MISSION STATEMENT
St. Wenceslaus Parish community seeks to continue the mission of Jesus Christ by sharing the Good News of God's unconditional love through vibrant worship, life-long faith formation and opportunities for service.

ST. WENCESLAUS CATHOLIC CHURCH
AUGUST 23, 2015
15353 Pacific Street, Omaha, NE 68154
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Rev. Francis Nigli, Associate Pastor–frfrancis@stwenceslaus.org
Rev. Andy Syring, In Residence–frandy@stwenceslaus.org

Parish Office Hours
In an effort to serve our parishioners the Parish Office is open Monday through Thursday, 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Saturday, 9:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and Sunday, 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us. Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need. And give us peace. We ask this in the name of Jesus, Our Lord and Savior. Amen.
Will you help gather people to be a part of the reign of God? Pray to be open if God calls you to serve as priest, deacon, brother or sister. (Isaiah 66:18-21). If you think God is calling you to be a priest, visit our website at vocations@archomaha.org.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK**

**MONDAY—August 24, 2015**
- 6:45 a.m. +Millie Wootton
- 8:30 a.m. +Richard Jacoby
- 5:30 p.m. +Donald Ostronic

**TUESDAY—August 25, 2015**
- 6:45 a.m. +Bridget Thommi
- 8:30 a.m. +Karen McConnell
- 5:30 p.m. Int. of Kay Everett

**WEDNESDAY—August 26, 2015**
- 6:45 a.m. +Lorrie Carrica
- 8:30 a.m. +Dolores Murphy
- 5:30 p.m. +John Amelse

**THURSDAY—August 27, 2015**
- 6:45 a.m. +Richard Suchan
- 8:30 a.m. +Sawyer Lippert
- 5:30 p.m. +Dr. Luis A. Vasques

**FRIDAY—August 28, 2015**
- 6:45 a.m. +Merle Gubbels
- 8:30 a.m. Int. of Edward Stevens

**SATURDAY—August 29, 2015**
- 8:30 a.m. Int. of Landon Krohn (Birthday)
- 5:00 p.m. +Katharina Petrini
- 6:30 p.m. +Pat Miller

**SUNDAY—August 30, 2015**
- 7:30 a.m. +Jerry (Rags) Rachwalik
- 9:00 a.m. +Barney & +Mary Petrini
- 10:30 a.m. +Jeanette Smolsky
- 12:00 p.m. +Kevin Amick
- 5:30 p.m. +Dave Kane

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday…………………………………………5:00 PM, 6:30 PM
Sunday………………7:30 AM, 9:00 AM, 10:30 AM, 12:00 PM, 5:30 PM
Daily
- Monday-Friday………………………………..6:45 AM
- Monday-Thursday…………………………..5:30 PM
- Monday-Saturday……………………………8:30 AM
Holy Days
- Vigil (evening before)………………………..5:30 PM
  6:45 AM, 8:30 AM, 5:30 PM, 7:00 PM

**SACRAMENTS**

**Baptism:** Pre-baptism orientation is required. Please schedule prior to the child’s birth. Call 402-330-0304 ext. 0 for dates and times.

**Matrimony:** Make arrangements at least 6 months in advance. Call 402-330-0304 ext. 0 for information.

**Reconciliation:** Monday through Thursday 5:00 to 5:25 PM. Saturdays after the 8:30 AM Mass and 3:30 PM to 4:45 PM or by appointment.

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Friends,

I hope you appreciate the parking lot like I am! Hopefully I won’t have the alignment of my car checked for a while now! Thanks for your patience and your cooperation in this project. It was supposed to be done by July 10th, but with weather and Murphy’s law...well you know how it goes! I am very grateful to Daedalus Construction who did all the concrete work. It was a huge job, we’re grateful.

There was a small switch in our Mass schedules with the school children. This year, the school Masses will be on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings at 8:30 a.m.; Fr. Francis has Monday as a day off, Fr. Andy has Thursday and I have Friday so the children will be able to experience each of the priests with this switch. Know that you are always welcome to come and join us for Eucharistic Prayer at the School Masses.

