acedia may be getting in the way. Ask Jesus to give you the grace to make the changes necessary to be a better disciple of his. With that grace we can cut out the things that stand in the way of being like Jesus.

Peace,

Fr. Damian