This week is Curriculum Nights for the School, RCIA begins, You are my Disciples has an open house...I’m not sure we could cram in much more into the week. I am always in awe of the generosity of time and talent on the part of each of our parishioners. Thank you for what you do. If there is something great that happens, praise God. If there is something disappointing, come and talk to me and we’ll see what we can do. If we put a lot of positive energy and God’s grace into the year, everyone is going to have an awesome experience! Know each of you are in the priests’ prayers. Fr. Tom

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**Readings for the Week of August 23, 2015**

**Sunday:** Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69
**Monday:** Rv 21:9b-14/Jn 1:45-51
**Tuesday:** 1 Thes 2:1-8/Mt 23:23-26
**Wednesday:** 1 Thes 2:9-13/Mt 23:27-32
**Thursday:** 1 Thes 3:7-13/Mt 24:42-51
**Friday:** 1 Thes 4:1-8/Mt 25:1-13
**Saturday:** 1 Thes 4:9-11/Mk 6:17-29
**Next Sunday:** Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
RELECTING ON THE SCRIPTURES
Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time, Cycle B

Today’s readings: Joshua 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b; Ephesians 5:21-32; John 6:60-69

Who’s in Charge Here?
Our second reading this Sunday says, “Wives should be subordinate to their husbands, for the husband is head of his wife.” That statement just doesn’t sit right with a lot of people. There are other beautiful images in this passage from the Letter to the Ephesians, such as: “Christ is head of the church and savior of the body.” “The church is subordinate to Christ.” “Husbands should love their wives.” All those thoughts are in there. But a lot of people quit listening after the first line. The Letter to the Ephesians compares the love of Christ for the church with the love of husband and wife. It says Christ is head of the church but loves the church as his own body, which it is. When the letter quotes Genesis about a man leaving home to be joined to his wife so the two shall become one flesh, it seems to say that is what Christ has done—left his heavenly home so that he and the church might be one. Ephesians has in mind that the church will recognize Christ as its head, but be reassured that the head “nourishes and cherishes” the body. We have a loving relationship with Christ, even an intimate one. And we have no problem saying Christ is in charge. But all that is hard to hear because it seems like the metaphor goes too far. Should wives be subordinate to their husbands? Not necessarily. Should we be subordinate to Christ? Absolutely. Written by Paul Turner. Copyright © 2008, Resource Publications, Inc., 888-273-7782, www.rpinet.com. All rights reserved. Reprinted with permission from Lectionary Bulletin Inserts, Year B: First and Second Readings.

The RCIA is a process for those interested in learning more about the Catholic faith and considering membership in the Catholic Church. If you are interested, we would like to journey with you in this process. Sponsors, fully initiated Catholics in good standing with the Church, are also needed to serve as companions to those who wish to become Catholic. Another session of the RCIA will begin August 26th. This weekend members of our RCIA Team will be in the foyer to answer any questions you may have about the RCIA. For more information, email Cindy Brown at brownc@stwenceslaus.org or call 402-330-1518.

F.Y.I. Recurrent Events
(Unless otherwise noted in the Bulletin.)
Blessing of Expectant Mothers: After all Sunday Masses, on the first Sunday of every month.
Pantry Sunday: First weekend of every month.
Donut Sunday and Blood Pressure Screening: 2nd Sunday of every month.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 29–30

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<td>Jim Hiair</td>
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<td>Nancy Jackson (sub req)</td>
<td>Bill Carter</td>
<td>John Clatanoff, Josah Powers</td>
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ADULT FAITH FORMATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

FAITHFUL MOTHERHOOD GROUP: Connecting moms of young children. Join us as we kick off the new Faithful Motherhood group, designed to support mothers as they face the joys and challenges of raising young Catholic children. The group will provide an opportunity for women to connect with other Catholic moms to enrich and deepen their faith through shared experiences. There will be prayer, group discussion and time to meet other parish moms in a relaxed environment. The group will meet on the second Thursday of each month from 7:00 to 8:15 p.m. in the Upper Room at the parish. Sign up for the first meeting on September 10th by emailing Laura Larson at laurajlarson@gmail.com or Sara Cooper at sara.a.cooper9@gmail.com. Feel free to bring a friend! Wine and snacks will be provided.

Alpha is coming this fall! It is a 10 week program designed to deepen commitment to Christ and His Church. Alpha welcomes all people who are willing to explore the meaning of life in a non-judgmental environment. The program will be offered on the second and third Wednesday nights of the month this fall during religious education time. For more information, please call Mary Eileen at 402-991-3425.

Women at the Well starts September 8th and will meet every second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. This is an evening prayer group for busy women. All are welcome to gather and pray together once a month in a welcoming and friendly atmosphere. We will decide on our format the first meeting. Call Mary Eileen at 402-991-3425 with questions.

Mark your calendars: Wednesday, September 2nd Fr. Kevin Schneider, SJ will talk about prayer from 6:30-7:30 p.m. in the church!

New Movies to check out from the Parish Office:
Finding St. Anthony: A Story of Loss and Light
Into Great Silence
Padre Pio: Between Heaven and Earth

PRIMETIMERS

August 30th: Breakfast at A+ Buffet following 9:00 a.m. Mass. We gather at the A+ Buffet at 144th and Center (on the east end of the Bag and Save lot). The cost with tax is $7.62. There will be traditional eggs, bacon, sausage, etc. as well as Chinese selections.
September 15th: Membership Dinner-Charge for this event will be $12.00/members, and $15.00/guests. Your check (reservation) will need to reach Doris Faltin no later than September 10th. (1623 North 150th Plaza - Omaha, NE 68154). The focus will be on Pope Francis. Note: When sending in your check for this event, please include your dues - $8.00/person. We would appreciate a separate check for the dues.

Other upcoming events include: September - Putt Putt and Real Golf; October - Karaoke; November Wine Tasting Any questions about Primetimers, call Larry or Sharon Wilwerding at 402-330-3518.

CEC (Christians Encounter Christ) takes you where you are and deepens your relationship to Christ. It is not a retreat but a movement. It runs from 6:30 p.m. Friday to 6:30 p.m. Sunday. Everyone attending claims 2 things, 1: it was one of the greatest experiences of my life and 2: I wish I had done it sooner! Upcoming weekends are October 16th - 18th for Men and October 23rd - 25th for Women. For more contact Barbara Eastlack 402-650-9869.

Knights of Columbus Message: One of the many things that the Knights of Columbus are noted for is their strong support for persons with intellectual and physical disabilities. The Knights have been original supporters of the Special Olympics Games started in 1968 by Eunice Kennedy Shriver and since then have raised and donated more than 600 million dollars to programs for people with disabilities. Special Olympics donations rank among the larger gifts the Order makes each year. Our Council will be participating in the statewide Tootsie Roll Drive in October. All the money collected is used to help organizations that support the disabled. This is one of our larger programs in which many of our members are involved by soliciting money after Masses and at store fronts. In November we will be participating in the Honey Sunday neighborhood drive. All money collected from this activity is used to support disability programs as well. The Knights of our parish invite all Catholic men over 18 years of age to consider becoming a member of our Council and join us as we try to make our parish and our community a better place to live. Call Rod Hofschulte at 402-510-7250 or email rhofschulte@msn.com for more information.

CHECK OUT ALL THAT IS HAPPENING IN THE ADULT FAITH FORMATION DEPARTMENT.

THE GUILD Everyone’s ministry
St. Wenceslaus Parish. Do you like green eggs & SPAM? Our priests do NOT like them. Not in the hall, at the mall, or in the fall! BUT in the summer, it would be a bummer, if there were not a meal at ALL!!!!
Every Monday and Wednesday, a family makes dinner for our priests. We call on them day and night, without hesitation. It is a great act of kindness to prepare a meal for 3 or 4 and deliver it to the office by 5:00 p.m. Our busy priests will take it home and/or eat when they have a moment. It does not have to be fancy, but please, no green eggs and Spam! SIGN-UP AT: http://stwencguild.wix.com/theguild.

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**Upcoming Important Dates for School Families**

To help with planning ahead here are some important dates to put on your calendar.

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**40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

**CAN YOU PRAY ONE HOUR?**

Wednesday, September 23rd is the beginning date for 40 Days For Life around the world to stop abortion. St. Wenceslaus Parish will be praying at Planned Parenthood at 3501 North 93rd Street. Sign up will be the weekends of September 5th and 6th and September 12th and 13th. Can you pray one hour for the unborn? Think about it. Pray about it. We will be counting on you to help pray. Contact Angie at 402-330-7153 with questions.

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**SCHOOL MASS CHANGE**

For those of you who attend the daily 8:30 a.m. Mass, grade level School Masses will be on different days of the week this school year. Grades 5-8 will go to Mass on Tuesdays and Grades K-4 will attend Mass on Wednesdays. If there is an All School Mass during the week, this will take the place of grade level Masses that week.

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Now that the parking lot is finished and the Sacristan parking spots have been moved please continue to reserve these spaces for the Sacristans. Thank you for helping our Sacristans be available to set up for the next Mass. We appreciate your assistance in this matter.

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**LITURGY CORNER**

**Singing the Communion Song – Part II**

The “Liturgy Corner” has been reflecting on our singing of the communion song at Mass. The first purpose of the communion song, according to the General Instruction of the Roman Missal, #86, is to express the communicants’ unity by means of the unity of their voices. The second purpose of our singing is to show our gladness of heart as we receive communion. If we fully enter into the moment, the communion song expresses the joy that we experience in being called to the table of the Lord to receive the Body and Blood of Christ. It is at the table of the Lord that we are fully forgiven, reconciled to God and one another and made whole. Here, at this table, we are also being drawn out of our individual selves to become one body. Truly, this is no small thing! The communion song, then, expresses our praise, our thanksgiving and our joy for receiving Christ’s greatest gift to us – himself! 
(excerpts taken from Living Liturgy for Sundays and Solemnities 2015, Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN.)
Perpetual Adoration

Brothers & Sisters! Christ has Died!
Christ has Risen! Christ will come Again!
Bear the Cross: Look at His Head….Look at His Eyes….Look at His Hands….Look at his Side….Look at His Feet…..Christ died on the Cross for our sins.

Come to the water! Immerse yourself in God’s Divine Mercy. Spend at least a few moments in God’s Divine Presence in the Reservation Chapel.
Perpetual Adoration is held in the Chapel 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
In addition, we are seeking adorers who can spend at least an hour or more a week as an adorer in the Reservation Chapel.
Our openings are meant to best fit your schedule.
If you would like to be an Adorer or an Adorer Day Team Captain, please give me a call or you can email me.

Thank you,
John Hall
Adoration Coordinator
Email: johnruns4fun@gmail.com Tel: 402-758-0451

Red Cross Blood Drive
Saturday, September 26, 2015
Sign-up at redcrossblood.org

Daniel & Elizabeth Hess
Julie Kulhanek
Joseph & Jana Flaxbeard
Brian, Jennifer, Libby & Julia Fox
Coleen Murray
John, Amy, Luke & Grace Henderson

Planned Parenthood's own annual report reveals that last year it ended the lives of 327,653 babies. That is 327 thousand unborn babies' lives. Planned Parenthood does one-third of all abortions in the U.S. According to Lifenews.com, “In 2013, abortions made up 94% of Planned Parenthood's pregnancy services.” According to The New Leviathan: The Mega-Center Report, “Many of the non-abortion services (including cancer screening and other preventive services) have declined more than 50%.” Many of these other services (only 6% of their business) are available free at other facilities like pregnancy centers and free public screening. Planned Parenthood receives mega funds from taxpayers. During the 2013-2014 fiscal year they received over $528 million in government spending or $1.4 million a day. Pray to end abortion. Be sure to sign up to pray one hour for the unborn for the 40 Days for Life on September 5th and 6th and September 12th and 13th.

In Loving Memory
+Linda San Nicholas
Sister in law to Vera Herrero & Lorra O’Banion
+Joseph Horak
Brother of Dorothy Tuma
+ Della Hines
Mother of Ric Hines

Home Visits to Bereaved
We are in need of volunteers to be part of the ministry that visits the bereaved who have had a funeral at St. Wenceslaus. This can be as little as one visit a month or more depending on how much time you would like to give. If you have questions or would like to join this Ministry please call Mary at 402-697-7514. Thank you for your consideration.
Mentor Ministry
Are you called to be a mentor? What does it mean to be a mentor? I’m sure you are asking yourself, how could I do this? Anyone who is interested in listening, encouraging and supporting teens in their everyday life. Call Elizabeth at 402-330-9620 to get involved in this exciting and fun time.

Confirmation: For those wanting to receive the sacrament of Confirmation next year, registration and information is available in the Faith Formation office.

Open House is Wednesday August 26th. Come and meet your Catechist and learn more about our fun, faith-filled Wednesday nights. A brief meeting will begin in the church at 6:10 p.m. Calendars, handbooks and information will be presented to families. Kyrie sign-up and registration will be available. Your Catechist will be ready to meet you and welcome you to your classroom. We are looking forward to seeing our families there!

MISSING SACRAMENTS? Do you have a child (grades 1-8) who has missed receiving sacraments? We offer a “catch up” program for students who are not baptized Catholic or have missed receiving First Reconciliation or First Eucharist. Please call 402-330-1889 for more details.

Youth Ministry
Overflow Ministry
Mission of ministry at St. Wenceslaus: Inviting, Growing, and Overflowing
This month everyone is talking about getting back into the swing of school and all the surrounding busyness that can be overwhelming. Please take a moment for prayer this week. What will you do with your extra time, maybe a game night with your family, family dinner every night (an impossible task most weeks), or maybe it will be spending Wednesday nights at the church. However you spend your extra time, please know we are here to support you along the way.

Mentor Ministry
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Confirmation options
St. Wenceslaus has a new opportunity for those preparing for the sacrament of Confirmation. The classroom option is available along with a discipleship opportunity. For more information, check the website.

Elizabeth Hansen
Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry
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Young Adult Ministry
Wenceslaus Prayer Partner: We are looking for those who are called to prayer. Many programs will be starting in the fall for youth and young adults and we need your prayers. Please email Elizabeth if you would like to be a Wenceslaus Prayer Partner.

Reflection for this week: Jesus said, “I am the living bread that came down from heaven; whoever eats this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world.” Lord help me to see you humbled before me in the Eucharist. With your grace give me strength throughout this week to do your will, and go where I am called. Amen.

Upcoming Events for MSM and HSM
- September 2nd: YDisciple starts, get registered asap, http://stwenceslaus.weebly.com/wenc-day-night.html
- September - May: Check out our website for additional events. http://stwenceslaus.weebly.com/

Upcoming Events Young Adults
- Catholic Coffee: 3rd Tuesdays, check Facebook for our location.
- Servants of St. Wenc.: To be involved in projects running this summer, contact Elizabeth.

For more like us on Facebook or @ http://www.stwencya.weebly.com
**Is there something God is calling you to do? I would love to help**
TRAINING FOR NEW SERVERS IS COMING!

If you are a 7th or 8th grade boy or girl (or older) and wish to minister as a new altar server for Sundays, holy days and special liturgies here at St. Wenceslaus, please email (brownc@stwenceslaus.org) or call the Liturgy Office (402-330-1518) by Friday, September 4th to let us know.

There are TWO TRAINING SESSIONS required for all NEW servers. Please come for the first training session at one of the following times: Tuesday, September 8th, 3:30-4:30 p.m. (in Church) OR Thursday, September 10th, 6:30-7:30 p.m. (also in Church). Each new server also needs to sign up for a small group training session. New servers must attend both a large group AND a small group session.

Listed below are the scheduled dates and times for the small group training. When you come to the large group training session, please be prepared to tell us your first, second and third choice from these times:
- Monday, 9/14: 3:30-4:30 p.m., 4:35-5:35 p.m.
- Tuesday 9/15: 3:30-4:30 p.m., 4:35-5:35 p.m.
- Thursday, 9/17: 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Monday 9/21: 3:30-4:30 p.m., 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, 9/22: 3:30-4:30 p.m., 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, 9/24: 3:30-4:30 p.m., 4:35-5:35 p.m.
- Saturday, 9/26: 9:30-10:30 a.m.

For further information, please call the Liturgy Office at 402-330-1518.

MEETINGS FOR CURRENT SERVERS

All CURRENT servers who wish to continue ministering must attend one of the following meetings: Tuesday, September 8th, 6:30-7:15 p.m., OR Thursday, September 10th, 3:30-4:15 p.m. Both meetings will be in the Church.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE FOR OUR SCHOOL!

Please clip and save BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION. Each one is worth 10 cents for St. Wenceslaus School. Box Tops can be found on products like these: General Mills, Pillsbury, Betty Crocker, Ziploc, Kleenex, Hefty. Put your Box Tops in a baggie or envelope and drop them in the collection container found on the back shelf of the rotating kiosk near the cry room entrance in the church foyer. Contact Rachel if you have any questions. ragoehring@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support!

Elderly/Homebound Visitation Ministry: Some of our elderly and homebound parishioners are lonely and spend many hours with little contact with other individuals. Having someone visit, lend an ear and give a smile or hug can mean the world to them. If you are interested in making a difference in someone’s life in this way please contact Mary Stieren at 402-697-7514 or stierenm@stwenceslaus.org. Thanks for your concern and interest.

Welcome to the newest members born to new life through Baptism.

Landon Charles Pickett
Jeff & Laura Pickett

BAKERS

Shop Bakers! Earn “free” Money!
St. Wenceslaus earned just over $5300 this past school year! Thank you to all those supporting the program!
Spread the word, it is so easy to participate!

When shopping Bakers, use your Plus shopper’s card and St. Wenceslaus will receive credit. Follow the steps below:
- Visit bakersplus.com/communityrewards
- Sign in or create an account
- Enter 10448 for St. Wenceslaus.

Questions? Contact: Lisa Pappas
JLKEGPAPPAS@gmail.com

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BULLETIN DEADLINE
Sunday, August 30th
Deadline is Friday, August 21st at NOON

EARLY DEADLINE
Sunday, September 6th
Deadline is Wednesday, August 26th at NOON
A Time to Heal:  A Time to Heal foundation helps people who have had cancer through classes that give medically sound information on recovering health and minimizing risk of recurrence, teaching a variety of relaxation techniques and providing opportunities to talk to professionals and others who have had cancer about coping with the side effects of cancer treatment. Three options are available starting in September: a FREE 12-week program designed to help cancer patients regain health following treatment. An 8 week class to help people experiencing “chemobrain” improve memory and organization. A support group for people with recurrent or metastatic cancer. Please visit our website at www.mytimetoheal.org or call 402-401-6083 for more information. Both daytime and evening classes are available.

Human Needs Niche
Want to help out but do not know where to start? Welcome to the Human Needs Niche. Here you will find various activities within our community. Enjoy your service!

August’s Charity
Any donations received in the special collection envelope this month will be donated to Heart Ministry Center.

Heart Ministry Center: "The Heart Ministry Center provides basic necessities, educational opportunities, health outreach events and support to individuals and families in north Omaha and surrounding areas." Their motto is "We believe in the dignity of all." They use volunteers for a wide variety of things from stocking shelves, handing out sack lunches, mentoring a child, shopping with a family for clothes, making food samples for clients to try, or helping a client with groceries. Donations are also needed; they take pretty much anything a person wants to donate besides upholstered furniture, cribs, or expired baby formula. Any donated item is helpful having a wide array of goods for clients to choose from makes them feel special. The items we need the most are men's and boys' clothes and food. Monetary donations placed in the special collection envelope this month goes to the Heart Ministry Center. If you have any questions please contact Jim Clements at jim@heartministrycenter.org or 402-451-2321 ext. 101.

Did you know?? The Heart Ministry Center provides acts of assistance for more than 67,000 people, including: food for more than 25,000 people, clothing for more than 18,000 people, household/toiletry items for more than 13,500 people, holiday baskets and meals for more than 3,000 people and financial assistance for more than 30 people, medical assistance for more than 2,000 people, self-sufficiency classes and seminars for more than 500 people, and a special outreach for more than 5,000 people. You can see the good your donations will provide for the people of our Omaha community. Check out their website and maybe you will even like to volunteer here. Thank you for your donations.

Our community thanks you and appreciates you!
The Human Needs Committee

Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance Classes starting here again soon!! Monday and Thursday afternoons 4:30 to 5:15 p.m. in Social Hall C.

Beginner classes on August 24th, 27th, 31st and September 3rd for those who are curious about the program, have never taken Tai Chi before, or are needing a refresher. We will explain the program and introduce you to the forms. First Class of regular 12 week session Monday September 14th, through Dec. 10th. This form of Tai Chi was developed by a team of researchers at the Oregon Research Institute. The program uses eight forms that have been derived from the traditional 24-form Yang-style Tai Chi and progresses from easy to difficult. Research has shown that people who complete the program are half as likely to fall and are less fearful about falling. Tai Chi: Moving for Better Balance helps older adults improve their balance and reduce the likelihood of falling. You will notice an increase in leg and core strength. The program is intended for community dwelling older adults aged 60 and older, who can walk easily with or without assistive devices. Participants should practice the program at least twice a week for 12 weeks, in a class taught by an authorized instructor. We have two authorized instructors in our parish and have a good time at class and often attend daily Mass together after class. There is no charge to Parish Members. Health benefits are improved physical health that leads to better functioning in daily activities. Improved balance, muscle strength, flexibility and mobility. Better mental health such as increased self-esteem and less social isolation. Please call Mary Stieren at 402-697.7514 or email mack.joan56@gmail.com with questions and to sign up.

SAVE THE DATE
Václav Fall Festival Weekend 2015
Václav Night (Adults Only)
Friday, September 25th 6:30 p.m.
Václav Family Day
Sunday, September 27th 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Mark your calendars because you will not want to miss this fun weekend!

LORD, TEACH ME TO PRAY - DISCERNMENT AND GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT, Part 3, invites women who have prayed Ignatian Prayer Series Parts 1 and 2, to join us Thursdays beginning September 10th, 9:30 - 11:30 a.m. in the Upper Room for 14 weeks. We "seek to experience God's revelation of Himself in all things" (page 12H-6) as we grow in appreciation of the gifts of the Spirit. All women who have recently prayed Part 2 and also those who have previously prayed part 3 are welcome.

For questions or to register, please contact parishioner Julie Wilson 402-334-9430 or julieac.wilson@gmail.com.
The Catholic's Divorce Survival Guide will be offered Monday evenings, starting September 14th at 7:00 p.m. at St. Margaret Mary in Omaha. The 12 week program features a 30-minute video that cover topics of shock, denial, anger, grief, guilt, forgiveness, money, the courts, the kids, the ex-spouse, annulment, dating, sexuality, spirituality, remarriage or staying single and much more. Cost of $20.00 per person includes a “Personal Survival Guide” for each participant. Program led by Deacon Mike Leick. To register, call Kay Buhrman at 402-551-9003 ext. 1304 or email her at ekbuhrman@archomaha.org.

Crafters/Vendors Wanted: The Skutt Catholic Parent Association’s annual Chic Boutique will be held Saturday, October 10th from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Crafters/vendors can reserve booth space by completing a registration form from the Skutt Catholic website at http://www.skutt catholic.com/files/229/chicboutiquevendor15.pdf. Learn about the new promotional opportunity being offered to vendors on the registration form! For additional information, contact Sherri Carstens atschsboutique@hotmail.com or at 402-881-2160.

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DO YOU KNOW WHAT THAT MEANS?
DO YOU WANT TO LEARN EXACTLY HOW TO LIVE IT?
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ONE EVENING REGIONAL EVENT
THURSDAY, October 29th, 7:00 – 9:30 P.M.
St. Robert Bellarmine
For more information and to register:
Paul Watson @ 402-616-3952 or visit: www.stwenceslaus.org
www.RealLifeCatholic.com

Hospice Volunteers are needed to provide companionship and support for individuals living with terminal illnesses and their families. Volunteers choose the house they are able to serve and determine the geographical location in the metro Omaha/Council Bluffs and surrounding area. We are specifically looking for volunteer support during day time hours and those willing to do in home visits. Volunteer education is sponsored by Alegent Creighton Hospice, Methodist Hospice, VNA Hospice, and Hospice House. Space is Limited. Call one of the following agencies to request an application.

SAVE THE DATE
September 18th
HCHN Fall FUNdraiser at the Fire Fighters’ Hall on 60th and Grover Street. Come join in the fun and help support the construction of housing for the teachers of these beautiful children from Divine Mercy School in Erena. More details to come.

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